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Need to Know

- Remembrance Day invitation - [see invite here](#)
 - [P&C Trivia Night Flyer](#), Saturday November 18 - save the date
 - P&C next meeting, Wednesday October 18 [via Zoom link only](#) at 7.00pm
 - Term 4 Pennant Assembly, Graduation and Expo invite - [see invite here](#)
 - Volunteers Afternoon Tea - save the date, [see invite here](#)
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Sorry Day by Mackenzie 2R

It was a normal day for the First Peoples until there was a huge cloud. They thought a gust of wind was pushing it but no, it was a big boat. It came closer and closer until the children felt terrified. The Other People were surprisingly nice. After a long time, the Other Peoples forced the Indigenous to leave their land. They were depressed and upset they had been betrayed. Soon the Other Peoples realised what they had done and tried to apologise but they could never forget what had happened.

Principal's Message

A very warm welcome to the start of what is shaping up to be a very busy Term 4. We hope you all enjoyed a wonderful break with family and friends and are ready for the term ahead. We look forward to many of you joining us in the classrooms and at the wonderful events and activities scheduled this term, including our Remembrance Day ceremony, picnic days, volunteers afternoon tea, Walker Learning Expos, end of term Pennant Assemblies and Graduations. You will find our Term 4 Dates for your Diary linked above, which we hope will assist with your forward planning.

Special thanks to Arif, our general assistant (GA), who worked over the school holidays with the maintenance and cleaning teams to ensure our school and grounds are in top condition and ready for the term ahead. General maintenance work has taken place and a number of site and safety inspections have also been completed. We will provide further information about these and other projects at the P&C meeting on Wednesday October 18.

Grade Newsletters

Our final grade newsletters for 2023 were published earlier today. These provide grade-specific information about our teaching and learning areas of focus for the term ahead. Thank you to the team leaders for preparing this information and to our hard working teachers for collaboratively organising so many exciting learning experiences for their grade. Class parent rosters will also be made available and we warmly welcome you to join us in the classroom and at all our special events being held across the term. If you need further information about any of our programs, please speak with your child's classroom teacher.

Library

It has been wonderful to see so many students growing in their reading this year, challenging themselves with new texts and still finding time for familiar favourites. As we head towards the end of term, please note that all student borrowing will finish at the end of Week 5 in preparation for our annual stocktake.

Orange overdue reminder notes will be sent home this week and next. If your child has one of these notes, we ask for your assistance to help locate the book/s and return them to the school library. Books can be returned any day at any time. If the book has been irretrievably lost, please

let the school know so it can be removed from your child's loan record. If you have any questions, please contact our school librarian, Kate Justelius-Wright:

- **Library email -** kate.justelius-wright3@det.nsw.edu.au

World Book Online

Don't forget that our school has a subscription to World Book Online. World Book is an online encyclopedia which contains a wealth of information on almost any topic you can think of. There are also educational games and puzzles for all ages. You can access World Book Online by clicking on this link. The login ID and password are both Cammeray. As this is a paid subscription, please do not share these details outside the school community.

- **World Book** [Online link](#).



Year 5 Student Leadership - SLiPS

Our Year 5 students are in the final stages of completing the SLIPS leadership program. This program enables all students in Year 5 to engage in specific leadership lessons, create a leadership log and participate in reflective tasks linked to effective decision making and leadership skill development. SLIPS also provides a nomination pathway for our 2024 SRC and student leadership roles - captain, vice captain, house captain and house vice captain. The nomination and voting process will take place toward the end of this term and is supported by ongoing leadership work in the classrooms. In addition to these roles there are a range of other exciting leadership opportunities in band, art, music, IT, sound system, and the green team. More information about the [SLiPS program and Charter can be found on our website](#).

School Update

2024 Class Placements - friendship requests

This year we are asking our families to discuss positive friendships with your children, so that your child can be placed in a 2024 class with at least one friend or familiar face. We suggest that you



nominate 5 students from your child's year group after your family discussion. We will try to place your child with at least one of these students. Please note that the order of the names will not be significant and any requests from previous years will need to be resubmitted for next year's planning.

Completing the form is not mandatory as teachers always endeavour to take friendships and learning styles into consideration when forming classes each year, and they will continue to do so for 2024. We are offering this opportunity for you and your child to have input about class placement, as we are wanting to support their learning progress and wellbeing. This friendship form is the best way to communicate your requests, which we kindly ask you to submit by Monday October 30 at 3.00pm. After this time, no further requests will be noted as the process of class placement is complex. Please note - email requests are not accepted. Please be aware that student friendships do change quickly, and class dynamics are always considered in our decision making. Thank you for taking the time to provide this information.

- [Friendship Form - link](#) closes at 3.00pm on Monday October 30

Leaving CPS in 2024

Is your child leaving CPS in 2024?

Behind the scenes we have already begun our planning for 2024, including our staffing and student allocations. In order to plan effectively we rely on the information you provide. If your child will not be returning to Cammeray Public School next year, please email the school administration office as soon as possible at cammeray-school@det.nsw.edu.au to advise your child's name and current class, and the school they will be attending in 2024. Please note: If your child is currently in Year 6 you do not need to send this email. Thank you for your assistance.

Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Parent Survey - Term 4

Cammeray has participated in the TTFM survey (students, staff and parents) over the past few years. The leadership team reviews this information which provides important data for the school and informs our strategic planning. We now invite families to complete the survey, which is available to all parents and carers, students in Years 4-6 and also our teaching staff. It helps to provide the school with feedback on culture and climate. The survey is also used to better understand student wellbeing, learning habits and the building of positive relationships between school and home. As part of our evaluative processes, we compare our results from year to year and present the findings to the P&C. You will find a link to the survey below, which will be open for 2 weeks. Participating in the survey is voluntary and anonymous and takes 20-minutes to complete. We welcome your feedback.

- Parent Tell Them From Me [Survey link](#)



Selective High School Placement Test

The Department of Education would like to advise the key dates for the Selective High School Placement Test. Their website includes everything you need to know and we highly recommend interested families to visit the site to find out more.

Applications are now open, [click here to apply](#).

- All candidates are required to sit the Selective High school Placement Test to be held in May (the test date has been moved to May to avoid a clash with NAPLAN testing in March)
- Attendance records are taken into consideration as part of the selection process
- To apply you must complete the placement process using the information and link on the website

Each year high-potential and gifted students miss out on Selective High School placement in Year 7 because parents/carers are unaware that the application process begins in Year 5. It is important to note students need to apply to sit for the test while they are in Year 5.

Selective High School [information website](#).

Supervision and School Bell Times

Our school hours are 8.40am to 3.15pm. Outside these hours there is no teacher supervision and for safety reasons we kindly ask you to access our Nanyima before and/or after school care program. In recent weeks we have noticed an increasing number of children arriving at the school gates prior to 8.40am. Please note:

- Safety is our priority
- Students are not supervised before 8:40am and after 3.15pm
- Parents should plan to have their children at school **no earlier than 8:40am**
- Nanyima is recommended for Before and After School Care

For more information about the Nanyima program and to make a casual or longer term booking, you can [visit their website](#).

SRC Update

Year 5 'Cooling The Schools' Program - Thursday October 19

This year we are participating in the Cooling the School program to plant over 100 small trees, shrubs and grasses in the school grounds. Year 5 students are participating in this initiative and will engage in valuable learning about sustainable and environmental living. The Cooling the Schools program will be held on Thursday October 19 and focus on Frog Hollow and the Quiet Zone deck area. We would like to thank the Greening Australia Team for selecting our school and for organising this incursion. We look forward to sharing pictures of our newly planted gardens in the next edition of the newsletter.



P&C Update

Year 6 Referendum BBQ and Bake Sale - thank you!

A special thank you to the Year 6 Parent team for organising the Referendum BBQ and Bake Sale on Saturday October 14. Thank you to everyone who was able to contribute to this event, either behind the scenes or on the day providing cakes, helping with the set-up/pack-up, serving and selling. It was wonderful to have so many of you get involved and lend a helping hand. Thank you for continuing to support our Year 6 students in their final year of primary school and for the wonderful Cammeray community spirit in attending these fundraising activities.

P&C Week 2, Term 4 Newsletter

Band Week 2, Term 4 Newsletter

Stories of Success

Arato is our very own sporting superstar! Congratulations to Arato who has been nominated as a 2023 Tennis NSW Award finalist.

- From Tennis NSW Website: [2023 TENNIS NSW AWARDS FINALISTS ANNOUNCED | 29 September, 2023 | Tennis NSW](#)
- From [Tennis NSW Instagram](#)
- From [Arato.tennis journey Instagram](#)

Arato is proudly nominated in two categories. One is “the Most Outstanding Athlete with a Disability” and the other is “Junior Male Athlete of the Year”. We are thrilled about this nomination, especially in the open under 18 junior category (as you can see from the list, Laton Hewitt's son has also been nominated!). The Award ceremony is being held on Thursday night. Three cheers and well done to Arato on these outstanding nominations.

Art Program

Congratulations to 5S for their amazing artwork, *Portholes to Country*. This collaboration has now been selected as a finalist in the NSW Reconciliation School Challenge. Thank you to everyone who took part in the online People's Choice voting. We look forward to hearing the outcome, which will take place at an awards ceremony on Tuesday October 31 at the Sydney Museum. Thank you to Shiho for photographing and preparing this image for the competition.

Well done to Year 6 for creating artworks about themselves using the NSW Reconciliation theme as their inspiration, *What Stories Will You Dream?* Stories and identity are so important to learning and the deepening of understanding. Art is a great platform to express who you are and what you stand for and strive towards. The students' artworks (see photo gallery) will be printed on tote bags as a celebration of the end of Year 6.

Art Show Presentation - *Me the Artist:*

Music Program

Junior and Senior Choir

Our Junior and Senior Choirs have started rehearsing again this term and are preparing auditions for next year's choral events. All students are welcome to join our school choirs (no audition is required) and we would like to invite incoming Year 3 students for 2024 to join the Junior Choir if they have a passion for singing. Please contact Ms Esparraga for more information about all our choirs and other singing and performing opportunities.

Schools Spectacular

Some of our Senior Choir students have been selected to represent Cammeray Public School at the 2023 Schools Spectacular performance, *Fabulous*, as part of the Primary Arena Choir. The event, televised on Channel 7, is a showcase of the performing arts, including a symphony orchestra, stage band, 2700-voice choir, 2300 dancers and a huge number of outstanding solo performers. We are proud of all these students for representing our school at this special event. Three cheers and well done to all performers!

- Schools Spectacular tickets are [on sale here](#).



Photo Gallery