



# Valentine Public School

Grapevine

Term 4 Week 7 2019

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## What's on at VPS?

	Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Tue 03 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Wed 04 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Thur 05 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Fri 06 <sup>th</sup> Dec
<b>Term 4 Week 8</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2 Intensive Swimming</li> <li>Switched on 4 Life Parent Session 3.30-4.15pm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yr6 Canberra Excursion</li> <li>Year 2 Intensive Swimming</li> <li>3-6 Golf</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yr6 Canberra Excursion</li> <li>Yr 5 WBHS GATS Music Program</li> <li>Year 2 Intensive Swimming</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yr6 Canberra Excursion</li> <li>3-6 Golf</li> <li>Catalyst Presentation – Parramatta</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yr6 Canberra Excursion</li> <li>PBL Assembly-Peer Choice Awards</li> </ul>
	Mon 09 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Tue 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Thur 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec
<b>Term 4 Week 9</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2 Intensive Swimming</li> <li>P &amp; C Raffle Mufti</li> <li>S2 Design Thinking Challenge</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 2 Intensive Swimming</li> <li>Band &amp; Choir Celebration Day</li> <li>P &amp; C Meeting 7pm</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>S3 Movie Day</li> <li>Year 2 Intensive Swimming</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>K-2 Movie Day</li> <li>S3 REAL Art Exhibition by the Lake</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Presentation Day</b> <b>9:30am K-2</b> <b>10:45am 3-6</b> <b>Coco Carols on the Green 5-9pm</b></li> </ul>



### From the Principal's desk...

Dear Parents, Carers and Community,

Thank you for your family's response to 'Grandfriends Day'. It was a wonderful day and we loved it.

As we approach Presentation Day, it is important to review the award process in the school. The major awards that fall towards the end of the ceremony, recognise the top performance across Key Learning Areas. Each of those awards has a written articulation around the process of selection. Most awards are numerical in structure and rely upon a data collection system eg. Dux, Sportsperson of the Year.

The 'Principal Medal', sponsored by Valentine YMCA OSCH, is an award that is at the discretion of the Principal. It recognises and celebrates a student who has made exemplary effort and/or achievement across the High Potential and Gifted domains of Intellectual, Physical, Creative and Social/Emotional. Each year a student is selected that has the greatest capacity in and across these domains.

2020 is shaping up to be an exciting year. Currently we are structuring and forming classes. On current numbers we will be forming an extra class (23 in total) and we are receiving a newer style demountable soon to accommodate that extra class.

Can't wait to see everyone at Coco's Carols on the Green on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December. Currently each grade is preparing to sing a Christmas carol on the night and the band is rehearsing carols as well. This night will also include performances from community groups as well as Warners Bay High student groups. This event is open to all community members who would like to come. We would love if our students could be there for their item, but it is not designed as a 'high quality, perfect performance', rather a community singing designed for family fun, so it is not crucial if a student cannot attend.

Please note that while we have asked our staff to be there if they can, this is not a teacher supervised event. Parents will have full supervision of their children. We can't wait for this inaugural event, to see our families and community gather on their picnic rugs and chairs, ready to soak up positive community Christmas vibes. Thank you to our P&C for their organisation of this event. They have organised a massive BBQ, food and drink stalls and they also have some fun items on sale for our students to light the oval up with.

Year 6 are gearing up for a big finish after exciting us all with their Mini Fete on Wednesday. They were so creative in their planning and they managed to raise over \$2000 which will come back to the school in the form of a gift. Next week they are off to the nation's capital to learn about Democracy and all that comes with it.

Very exciting about the Stage 3 Drastic Plastic project...pretty sure we are going to excite the whole community with this...

Regards

**Mrs Saurins Principal**

## What's Hot @ Valentine

- Our Year 6 soloists: Sam Voigt, Lily Martini, Riley Asplet, Gracie Tomkins, Izaak Hansen, Josh Carter, Bianca Wylie, Will Neppi, Ben Lavell, Ella Brownell, Charlie Radvan
- Mark and Erik - Our Band Conductors
- Mrs Lawrence, Mrs Vale and Mr Shoesmith - Our talented Band Teachers
- Mini-Fete
- Hunter PSSA Sports Awards: Anika McCarthy, Coby Marshall, TJ Talaileva, Max King, Caleb McRae
- Stage 2 Design Thinking
- Mr Mick and Mrs Winterbine for prepping our primary toilet doors ready for new funky designs
- Excitement is building for our Year 6 students prepping for Canberra excursion next week
- Intensive Swimming Program in action
- Our gardens, new colourful natives

## Band Solo Night

Congratulations to our 2019 Band Soloists who performed so confidently and competently at the Band Solos Night. What a quality event. Thank you to our amazing VPS Band Committee and teachers, for organising such an opportunity to honour our talented students.





# Coco's Christmas Carols

VALENTINE PUBLIC SCHOOL OVAL

FRIDAY 13TH DECEMBER FROM 5.30PM



Coco Says  
"I have a special friend  
coming along to say  
Hello to all the  
children on the night!"

- EVERYONE IS WELCOME
- STUDENT PERFORMERS
- MEGA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE!!!
- FOOD TRUCKS (PIZZA, BURGERS, ICE CREAM & SNOW CONES)
- P&C RUN BBQ & DRINKS
- GLOW STICKS & FLASHING ITEMS FOR SALE
- PUDDINGS FOR SALE
- GAMES TO PLAY (DON'T FORGET YOUR GOLD COINS)
- GATES OPEN FROM 3.30PM TO CLAIM YOUR POSITION
- DON'T FORGET YOUR PICNIC RUG!

## THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS



### PACER REBATE FOR CANBERRA EXCURSION

Students from our school will soon be undertaking an education tour of the national capital (3rd to 6th December). Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Please note: This rebate has been factored into the cost of the excursion.