



INNOVATION, EXCELLENCE, CONNECTIONS, FUN

34 Trinity Drive
Cambridge Gardens NSW 2747
Subscribe: <https://cambridgegps.schoolzineplus.com/subscribe>

Email: cambridgeg-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Phone: 02 4730 1201

Fax: 02 4729 1385



30 October 2018

Principal's Report

TEACHER'S DAY

Last Friday was Teacher's Day! This is a day to reflect on the difference our staff make to our students. We are so fortunate at Cambridge Gardens PS to have such a committed and dedicated staff full of knowledge, skill and enthusiasm. Our teachers work so hard to provide quality learning and amazing opportunities for our students. I can only thank them all and applaud them for everything that they do!

40th BIRTHDAY

Our 40th birthday is just around the corner and preparation is well under way for a very relaxed get together to celebrate and wish our school, Happy Birthday! We hope you can come along next Wednesday November 7 from 5pm to 8pm. We hope you can come along for a chat and some birthday fun!

KINDERGARTEN 2019

What an excellent morning we enjoyed with our 2019 Kindergarten students and their families. The students enjoyed checking out our classrooms, meeting some buddies and taking part in some activities. It was great for our staff to talk with our parents about expectations, requirements and the fun ahead for us.

Organisation for Kindergarten 2019 is well advanced. I have been conducting interviews with many of our new students for 2019 and these interviews will continue throughout Term 4.

Make sure you have in your calendars the date for our final Kindergarten Orientation event, Wednesday November 14 at 10am. We hope that all our Kindergarten 2019 students will be able to come along to these exciting events.

Also if you haven't submitted your application for enrolment to the school as yet or you have friends or neighbours that haven't can you please ensure that this paperwork is supplied to the office as soon as possible. This helps us to put in place the

classes, staff and classrooms most appropriate for the year and avoiding any last minute changes. Thanks for your help with this.

BOOK COVERING MADNESS

The Book Covering fun has continued this term. A big thank you to the parents from BETA who were able to come along and enjoy a great get together whilst helping Mrs Antonelli and Mrs Thompson. I also thank again those other fantastic coverers who joined in after reading groups as well as all those parents who have been taking home boxes of books and covering them at home. As you know we are buying great new resources for our students and we can't wait to get them into use in the classroom and with our students. Everyone's effort is much appreciated!

FURTHER DEMOUNTABLE CLASSROOMS

The Department of Education's Asset Management Team came out and worked with the school to site the next two demountable classrooms that will be installed for the commencement of 2019. We are becoming a bit tight for space at the moment and am really looking to maintain our best playground spaces. At this stage it is planned for one to go directly behind the library on the slope and then one on the flat section between the pathway and the sandpit. I will keep you updated on the progress of this project.

SCHOOL SPECTACULAR

This is a big week in rehearsing for the Schools Spectacular. Our dancers are venturing down to Homebush twice and our choir heading down on Thursday. It is so exciting seeing our children's excitement. Our choir were proudly showing me the songs they need to master whilst Mrs Ptolemy has been sending great videoing of the dance developing. I can't wait to see the outcome later in the month! Good luck to our participating students!

Adam Wynn
Principal

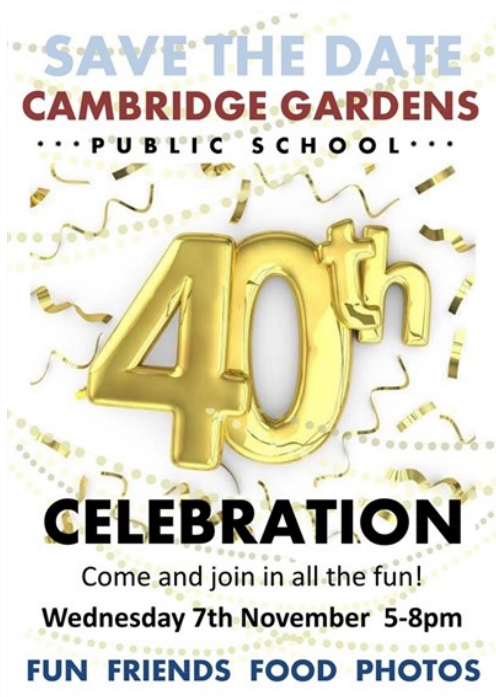
Current Notes

Please follow the links to all current notes and please note their closing date. Please ensure you put your child's full name and class on all notes.

