

# The Meadows Mag

A vibrant and caring learning community

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<b>Office Hours</b> Monday to Friday 8:20am - 3pm	<b>Canteen</b> Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:20am - 2pm
<b>Before &amp; After School Care</b>  <a href="http://www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/">www.squiggler.com.au/enrol-now/</a> or for more information contact head office on 1300 778 444	<b>Uniform Shop</b> Uniforms are sold in the canteen Monday, Wednesday & Friday 8:20am - 9am  Payment by cash & cheque at school OR prepay online using MasterCard or Visa 

## Calendar

### Important Dates in Term 4, 2020

#### Week 1

Monday, 12 <sup>th</sup> October	Staff & STUDENTS return.
Wednesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> October	School Banking
Wednesday, 14 <sup>th</sup> October	SISA – K-2

#### Week 2

Monday – Friday	Book Fair
Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> October	School Banking
Wednesday, 21 <sup>st</sup> October	SISA – 3-6
Thursday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Book Character Parade

#### Week 3

Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> October	School Banking
Wednesday, 28 <sup>th</sup> October	SISA – K-2

#### Week 4

Wednesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> November	School Banking
Wednesday, 4 <sup>th</sup> November	SISA – 3-6

## Principal's Message

### COVID-19 Term 4 Guidelines for Schools

Yesterday, all NSW schools were issued with an update in regards to COVID-19 school guidelines for Term 4. The key points pertaining to students and parents are as follows:

- Non-essential adults, including parents, are still not permitted on any school site.
- Parents and carers must be reminded regularly that students must not come to school if they are unwell, even with very mild symptoms. Students cannot return to school until a negative Covid test result has been presented.
- K-2 students will continue to be taken to the school exit points at 2:40pm each afternoon to spread out the pedestrian traffic as much as possible outside the gates at 'home time'. Students in Years 3-6 finish at the normal time of 2:50pm.
- Physical distancing of students is not required. Physical distancing of adults is required.
- School Camp can go ahead.
- Year 6 Farewell can go ahead. Details to be finalised re venue.
- Kindy Orientation can go ahead with students only at this stage.
- Year 7 Orientation can go ahead.
- School Assemblies are still limited to just 15 minutes. As above, parents not permitted.
- Schools as Community Centre Playgroup can recommence. Madhur will provide further advice to those families involved.
- Turkish School can recommence on Friday afternoons (next term, not today).

### School Leavers

If your child is in Kindergarten to Year 5 and you know you are leaving our school by the end of 2020, please let the office know now or as soon as possible as we are beginning to plan class structures for 2021.

### Staffing News

We have missed our Aboriginal Education Officer (AEO) Brooke Duarte this term who has been busily completing university and prac teaching commitments. Brooke has been successful in gaining a teaching position at Cambridge Park PS and will no longer be a part of our team. We thank Brooke for her contribution to The Meadows PS and wish her the very best as she embarks on her own teaching career. Congratulations and Farewell Brooke! The AEO position will be filled in Term 1 2021.

### Kindy 2021 Enrolments and Orientation Program

Do you have a younger child ready to start Kindergarten at The Meadows PS next year? Or do you know someone in the neighbourhood who has? If so, please come along or invite your neighbours to come along and commence the enrolment process NOW! Yesterday we were informed that Kindy Orientation can go ahead, so we are busy planning and don't want anyone to miss out.

There are 62 students in our current 2020 Kindergarten cohort and we are eager to at least match that figure heading into 2021! As of today, as we end Term 3 we have 44 confirmed and enrolled students.

If you have an enrolment form or any enquiries please see Mrs Anderson in the front office.

### Students' Fun Page

The 100-minute Principal's Reading Challenge is back! Check out the special home reading challenge activity on the back page of this edition. Read for 100 minutes across the 2-week holiday period to go in the draw to win some great prizes!

### Term 4 Dates

Finally, I wish everyone a safe, happy and relaxing springtime holiday, spending quality time with your families.

School will resume for all students on Monday 12th October. A Community Calendar will be released in the first week of term, pending any further health advice received during the holiday period.

A number of events are indeed listed as TBC (To Be Confirmed) due to possible COVID-19 restrictions which may still be in place.

