

GARDEN SUBURB PUBLIC SCHOOL

A caring environment providing quality education

Class Placement 2023

We have had a number of parents and carers contacting the school for meetings regarding class placement for 2023. We have asked students to complete a form listing three people from the same grade who they learn best with and someone from the same grade who they would like to get to know better next year. This information will be used together with information from the class and stage teachers to form classes.

We understand that there will be preferences and requests from parents and carers, however there are a number of factors that influence the class make up and a lot of time and thought goes into the process by the teachers. If you have any major concerns regarding your child, please speak your child's current class teacher or the Stage Assistant Principal as we will be starting to look at 2023 classes over the coming weeks.

Mrs Louise Dunn has decided, after much consideration, to relinquish her position as the Principal of Garden Suburb Public School. The Department of Education will now follow their staffing processes and procedures for filling the position. Until the position is filled, Mrs Sturman will continue to relieve in the role of Principal.

NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters

When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

[education.nsw.gov.au](https://www.education.nsw.gov.au)



Single Use Plastics Ban

The NSW Government has created legislation which bans businesses and community groups from supplying lightweight plastic bags from 1 June 2022. The single use plastics ban was extended on 1 November 2022, to include:

- single-use plastic straws
- stirrers and cutlery
- bowls and plates
- expanded polystyrene food service items, like cups and hamburger containers
- single-use plastic cotton buds
- rinse-off personal care products containing plastic microbeads.

Any individual or organisation can act on behalf of a person who needs a plastic single-use straw. This includes teachers, schools, carers, family members, friends, aged-care facilities, Councils, cafés and hospitals.

However, GSPS has sourced recyclable clear cups to be used by students requiring medication at school.

The single use plastics ban does not apply to:

- single-use plastic bowls designed or intended to have a spill proof lid, whether separate or attached
- serving utensils or serving ware, like tongs and platters
- pre-packaged items that are integrated into the packaging of a food or beverage product through a machine automated process, like a straw attached to a juice box or bowl containing a frozen meal.

P&C Bunnings BBQ

A huge thank you to the parents and carers that gave up some of their Sunday to raise money for our beautiful school. We would also like to thank those parents that dropped in to Bunnings to buy a sausage sandwich. They raised over \$1700 to help fund sporting equipment, fun days and so much more. What an amazing effort!



Coming Up

Check the Sentral Parent Calendar

Week 8	
Stage 2 School Sleepover	Fri 2 nd – Sat 3 rd December
Week 9	
2023 School Leader Speeches Parents welcome	Tues 6 th Dec 9:30am Hall
P&C Christmas Carnival	Thurs 8 th December 5 – 8pm
Week 10	
Party Day at the Movies	Mon 12 th December
Presentation Day Parents welcome	Tues 13 th Dec 9:30 – 11:10am
Yr 6 Farewell evening	Wed 14 th December 5:30pm – 8pm
K-2 Christmas Carols at Uniting Aged Care	Thurs 15 th December 10am – 11am
Mugs Cup & Clap Out	Fri 16 th December
Students Last day	Fri 16th December
Students return Term 1 2023	Tues 31st January 2023



WHAT'S HAPPENING

2023 School Leader Speeches

Student Executive Leader speeches will be held on Tuesday 6th December (Week 9) at 9.30am in the hall. Parents and carers are welcome to attend.

Sport House Leaders will present their speech to their house group during sport time on Friday of Week 9.

P&C Christmas Carnival

The P&C will be running a Raffle with 4 hampers to be won. Use [this link to enter the raffle via the online portal](#). You can also enter via the QR code and the P&C will also be selling tickets on the night of the Christmas Carnival.

The raffle will be drawn at the Christmas Carnival on the 8th December. You can check out one of the hampers on display in the office.



Garden Suburb Public School
P&C

Christmas Raffle 2022

Drawn at the Christmas Carnival



Our Fabulous Festive Hampers include...

