



Maroubra Bay Public School

Newsletter T1 W1

Thursday 1 February, 2018



Principal News

Classes are in...

It's been wonderful to see all our students returning this year. It has been even more exciting to see a number of new families join our Maroubra Bay family in 2018. A warm welcome to all our students this year.

The teachers have all commented how settled and focused the students have been in their new classes. There is certainly a lot of happiness and friendly games happening in the playground as students catch up with each other.

Tomorrow we see our 83 Kindergarten students all start their formal education journey. It may be busier in the surrounding streets so families may like to make alternative arrangements to help alleviate predicted congestion.

Parent Information Evening

On Tuesday February 13 we will be holding our annual Parent Information Evening which is a time for parents to come up and meet the teachers and hear about the great things planned for 2018. This will be particularly useful this year as we have new classroom settings and new staff to introduce. I hope many parents can attend.

There will be a note sent home early next week with all the times and organisation.

Swimming Carnival

The swimming carnival for students in Years 3 to 6 will be held on Thursday 15 February at Des Renford. A note will be sent home to all students involved next week. We hope that all students will attend. Strong swimmers in Year 2 who turn 8 this year are also invited to compete. Parents and community members are also welcome to attend and support their child.

Attendance

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for them to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options.

NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people at school.

Please take the time to read the brochure attached at the end of this newsletter for important information regarding attendance at Maroubra Bay Public School.

The next newsletter will be Thursday 15 February, 2018.

Welcome back everyone.

Matthew Ackerman

Principal

Week 1

Mon 29/1	Staff Return
Tue 30/1	Students 1-6 Return Kinder Best Start
Wed 31/1	Kinder Best Start
Thu 1/2	Kinder Best Start
Fri 2/2	Kindergarten Start

Week 2

Wed 7/2	P&C Meeting 6.30pm LIBRARY
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Week 3

Tue 13/2	5/6B Assembly 2.15pm Parent Information Evening
Thu 15/2	Swimming Carnival 3-6 Des Renford

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General Information

Stage Newsletters

Next week we will be sending home a stage newsletter for all of the classes. Primary school is split into four stages of outcome based learning. These are;

- Early Stage One (Kindergarten)
- Stage One (Year 1 and 2)
- Stage Two (Year 3 and 4)
- Stage Three (Year 5 and 6)

These stage newsletters will have information about teachers, timetables including sport and library days, curriculum and special events.

Please look out for this important newsletter next week.

Resource Fees

Next week there will be notes going home to students with stationery and other requirements in 2018. The notes are broken into three parts;

1. Resource fees for items such as textbooks, exercise books, online subscriptions and activities such as mindfulness
2. Voluntary school contributions—these are contributions that are not compulsory but assist the school in purchasing new literacy resources across all our classes.
3. Stationery items— a list of items that students in that particular year should bring to school.

An itemized and personal invoice will also be mailed to parents next week with these details as well.

As always, parents are asked to ring or come up and speak to the Principal confidentially if they require assistance for student fees.

School Uniform

Most of our students have come to school with a beautiful school uniform to start the year, and I thank all the students and parents who have helped keep our school looking so fantastic in uniform.

I have noticed an increasing number of students without black school shoes. The wearing of bright sports shoes with the normal school uniform is not encouraged. I would appreciate everyone's support in getting our school uniform back to its best.

Thank you to the uniform shop volunteers who have done an amazing job of opening the shop at the beginning of the school year to allow parents to purchase new uniforms. We very much appreciate the support of all our wonderful volunteers in this area.

Parking

As we begin another school year, it is timely to remind parents and community members that we have very specific parking zones out the front of our school including a bus bay, no stopping zones and ten minute parking areas.

Please help us look after the safety of all our students and park in the appropriate spaces. Do not block the pedestrian crossing nor park in the bus bay during school pick up times.

Thank you for your support.

P&C Meeting

The first P&C meeting will be held on Wednesday 7 February at 6.30pm in the new Library space near the main playground.

We look forward to seeing you there if you can attend.