Look after each other,

*Scott Staveley*

Principal

## BOOK FAIR AND PARADE

Don't forget the **Book Fair will be held between Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October** (Week 2 of Term 4). Please see the online catalogue on our School Website and Facebook page to see available books and prices (links below). **The Book Parade will be on Thursday, 22<sup>nd</sup> October for students only.** This year's theme is *"Curious Creatures and Wild Minds"*. Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite fantasy book characters. Ideas include; mermaids, princesses, elves, gnomes and dragons.

Mr Prants

Facebook links: <https://www.facebook.com/981164238615435/posts/3279883008743535/>

School Website: <https://themedows-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/gallery/book-fair-2020.html>



# Book Week 2019





# CONGRATULATIONS Award Winners!

## Week 9

### Teacher's Awards (2 points)

KH	Liyanne Therese
KP	Srithika Ranbir
KS	LJ Micah
1/2B	Brian Charlie
1/2C	Joey Vaishnodevi
1/2R	Vincent Fidel
2/3A	Raagavi Ghauresh
3/4R	Jaxson Domonic
3/4T	Kashvi Sarala
3-6TK	Monica
5/6A	Rettalia Hari
5/6H	Kayhan Francis
5/6S	Isabella Maddison

## Week 10

KH	Johnathan Achchudan
KP	Rayyan Shehnoor
KS	Aariv Naisha
1/2B	Malakai Ryan
1/2C	Sean Julius
1/2R	Lauryn Chris
2/3A	Zac Lahtarnah
3/4R	Abby Ayushi
3/4T	Ankur Aiden
3-6TK	Michael
5/6A	Decoda Narges
5/6H	Kasius Jovan
5/6S	Shaza Sarah



**At The Meadows we are Safe,  
Responsible Learners !**

## K-6 Assembly Award Winners - Week 10

### Assistant Principal Awards (3 points)

Kindergarten	Leon Curtis-Junior Micah
Stage 1	Michael Joshua Jerekai
Stage 2	Adyaan Mason Ackland
Stage 3	Noah Raina Kaleisha Remojan

### Principal Awards (5 points)

Kindergarten	Lily Akshita Preety
Stage 1	Lyriq Aaron Kamel
Stage 2	Joanna Akid Shania
Stage 3	Will Christopher Isabella Keeley

### Kookaburra Pins (Earned 10, 20, 30 points)

#### Blue

Alyira  
Alessio  
Kamel  
Lauryn  
Lakshet  
Shu Chen  
Braxton  
Chris  
Sienna  
Vincent  
Arnav  
Tai  
Johaana  
Arpith  
Esah

#### Yellow

Kamel  
Michael  
Aaron  
Joshua  
Taashi  
Noah  
Maleah  
Rettalia

#### Orange

Havin  
Allissa

#### Gold

Monica

#### Purple

Adyaan  
Ackland  
Nikiah  
Jhayde  
Hari

#### Platinum

Melisa

## Positive Behaviour for Learning

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning  
Focus for **Term 4 Week 1 & 2** is:  
**Treating others with Respect**

We speak kindly, play fairly and  
consider other people's personal space.



# TERM 3 IN KH



We learnt all about how to make and continue different types of patterns.



We practised adding together the dots on a domino to build a tower and comparing with a friend to see who had the biggest tower.



Robotics with Miss Reyes has been one of our favourite lessons all term. We found out how we could make them move different directions which helped us practise our positional language.



During developmental play we have been working on our fine motor skills and hand strength. This will help us with our writing.

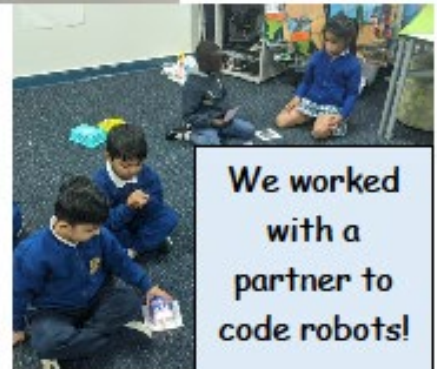
# Learning in KP



We have been making halves by sharing blocks, water and other things into two equal parts.