- * Christmas Activities
- * Festive Treats
- * Christmas Homewares
- * and more

Tickets are available online

<https://www.raffletix.com.au/gardensuburbpublicschool>

Raising money for our school.

Garden Suburb Public School P&C

Christmas Carnival

8th December 2022

5-8 pm



Join in our end of year family celebration!

BRING A PICNIC to spread out in our beautiful grounds

CHILDREN'S PERFORMANCES

GAMES

ATMOSPHERE MUSIC AND CAROL

SWEET STALL

CHRISTMAS PHOTO BOOTH

CRAFT STALL

RAFFLE

VISIT THE P&C STALL

WISHING TREE

PIZZA VAN, COFFEE, SAUSAGE SIZZLE, DRINKS

and more surprises!



Party day

This year's party day will be held offsite, with K-6 seeing the advanced screening of Lyle, Lyle, Crocodile on Monday 12th December. K-2 will go to a 10.30am session and Years 3-6 will go to an 11am screening. Transport will be via buses. Don't forget, the permission note for this excursion is due back on Monday 5th December.



Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 Farewell is on Wednesday 14th December at 6PM. Students will have their photo taken on arrival then The Year 6 Presentation will start. The students will enjoy a sit-down dinner and disco. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. We are looking forward to farewelling our graduating 2022 class.





PBL Paddlepops

Congratulations to all the winners, who were lucky enough to receive a PBL Paddlepop with Mrs Sturman this fortnight.



Dazzlers



Teachers will be looking for students being
RESPECTFUL,
RESPONSIBLE and doing their
PERSONAL BEST
to receive **Dazzlers**.

RESPECT RESPONSIBILITY PERSONAL BEST



Congratulations to all students that received awards in the past fortnight. The following students received a PBL merit award:

Novas

Polina H, Ari B, Leo B, Alexander J, Caleb F, Patrick M, Elise P, Sammy K, Isabella D

Galaxies

King F, Arthur T, Parker G, Ashton B, Charlie V, Mark K-A

Rockets

Aleina K, Olivia W, Alice H, Coco C, Kyah M, Ella B, Jett A, Savanna T, Mylee T, Malia T, Sam R

Satellites

Xander P, Xander M, Indiyah-Rose B, Yuna K, Henry H, Dominic H, Riley K, Ava H, Kevleen K

Comets

Elijah S, Zavie A, Darling L, William M, Charley B

Cosmonauts

Molly C, Ruby Rose G, Edie H, Keely J-T, Sienna C, Mia F, Jordyn N, Payton W, Lachy S, Lucy K, Mia Fielding, Jordyn N, Edie H

Titans

Lawrence C, Leo Cividino

Milky Ways

Lucas R, Kaleb E

Positive Behaviour for Learning



ENVIRONMENT NEWS

Week 8 Term 4

While Year 6 visited Cardiff HS, Year 5 planted native tube stock seedlings from Landcare along the southern end of the oval. The students were enthusiastic, out in the fresh air, digging in the soil, working as a team to successfully plant 40 plants. Later they researched native plants by botanical names and gave a presentation to their peers. Finally, more mulch was shovelled into wheelbarrows and spread across our gardens. A very productive day, great teamwork Year 5.



CLASSROOM NEWS

Satellites

As part of our PBL lessons, Satellites chose to make a kindness calendar for the month of November. Every day we looked at our challenge and tried to complete it. On Thursday 17th November, we were asked to make an acrostic poem. ...



