

CADDIES CREEK PUBLIC SCHOOL

Term 4 Week 10

10th December 2021

News from the Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

We have come to our final week of school for 2021 and what an interesting year it has been. I would like to thank the community for adapting so well to the constant changes throughout the year and trusting the school to put good hygiene practices in place to support our students at school and continue their education. I reflect on our school values and I thank the staff for the **Care** they have taken with the student's this year and for providing **Challenges** for them in a safe and supportive classroom and online environment. To our resilient student's who have **Persisted** through so many changes but still have **Succeeded** in their learning journey. Thank you and congratulations to all.

To our outgoing student leadership team, Ameera, Lucas, Eva, Evan, Chelsea and Cooper, I would like to thank you for your efforts this year. Even with all the disruptions, you have been able to provide strong leadership to all students. I would also like to acknowledge the work of our sports leaders throughout semester 1. Congratulations and thank you all from the staff of Caddies Creek.

Next year we look forward to inducting our new student leaders into their role. Congratulations to Eric, Isabella I, Charlize, Isabella C, Sarang and Aryan.



Presentation Day

Congratulations to all students who received certificates, awards, sport medallions and sport certificates as well as leadership positions announced during this week's Presentation Day assemblies. We are very proud of our students' efforts during 2021 and it was wonderful to celebrate their achievements with them in this way. The following link will provide you with the ability to view photos of our award recipients.

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/115qOmtdcZrpUny8ll4mV9sJQ3GB9QXuc?usp=sharing>

School Citizenship Awards



Reports

In line with advice from the NSW Department of Education, our semester 2 reports have been adjusted to cater for students learning from school and at home. This report will not grade students using the A-E scale. The report focuses on the learning undertaken in English and Mathematics and provides information about other learning addressed by your child. This report will also provide information about student attendance, their commitment to learning and identify next steps in learning. Semester 2 student reports will be sent home with students on **Tuesday 14th December**. Please contact the school if you wish to discuss this report and your child's progress with your child's teacher.

Year 6

Our Year 6 Farewell will be held on **Monday 13th December** at the Blacktown Workers Club. The staff and I are excited to farewell the year 6 students. I would like to thank Miss Nicholls and the year 6 team for the preparations they have made to ensure the students are able to end the year on a high. I look forward to sharing this event with students, staff and a family member of each child.

Goodbye & Good Luck
Year 6



Fun Day – Tuesday 14th December

The Staff and students are looking forward to Tuesday 14th December. We will be having a COVID safe FUN DAY with students. Student cohorts will be rotating throughout the day to enjoy the inflatables from Play On. We will remain in grade cohort groups for the day.

Our Day will include:

1. Play On – inflatables and activities

2. Class games and/ or movie

3. Yr 6 Christmas and Festive Card Fundraiser – Gold Coin per card



On the day students may wear 'mufti' (shorts and T-shirts that they can climb and play in. (Preferably no dresses or skirts). Students require sports shoes and socks.

Students may bring their own 'special' lunch with treats in their lunch box. Students may **not** share food on the day but can eat their own special food.

Time to Say Goodbye

Last Day of School – K-5 Students and Year 6

On Thursday afternoon the decision has been made that year 6 will farewell the school students inside the school throughout the day, maintaining our COVID restrictions.

We ask that parents from **kindergarten to year 2** ensure that they are on time (2.45pm – 2.55pm) so that we can minimise the amount of people at the front gate at 3pm.

We will dismiss years 3-5 at 3pm followed by year 6 a few minutes later so they are the final students leaving the gates on the day.

Students can meet their family members on the oval side of the road where families can choose to have photographs etc while maintaining and abiding by social distancing guidelines.



Teachers Leaving

It is always a sad but exciting time of year when we farewell staff members. I would like to recognise and farewell Mrs Libby Collins. Mrs Collins is retiring this year and I would like to acknowledge and thank her for the years of service she has given to Caddies Creek Public School and public education. Mrs Collins professionalism, passion and friendship will be greatly missed by her colleagues, but she leaves a lasting legacy of a quality teacher who has loved her students. We wish you every happiness in this next chapter of your life and cross our fingers that you may come back to do some casual teaching!

Mrs Rollans is leaving Caddies Creek this year to work closer to home at the base of the mountains. Mrs Rollans has been at Caddies for many years displaying a great passion for teaching. We wish you every success in your new school. Miss Jones is leaving to be closer to family with a move to Toukley. Thank you for your dedication and years at Caddies, we wish you every success at your new school. Miss Campton I would like to congratulate on a permanent appointment to a new school, they are very fortunate to be gaining a wonderful staff member. Thank you for your time at Caddies and dedication to your students. I would also like to thank Ms Batac who has been relieving as Deputy Principal this term. Ms Batac has been instrumental in providing teachers with guidance around cohorting and timetabling within our large school, Ms Batac returns to Ropes Crossing in 2022.

2022 School Year

First Day of School

School resumes for all students from year 1- year 6 on Tuesday 1 February 2022. Kindergarten will commence on Monday 7th February. On return to school our students will return to their old classes for the first week or two. This is to minimise disruption to classes once they are formed as we will wait to ensure that we have confirmed student enrolment numbers.

School Uniform

Please ensure that your child wears the correct uniform to school each day. If your child wears additional items due to cultural, religious or medical reasons please ensure these items are school colours, including hairs ties, ribbons and scrunchies. Girl's tights should only be navy blue.

A part of our uniform are the shoes that students wear. Please ensure that when you purchase new shoes that these do not have white soles or white around the edges. Black shoes are to be worn for all days.

Correct footwear and socks for school

These types of black footwear are appropriate for school, including lace up, buckles and velcro.

Correct Types of Footwear ✓



Incorrect Types of footwear ✗



School Requirement List

We have formed our School Requirement List for you so that items can be purchased throughout the holidays or included as gifts for students.



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School Requirements 2022

Kindergarten Only

3 x wind up glue sticks

Paint shirt (preferably plastic backing)

1 box of tissues

1 pump soap

All other materials e.g pencils etc are supplied for kindergarten students.

All Students in Years 1-6 will require:

1 x regular sized pencil case

Coloured pencils

6 x HB lead pencils

3 x wind up glue sticks

Small scissors (blunt end 1-3)

2x erasers

Pencil sharpener (enclosed with barrel to collect sharpening's)

30cm wooden or plastic ruler (no metal or bendable rulers)

1 pack of highlighters

2x whiteboard markers (blue or black)

Library bag

Box of tissues

Hand soap or Hand Sanitiser (in a pump pack)

Paint shirt

Earbuds or headphones for computer/iPad use

Additionally, Students in Years 3-6 will also require:

A4 exercise book - homework

1 x thin sharpie for art

1x thin Artline pen for artwork

Textas

Dictionary

Only Years 5/6 - Biro pens (not felt) blue and red