Event	Date	Closing Date
Design a Brick – Final order		16th November
School Spectacular Rehearsal	16 & 30 October, 9 November	28th September
School Spectacular Costume Note	23Th November	16th November

Coming Up

Event	Date
Book covering morning tea – Velocity	30th October
Book covering morning tea - Fibbonacci	6 November



SNAIL TRAIL



FRIDAY 2nd November,
2018



It's time to start collecting your silver coins! Year 6 are fundraising for the farewell and would love if every student could participate in the annual school Snail Trail on Friday 2nd November. Students are encouraged to bring in silver coins to assist their class in making the longest snail trail possible. There will be prizes for the K-2 class and the 3-6 class with the longest line. The challenge has been set! Start collecting your silver coins now!

Mrs Felicity Nelson

Mobiles Phones

We acknowledge that on occasion's parents may feel the need for their child to carry a mobile phone for security purposes travelling to and from school. However, we have recently had a number of issues relating to students mobile phones going off in classrooms and some students using their phones. For the well being and safety of all students, we remind all students and parents that phones are handed into the school office as per school procedures. If students or parents have an important reason to contact each other during the day, office or executive staff will assist with this. In case of emergencies parents can contact their children via the school office. Thank you for your understanding with this.

Mr Attard
Assistant Principal



School Spectacular Rehearsal's

Our parents woke us up nice and early and our parents dropped us off at the train station at 7:00 am. We caught public transport to our destination. When we arrived at our destination, we did lots of dancing. We learnt a new dance and it was good. We made friends with other schools and there were over sixteen schools in our segment. Then we walked back to the train station and we arrived back at Penrith station at 4:30 pm and all the students had lots of fun.

Ethan, Dublin

Talent Show 2018

The annual Talent Show will be held on Friday 14th December! It is going to be a fantastic display of various talented students within our school. Entry forms are available outside Numerator classroom and must be returned by November 9th, 2018. Can't wait to see all the wonderful talent!

Mrs Felicity Nelson

School Swimming and Water Safety Program 2018



Our students had an amazing time over the last two weeks at The School Swimming and Water Safety Program. All students thoroughly enjoyed learning water safety rules and techniques on how to stay safe in the water. They were assessed and put into groups at their swimming levels. We saw fantastic improvement and growth from all students.

The swimming instructors were wonderful and catered for the needs of our students. Our teachers Mr Kristof, Mrs Sayle, Miss Lee and Mr Hunter did great job teaching and supervising our swimmers. Our support staff were invaluable in making our two weeks a smooth and enjoyable experience. All our students demonstrated exemplary behaviour and did their best at all times.

Testing Results

Distance	Day 1 Freestyle Distance Benchmark	Day 9 Freestyle Distance Benchmark
0m (0-4m)	7	1
5m (5-9m)	11	3
10m (10-24m)	21	11
25m (25+)	20	19
50m+		25

Kind regards,

Daniel Attard
Assistant Principal

Colgate Garden Challenge

The Colgate Garden Challenge is now officially over and we have sent away our second box of old oral care products. In total, we collected just under 4kg of old toothbrushes and toothpaste tubes. Thank you to everyone who brought in their old oral care products to recycle.

Julie Cheetham

Presentation Day 2018 - Date for your Diaries

On Monday the 17th December 2018, our school will be hosting its annual presentation day assembly. It will be held on the top cola and all parents and community members are invited to share this special day with us. There will be special guests and some performances on the day from the PMI bucket drumming group, the Stage 2 dance group and the Kindergarten dance group. Our recorder band and choir will also be performing.

As we move closer to the event we will keep you posted on any news and important messages.

Kind regards,

May Ptolemy
Instructional Leader

Early Action for Success

We would like to thank our wonderful students for the high quality work which they are doing in their classes. It is so delightful to see the growth in our students as the year progresses. We would also like to thank our wonderful teachers for their outstanding programming and planning to ensure that our students needs are being met.

Work to Share

Hey my name is Ken and I study black holes. Black holes are made when a star many, many times bigger than our sun dies. One day a black hole will suck up the Earth in about 26 million years. That is so long away. Black holes are powerful.

There is 8 planets in our solar system and 1 sun. There are 13 planets and there is 5 dwarf planets.

Ken - West Class

May Ptolemy
Instructional Leader

Movember Foundation

With November just around the corner, Cambridge Gardens Public School now has its very own Movember team!

For those who don't know, Movember is a charity that supports the awareness of men's health in areas of prostate/testicular cancer,



mental health and suicide prevention. We would kindly accept any donations the community would like to make towards this worthy cause. Throughout the month of November, some of our male staff will grow a mo in support of this charity.