Kind people share with other people
Inside our hearts we have love to share
Never give up to help others
Do try to keep the planet a healthier place
Never say rude words.
Entertain each other when they are sad
Say nice words to others
Share your thoughts or things with others

By Dominic,



Kick the bad away and keep the kind

Ice can help a friend

Never say mean things

Do something helpful

Nice is always better

Exercise your heart

Say funny things

Share love

By Elsa



KIND KIDS CATCH LOVE
INSIDE OF US WE SHARE
NEVER DO WE BE MEAN
DO YOU ALWAYS BE KIND
NICE WORDS CAN BE FUN
ENJOY THE KINDNESS YOU GET
SPEND TIME WITH SOMEONE
SAY I LOVE YOU

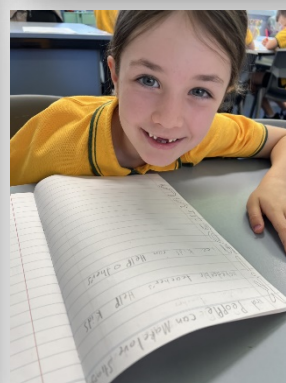
By Matisse



NOVEMBER 2022

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What's been happening

Swimming Carnival & PBL Rewards Day

The most epic GPS Swimming Carnival yet! The addition of activities in between races made the day with fun inclusive games, fitness circuits and water park, for our non swimmers and younger students. We were especially proud of our super star swimmers taking to the 50 metre pool. The inflatables and water activities were a huge hit! An extra special thank you to Mrs Couch for your amazing organisation and planning. Thank you to the P&C for donating the Sausage sizzle lunch for all to enjoy. It was lovely to see the students having so much fun.





Lost Property

There is some lost property left over from the swimming carnival on a table on the front veranda. Please come to collect your items before the last day of term.



What's been happening

NRLW Newcastle Knights Visit

Our K-6 girls were very fortunate to have a surprise visit from NRLW player, Kayla Romaniuk. Kayla talked about her journey with the Newcastle Knights and inspired us all!



PLP Celebration breakfast

We celebrated our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander student's achievements in 2022 with a breakfast on the school's front veranda last week. It was so nice to see our families coming together again.

Year 7 Orientation Day at Cardiff HS

Year 6 students attended to Orientation day at Cardiff High School on Tuesday this week. By all reports they had an enjoyable day filled with getting to know the school and a BBQ lunch.

Thank you for your donation

Lake Mac Libraries Fab Lab made wooden painted letters for the Library which reads "NEW BOOKS". <https://library.lakemac.com.au/Explore/Fab-Lab>

Book Club

We kindly ask that all orders for Book Club be made through LOOP. Book Club's online ordering platform.


Book Club LOOP
for Parents

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform for parents.
To order and pay for Scholastic Book Club by credit card visit:
www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP

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App Store

Nominations are open for the 2023 Lake Mac Awards

Help us celebrate the incredible people in our community and acknowledge the unsung heroes who have made our city a better place to live, work and play.

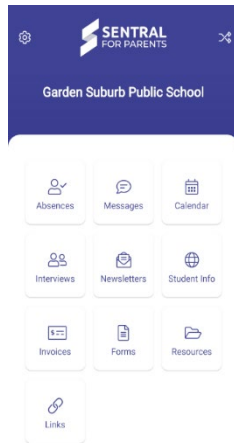
Visit lakemacawardsplatform.com to nominate, or visit lakemac.com.au/Lake-Mac-Awards for more information.



COMMUNICATION

Please use the following forms of communication with the school to stay up to date

Sentral Parent Portal App



The school uses the Sentral Parent Portal app to communicate all school updates, newsletters, permission notes and fundraising opportunities with our parent community. Parents can also submit absence requests, check the school calendar for upcoming events and message the class teacher.

All new parents and carers to the school should have received a welcome email with instructions on how to register and your access key. If you don't have an access key, please let the office know. Parents can have multiple access keys for each parent to stay up to date on what's happening in the school.

QuickCliq

Canteen and Uniforms orders can be purchased online through the website QuickCliq. Parents are encouraged to register an account, add their students details to the account and purchase credit through the website. For detailed instructions please see '[How to](#)' guide.



Website

Information regarding the school's policies, planning, reporting, expectations, P&C and so much more can be found on our [website](#). All parent payments and enrolment applications are made online using the quick link tabs along the top of the home page.