We learnt to compare lengths.



We worked with a partner to code robots!

# WE LOVE LEARNING IN KS!



We have been exploring how much water a container can hold compared to another container.



We have been writing information reports this term. Mr Staveley came in to see Kindergarten in action! He read us a story called Kenny the Koala that he wrote in 1989! We also shared our writing with 3/4R.





# Blacktown City Council Spring School Holiday Guide

Published on 18 September 2020

For more information visit:

[www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au/News-Media/Blacktown-City-Council-Spring-School-Holiday-Guide](http://www.blacktown.nsw.gov.au/News-Media/Blacktown-City-Council-Spring-School-Holiday-Guide)

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## SPRING VACATION CARE

### WEEK 1 (7:30am-6:00pm)

- Mon 28th Sept - Mini Chefs: Pizza and Scones**
- Tues 29th Sept - Science Experiment Day**
- Wed 30th Sept - Arts and Craft: Masks & Clay**
- Thurs 1st Oct - Movie Day & Cross Stitching**
- Fri 2nd Oct - Lego Masters & Sports Gala Day**

### WEEK 2 (7:30am - 6:00pm)

- Mon 5th Oct - CLOSED**
- Tues 6th Oct - Canvas Art**
- Wed 7th Oct - Gaming Day**
- Thurs 8th Oct - Cooking: Vietnamese Rolls and Cupcakes**
- Fri 9th Oct - Pyjama Party: Movie & Party food**

Cost: \$80 per day (Child Care Rebate available)

Includes: Activity, fruit, lunch and afternoon tea.  
Please bring: Morning tea, a bottle of water and Spare change of clothing including socks. You may also bring a scooter and a helmet.

Cancellations: All cancellations must be made 7 days prior to all bookings, or the full fee will be charged.



**GIRRAWEEEN**  
HIGH SCHOOL

### Year 7 2022 Information Link to Year 5 Students and their Parents

Girraween High School is an academically selective coeducational high school with a focus on providing a balanced and positive education experience for our students who aspire to achieve exceptional HSC results. The school has experienced and dedicated staff, providing students with safe, engaging classes.

Entry is via the Selective High School Placement Test that is run by the Department of Education's High Performing Students Unit. The test will be conducted on Thursday 11 March 2021. Online applications open 8th October 2020 and close 9 November 2020. For more information please refer to our website.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to have an information evening at school. In early Term 4 2020, we will post on the below link <https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLnXxEnAPUWVOHRMg5PUP-c-DYAcZwF0E2> which will contain information about our school. In addition to our HSC results outlined below, GHS has an extensive range of cocurricular programs on offer. Examples of cocurricular programs can be found on our website at: [https://girraween-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/girraween-h/rules-and-policies/Girraween\\_High\\_CoCurricular\\_Book.pdf](https://girraween-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/content/dam/doi/sws/schools/girraween-h/rules-and-policies/Girraween_High_CoCurricular_Book.pdf)

#### 2019 HSC Achievements

Girraween ranked 21st in the state overall with 9 students achieving an ATAR of 99 and over.  
15 students of the cohort achieved an ATAR score over 98. The highest ATAR was 99.65 (Maximum ATAR 99.95). There were 19 'all rounder' students who achieved 90% or better in 10 units of study. 100% students received university offers.

#### State rankings included:

8th for Software and Design  
15th for Chemistry  
17th for PDHPE

313 distinguished achievers; students who achieved 90% or better in a subject

100% of all students achieved in the top two bands for History Ext 1, English Ext 1, Visual Arts, Software and Design, Society and Culture, Music 1 and 2. Almost 90% of students achieved in the top two bands for Legal Studies, Maths Extension 1 and 2, Business Studies and Modern History, Chemistry and Japanese.

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# Community Noticeboard

The Meadows Public School, as a service to parents, will advertise community events that may be of interest. The Meadows Public School does not necessarily endorse or sponsor the events and accepts no responsibility for the management or organisation of these events



## Seven Hills Toongabbie RSL Cricket Club

Season 2020/21 92<sup>nd</sup> Season

Seven Hills has a proud history stretching back to 1928 as a successful community based cricket club playing in the Parramatta District Cricket Association.

