



Concord West Public School News

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Principal's Message

What a wonderful and busy fortnight we have had!

In the last fortnight, students took part in the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition, the K-6 Athletics Carnival, the combined music camp, Photo Day, Stage 3 Inter-school Debating, the commencement of lunchtime equipment for students to play with and weekly mindfulness lunch session for students who are interested.

Students from Year 3-6 effectively communicated their **Multicultural Public Speaking Competition** speeches with confidence and clarity, entertaining the audience and allowing them to question and ponder real life scenarios. Thank you families for supporting this initiative and for fostering this lifelong skill of public speaking. Congratulations to all our school finalists in this year's Public Speaking Competition for their exceptional speeches. You all should be proud of your achievements. I sure am! A big thank you to Mrs Habbouchi and her team of teachers who ensured this process was run fairly and smoothly. Your hard work in organising this event is appreciated by all. Photos and videos of our finalists have been uploaded on our Concord West Learning Hub. Please click [here](#) to view.

At the **Athletics Carnival**, it was wonderful to again hear the cheers of our students, passionate for their Houses, drenched in their colours, championing those who raced, jumped and pushed hard to achieve. I am so proud of how you all show great teamwork and sportspersonship. A huge thank you to Mr Craft, Mrs Cooke and their team of staff members who helped organise such a successful event. Congratulations to all of the many successes achieved at last week's Athletics Carnival. I couldn't be more proud of you!

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Upcoming Dates

Tue 28 Jun

NAIDOC Performance:
Majeda Beatty

Thu 30 Jun

Industrial Action: *Minimal supervision at school*

Fri 1 July

Last day of Term 2

Mon 4-18 July

School Holidays

Monday 18 July

**School Development Day
(students do not attend)**

Tuesday 19 July

Students return to school



Principal's Message continued...

Two weeks ago, I had the privilege of attending the **Combined Schools' Music Camp** with our 20 students. Walking through the campground and listening to beautiful singing voices and the sound of instruments calling out rhythm and pitch gave me great hope. So much of this was taken away from us over the past two years, no ensembles, no cheering, no bands, no choir, no live audience. I have great hope that those days are over and we can move forward with more of these events. A massive thank you to Mr Wallace for organising, facilitating and attending the music camp. Your significant commitment to our student musicians and music across the network of schools is extremely valuable.

Student reports for Semester 1 are being finalised and will be given to students this week. As mentioned in a previous newsletter, the CWPS student academic reports have undergone a thorough review and transformation this year. Our aim is to provide you with student reports that are personalised and comprehensive, providing detailed, clear and specific information about student learning, growth, next steps and improvement measures. Early next term, please keep an eye out for the survey asking for your feedback on how we can further refine and enhance the academic reports. Following the distribution of the semester 1 reports, if you wish to discuss any aspect of this report with your child's teacher, please contact the school and arrange an interview.

I would like to **acknowledge all the staff** for their relentless work ethic this term. Like all schools, we are still struggling with sickness and yet our staff have worked tirelessly to teach, cover classes with fewer people, deliver a high-quality education and offer the countless opportunities and services that our students at CWPS participate in. Your hard work and commitment to our school and our students' education is appreciated by

Lastly, I would like to say **thank you to all the families** for trusting us with your children each and every day and for having a strong commitment to work with the school as partners of your child's education and development. I am very grateful to be working with such a committed community. An enormous thank you for your kind generosity with your voluntary contributions. These funds will contribute greatly to our teaching and learning resources.

This will be the last newsletter in this format. From next term, the Concord West PS newsletter will have a new look, feel and name. Watch this space!

Have an enjoyable holiday with family and friends. Take care and I look forward to Term 3.

Ms Monica Marchiello
Principal



Concord West Parents and Citizens (CWPS P&C)



Our P&C are calling for your voices!

Community voices are vital to both the P&C and CWPS to ensure we are delivering on priorities important to our students. Please take a moment to complete our survey so we can understand what our school community would like to hear. One proposed topic will be discussed at each P&C monthly meeting and we look forward to the involvement of our parent community at these meetings.

Concord West Public School's P&C meetings are held monthly. Our next meeting is Wednesday 3rd August at 7pm.

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf6vppEqmLXvg3luA3rGy-nzpq-MWtWhhESWtp0xVMkqFStcA/viewform>

Mindfulness @ Lunchtime

Last week we launched a trial student mindfulness group during lunch time on Tuesday.

About 14 students attended and participated in a short mindfulness practice from the Smiling Mind website followed by quiet time doing mindfulness colouring. Students demonstrated a good understanding of the value of mindfulness and a commitment to the practice.

We hope to extend the trial into Term 3, if we have ongoing student interest. It is envisaged that the mindfulness room will provide students with a passive play option and a welcomed alternative to the playground. Mindfulness-based social and emotional learning equips children with the skills they need to thrive in life, by building healthy minds that are capable of paying attention to the present moment with openness, curiosity and without judgement.



