

# Yarramundi

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## Welcome to THE DENZIL

In honour of Uncle Terry Denzil.

*Yunaara re yuwara murra di, camaran rakra ma re  
eo di mi wiradi tajan*

(‘Most respected and revered, much loved leader  
and visionary’)

His dedication and perseverance brought to life  
his vision of a P-12 school, serving the  
communities of

Redfern, Waterloo, Alexandria and Erskineville.

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**Alexandria Park Community School is on Cadigal Land.** We would like to acknowledge and pay respect to the **Cadigal** people of the **Eora** nation, the traditional owners of the land on which we teach and learn. We acknowledge their living culture and their unique role in the life of this region. We would also like to pay respect to elders past, present, and emerging.

In **Gomberee**, the language of the **Cadigal** people, the word **Yarramundi** (yarra'-mu-ndi) means flowing mouth which is an analogy for story telling or a story teller. We name our newsletter **Yarramundi** as it tells the stories of Alex Park as we progress through each school year.



**Yarramundi** also means amphitheater or a place where stories are told. This is why we have named the gathering space in the primary playground **Yarramundi**.

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# Principal's Report



Over the past few weeks our Senior Executive and leaders in curriculum and instruction have been collecting evidence from school programs, assessment practices and procedures to showcase the strengths of our school and reflect on our areas of improvement in preparation for our 2024 School Improvement Plan.

As part of this process we use a departmental document called the 'School Excellence Framework' to strive for school excellence in the domains of learning, teaching and leading.



As we continue to plan for our next school initiatives we will continue to share information about this process and involve parents to support by providing feedback.

You can see the School Excellence Framework by scanning the QR code.

It has been a eventful week with Subject Selection for Years 8 & 10 in preparation for next year.

It was so pleasing to see how many parents/carers attended these events and the market stalls supported our students to develop understanding about course options for their studying preference.

We also hosted our second Information Session for Kindergarten 2024 and provided new families with further information in relation to curriculum and school readiness.

A reminder to complete your paperwork and submit to our Kindy enrolment officer - Amanda Fetherston - in the office.

Next week, our Year 11 students will only attend school to complete their examinations. They have the option to study in the Yaka Takka before and after their exams.

We hope this process will better prepare them as they commence their final year of study beginning in Term 4.



As you would know, in the last school holiday period we lost a leader and community Elder, Uncle Terry Denzil.

On the next page we have included a tribute to Uncle Terry who we love and dearly miss. His impact on our school will always remain and we are proud to have our school hall named after him.



We are forever grateful for his passion, love and commitment to Alexandria Park Community School.

**Debra Lade**  
Principal

# Uncle Terry Denzil

## Uncle Terry Denzil is Alexandria Park Community School

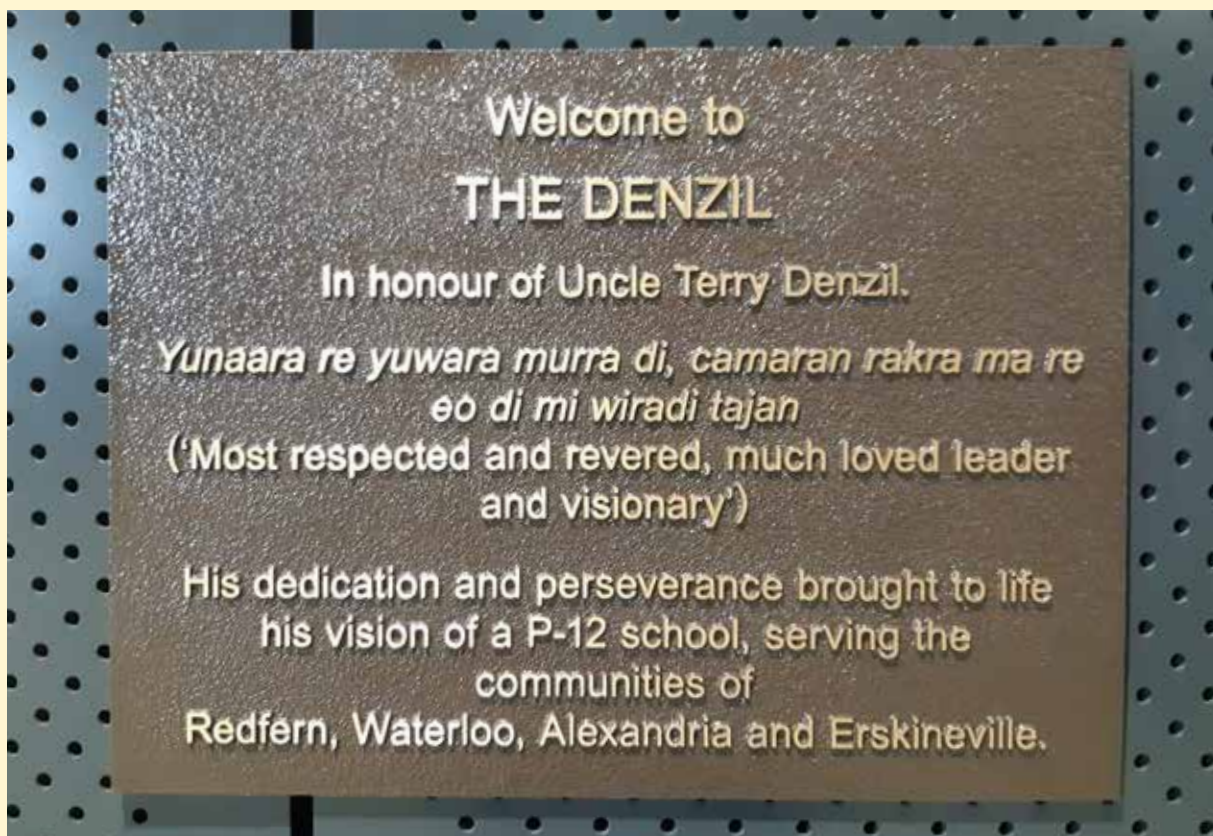
Uncle Terry was a highly respected, and passionate Elder who worked relentlessly on behalf of his Community to ensure culturally nourishing schooling for over 30 years.



