



Maroubra Bay Public School

Newsletter T4 W3

Thursday 26 October, 2017



Principal News

Future plans for classrooms

As many parents would understand, our school is going through a positive growth in many areas. This is resulting in increased enrolments and pressure on our teaching spaces. In 2013, our student enrolments were 201 and we project in 2019 to be over 400 students. These positive changes mean that we need to think creatively about our teaching spaces so that we maximise the use of our rooms without having to house many demountables on our treasured grass areas.

Combined with this, staff have been working more and more collaboratively and want to build on these practices moving forward. Recently, staff met to plan the future of our classrooms.

I have attached a map on the next page to outline our plans for classes in 2018. These are quite significant changes and reflect our needs and requirements for the next 3 years. Key elements of these plans include;

- Moving Kindergarten to C Block into 2 pods of double classrooms.
- Moving Year 3 into a double classroom upstairs in A Block
- Moving Year 5 and 6 into 2 double classrooms where the current Library is housed.

These changes will require significant planning and processes over the coming term to be ready for 2018. Staff have already begun thinking about what this all means and we will communicate this as the term progresses.

Please be assured that improved student outcomes are at the heart of all our changes. I encourage parents to be open minded about these changes and wait until what our talented teachers can do with these opportunities.

The plans will again be discussed at the next P&C meeting on Wednesday 1 November at 6.30pm. I encourage parents to attend to ask questions and discuss what is going on.

School Directions 2018—2020

Thankyou to those parents that have attended our parent focus groups this week. Our last one is on Friday at 9am in the Principal's Office. Please remember there is also an online survey for parents to have their say. Please access the survey at

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/MBPSplanning>

Big Start Kindergarten 2018

This week we welcomed almost 80 fresh faced students to our Kindergarten orientation sessions at Big Start. A big thanks to Miss Hatziantoniou and Mrs Hutchison for all their organisation and to all our staff for helping out on the day. Over the next 3 Wednesday's this program will continue as students get ready for Kindergarten in 2018.

Big Start is a wonderful and well respected program that we can all be proud of. Well done to all and a warm welcome to all our new families.

Enjoy your week ahead.

Matthew Ackerman

Principal

Week 3

Mon 23/10	Parent Focus Group 2pm
Tue 24/10	Parent Focus Group 9am KV Assembly 2.20pm
Wed 25/10	Big Start 1
Thu 26/10	Parent Focus Group 2pm Stage 3 Sculpture by the Sea
Fri 27/10	Parent Focus Group 9am PSSA

Week 4

Tue 31/10	KH Assembly 2.20pm Indigenous families Afternoon Tea 3pm Library
Wed 1/11	Big Start 2 9.30am
Fri 3/11	Captain's Posters due

