



# CESSNOCK EAST PUBLIC SCHOOL

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## NEWSLETTER

1st August 2018

Week 2 Term 3



### Stage 2/3 Great Aussie Bush Camp

If your child has been allocated a seat on the bus they have received detailed notes regarding the medical consent and medication/dietary requirement forms, these two forms need to be returned to the school by Friday 17th August.

Without these forms returned your child will not be able to attend camp. All money needs to be paid in full by Wednesday 12th September, we do have a waiting list so if you have not paid in full by this date your child's spot will be offered to someone on the list.

Please note that it is an expectation that your child does the right thing at all times. Student who do not demonstrate our school values may be withdrawn from camp and the position given to someone on the waiting list. Thank you for your support.

### Journey of Discovery – Kindergarten 2019

Our 'Journey of Discovery' program for pre-schoolers has commenced. The children had a wonderful time 'Going on a bear hunt' and creating teddy bear masks. The program will continue on **Friday 10th August from 9.30am-10.30am**. An invitation has been sent to children on our kinder list, however if you know of any families who are starting their child next year please have them call into the office to be part of this exciting adventure.

### Zone Athletics Carnival

Mr Simmons has handed out notes to students who have gained a place to compete in the Zone Athletics Carnival on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> August**. Parents will be responsible for providing transport to and from Turner Park, Cessnock. Students will need to be at Turner Park by 8.30am and the carnival should conclude by 1.30pm.

### Library News

Thank you to all the families and students who are increasingly becoming responsible borrowers from the CEPS library.

Borrowing days are:

Mon: 5M, 3B, 3/4C

Tue: 2R, 1/2W, 4B

Wed: KA, K/1S, 6H

The library is open 2<sup>nd</sup> half lunch Mon-Wed for a quiet space. Week 5 of Term 3 this year is book week and we will again be holding our annual book character parade.

This years parade will commence at 11.30am on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August** in the hall. Each class will have the opportunity to both parade their costumes as well as be a respectful audience for their peers. Following the book character parade a book fair will be available in the school hall. This years fair will have a variety of new and used books for sale starting from just \$1.00. A separate note will be sent home regarding book week organisation.

### Calendar Events

#### July 2018

- 31st & 1st Aug Public Speaking Final

#### August

- 3 Zone Athletics Carnival at Turner Park
- 10 Journey of Discovery Kindergarten 2019
- 22 Book Parade from 11.30am & Book Fair

## P&C News

You may have heard on the news or radio that there is a Fill-a-truck for farmers (Drought Relief Collection Drive) happening at Speers Point Park. We would like to assist our farmers by collecting non-perishable items or canned animal food. They can be left at the school office for the P&C to collect by 9th August. Items can also be taken to Goldman's stores in Cessnock. Your support is truly appreciated.

The next P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 15th August at 9.30am. All family and friends are welcome to attend.

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Deep Learning Skills

### What does this mean?

At Cessnock East, we like to focus on teaching important skills our students will need in the future.

Our 5 Deep Learning Skills are:



Communicate



Reflect



Collaborate



Critically Think



Create & Innovate

## 21<sup>st</sup> Century Deep Learning Skill

For the next two weeks our focus will be on the Deep Learning Skill:

### 'Communicate.'

This will include focusing on skills that will encourage **active listening** and **clear articulation of thoughts and ideas**.

### *Early Stage 1, children will:*

- \* Stick to topic and may extend conversation. Will feel comfortable talking to a variety of people. Speak to suit the audience.

### *Stage 1, children will:*

- \* Consider own opinion but value and listen to the opinion of others. Confidence to be challenged. Use key vocabulary and explanation linked to other elements.

### *Stage 2, children will:*

- \* Make links between subjects and issues. Use appropriate high level vocabulary to express thoughts.

### *Stage 3, children will*

- \* Quantify and triangulate evidence for thoughts and processes.



## Road safety



### 40km/h school zones

40km/h school zones slow traffic on the roads around schools. This is to help protect children on their way to and from schools at the times and places where they are often in high numbers. Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8.00am and 9.30am and from 2.30pm until 4.00pm. The 40km/h school zone speed limit must be observed even if school children cannot be seen.

A 40km/h school zone operates on all notified school days including staff development days (student-free days). While some schools may operate on different term dates, school zone speed limits must be followed during NSW Government determined school terms.

You can find the school term dates on the following websites:

- [roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au](http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au)
- [educationstandards.nsw.edu.au](http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au)
- [education.nsw.gov.au](http://education.nsw.gov.au)

To increase motorists' awareness of 40km/h school zones, triangular 'dragon's teeth' road markings indicate that the vehicle is entering a school zone.

Fines and a loss of demerit points will apply if the 40km/h speed limit isn't followed. For more information on fines and demerit points, visit [rms.nsw.gov.au](http://rms.nsw.gov.au)

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on [safetytown.com.au](http://safetytown.com.au)

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### Keeping safe around school crossings

For your child's safety, it's very important to ensure they use the school crossing.

At all crossings you must wait on the footpath, at least one step back from the edge of the road.

If there's a School Crossing Supervisor, wait until they have stopped the traffic and called you to cross.

If you are driving, you must not proceed until the School Crossing Supervisor's hand-held sign is no longer displayed, or until the crossing supervisor indicates that you may proceed through the crossing.

#### Children's crossings

Children's crossings are usually part-time crossings that operate before and after school hours. They can also operate at other times when children use the crossing for excursions or during break times. When 'Children Crossing' flags are displayed, you must stop at the white line if pedestrians are waiting to cross. Drivers must remain stationary until the crossing is clear of pedestrians.

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