Assembly

Our first school assembly will be in Week 3 on Tuesday 13 February. Starting at 2.15pm we invite all our community to attend. This first assembly will be hosted by 5/6B and will acknowledge our award recipients from Presentation Day that were unable to attend.

See you there.



Buy Fresh Fruit and Veggies Online at SeekFresh & Pick Up Your Order At Maroubra Bay Public School

When you purchase online using the coupon code below, SeekFresh will donate 10% of all proceeds back to Maroubra Bay Public School.

1. Visit www.seekfresh.com.au and check our delivery schedule
2. Select one of our fresh made school boxes **or create your own box**
3. Checkout and use your school's coupon code "MBPS" in the coupon field
4. Complete order

Call us
Joe: 0410 402 228
Isabella: 0401 327 378

Email us
contact@seekfresh.com.au



Contacting the school



Concern/Question/Information	Appropriate Contact
Academic progress of child	Arrange interview with class teacher. Any referrals to the school learning and support team must go through the class teacher.
Welfare of own child	Arrange interview with class teacher.
Health issues - minor	Notify class teacher in writing.
Health issues - more serious	Arrange interview with assistant principal or principal. Develop health care plan with class teacher and principal.
Administering of medication at school	Complete and sign form provided at the office. Medication to be brought to the office in original packaging. Advice from a medical doctor may also be required.
Custody/Court Orders	Arrange interview with principal; provide copies of orders.
Change of address or emergency contact details	Contact office staff and provide proof if required. Notify class teacher.
Explanation of absence	Explanation in writing to class teacher.
Application for exemption (leave longer than 10 school days)	Collect form from office and return to the principal for approval.
Child leaving the school	Notify the class teacher and the school office in writing
Behaviour or actions of a student other than your own child (in class)	Contact your child's class teacher.
Behaviour or actions of a student other than your own child (in the playground)	Contact the Assistant Principal relevant to stage level of your child who will investigate the matter and get back to you within two days. Kindergarten: Kevin Harty Years 1&2: Brad McGuinness Years 3&4: Vasilka Jovanovska Years 5&5: Vasilka Jovanovska
School policy or process	Contact office to arrange interview with Principal, providing to office staff an outline of your question or concern.

Please note that you can arrange an appointment by emailing the school at

maroubra-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au OR by calling the school office on 9349 1569



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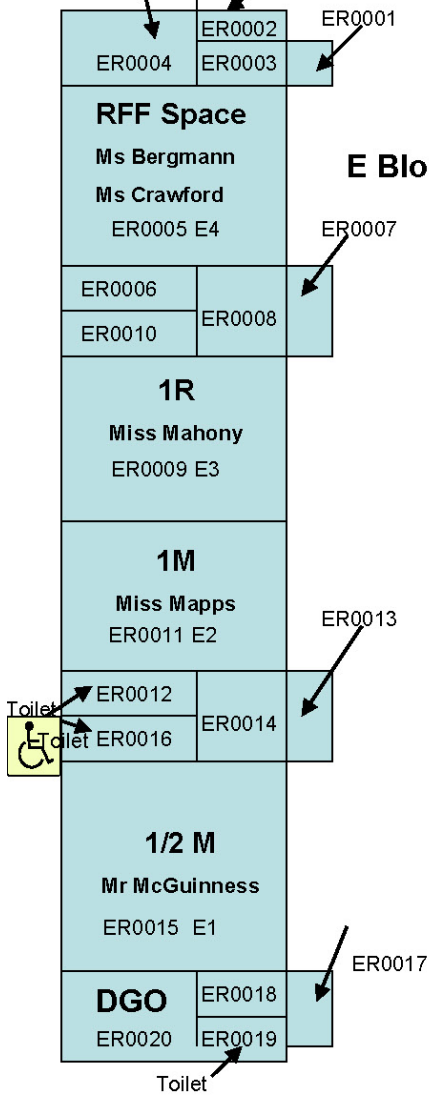