When Cleveland Street High School, Redfern, Waterloo and Alexandria Public schools closed, Uncle Terry was the lead spokesperson who argued with the NSW government for the need for a school in the local area.

As a result of his voice and leadership APCS was created.

After wide community consultation, recognition and honour was given to Uncle Terry when the school gymnasium was named after him.







For decades Uncle Terry shared his extensive knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal histories, culture and experiences of Aboriginal people with local schools, ensuring that school leaders, staff, students and parents have access to high quality Cultural awareness learning opportunities.

As a Cultural mentor to APCS Uncle Terry was the linchpin in forming relationships with local Aboriginal organisations and families ensuring that Alex Park has authentic programs.

He supported an ongoing commitment to increasing knowledge and understanding of Aboriginal histories, culture and experiences of Aboriginal people.

As a member of the APCS 'Program Reference Group' (**PRG**), Uncle Terry spoke to NSW Infrastructure, the architects and builders of the redevelopment of the school of the history of the land upon which the school sits, (Cadigal Land), and how the traditional owners lived on and cared for their Country.

Uncle Terry inspired the architects to design a school which pays respect to the Cadigal people and the traditional lands.

Uncle Terry was the driving force behind introducing language into the school.

Uncle Terry sought knowledge and permission from Cadigal man Shayne Beckham to work with the school leadership team to name school buildings and significant spaces.

Uncle Terry Denzil was the visionary for a P-12 school, which could cater to the educational needs of the local communities of Redfern, Alexandria and Waterloo.

As a lifelong local resident, Uncle Terry's children attended APCS and Cleveland St HS and his wife Lorraine worked for many years as a SAO at schools in the local area including Cleveland Street.

Uncle Terry's passion, drive and commitment to ensuring the highest quality public education for his local community at both APCS and Green Square School, was honoured in the 10<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations of APCS when the indoor basketball arena was named in his honour, "The Denzil".



As a member of the Board of the Aboriginal Education Union, with close links to the Metropolitan Local Aboriginal Lands Council, Terry supported strong authentic links between the Aboriginal Community Organisations and APCS.

Long-time coach of APCS basketball teams, his philosophy of sport brought students together regardless of skill level, cultural background or experience.

Uncle Terry will always be an integral part of our school, through his support of its students, staff and community members by talking to them passionately and honestly about the legacy being created and paying respect to traditional owners.

**Debra Lade**

# School Calendar

Date	What's Happening
<b>4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Mobileyes and Dental Visit.
<b>4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	P&C Meeting.
<b>4<sup>th</sup>-15<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Year 11 Yearly Exams.
<b>7<sup>th</sup> September</b>	3-6 Assembly presented by 3/4A.
<b>14<sup>th</sup> September</b>	K-2 Assembly presented by 2V.
<b>19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Primary School Tour.
<b>19<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Year 12 Picnic Day.
<b>20<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Year 12 Graduation.
<b>21<sup>st</sup> September</b>	3-6 Assembly presented by 3/4P.
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Last Day of Term 3.
<b>22<sup>nd</sup> September</b>	Year 12 Mufti Day.
<b>23<sup>rd</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Spring School Holidays.
<b>9<sup>th</sup> October</b>	First day of Term 4 for all students K-12.
<b>11<sup>th</sup> October</b>	HSC Examination Period begins.
<b>17<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Primary School Tour.
<b>1<sup>st</sup> November</b>	Kindergarten Orientation Sessions.
<b>6<sup>th</sup> November</b>	P&C Meeting.
<b>7<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Primary School Tour.

# APCS News

## Parking Signage Changes

A number of changes are coming to improve road safety for our students, staff, parents and carers and to increase the availability of disability parking at peak times during student drop off and pick up.



The changes include an additional three Disability Parking spaces between the hours of 8:30am and 9:30am and 2:30pm and 3:30pm.

To improve pedestrian safety near the Kiss and Drop slip road, tactile markers will be installed at each side of the footpath. Please remember that vehicles waiting to enter the slip road should NOT park over the footpath.