Facebook



The school has a Facebook page where you can find information on student successes, good news stories and community information. Our school Facebook page can be found by searching 'Garden Suburb Public School' on Facebook.

NSW School Updates app

The NSW School Updates App has the ability for parents and carers with children in multiple schools to receive newsletters and updates within the same app and receive push notifications on their phones when newsletters and events are posted by the school. Information feeds are filtered by school year are customised for parents and carers and includes direct contact line details to the school.

P&C



Uniform Shop

Uniforms can be purchased through the QuickCliq system, or by returning a form to the school with cash or direct deposit details. Uniforms will be sent home with the selected student unless otherwise advised in the order.



GARDEN SUBURB PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C UNIFORM SHOP

DID YOU KNOW ?



The Uniform Shop sells...

Available Thursdays at School, on Quickcliq or enquire at the School Office
PLUS CHECKOUT THE SECOND HAND OPTIONS - MOST ITEMS AVAILABLE FOR \$2!
Just a reminder our uniform includes Black Shoes and White Socks

Canteen News

We need more canteen helpers!

Please contact the office if you have any spare time to help.

Community Notices



**Playgroup
NSW**

Garden Suburb Jumping Jellybeans

Garden Suburb Jumping Jellybeans Playgroup is located right next to the school, within the Garden Suburb Community Hall (No. 2A Prospect Rd, Garden Suburb).

Jumping Jellybeans welcomes all parents and carers with children up to 6 years old. The newly renovated Hall has a large play area indoors with a kitchen, lots of toys and equipment to play with, and a small, grassed area used for outdoor play.

Playgroup is all about creative and unstructured learning through play, which is essential to children's development, as it helps them explore and understand their world. Sessions are lightly structured as informal gatherings where babies, toddlers and preschool-aged children along with their parents or carers come together in a relaxed and friendly environment to connect, play and learn.

We meet on Tuesdays during school term at 9:30am. Fees are \$40 for the term or \$5 per casual session.

Please send us an email before attending at jumpingjellybeansplaygroup@gmail.com or contact Catie on 0427 356 193 (SMS preferred).

**TO SECURE YOUR CHILDS PLACE
REGISTRATION & PRE-PAYMENT ARE ESSENTIAL
Limited number of places available
NO REGISTRATIONS WILL BE TAKEN ON THE DAY**

PAID REGISTRATIONS due by 1st Dec 2022

Child's Name:

AGE: PHONE:

ADDRESS:

.....

Allergies/Medical Conditions:.....

Special Dietary Condition:.....

Physical Activities: YES / NO (please circle)

Activities in the Park: YES / NO (please circle)

Permission for Photos: YES / NO (please circle)

Payment Enclosed \$ Donation \$

(Cheques payable to "Charlestown U.C. Just Kids")

Emergency Contact:

Name:

Phone/Mobile:

I give permission for my child
to attend the Kid's Fun Club at the Charlestown
Uniting Church. I understand that all care will be
taken, and I give permission for medical help to be
obtained in case of an emergency.

My child will be picked up / will go home on their own.

Signed: Date:



**Charlestown Uniting Church
Milson St. Charlestown**

Kid's Fun Club Advent Workshop

Wednesday 7th December, 2022
(Children in Years K - 6)

4pm - 7.30pm

**At Charlestown Uniting Church
26 Milson St, Charlestown**

Cost \$10 per child or Family \$20.
(includes Dinner & Craft)

Registrations & payment essential by 1/12/22

All enquires please phone:
4944 7826 - Laraine
OR 0409445933 - Cathy

Post form & payment to:-
Charlestown Uniting Church
P O Box 449
Charlestown. 2290

Office Opening Hours:
Wed, 9am-2pm

Tear along dotted line & keep for your information



GARDEN SUBURB

Fun, engaging & value for money

Monday 19th

Box City

Have you ever dreamed of living in a world where everything was made from boxes?