Mindfulness @ Lunchtime

All students are welcome to join us
for lunchtime mindfulness
activities and drawing—Tuesdays
at lunchtime after eating time
(11.10-11.40am)
in Room 8



Inter-school Debating Round 3—Concord West vs Homebush West

The Concord West Public School debating team came through with an amazing victory on Thursday the 23rd of June. The team was Sophie K as first speaker, Molly M as second, Hanbi P as third and Emily B who made an awesome fourth speaker. The debate was performed in the school hall in front of the other stage three classes, and for this debate the Homebush West students came to our school.

The topic was “Students in Year 5 and 6 should be taught to sew, cook, clean and fix things”.

Concord West was the negative team and Homebush West was the affirmative. The debate was a close one - both teams spoke well and had strong, valid arguments. They also had great rebuttal - telling the other team why they were wrong. The adjudicator gave both teams feedback to improve their performances for future debates. The Concord West team also won their previous debate against Berala Public School.

- Molly M, Stage 3



The Multicultural Public Perspectives Public Speaking Competition 2022

For 27 years, this competition has encouraged primary school students to explore ideas of multiculturalism in Australia while they practise their public speaking skills and improve their confidence. Every year around 2,000 students are chosen to represent their schools in the local finals, which will hopefully be running live and in-person all around the state in 2022.

Well done to all our Stage 2 and Stage 3 students who participated this year. Our CWPS adjudicators Mrs Mawad, Ms Yasugi, Mrs Kim and Mrs Eadie were blown away by the high quality of the speeches! There was a mix of well-researched content connecting with personal stories and thought-provoking messages about multiculturalism.

We also want to commend all of Stage 2 and 3 for the planning and perseverance in designing and creating their speeches.

Congratulations to the students who have been selected to represent our school at the regional finals:

Shohaam S (Year 4) - 'Racism - No Way!'

Demir C (Year 4) - 'Racism - No Way!'

Emily B (Year 6) - "Identity: It's Complicated!"

Sophie K (Year 6) - "The Story of Australia"

Parents/carers—please visit the Multicultural Perspectives Public Speaking Competition page on the CWPS Learning Hub for more photos and videos from the competition—click the link below:

<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/cwps/multicultural-public-speaking>



Multicultural Public Speaking Competition 2022



Our students from years 3 - 6 at Concord West Public School participated in the Multicultural Public Speaking Competition.

First the students took part in an in-class competition, where the students presented their speech to their teacher and classmates.

From each stage, two students were picked to go to the next stage of the competition.

After this, the two picked finalists from each class presented these same speeches in front of their whole stage.

The stage 2 finalists were Eamon M and Henri J from 4/3M, Shohaam S and Annie W from 4/3P, Gleb L and Aditya T from 3/2C and Demir C and Samuel M from 4/3L. The stage three finalists were Ethan V and Samayagna M from 6/5M, Sophie K and Emily B from 6/5W and Molly M and Keira D from 6/5SH. Congratulations to these six students for making it to this round.

We would like to congratulate the following students who have made it to the Regional Finals.

Our stage 2 finalists are Demir C and Shohaam S.

Our stage 3 finalists are Sophie K and Emily B.

The video-taped speeches have been sent through to the next stage of the competition.

Congratulations to all these students and we hope they will do well in the next stage of the competition.

Written by Keira D and Molly M

The CWPS Athletics Carnival 2022

The K-6 Athletics Carnival was held on 15th June 2022 at St Luke's Park. Please enjoy these photos from the day and be sure to check out the school video on the CWPS home page:

Athletics Carnival Video: <https://concordw-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>



Student Voice: The CWPS Athletics Carnival

The Athletics Carnival was held on the 15 of June at St Luke's Park. Our students participated in numerous events including 100 metre, 200 metre, 800 metre and 1500 metre for 3-6 and 70 metre for K-2. Participation rates were high, and our runners were eager to get out and give it their best. Our house captains helped lead our houses to victory with their encouragement and chants.

SISA has been helping at school to measure long jump, shot put and discus, they also helped on the day by supplying activities for the students, such as, sack racing, egg and spoon racing, and many more. We had a fantastic day! Congratulations to all our students for their enthusiasm!

- Ethan V (Stage 3)



Stage 3: Food and Fibre

This term Stage 3 has been learning about food and fibre in science. They have discovered that mass manufactured food such as fruit and veg, meat and eggs have a big environmental impact. Some of these impacts include soil erosion, water shortages, animal loss and deforestation. These impacts will be felt for generations to come.

One of the solutions to mass manufacturing is growing and buying food locally. Locally produced food has a shorter food chain which means it can be better for you, the community, and the environment. Some of the advantages are that it is fresher, cheaper, and you can know where it comes. It also has less chemicals and a lower carbon footprint, as it needs less transport to get from farm to plate.



To be a part of the solution to environmental issues, Stage 3 are starting their own small businesses at school. They are growing winter herbs and vegetables in the school garden and hope to sell them to families later in the year. To promote our businesses, we are creating Google Websites with information about our product including recipes, advertisements, logos and pricing.