More information can be found by clicking on the following link:

<https://moteam.co/cambridge-gardens-public-school>

Intention to Apply for Selective High School in 2020.

Selective high schools cater for high achieving academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic and social level. These schools help gifted and talented students to learn by grouping them with other gifted and talented students, using specialised teaching methods and materials at the appropriate level.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2020 you will need to apply online at the following link:

https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7?fbclid=IwAR2kZ4B33dbLnJzwgQSR_VyfCP01PQ7lf9sQS-ZSwR9sDDxIMFepDzFo9Eo

Applications are available between the 9th October and close on the 12th November 2018 at 10pm.

Please see Mr Attard if you have any questions regarding selective high school placement in 2020.

Kind regards,

Daniel Attard

Have you met Mrs Dyball?

What's your favourite joke?
Why do teachers go to the beach? To test water

What's your favourite song?
My students and my three sons

What was your first impression of Mr Wynn?
That he seemed fun and energetic

What was the most embarrassing thing that happened to you at school?
Bing hit in the head with a soccer ball

What's your least favourite food?
Brussels sprouts

What's your pet peeve?
People who don't have nice manners

Would you rather soccer or football?
Football

What's your least favourite insect?
Flies

Your favourite teacher besides yourself?
Probably Mr Kristof because he's nice and clever

What's was your favourite subject when you were in school?
English and art

What's your favourite flavoured chocolate and ice cream?
I love white chocolate and almond magnums

Would you rather watch Peppa Pig or Dora the Explorer?
Peppa pig

What's your favourite word?
Amazing!



Pacer Rebate

As you would be aware, our Stage 3 students recently took part in an educational excursion to the nation's capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of

educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist with the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Mr Daniel Attard
Assistant Principal

Schoolzine Newsletter App!

Just a friendly reminder that our school newsletter can be accessed via the Schoolzine app called SZapp. So far we have 74 community members already utilising the app. Visit the link below for instructions about how to download the app using Apple and Android devices.

<http://www.schoolzine.com/szapp-installation>

Kind regards,

Daniel Attard
Assistant Principal

P & C News

The term is in full swing and exciting things are happening. We have a few things to report.

UNIFORM POOL

Pre-loved school uniforms are available from the school uniform pool. Due to the former "uniform train" being condemned. The uniforms have been moved to a new location. The P&C Store Room, in the C Block. The P&C will open shop every Thursday (starting Week 5) from 2.30pm. All uniforms are from \$1 apiece and payment can be made directly to the front office. If this time does not suit you, you may speak to the lovely office ladies and they will arrange a suitable time to take you up to purchase.

CHRISTMAS BBQ

The Christmas Picnic/P&C BBQ is being held on Thursday 13th December. This event has been assigned to Year 1. Meaning that if any Year 1 parents can help set up, cook, serve and pack up etc on the day, this is your time to shine! This is not exclusive to only Year 1 parents, if you are able to help, regardless of what year your child may be in, please do. This is one of those events where many hands are needed. So, if you haven't already, please leave your details below in the Helping Hands Database and someone will be in contact with you.

It was great to see everyone at the P&C meeting last Tuesday. Thank you to Mrs Ptolemy for organising for Mr Dewal, from the Teachers Union, to come and speak to us about Fair Funding and the importance of needs-based funding. This is something that affects all of our children and it was great to have it explained in detail. We truly appreciated his time.

At this meeting we also discussed what we would like to buy with the funds raised from the Colour Explosion. As promised,

a significant portion of the funds was donated to the library. We are very excited to have approved \$2,000 for Mrs Antonelli and the library. This money will go towards two permanent iPads for the library, with the remaining money to be spent on new reading material. We would love to get some parents together to help choose these books. If you would like to be involved in this, please get in touch with us.

Minus the running costs and fees involved, we still have some money that we would like to put towards something before the year is out. We have put together a survey with a few of the top ideas from the meeting. Please let us know your thoughts, and what you would like to see the money go towards.

IMPORTANT DATE - November 27th is our AGM. All Executive positions will be vacated and we will be calling for new nominations to fill these roles.

NOTICE OF MEETING

***** SPECIAL MEETING *****

Friday 2nd November at 2.30pm
in the Staff Room.

This meeting will be to discuss the Christmas Picnic.

AGM followed by the General Meeting
Tuesday 27th November at 7.00pm in the Staff Room.

All parents, grandparents and carers are welcome.

HOW TO CONTACT US

- Send us an email to cambridgegardenspublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au
- Through the 'Cambridge Gardens Public School' official Facebook page
- Leave a message with the school office and we will contact you
- Drop a note into the P&C box (on the counter inside in the door to the school office)
- OR come along to a P&C meeting and HAVE YOUR SAY.