If so, then today is your day to make that dream reality. Come along and create our very own box city at OOSH with salons, schools, houses cars and more.

Let's see how creative we can get.

The afternoon is kids choice. You can run out your energy outside or relax and unwind inside.

Day Camp

Tuesday 20th

Oakvale Farm

We are venturing to a local attraction where we will be able to explore and get up close with a range of animals.

Hand feed the farm animals, enjoy the animal talks and take a walk or train ride around the farm and enjoy seeing the animals in their habitats.

Bring along your swimmers and a change of clothes to be able to enjoy the wet and wild fun in the splash bay.

Excursion

Wednesday 21st

Paint & Sip - Xmas Edition

Come along and become an artist for the day.

Paint a beautiful Christmas inspired painting of your choice to take home while you sip on a delicious refreshing milkshake.

Today isn't about being the fastest or best painter, it's about using your creative flare to create a unique masterpiece.

Incursion

Thursday 22nd

Revolution

Come along and join us for a PRIVATE closed session at Revolution.

Enjoy the main arena with over 50 interconnected trampolines and an ICE BOX (foam pit) or find your way into the inflatable arena where you can tackle the obstacle course, go head to head on the battle beam or enjoy the slides.

The kiddies arena and the climbing playground is also available for our fun and entertainment.

Excursion

Friday 23rd

Magical Time of Year

It's been another long year and one that we would like to end with a "BANG".

Join us for a Christmas party with your OOSH friends.

Enjoy some party snacks to fill up your tummy and play games and activities to get you into the Christmas spirit in a merry atmosphere.

Finish off the day with a disco.

Day Camp

Merry Christmas

Booking form to be completed to confirm your spot

Monday 9th

Wet & Wild Fun

Bring a spare set of clothes for a fun filled water play day at OOSH.

Play with reusable water bombs and water pistols and get wet and wild with your friends.

Challenge the Educators in a water fight! Participate in a range of water games and art activities.

Day Camp

Tuesday 10th

Merewether Beach

What's summer without a trip to the beach.

Come along and enjoy hours of fun at the beach.

Build sandcastles on the shore of the baths, collect shells and explore the rock pools.

Play a game of beach cricket in and out of the water while you cool off splashing around in the baths.

Excursion

Wednesday 11th

Timezone

Today is your opportunity to come to OOSH and jump on a coach to Timezone to enjoy unlimited arcade games with your friends.

There is multiple games available to suit everyone's interests on the day.

After having our technology time for the day, head back to OOSH for an afternoon of child lead play.

Excursion

Thursday 12th

Movie Madness

The time has come for us to escape the heat and head to the cinemas for a private viewing of

Puss in Boots: The Last Wish While you are there, kick up your feet in the recliner chairs and enjoy some fresh popcorn.

If you would like to, feel free to dress up and get into character.

Back at OOSH the Educators will provide craft, games and more.

Excursion

Friday 13th

Bricks 4 Kids

We have the wonderful people from Bricks 4 Kids joining us today for a Lego master class in the theme of

Mining and Crafting (Inspired by Minecraft®.)

If you haven't had enough of Lego by the time the incursion is done, the OOSH Educators will have more Lego challenges on offer to keep your creativity alive.

Incursion



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Fair Play OOSH Garden Suburb



SUMMER Fun



Monday 16th

Putt Putt

Today is Mega Putt Putt day and we have 36 holes to tackle at Newcastle Supa Putt.

Choose a group and make your way through all the course trying your best to get a hole in one.

Back at OOSH we will have a range of games available to continue working on your hand eye coordination and target practice.

Excursion

Tuesday 17th

Dolphin Cruise

Climb on the coach & travel to beautiful Port Stephens where we will jump aboard Moonshadow Cruises double decker boat for our private dolphin cruise that is sure to amaze you all.