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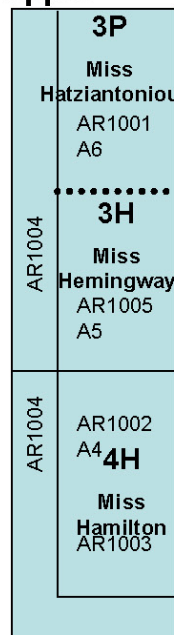
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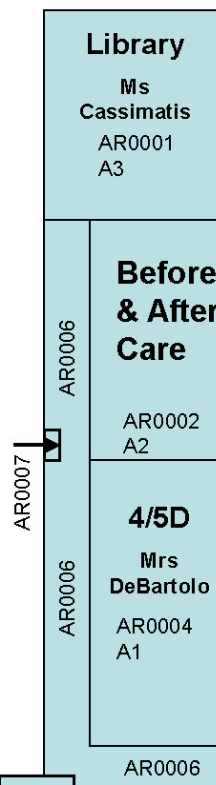


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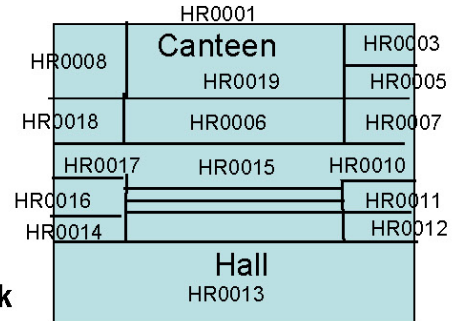
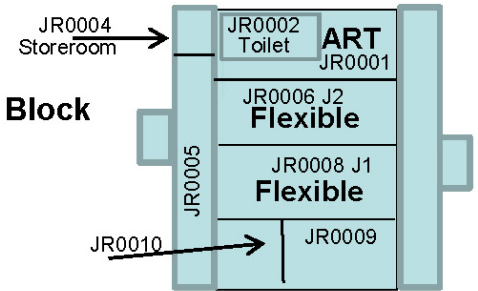
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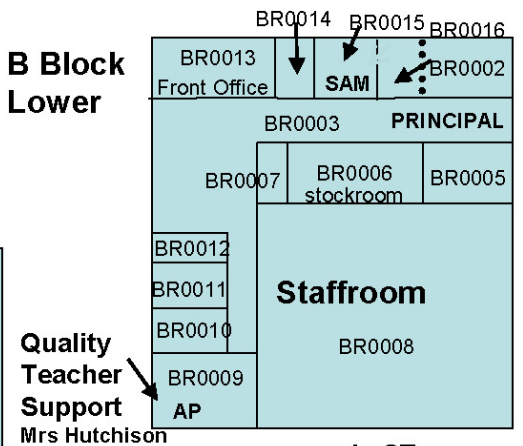


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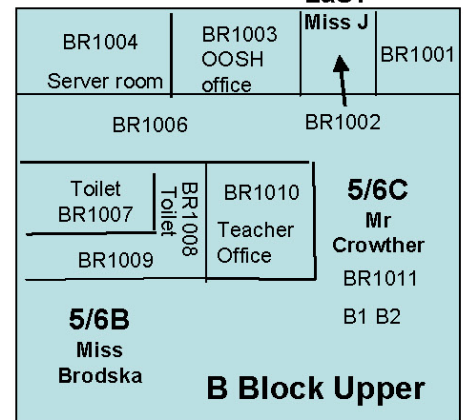
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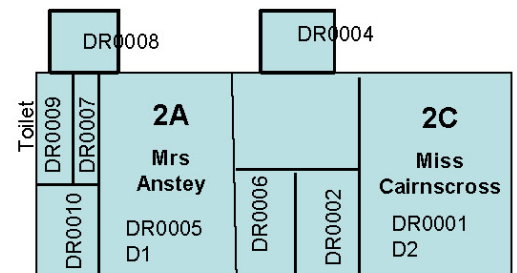
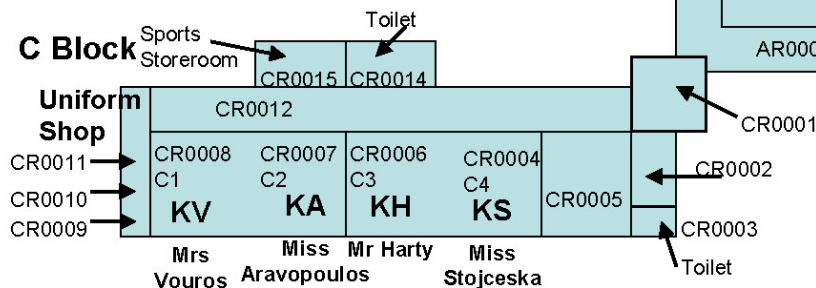


Quality Teacher Support Mrs Hutchison

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Maroubra Bay Public School

Parents can stay in touch with what's happening at school in a variety of ways.