The drivers of vehicles waiting to enter the slip road are also reminded not to stop in front of the driveway to the Community Centre carpark.

This carpark is an entrance and exit for our students travelling to school via Assisted School Transport.

No stopping lines will be marked on the road in front of the driveway during the next few weeks as a visual reminder.

Other parking changes include 15-minute parking signage near the bus zone at the front of the school.

**The signage and road safety changes should be installed in the new two weeks. Curb ramps will be installed several weeks after this at all spaces with Disability Parking signage.**

## Game Changer Challenge

Wow! What a fun day!

On Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> August, 2 Alex Park teams competed in the GCC semi-final challenge: The Sapling Savers and The Rubbish Removers.



We had lots of fun completing puzzles, sharing ideas, and building on our environmentally-friendly solution to a wicked problem. Our problem was to invent something that would change the world and leave a lasting impact, which is so cool!

In this program, we were asked to pick from 4 main focuses for our inventions:

- Education,
- Health,
- Transport and
- Environment.

Throughout the day we built up our pitch and in the afternoon, we got to present our pitch to the judges!

There were many competent competitors, trying their best to satisfy the judges... Us, the Rubbish Removers were first to present our work to the Judges, it was a bit nerve racking, considering that we didn't have time to recite our script, meaning that we had to improvise.

We were grateful to have had this opportunity and it was so enjoyable that we got to do it with our friends! We will find out whether or not we got into the finals on September 5<sup>th</sup>.

By Emily and Shaily in 6O ( Sapling Savers) and Alex in 5W (Rubbish Removers)





## APCS Celebrities at the Zoo

Our girls at Taronga.



From left; Kyanah , T'shinta , Melisha, (front) and Maddie proudly representing Taronga Zoo's SBAT program.

The program has helped these girls develop their communication and interpersonal skills as they interact with visitors from all over the world.





## Years 5 and 6 Premiers Debating Challenge

Both of our Alex Park debating teams were tied Zone Champions following the first part of the Premier's Debating Challenge - what a wonderful achievement!

The teams competed in a knockout debate for the Regional finals.

The topic was "primary schools should punish students with physical exercise like running laps", and the affirmative Alex Parkians won this close debate.

In the second round of Regional knockout finals, the Alex Parkians debated against the Croydon Chameleons on the topic "we should stop teaching handwriting in schools".

They were again allocated the affirmative and were again the winning team.

A big congratulations to these talented debaters and we wish them all the best in their continued regional finals journey.

Pictured: The Alex Parkians - Isabella, Emily, Lalibela, Theodora & Hamish.





## NASCA Youth Awards

Every year NASCA holds the NASCA Youth Awards to acknowledge and celebrate 12 NASCA students who are achieving amazing things in their lives and in their communities.

We have six awards that we present based off our NASCA values:

- Excellence,
- Collaboration,
- Trust,
- Integrity,
- Cultural Pride and Inclusion, and
- Youth of the Year

This year, we are proud to announce that Lakeisha Carr in Year 7 has been selected as the winner of our Collaboration Award and Kyeema O'Mealey in Year 11 has been selected as the winner of our Trust Award.



These girls have been chosen by a panel of NASCA staff and are being recognised for their great work within their community. We are extremely proud of both girls and cannot wait to see all the great things they get up to.

**Congratulations Lakeisha and Kyeema!**





ALEXANDRIA PARK COMMUNITY SCHOOL

# Kindergarten Transition

Alexandria Park Community School is a vibrant and unique Kindergarten to Year 12 school located in heart of Sydney, right opposite Alexandria Park. We provide an outstanding transition to Kindergarten program in partnership with our Community Centre. Families with children starting school in 2024 are invited to join us at the following transition events.

## Information Morning and Tour

Learn about Alex Park and the special features of our Kindergarten program. View the primary school learning spaces on a student-led tour. **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 9:30am.**

## Information Evening

Discover more about the Kindergarten curriculum, teaching programs and school readiness. **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> August 5:30pm.**

## Starting School Information Session

For families of enrolled students, this session will provide specific information about the first days and weeks of Kindergarten. **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November 5:00pm.**

## School Readiness Playgroup

The Alex Park Community Centre in conjunction with the school coordinates our school readiness playgroup for enrolled children and their families. Contact Jo Fletcher for more information 0419 119 390. **Wednesday mornings during term time, starting Term 3.**

## Kindergarten Orientation Sessions

Orientation is a special opportunity for children to visit our school, meet some teachers and explore their new learning environment. **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November, Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November, Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November 9:30am.**

To find out more about our Kindergarten programs and enrolment for 2024, visit our website:

<https://alexparkcs-c.schools.nsw.gov.au/enrolling-at-apcs.html>



Follow our Facebook page to see regular updates about life at our dynamic, diverse and engaging school.

<https://www.facebook.com/alexandriaparkcommunityschool>

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# ALEXANDRIA PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE



***We have activities for families with children from birth to 5 years of age.***

## Community Centre News

The School Readiness Playgroup has been a popular Wednesday group in Term 3 for some of our Kindergarten 2024 children. The current Kindergarten teachers have been assisting Jo and Shaelene to provide a range of fun preschool activities for the children each week as well as visits to the school. Here's some photos taken during Science Week.