### Junior Cricket - Ages 8 to 16

Kids who want to get more involved can play traditional formats of cricket on Saturday mornings.



### All Girls Junior Cricket - Ages 7-15

Where everyone gets a go. Played on a Saturday afternoon.

Season runs from October until March.

No games over Christmas and January school holiday period



### Woolworths Cricket BLAST- Ages 5 to 10

Entry level program to teach children the basics of the game in a fun, safe environment.

8 Week Programs Fridays – Best Rd Seven Hills

**Junior Blasters** – Basic skills Ages 5-7 . October 2020

**Master Blasters** – Modified games ages 7-10 February 2021

More information is on our website.

Krish Roy 0402 192 043

email [sevenhillscricket@gmail.com](mailto:sevenhillscricket@gmail.com)

register online [www.shtrslcc.nsw.cricket.com.au](http://www.shtrslcc.nsw.cricket.com.au)

**MORE THAN ABC'S  
MORE THAN 123'S**



## School Readiness

Help get your child ready for school

- ✓ Learn letters and alphabet sounds
- ✓ Numeracy and counting concepts
- ✓ Builds fine motor skills
- ✓ Builds confidence in learning
- ✓ Ages 3 - 5



## Primary Tutoring

- ✓ Small group or individual
- ✓ Literacy and numeracy focus
- ✓ Customised learning plan
- ✓ Qualified primary teachers
- ✓ Ages 5 - 12

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Claim your voucher today

**Woolworths CRICKET BLAST**

**OUTDOORS NON-CONTACT**

# HAVE A BLAST!

**GET INTO WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST. IT'S A FUN AND ACTIVE PROGRAM FOR KIDS OF ALL ABILITIES – WHETHER IT'S YOUR FIRST TIME WITH A BAT OR YOU'RE A BACKYARD CRICKET STAR!**

Seven Hills Toongabbie RSL Cricket Club  
Friday's, 6pm at Best Rd Reserve, Seven Hills  
Junior Blasters starts Friday, 16th October! 8 Week Program!  
Boys and Girls ONLY Junior Teams (U10-U16) are available!  
Register now at [playcricket.com.au](http://playcricket.com.au)

\*BASED ON PROGRAM RRP OF \$99. MORE INFO AT SERVICE.NSW.GOV.AU/ACTIVEKIDS

**HAVE A BLAST. BE PART OF THE CREW!**

Get into Woolworths Cricket Blast. It's a fun and active program for kids of all abilities - whether it's your first time with a bat or you're a backyard cricket star!

- ✓ It's easy to join a crew and make awesome new friends.
- ✓ Wear the colours of your Big Bash heroes.
- ✓ Parents warm up, you can join in too!
- ✓ Outdoors, non-contact.

**JUNIOR BLASTERS**  
AGES 5-7 | 60 MINS | 6+ WEEKS

Learn new skills, including catching, throwing and teamwork, through fun game based activities.  
Sign up now for your Starter Pack. Returning Junior Blasters score a Returner Pack with a Backpack, Ball and choice of bonus item!

**STARTER KIT**

**+FREE AND ON**

**RETURNER KIT**

**MASTER BLASTERS**  
AGES 7-10 | 90 MINS | 6+ WEEKS

Everyone gets a chance to bat, bowl and field in short, modified games of cricket. For kids with basic cricket skills.  
Sign up now for your Master Blasters Pack!

**YOU COULD PLAY WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST FOR FREE!**

Thanks to the NSW Government, every student (K-12) is entitled to 2x\$100 Active Kids vouchers each calendar year. Remember to use your voucher when you sign up at [playcricket.com.au](http://playcricket.com.au)

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## Students Fun Page

# Principal's Reading Challenge!

Can you find the time to read for 100 minutes in the holidays? Complete the challenge and hand this in to Mr Staveley on the first day of Term 4 to have a chance of winning a Movie Voucher valued at **\$50**. Up to three children can use this form.

**Try to read for 10 minutes a day, for 10 days, giving you 100 minutes of reading in total!**

Date	Minutes of Reading	Child's Name:	Child's Name:	Child's Name:
Please list titles of books read.				