1. The Maroubra Bay PS app

Search for our school in the app store and stay up to date with alerts, newsletters, policies and other information.

Click on 'More' in the lower right of the app, then 'Setup'. Toggle the push categories suitable for you.

To receive **Email** communications such as newsletters and notifications – go to the school website and click on "Our School" then "Communication".

Communication at The Bay



2. The school website

<http://www.maroubra-p.schools.nsw.edu.au//>



3. Follow us on Instagram



4. Like us on Facebook

5. The Office

for paper copies of notes and newsletters

Phone 02 9349 1569

Email



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Term 1 2018

Month	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
January / February	1	29/1 Staff Return	30/1 Students 1-6 Return Kinder Best Start	31/1 Kinder Best Start	1/2 Kinder Best Start	2/2 Kinder students start
February	2	5/2	6/2	7/2	8/2	9/2
February	3	12/2	13/2 5/6B Assembly 2.15pm	14/2	15/2 Swimming Carnival Yrs 3-6	16/2
February	4	19/2	20/2 5/6C Assembly 2.15pm	21/2	22/2	23/2
February / March	5	26/2	27/2 4/5D Assembly 2.15pm	28/2	1/3	2/3
March	6	5/3	6/3 4H Assembly 2.15pm	7/3 School Photos	8/3	9/3
March	7	12/3	13/3 3H Assembly 2.15pm	14/3 Photo Back Up day	15/3	16/3
March	8	19/3	20/3 3P Assembly 2.15pm	21/3	22/3	23/3 School Disco
March / April	9	26/3	27/3 2A Assembly 2.15pm	28/3	29/3 Easter Hat Parade	30/3 GOOD FRIDAY
April	10	2/4 EASTER MONDAY	3/4 5/6 Canberra Trip 2C Assembly 2.15pm	4/4 5/6 Canberra Trip 4 Collaroy Trip	5/5 5/6 Canberra Trip 4 Collaroy Trip	6/5
April	11	9/4 P&C Mufti Day	10/4 1/2M Assembly 2.15pm	11/4	12/4	13/4 Last Day Term 1



MAROUBRA BAY PUBLIC SCHOOL CANTEN MENU 2018



BREAKFAST

● Plain Toast – 1 Slice	\$1.00
● Plain Toast – 2 Slices	\$2.00
● Cheese Jaffle – Half	\$1.50
● Cheese Jaffle – Full	\$2.50
● Ham & Cheese Jaffle	\$3.50
● Hot Chocolate	\$2.50

SANDWICHES & WRAPS

● Vegemite or Jam	\$2.50
● Cheese	\$2.50
● Cheese & Vegemite	\$3.00
● Cheese & Tomato	\$3.50
● Ham & Cheese	\$3.50
● Salad	\$4.00
● Cheese & Salad	\$4.50
● Tuna, Lettuce & Mayonaise	\$4.00
● Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.00
● Chicken & Salad	\$4.00
● Chicken, Lettuce & Mayonaise	\$4.00
	1/2 Wrap Full Wrap
● Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$4.00 \$5.50
● BBQ Meat Lovers Wrap	\$4.00 \$5.50
● Ham, Cheese & Pineapple Wrap	\$4.00 \$5.50
● Cheese & Spinach – Vegetarian	\$4.00 \$5.50

BIG CRUNCH SUSHI - Gluten & Dairy Free

● Chicken Teriyaki & Cucumber Roll	\$4.00
● Tuna & Cucumber Roll	\$4.00
● Munch Box with Cucumber – Vegetarian	\$4.00