Week 5

Tue 7/11	KP Assembly 2.20pm
Wed 8/11	Big Start 3 9.30am

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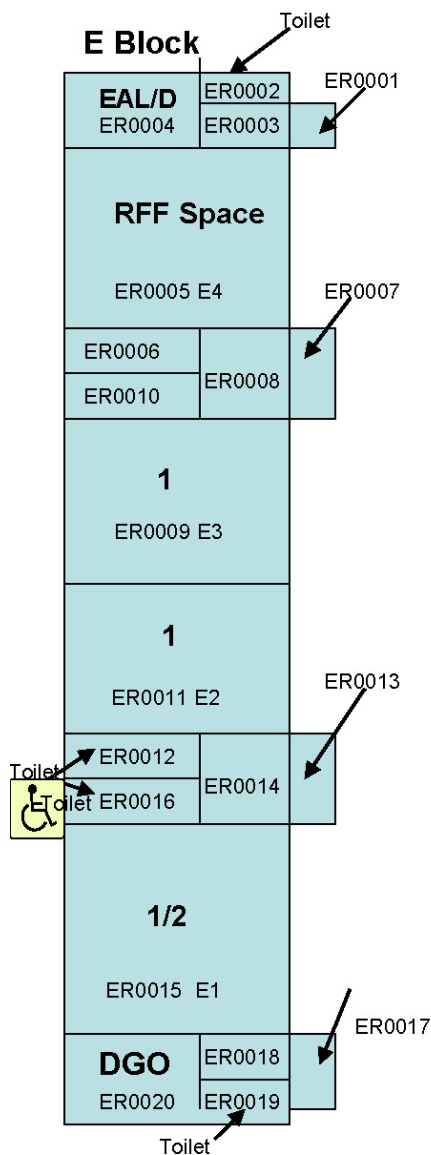
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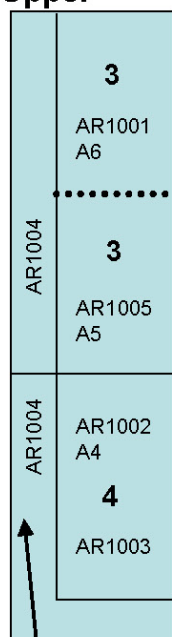
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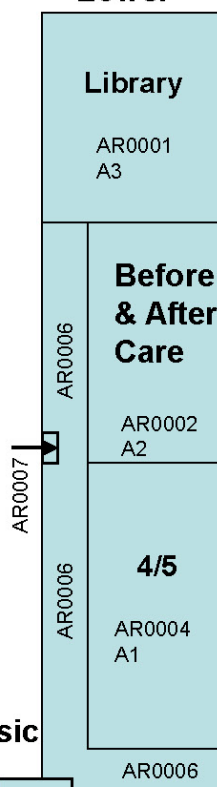
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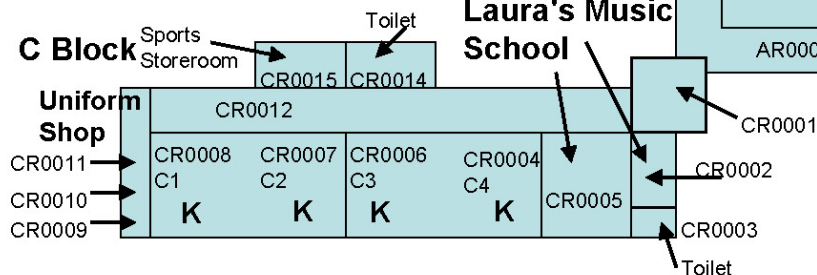


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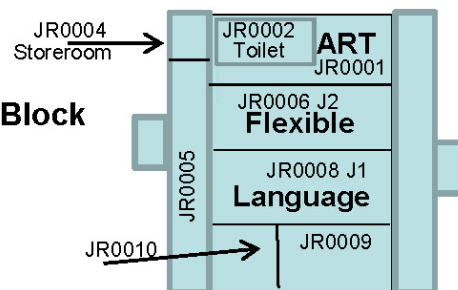


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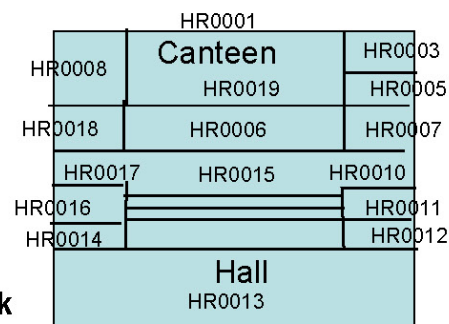
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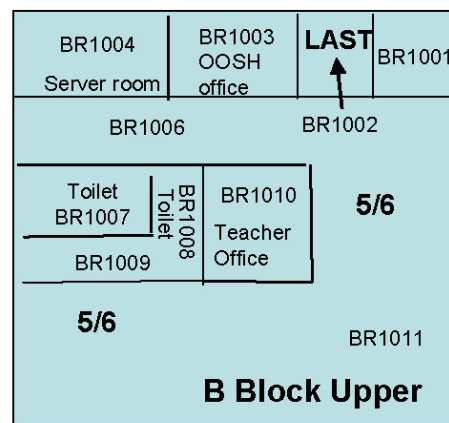
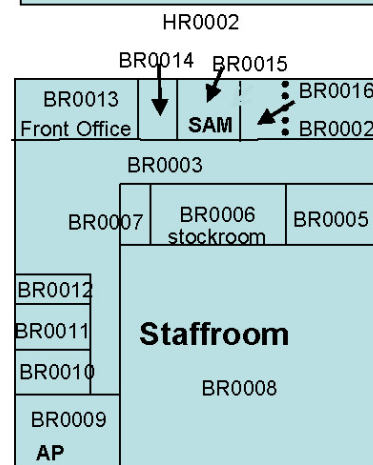
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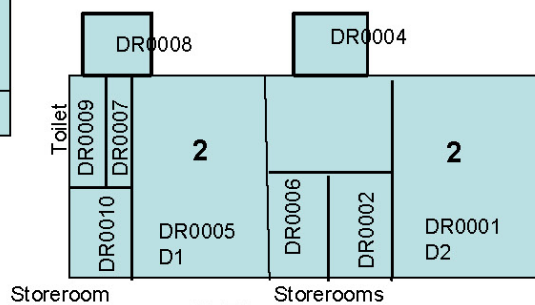
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B Block Lower