The Community Centre will be starting a Baby Playgroup in Term 4. The group is for local families with babies under 12 months. The playgroup will run on Fridays from 10am to 11.30am throughout the term. Families can register their interest by calling Tom on 0419 119 390.

During Term 4, 2023 and Term 1, 2024 Tom Hill will again be filling in for Jo Fletcher as she takes some leave. Tom has been filling in for the Facilitator at Glebe Public School SaCC



(Schools as Community Centre) during Term 3 and is looking forward to returning to Alexandria Park Community Centre SaCC in Term 4. Tom will be running the weekly programs at the Community Centre and can't wait to catch up with all the families again and meeting the new families. The Community Centre will continue as usual with all of its activities as well as taking donations of clothing, toys and books. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call Tom on 0419 119 390 or just pop in and see him.





## Primary DP News

Our recent Education Week was a great opportunity for all Alexandria Park Community School students to celebrate and showcase the work they do day-in, day-out in the classroom. This year we recognised 175 years of public education in NSW through our morning assembly showcase and open classrooms. Thank you to all the parents and carers who were able to watch the performances, visit the classrooms and join our school community. The weather was perfect, with the energy both positive and warm.



The NSW education system is reforming the curriculum which will be taught in all classrooms from Kindergarten to Year 12. The new curriculum, as a result of the NSW Curriculum Reform, will give students more time to focus on key learning areas so that they can acquire a deeper understanding of central concepts. It will ensure students develop strong foundations for learning, life and work in a complex and fast-changing world.

From this reform, the NSW Department of Education is developing a new plan for NSW public education and wants to hear from parents, carers, and community on this important work. As parents, I understand how busy your days can get, but please find some time to provide feedback on the draft plan. The future of our children is at the core of the new plan.



**Paul Keevers**  
Deputy Principal 3-6

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# Primary News

## Kindergarten News

KP read and responded to the text 'Clancy and Millie and the very fine house.'

In the text the characters role play 'The Three Little Pigs' and build colossal houses using cardboard boxes.

KP pretended to be Clancy and Millie and built their own constructions using recycled materials.

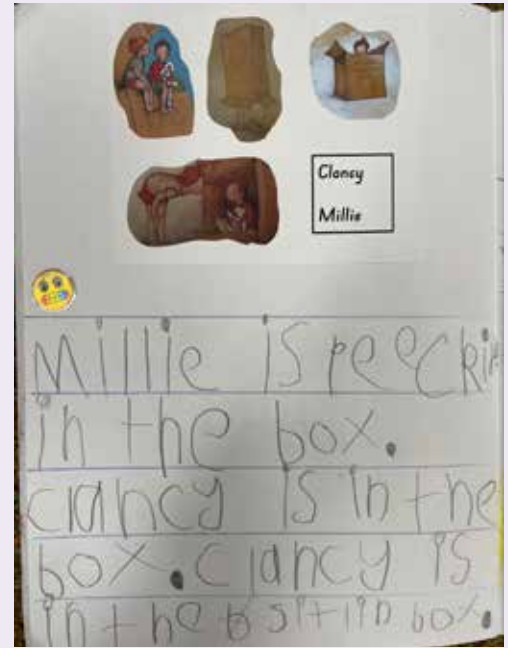
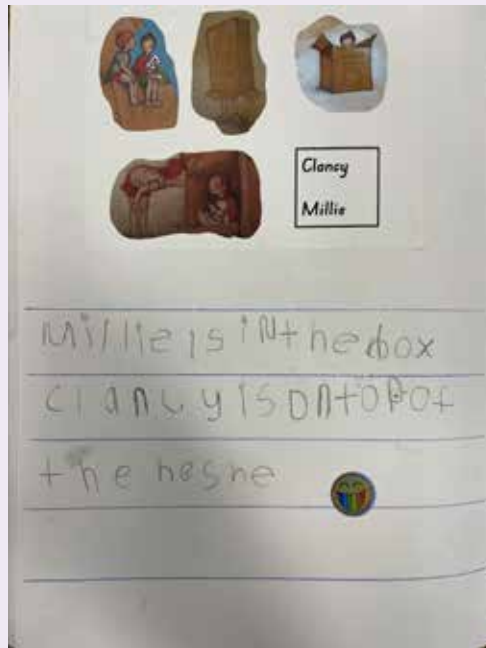
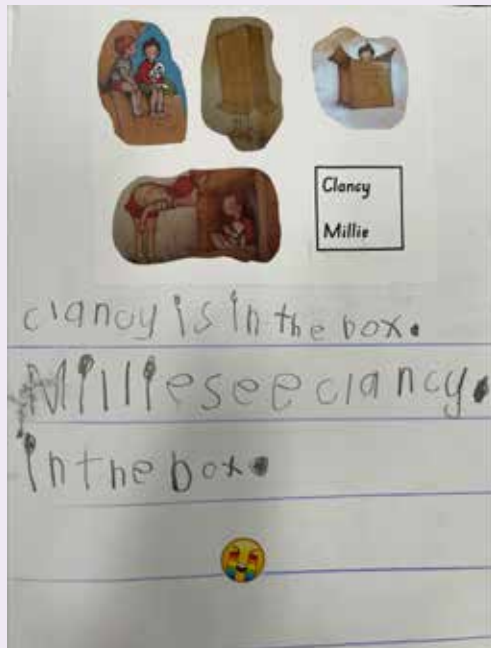


They used dolls and figurines to explore prepositions such as: next to, on top, inside, under, below, etc.