SALADS

● Fruit Salad Tub	\$3.50
● Water Melon Tub	\$3.50
● Garden Salad – Vegetarian	\$5.00
● Greek Salad – Vegetarian	\$5.00
● Greek Salad with Grilled Chicken	\$5.50
● Garden Salad with Grilled Chicken	\$5.50

HOT FOOD

● Homemade Veg Fried Rice	\$3.50
● Lean Sausage Roll	\$4.00
● Lean Fat Pie	\$4.00
● Corn Cob	\$1.50
● Baked Chicken Nuggets	\$4.00
● Sausage Sizzle – Tuesday Only	\$4.00
● Nachos – Thursday Only	\$5.00
● Home Made Pasta Bolognese	\$4.00
● Home Made Lasagna	\$4.00
● Home Made Pasta Napolitana – Vegetarian	\$3.50
● Home Made Pasta & Cheese – Vegetarian	\$3.50

SNACKS

● Fantastic Delites Snacks - Gluten Free	\$2.00
● Carrot and Celery Sticks - Vegan	\$3.00
● Carrot, Celery Sticks, Hummus & Wrap Bread	\$4.00
● Mini Banana Bread	\$1.50
● Low Sugar Jelly Cups - Dairy Free	\$2.00
● Fresh Apples or Oranges	\$1.00
● Home Made Mini Muffin	\$2.00
● Home Made Mini Cookie	\$2.00
● Fresh Yoghurt & Whole Berries	\$3.50
● Twisted Frozen Yoghurt	\$3.00
● Quelch Juice Tubes - Dairy Free	\$1.00
● 100% Frozen Fruit Juice Cup - Dairy Free	\$2.00
● Smooze Fruit Ice – Vegan	\$2.50

DRINKS

● Moove Chocolate Milk	\$3.00
● Moove Strawberry Milk	\$3.00
● Plain Milk	\$2.00
● Bottled Water	\$2.00
● 100% Orange Juice 200mL	\$3.00
● 100% Apple Juice 200mL	\$3.00
● 100% Apple Black Currant Juice 200mL	\$3.00

LEGEND: ● Everyday Foods
● Occasional

St Aloysius Catholic Primary School Canteen accepts online orders using Munch Monitor - Setting up an online account is easy!

*For any Gluten Free Sandwiches add 50c
 *All Sandwiches and Wraps can be Toasted - No Charge
 *All Sandwiches can be Wholemeal or White
 *All Tortilla Wraps are Wholemeal
 *All Cheese is Mainland Reduced Fat Tasty Cheese
 *All Chicken is Marinated in Garlic/Mustard and is Baked

1. Go to www.munchmonitor.com
2. Click LOGIN
3. Enter School ID: **maroubrabay**
4. Enter Password: **munch2035**

OUR KITCHEN IS ALLERGY AWARE

According to the new Healthy School Canteens Strategy of NSW you should fill at least ¾ of your menu with Everyday snacks, meals and drinks, with Occasional items making up ¼ of your menu. <https://healthyschoolcanteens.nsw.edu.au>



Compulsory School Attendance

Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.





My child won't go to school. What should I do?

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

What age can my child leave school?

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to [complete their schooling](http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/programs/attendance.php).

Working in Partnership

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

Policy, information and brochures:

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/studentsupport/programs/attendance.php>

The school leaving age:

<http://www.schools.nsw.edu.au/leaving-school/index.php>

Do you need an interpreter?

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

Learning and Engagement

Student Engagement & Interagency Partnerships

T 9244 5129

www.dec.nsw.gov.au

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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 8 February 2018.

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.



Helen Grady
DRAMA ACADEMY

Enrolling NOW



Drama Develops Kids

For the past 30 years our self-development drama programme has been helping children (5-17 years) with their creativity, confidence and communication skills. Using fun, creative & educational activities our classes cover speech & language development, improvisations, mime, scripts, drama games, dress ups & lots more fun stuff.

Call Mel Duke, the principal: **0435 566 238**
Email: SydneyEast@Helenogrady.com.au
www.helenogrady.com.au