D Block



General Information

Student Leadership 2018

Expressions of interest forms for Captaincy in 2018 are due on Monday 30 October. We look forward to starting this process with our talented Year 5 students in 2017.

Selective High 2019 (repeat)

Selective high schools cater for the specific needs of high achieving gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. Selective schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, teaching them in specialised ways and providing educational materials at the appropriate level. Parents apply when the student is in Year 5. The students sit the test in March of Year 6.

To be considered for placement students must sit the Selective High School Placement Test. For information about applying and the placement process go to <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

Information packs are available at the school office.

Ethics 2018 (repeat)

Philosophical ethics classes are offered at Maroubra Bay PS and other NSW public schools as an option for students who are in Non-Scripture classes. Primary Ethics is the organisation authorised by the NSW state government to deliver ethics classes under an approved curriculum from Kindy to Year 6. Currently we have 6 ethics classes offering Ethics for students whose parents have nominated them to attend. As some of our current volunteer teachers will be finishing up at the end of 2017 we have some vacancies to fill to make sure our classes can continue in 2018. **We need 3-4 new volunteers for 2018.**

Ethics Teachers facilitate discussion using training and material provided by Primary Ethics. Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and developing their critical thinking skills. Teaching experience is not a pre-requisite. Full training and teaching resources are provided by Primary Ethics. **Teaching and preparation takes no more than 2 hours per week, often less. Ethics teachers at MBPS teach a half hour class each Tuesday morning during term from 9.30-10 (K-2) or 10-10.30 (Yr3-6).** Teachers need to be consistently available to teach their weekly class during the school year.

Applications to volunteer are welcome from members of the school and wider community. **To find out more about becoming an ethics teacher and to apply online, please visit:**

<http://www.primaryethics.com.au>

Apply now to be trained and ready for classes in 2018. You can also contact our school's Ethics Coordinator for more information on:

mbpsethics@gmail.com



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General Information

The Very Hungry Classroom

5C would like to thank the P&C for the delicious pizzas delivered to our classroom last Friday as reward for our class fundraising the Amazing Race this year! As you can see below they were devoured in record time!



ANSTO Top Coder Competition 2017

Alex and I had a lot of fun at the ANSTO Top Coder Competition finals yesterday. It all began in Term 3 where we competed against local schools at Pagewood Primary in the competition heats. The theme of the competition was Healthy Living. After going through great difficulty coding a game in 2 hours, we found out that we had won! (we still think it was luck) So we had a spot in the grand final. It was held at the ANSTO Discovery Centre, in Lucas Heights.

The theme of this round was Clean Oceans. We made a game where you need to click on the garbage that was falling from a boardwalk due to the humans littering. Again, we had 2 hours to make the game, so it was very difficult. Even more so because the internet was as slow as a snail riding a turtles back. In the second hour of code, we were making the final product. 5 minutes to go and we had finished... that's when then page crashed. Everything in our game was not working. The entire program had glitches. We needed to fix it, but we couldn't in the time we had. So the game was un-finished and the time was done.

After lunch they announced the winners and runners up. Unfortunately, we did not come 1st, but we did come second in the Sydney region and 1st place in the Eastern Suburbs. We would like to thank Mr Crowther for coming and supporting us, and the ANSTO coordinators for organising the competition. We hope that everyone is inspired to start coding and we hope we get the chance to compete next year!