Then they wrote simple sentences in their books.





## Stage 1 News

Year 2 have, amongst other things, been learning about complex sentences in writing.



Stage 1 have been very excited to start Kitchen Garden lessons with Ms Cannell this term.



Amongst other things, the students got to make water infusions which they then got to drink.

The book week parade was a big success.

Everyone was so excited to participate.







Stage 1 had a great time making birdfeeders in science.



Stage 1 has been enjoying Dharawal language lessons with Casey.

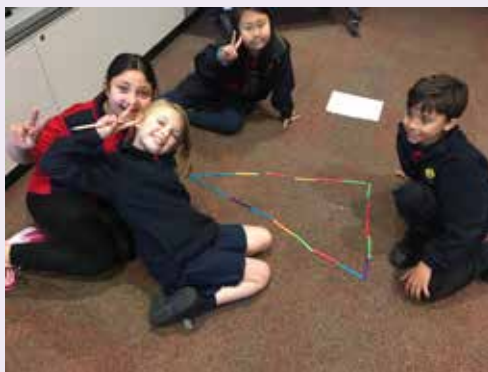




## Stage 2 News

In Stage 2, we have been exploring 2D shapes.

We undertook an investigation to find out how many different triangles you can make using exactly 20 popsticks.



Our clever mathematicians discovered that there are only 8 different triangles that are possible!

They also worked out that the longest possible side is 9 popsticks and the shortest possible side is 2 popsticks.

We also loved having our families visit our classroom during Education Week.

We celebrated 175 years of public education by making a time capsule.

We wrote letters to the future and completed fact files about our school and ourselves.

Will kids at Alex Park in the future find our time capsule?

How many **different** triangles can you make using 20 popsticks?

Side A	Side B	Side C
2	9	9
8	8	4
5	7	8
6	7	7
5	6	9
8	6	6
7	4	9
8	9	3





## Stage 3 News

Stage 3 students have recently undertaken an education tour of the national capital.

Students have been 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 has contributed funding of \$3 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.

The students had a fantastic time and thoroughly enjoyed Canberra. Questacon and the Electoral Education Centre were favourites of the trip. Everyone learnt a lot about the values that underpin Australia's democracy and the structure of the legal system.





## Book Week

Book Week was jam packed full of literary fun and adventure this year, with our students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoying a special visit from local author Amanda Lieber.

Amanda read her recent picture book, *My Giant Seashell*, and had the students enthralled as she shared stories of her life and inspirations.



The Book Week Parade was a hit with all students (and their parents) going to an incredible effort to dress as a character from their favourite book.

It was very hard to judge the most creative costumes, but three students were a standout and received a \$20 Gleebooks voucher.

Little Red Riding Hood (aka Principal Debra Lade) presented the vouchers to Nina Woods from KP, Lennox Shalon from 1T, Jayden Ng from 3/4T and Keisha Boney from 5/6M.



For more information about our author or to purchase a copy of *My Giant Seashell*, please see link below.

<https://www.thechildrensbookshopspeakersagency.com.au/person/amanda-lieber/>





# Primary Music News

## News from the Primary Music Hub

### All Classes

Years K-6 have been fully engaged in our "Instruments of the Orchestra" units.



Students are loving listening to all the beautiful music and have been learning excerpts from the Carnival of The Animals on the instruments.

Some classes have even had a special introduction & demonstration of some the orchestra instruments from our amazing musical teachers Mr Kell & Mr Whipp.

Kindy is loving having Mr Brandt, who is also a great musician, assist Ms Campisi for their lessons.

Kindy also had a special visit from our Artistic in Residence "Monks" who did a beat boxing lesson with the students.

As you can imagine it was a big hit!





## Stage 3 Choir

Stage 3 Choir have attended their first on mass Choir rehearsal for their big concert at the Sydney Opera House in Week 10.

The Cantabile Music Festival features a combined choir of 700 students from the Metropolitan South and West, Regional South operational directorates, together with outstanding items featuring music ranging from classical to contemporary.

The festival upholds a longstanding tradition in celebrating music education and music achievements in NSW public schools. Students have been learning 9 songs for their repertoire including our favourites "Putting on the Ritz" and "You've gotta friend in me".

All the students did a great job representing the school at rehearsals. We are really looking forward to this special event.



## Busking for Change

In case you missed the info in the last newsletter APCS Primary are raising money and awareness for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation through an initiative called Busking for Change.

On September 6<sup>th</sup> APCs will join 150 other Primary schools to sing a special song written especially for the ILF by ambassadors Justine Clarke and Josh Pyke.