Watch the horizon and look out over the beautiful blue water and spot every dolphin that surfaces to say hello.

Enjoy a packed lunch in the park before we head back to OOSH.

Excursion

Wednesday 18th

Sweet Valley Petting Zoo

Today is for all the animal lovers amongst us.

Sweet Valley Farm are visiting us and allowing us to get up close and personal with some tiny farm animals. You will be able to pat and cuddle a piglet, goats, baby lambs, guinea pigs, chickens, ducks and more.

Spend the afternoon creating your own farm using the craft materials available.

Incursion

Thursday 19th

Sydney Aquarium

Today is an excursion not to be missed. This is a never been done before opportunity to visit Sydney and have a tour of the Aquarium.

Early start and late finish but the memories and fun in between will be well worth the trip. There is nothing like this locally and we are giving you a chance to experience it with your OOSH Educators.

Limited Spots Available
Additional Cost but still Subsidised by CCS

Excursion

Friday 20th

Hunter Sports Centre

Come to OOSH and go on an adventure to Hunter Sports Centre where you can jump, flip, balance and tumble through the rotations. Learn basic gymnastic skills from trained coaches in the Olympic sized gymnastic centre.

Come back to OOSH and spend the afternoon enjoying our outdoor space for a fun filled child lead afternoon.

Excursion



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Monday 23rd

Wacky Water Play

It's summer and the perfect opportunity to have endless water fun.

The OOSH Educators will have a range of activities available to cool you off and keep you entertained, make sure you wear sun safe clothing and get ready to get "Wet".

We will also provide you with a range of activities and art and craft that involve water to top off the day.

Day Camp

Tuesday 24th

Fighter World

Today we will head to Fighter World and have a tour of preserved Royal Australian Air Force history.

We will be able to walk around, touch and look into the cockpits of famous aircrafts.

Around every corner you'll find many things to see and discover.

It will be a day to experience.

Excursion

Wednesday 25th

Dullboy's

Today is your opportunity to come to OOSH and jump on a coach to Dullboy's.

Enjoy a game of ten pin bowling and see how many strikes you can get.

Venture into the arcade area and enjoy half an hour of unlimited games to get your technology fix in for the day.

Come back to OOSH and run out your energy on the field with your friends.

Excursion

Thursday 26th



Friday 27th

Red Alert Laser Tag

Test your combat skills in the multi-level laser tag arena during our private hire at Red Alert Laser Tag.

There is hours of fun to be had during this out of this world experience with unlimited games of laser tag to play.

Head back to OOSH and take part in more activities to test your target skills as well as working on hand eye coordination.

Excursion

Monday 30th

Fun with Friends

Come to OOSH today and have a whole lot of fun with your friends, new and old.

Create friendship bracelets, make cards for each other and build lasting friendship to take with you into 2023.

Day Camp



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CARDIFF HAWKS
LAKE MACQUARIE DOCKERS
MAITLAND SAINTS
MUSWELLBROOK CATS
NELSON BAY MARLINS
NEWCASTLE CITY BLUES
PORT STEPHENS POWER
SINGLETON ROOSTERS
WALLSEND WEST NEWCASTLE SWANS
WARNERS BAY BULLDOGS



AGES 5-9



JUNIOR/SENIOR



SPRING COMPETITION



Festive everyday snacks

We all love to share food to celebrate, even at school. You can avoid the sugar high and over indulgence on sometimes foods by adding more everyday foods to your festive spread.

There are lots of bright, colourful and healthy options for your festive snacks including:

- Homemade mini pizzas made with English muffins or wraps
- Frozen fresh juice or yoghurt ice blocks or cups
- Fruit platters or kebabs with dipping yoghurt
- Cheese, veggie sticks, rice crackers and dips
- Water with fresh frozen berries or lemon
- Mini savoury pinwheels or wraps
- Fruit or veg scones and muffins
- Triangle sandwiches
- Pikelets
- Popcorn



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