- Mr Macfarlane and the students of 6/5M





Winter PSSA

Results- Week 8

Junior Netball

Coached by Ms. Pachos

Concord Public School
Junior A - loss 6-1

Wentworth Point Public School
Junior B - Loss 10-0

Senior Netball

Coached by Ms. King

Concord Public School Senior A -
loss 1-5

Marie Bashir
Senior B - won 9-3

Boys Soccer

Coached by Mr. Lu

vs. Wenworth Point PS

Junior Boys - won 2-1

Senior Boys - won 2-1

Girls Soccer

Coached by Mr. McEwan

vs. Homebush West PS

Junior A draw 1-1

Junior B loss 0-6

Just a reminder that parents can view results, news and photos on the Learning hub:

<https://sites.google.com/education.nsw.gov.au/cwps/winter-pssa>



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Learn to Play, Beginners to Intermediate players

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-  27th June - 1st July | Olympic Park (5Days)
-  4th - 8th July | Strathfield (5Days)
-  11th - 15th July | Olympic Park (5Days)
-  4th, 5th, 11th & 15th July | Ryde (4Days)



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Concord West Public School

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info@kfamartialarts.com.au

www.karate-kids.com.au



POWELLS CREEK TENNIS CENTRE

Conway Ave, North Strathfield

July School Holiday Tennis Camps

	Half day tennis 9am to 12 noon	Full day tennis 9am to 3pm (drop-off from 8:30am)	After camp supervision 3pm to 6pm
Monday 4 th July			
Tuesday 5 th July			
Wednesday 6 th July			
Thursday 7 th July			
Friday 8 th July			
Monday 11 th July			
Tuesday 12 th July			
Wednesday 13 th July			
Thursday 14 st July			
Friday 15 th July			

(Tick preferred times)

Half day tennis 9am to 12 noon	\$ 36 inc GST	CHILD NAME:
Full day tennis 9am to 3pm	\$ 66 inc GST	PARENT MOBILE:
2 days	\$ 120 inc GST	PARENT EMAIL:
3 days	\$ 165 inc GST	I WILL PAY THE AMOUNT OF \$ BY:
4 or more days	\$ 50 per day inc GST	(please circle)
After camp supervision 3pm to 6pm for FULL DAY participants only <i>Ball games to 4:30pm followed by afternoon tea and DVDs</i> <i>In event of rain, there will be a wet weather program or credit will be given towards a future tennis camp.</i>	\$ 18 extra per day	Internet banking Account name: PC TENNIS PTY LTD BSB: 032 275 Account number: 437953 Credit card Cardholder name: Credit card number: Expiry date: CVV (last 3 digits on back): Visa / Mastercard (please circle)

No same day bookings or payments will be taken

Spots are only confirmed when payment is received

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Hours

BSC 7.00am-9.00am

ASC 3.00pm-6.00pm

Weldon is a Not – for- profit Community organisation with an impressive history of supporting families and children across Sydney.

Weldon@ Concord West is an 80 place Multipurpose centre for children aged birth to 12 years.

Our aim is to create a safe and caring environment where children can choose to participate in a range of play-based activities that engage, promote curiosity and learning, and are driven by the interests of the children attending the program.



We love the fact that families can come to us when their children are babies and stay with us until they leave Primary School!

Our NEW DIRECTOR Christine O'Keefe has many years of experience, and strongly believes that children learn through play and that in their environment and through play they can incorporate learning concepts from an early age. At Weldon we believe that children should have fun while they are learning and our Early Years program extends children's knowledge in maths, science, school readiness, arts and craft, physical and fine motor activities from our early learner's room.

Our Outside of School Care program operates Before School Care and After School Care each Term, for children who attend Concord West Public School. (Weldon operates Vacation Care program in North Strathfield during school holidays).



In our onsite, purpose-built environment we provide a recreational and social program for school aged children without having to travel to and from the school.

We love to welcome new families, and have some vacancies now, so why not call us and make a time to meet Christine and have a look around.

PH: 97436395 or mobile: 0418 372 594

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grow and
make friends

and explore this world.



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Public School**

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Parents: FREE

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dance2fitnessnorthshore@gmail.com

**STARTS JULY 29th , 2022
3:15PM TO 4:00PM**



Experience a **FREE** Holiday Break Camp this Winter School Holidays

Book your child's School Holiday camp today!

The NSW Government is pleased to announce the return of FREE kids camps for this Winter School Holidays.

Holiday Break camps are available for kids 12-15 years from regional NSW communities. The camps are a combination of day and residential camps across seven Sport and Recreation Centres and include all meals, accommodation (residential camps only) and activities.

Kids will get to participate in activities such as archery, kayaking, mountain biking and much more! So why not get the kids to take a break, get active, and have some fun this Winter school holidays.

Free Holiday Break camps are being offered at the following Office of Sport, Sport and Recreation Centres:

- **Milson Island**
- **Broken Bay**
- **Point Wolstoncroft**
- **Berry**
- **Lake Burrendong**
- **Lake Keepit**
- **Borambola**



<https://www.sport.nsw.gov.au/holiday-break-camps>

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