Last week Ms Campisi and Mr Whipp took our singing practice outdoors. Many people heard the beautiful voices of the students floating around the school as we practiced our song "Words make the world go round".

On the day we are inviting families to come and join us in singing and celebrating Indigenous Literacy Day. We ask that students bring a gold coin donation on the day or alternatively families can make a donation via our school fundraising page. You can make a donation at this link:

<https://buskingforchange.ilf.org.au/alexandria-park-community-school>



All the money raised will go to this organisation who provide books to remote and regional areas around Australia and ensure that books are created and published in Aboriginal languages.

If you would like more information about the Indigenous Literacy Foundation go to:

<https://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/>



# High School DP News



As we approach the back end of Term 3, we are in a good position to begin putting into practice some of our projects around the school that relates to both teaching and learning as well as student well-being, which we have been working on throughout the year so far.

## A few positive projects around the School include:

- Student feedback policy
- Student data analysing - to improve teaching practice
- Protocols around laptop loaning
- Uniform
- Truancy
- Learning and Support referrals
- Support for students with additional learning and social or emotional needs

I look forward to sharing with our parents and community members each initiative we've been working on in further detail. I also want to highlight some improvements which are allowing our students to be proud of their community and their learning.

Our uniform rates have improved from the start of our 'sweeps' early in Term 2 with an increase of 35% (data representative of uniform logs collected indicating one piece of clothing which was out of uniform). Percentage of students out of uniform according to uniform our warning system count. We hope to continue further improvement in other areas.



I also want to take this opportunity to congratulate two students:



Lakeisha Carr



Kyeema O'Mealey



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We are extremely proud of both girls and cannot wait to see all the great things they get up to. Congratulations Lakeisha and Kyeema!"

### Youth Officer - Officer Pat Worsfold

You may notice Officer Pat is a regular visitor at our School. He comes in to say hello to our students and AEO's. He enjoys a good game of handball or having a kick with our students. He also is busy hosting our students at the PCYC on most afternoons where students are involved in lots of fitness-based activities.



If you see him around, please say "Hello!"

**Steven Marcos**  
Act. Deputy Principal

The poster features a blue background with orange brushstroke accents. At the top center is the Junior Basketball Academy logo, which consists of a basketball icon with 'JBA' inside and the text 'JUNIOR BASKETBALL ACADEMY' to its right. Below the logo, the text 'REDFERN SCHOOL HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMP' is written in large, bold, white and blue capital letters. Underneath this, the word 'NCIE' is written in white. A white banner with orange text reads '25 SEPT - 6 OCT'. Below the banner, 'AGES 5 - 14' is written in white. At the bottom, the website 'JUNIORBASKETBALLACADEMY.COM.AU' is written in white. The background of the poster shows a group of children in basketball uniforms.

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# Subject Selection Evening

APCS's subject selection evening was a great success. The evening gives students entering Year 9 and Year 11 and their parents the chance to learn a little more about their electives for the following year and the processes involved. Faculties across the school set up market stalls to display and demonstrate what their subjects are all about; people learnt about everything from Food Technology to Biology to Society and Culture and everything in between. Year 10 students and parents also heard from careers experts and got to chat to the people that know the students and their school interests best: APCS teachers!





# High School English News

## English

English are having fun learning about traditional features in new ways.

Both Year 9 and 11 have enjoyed creating stop motion films to help them understand narrative structure better.



Year 8 have also been thinking deeply about film.

They are hard at work creating websites that detail the emotions of Inside Out.

Year 10 have been getting persuasive.

They are covering all techniques needed to convince an audience and prove their point in a speech.

Year 12 have now received their feedback from their Trial Exams and are now working hard to fill gaps in order to achieve HSC excellence.

Good luck.

## Drama

Drama have a performance assessment this Term and have engaged with auditions and rewrites.

They cannot wait to put on a show.



# High School Science & TAS News

## TAS



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# High School HSIE News

## Cook's River Excursion

In Week 6, the Year 9 cohort went on a Geography excursion to visit the Cooks River.



Starting our tour from Tempe Train Station, winding up through Steel Park and ending near Gough Whitlam Park.



The students explored the numerous management strategies in the area guided by our guru of the ground, Mr Waterworth.



The quality of work and interaction between the students highlighted the importance of fieldwork in High School and the importance of a knowledgeable guide!

Nice, one, Year 9!



## APCS Aboriginal Studies visit the West Tigers Zurich Centre, Concord Oval

On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August, our Aboriginal Studies students were fortunate enough to visit the brand new West Tigers Zurich Centre of Excellence at Concord Oval. As our students are currently exploring topics and ideas about Aboriginal peoples in sport, cultures and identities – students were lucky enough to speak and interact with Brent Naden, Triston Reilly, Apisalome Saukuru from the West Tigers NRL squad and Botille Vette-Welsh and Kezie Apps from the NRLW team.



Each of the players drew on their cultural backgrounds and experiences, the importance of pride in cultures and how their cultures are an integral part of their identities as people and professional athletes. Students were fortunate enough to participate in a tour of the Centre, chat with the players, participate in games and activities and watch the NRL team train in a field session.