Toby Year 5



Sporting Information



When it Rains it Paws



Tragic joke? Yes. However, I hope it can put a smile on your when thinking about the terrible luck we have had in the Summer PSSA Competition this year! It was all too familiar last Friday when the heavens open meaning that our representative sports students were unable to compete. Fingers crossed that we can have a sunny day on Friday and both our Tee ball/Softball and AFL sides get on the field.

This term all AFL games will be played at Heffron Park (Jersey St) and tee-ball softball will be as per the below fixture. Competition begins at approximately 10:00am each week with junior sides playing first.

Tee-ball/Softball fixtures

Round 8 - 20th October – Coral Sea Park

Round 9 – 27th October – Coral Sea Park

Round 10 – 3rd November - Coral Sea Park

Round 11 – 10th November – Coral Sea Park

Round 12 – 17th November – Coral Sea Park

Round 13 – 24th November – Nagle Park

Round 14 – 1st December – Heffron Park 2

We invite all community members along to support our students. Please be aware that no dogs are permitted at any PSSA event.

Daniel Crowther
Sports Coordinator

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What's Happening *KP*

This semester K-2 have started the 'Get Reading Right' phonics program. This program gives students the opportunity to learn simple sounds and blends in Kindergarten through to more complex sounds in Year 2. This is a differentiated program to target the specific learning needs of our students. KP have been working hard on their sounds this term, as each morning students participate in whole class activities on single sounds of the alphabet and blended sounds. Students break off into small groups and are engaged in fun team based learning activities that assist the students in revising the sounds for the week. In these groups students are learning to blend sounds together as well as sound out unfamiliar words. KP have picked up some valuable skills throughout this phonics program as they are learning to sound out unfamiliar words when reading and writing.

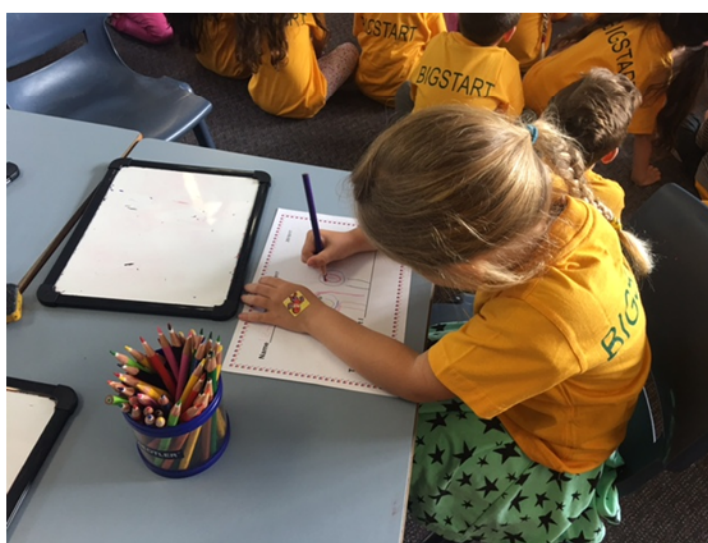
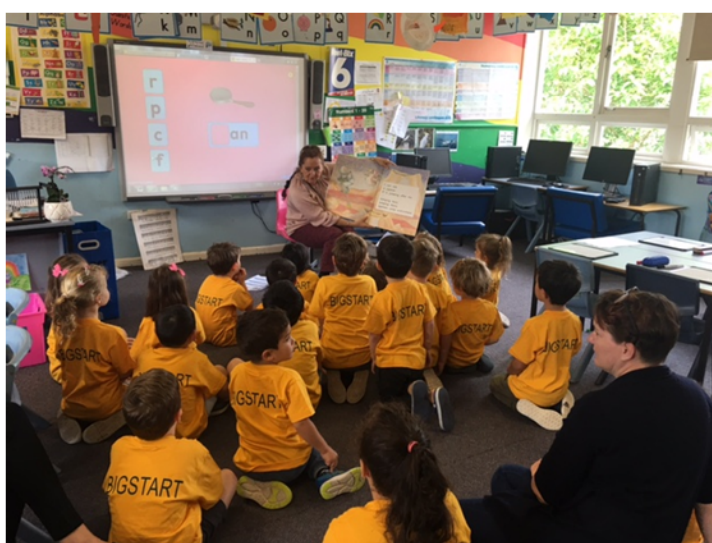
Ms Hatziantoniou



What's Happening *Big Start*

This week was a very exciting week for our new Kindergarten students and parents of Maroubra Bay. It was the first Big Start Session for 2017 and it was such a pleasure to see so many faces, both familiar and new, ready to join our school community. Our Big Start students started off their day with a big book read to them, followed by engaging literacy and numeracy activities. Students thoroughly enjoyed working on the interactive white board looking at sounds, writing their name, making pictures with shapes and tracing numbers. It was pleasing to see so many of our new students arrive with a smile on their face, looking forward to the next big step of their education. Many students were bonding with friends made in previous years from pre-school as well as forging new friendships, readying them for their first year of school.

Ms Hatziantoniou





Maroubra Bay Public School



Term 4 2017

Month	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
October	1	9/10 All Students return	10/10 School Leaders Assembly 2.20pm	11/10	12/10	13/10
October	2	16/10	17/10 1A Assembly 2.20pm	18/10	19/10 Year 5 Leadership Day	20/10 P&C Disco PSSA begins
October	3	23/10 Parent Focus Group 2pm	24/10 Parent Focus Group 9am KV Assembly 2.20pm	25/10 Big Start 1	26/10 Year 5,6 Sculpture by the Sea Parent Focus Group 2pm	27/10 Parent Focus Group 9am
October / November	4	30/10	31/10 KH Assembly 2.20pm Indigenous Families Afternoon Tea 3pm	1/11 Big Start 2	2/11	3/11 Captain's Posters due
November	5	6/11	7/11 KP Assembly 2.20pm	8/11 Big Start 3	9/11 Year 6 Day Out	10/11
November	6	13/11	14/11 SRC Assembly 2.20pm	15/11 Big Start 4 Captain Speeches Prelim - 2pm in 4/5J	16/11	17/11
November	7	20/11	21/11 Year 5 Assembly 2.20pm Year 4 to Randwick HS	22/11 Captain Speeches 9.30am Hall	23/11 Year 6 Fun Day	24/11
November/ December	8	27/11 Teachers Twilight 3pm-6pm	28/11	29/11	30/11	1/12
December	9	4/12	5/12	6/12	7/12 Presentation Day K-6 9.30am	8/12
December	10	11/12	12/12 Reports sent home	13/12 K-6 Movie / Picnic Day	14/12 Teacher Moving Day	15/12 Last Day Term 4



Applications for 2018 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) and Term Bus Pass (TBP) travel entitlements are now open.

In coming days students who hold an SSTS entitlement and are changing grade bands i.e. going from year 2 to 3 or year 6 to 7 and changing school, and students whose entitlement was approved under a medical condition, will receive notification by email or post informing them of the pending expiry of their entitlement. TBP holders will also receive notification.

Students enquiring about pending cancellation should be advised to go online to <https://apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updateDetails> to update details/make application for next year's entitlement.

Application needs to be made before 31 December 2017 to ensure their entitlement is updated and their current card is not cancelled. If application is made after the expiry of their entitlement (31 December) the system will automatically cancel their card and a new one will need to be issued.

Please note: Students who are changing grade band and are remaining at the same school will not receive notification and do not need to reapply (the system now automatically validates a student's on-going eligibility if at the same school and going from infants to primary or primary to secondary). Where a student meets the new eligibility the system will automatically update their entitlement and card.

Students in the Opal area applying for a SSTS or TBP entitlement for the first time will receive their card (posted to the nominated address) a week or two before the commencement of 2018 classes. Please let students know new cards for 2018 are not posted in 2017 or during the Christmas / New Year period.

Students residing in Rural and Regional (R&R) areas are expected to receive their new travel pass at the commencement of the New School Year. **Note;** not all R&R operators issue passes (often in smaller communities where the student is known a pass is not issued).

Concessions

Email: Student@transport.nsw.gov.au



Life in the School Learning Garden



Garden Bee

Saturday 28th October 9am-3pm

Did you know gardening is great for your health and lots of fun.