All Aboriginal Studies students had a great day out and proudly represented Alexandria Park Community School!

# UBS Finance Academy

## Taking advantage of unique opportunities



We are delighted to inform you that the UBS Finance Academy is returning for its 19th year.

The objective of the UBS Finance Academy is to provide an understanding of financial services and banking for senior secondary school students by giving them examples of innovative companies and practices whilst gaining an understanding of potential future opportunities.

The students will hear from a range of UBS employees about Australian and global markets and the wide range of career opportunities in banking and financial services. We also provide general workshops on team building, interviewing skills and digital developments in the workplace. We seek your support in highlighting this program to your year 11 student group. **Ideally, the candidates should be diverse in background and interested in a career in banking and finance.**

- **Date:** Tuesday, 26 September - Thursday, 28, September 2023
- **Time:** 8:30am - 5:30pm
- **Location:** UBS - Level 16, 2 Chifley Square, Chifley Tower, Sydney 2000.

All students must commit to attending the full three-day academy and are required to make their own way to and from UBS on all days. Morning tea, lunch and afternoon tea will be provided on all days, and a canape function at the close of day three. The application form is attached; all student applications must be accompanied by a brief note of support from the Principal and/or Teacher.

**The closing date for applications is Friday, 16 June 2023.**

All applications are to be emailed to: Tanya Burns, Administration Officer, NSW Secondary Principals Council. Email: [administration@nswspc.org.au](mailto:administration@nswspc.org.au), or [tanya.burns6@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:tanya.burns6@det.nsw.edu.au)

Please note that UBS is not involved in the selection process.

UBS is proud to have the support of the NSW Secondary Principals Council in delivering this program.

For further information or any questions, please email [administration@nswspc.org.au](mailto:administration@nswspc.org.au).



# High School Music News

## HSC Music

This year's HSC music students will be sitting their Practical Exam on 7<sup>th</sup> September. This exam will constitute 70% of their final HSC mark. To celebrate their hard work and achievements, the students will be performing in our annual Soiree on August 30<sup>th</sup> starting at 3.30pm.

The Soiree will be generously hosted by Central Sydney Intensive English High School (**CSIEH**) and will also feature performances by talented musicians from CSIHS. Good luck in your Practical Exam, Jonny and Tadhg!

## T.I.M.E

T.I.M.E. or Thursday Instrumental Music Ensemble meets each week after school in the Music Room on W1. The Ensemble is open to High School players of all instruments and of any standard. Students who are currently studying an instrument are welcome as are students who haven't played for a while but would like to keep their skills up.

The Ensemble provides a relaxed atmosphere with a focus on enjoying playing together. Please speak to Miss Ward or Ms Winfield if you have any questions, or just come along.



## Open Studios

During lunchtimes from Monday to Thursday each week, High School students can use the music studios for their own projects.

Students can show their skills to a small group of friends, to compose or write songs, to practise or to explore a new instrument like drums, bass or keyboards.

Students interested in using a studio should check in with Ms Winfield in the CAPA staffroom at the start of lunch.

## Guitar with Tom

Our wonderful guitar tutor, Tom Wood, has some vacancies for students in High School. Tom teaches acoustic, electric and bass guitar on Wednesdays during school time to advanced or beginner level students. Please contact Ms Winfield for more information.



## Young Composer



Cody in Year 10 recently entered a music competition organised by the Schools Spectacular. The organisers were seeking an original student composition to be featured at this year's performances.

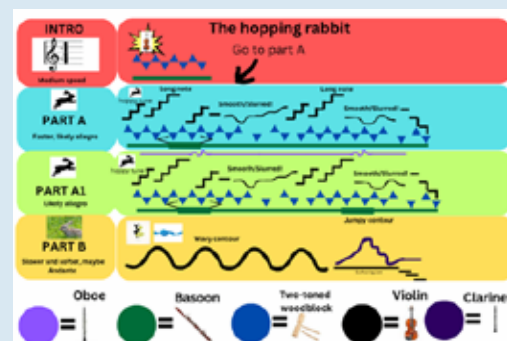
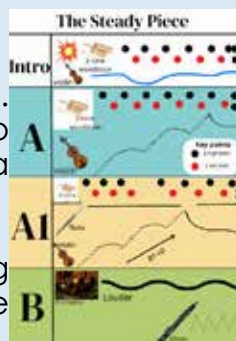
Although unsuccessful this year, Cody was commended on the quality of his entry and encouraged to try again next year.



## Year 7 Music

Year 7 have been learning about "Classic Hits". For their assessment task they were required to create a listening map showing the features of a piece of music in graphic notation.

Students are to be commended for their strong engagement and high quality of their work. Here are two examples:



## High Visual Art News

### Ceramics

It's been a busy couple of months for Years 8 and 9 students studying ceramics! Year 9 have been working hard to create ceramic sculptures of hands.

Many dedicated Year 9s have been devoting lunchtimes and time after school on Wednesday afternoons to developing and refining their sculptures.