The garden NEEDS YOUR HELP this weekend

Jobs include:

- Clearing orchard area – cutting grass
- Assembling and installing new shelving
- Painting and making ceramic bird bath
- Turning compost
- Pruning and fertilising trees



MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK

Learning in the Garden

Kindy classes got creative and enjoyed making beautiful flower mandalas and garden weaves.



Our new strawberry wall is now finally in place and growing fruit.

Even though the whole fava bean crop was lost over the holidays, students have since planted dwarf beans, tomatoes, cucumbers, pumpkins and basil.



Needed: Empty wine bottles which will be used for irrigation

Pillow cases for seed collecting and drying.

Contact: Sandra Newell (Garden Coordinator) 0404 681 086

Garden Club is **FREE** on Wednesday afternoons (3.15pm-5pm). All children must be accompanied by an adult

CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Maroubra Bay Public School is held on Thursdays from 1:10pm to 1:50pm, starting on 12 October 2017.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.



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Friday 3rd Nov

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freak on

The M Club Cnr Mons Ave & Malabar rd Maroubra

The M Club

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available at the M club cafe. Grab a coffee before or after

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7am till 3:30pm.

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Des Renford Chair of Heart Family Gala Day

Sunday 29 October

Des Renford Leisure Centre
featuring

World Record Attempt

'Most people throwing flip-flops (thongs)
simultaneously'



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The 17th Annual Des Renford Chair of Heart Family Gala Day

**Sunday 29 October
7am - 5pm**

Water Rollers

Go - Karts

Jumping Castle

Giant Pool Inflatable

Bumper Boats

Petting Zoo & Pony Rides

Live Entertainment

To register for the
thong throw or for more
information go to
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Along with a "World Record Attempt" for the most
people to throw flip-flops (thongs) simultaneously!

Activities are subject to change

Des Renford Leisure Centre
Corner Robey Street & Jersey Road Maroubra NSW 2035



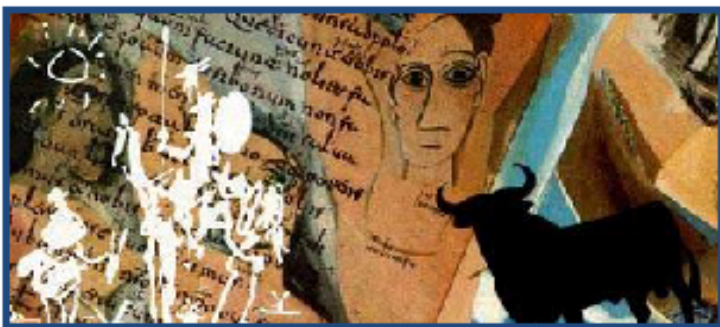
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FAMILY FUN DAY!

**FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER
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MEMORIAL PARK
CNR OF BEAUCHAMP RD AND
ANZAC PARADE, MATRAVILLE**

**CAFE - SAUSAGE SIZZLE - GAMES
WATER FIGHT - BUNJEE RUN - GLADIATOR RING
HAIR BRAIDING - CRAZY HAIR SPRAY & MORE**





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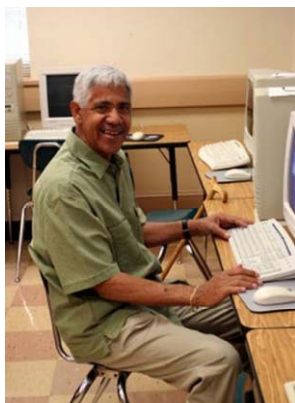
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Plazo de matrícula ordinaria curso 2018: del 1 de septiembre al 16 de octubre de 2017.



FREE Course Basic Computers & Internet

Learn how to use a Computer and access the Internet to communicate with your family and friends.

Randwick TAFE Outreach in conjunction with South Eastern Community Connect are planning to run a free basic computer and internet course for beginners.



Planned Time 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm

Week Day Tuesday

Where Room No: 83a Eastlakes Shopping Centre

To join this free course you will need to contact:

Mila - 8338 8506

South Eastern Community Connect

Teresa - 9469 8591

TAFE Randwick College, Randwick

The start date for the course will be confirmed as soon as there are enough students to fill the class.