Students have been developing skills and knowledge in observation, anatomy and sculpting techniques.

Here are a few of them with their completed sculptures, ready to dry before we decorate and fire them:



Year 8 have also finally finished a very long unit of work on ceramics and completed their painted terracotta pots, inspired by the Aranda artists of Hermannsburg (Ntaria).

After lots of patience and effort, they have have produced some pretty special work!







# Library News

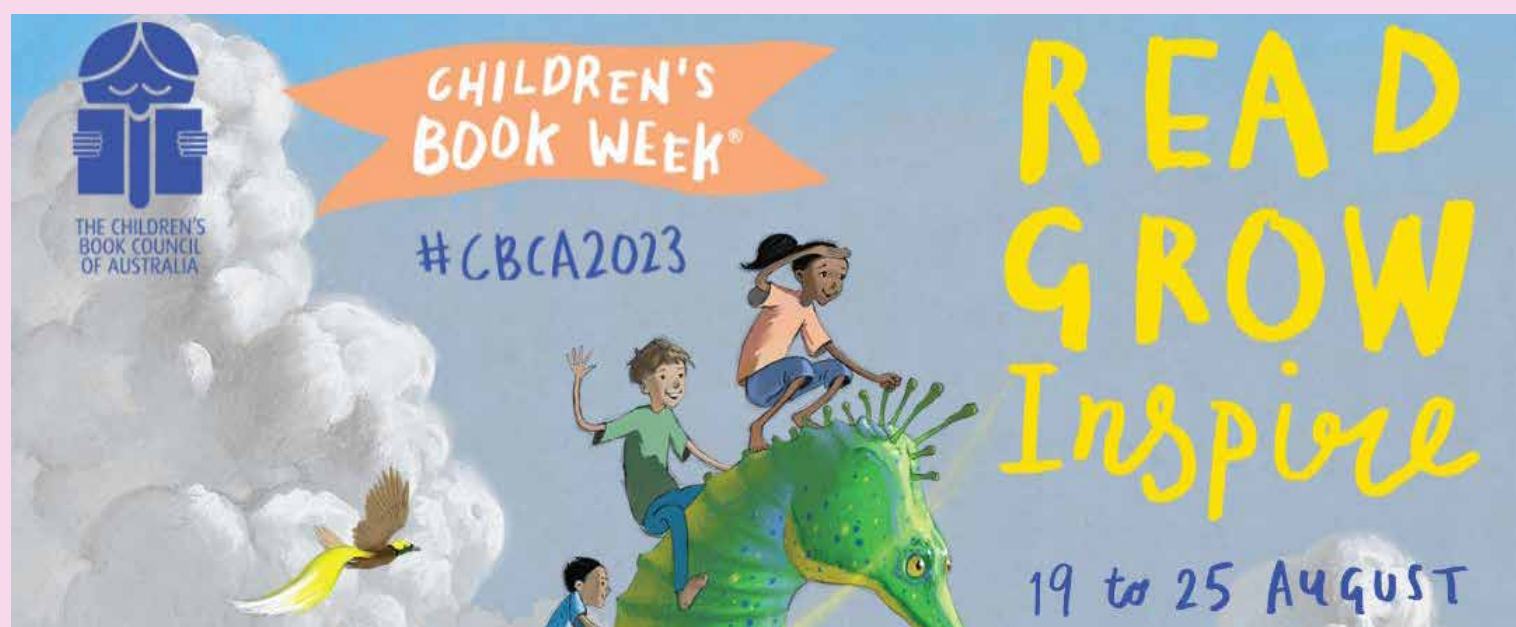
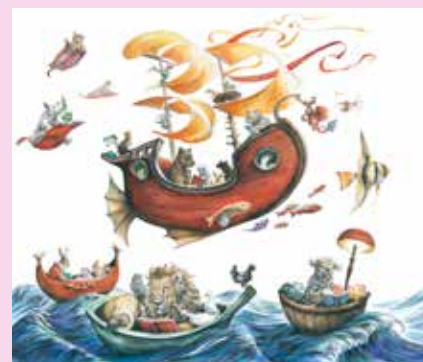
## 2023 NSW Premier's Reading Challenge

NSW Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) has closed for 2023.

There are 437 APCS students who have completed the reading challenge & have been validated by the school librarian.

They will receive their PRC certificates in Term 4.

## 2023 Book Week



The Children's Book Council of Australia has just completed the 2023 book week celebration with below winning titles.

We have these books in the Yakka Taka libraries & the online Wheelers library.

Students can borrow the books when they visit APCS library next.





## Overdue Library Books

It's almost the end of Term 3.

APCS Yakka Taka library has just distributed overdue notices.

Please return all overdue items if you have received either a hard copy overdue slip (shown below) or via your email.

**Borrower: John Citizen**

**Roll Class: 11A-8556**

### NOTICE OF OVERDUE ITEMS

17 Aug 2023

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Title/Author	Classification	Barcode	Date due
Acer B311RN		12604005	12 Dec 2022
Astronomy / Sutherland, Paul	NON 520 SUT	S14323L3397	12 Sep 2018

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