Sam Ivimey
President

SCHOOL BANKING

School banking will resume this Friday. Please be sure to deposit your bankbook into 'Pat' the banking dog before the 9.10am bell to line up for class. He will be sitting waiting out the front of the school library. Books will be accepted no later than 9.30am.

2.11.2018	Snail Trail – Yr6 Fundraiser
6.11.2018	Kinder book covering – Fibbonacci class
7.11.2018	40Th Anniversary Celebration
8.11.2018	Nursing Home Visit
9.11.2018	School Spectacular rehearsal
14.11.2018	Teddy Bear Picnic-2019 Kindergarten students
16.11.2018	Principal's Assembly
21.11.2018	School Spectacular Choir Rehearsal
22.11.2018	Thanksgiving – Parent thankyou morning tea
22.11.2018	School Spectacular Rehearsal
23.11.2018	School Spectacular
6.12.2018	Nursing Home Visit
13.12.2018	Christmas Picnic
14.12.2018	Principal's Assembly
14.12.2018	Talent Show
17.12.2018	Presentation Day
18.12.2018	Year 6 Farewell
19.12.2018	Last day of School for students

Installing SZapp

Apple Devices:

1. On your device, open the App Store.
2. Search the App Store for SZapp.
3. Download and install SZapp.

Android Devices:

1. On your device, open the Play Store.
2. Search the Play Store for SZapp.
3. Download and install SZapp.

Find your School

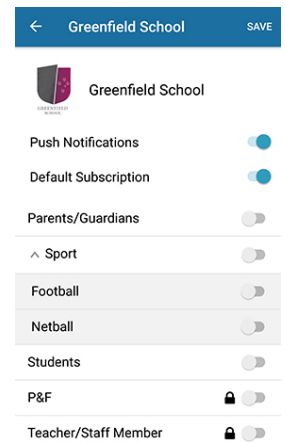
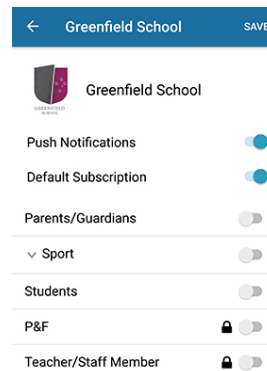
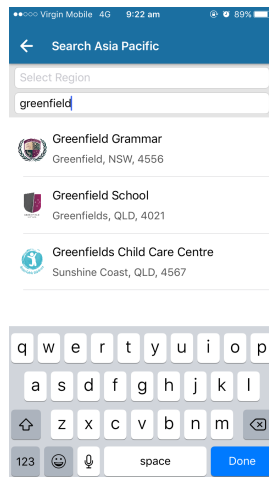
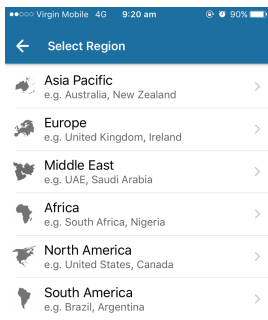
Select your school's region.

Search for and select your school.

Calender Events

2018

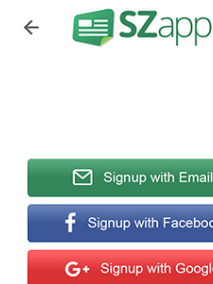
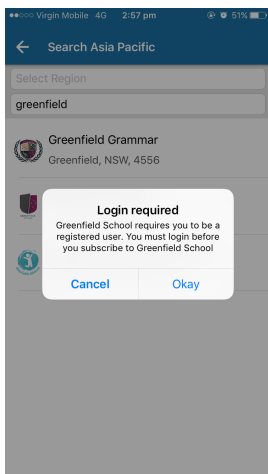
31.10.2018	State Athletics
1.11.2018	School Spectacular Choir Rehearsal
1.11.2018	Dance Sport Finals



Register a User

Before you can add your school, you will need to register.

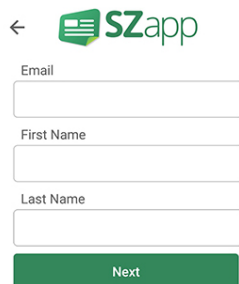
Register to SZapp with your email, or sign in automatically with Google or Facebook.



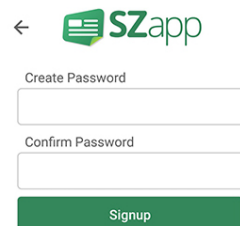
Already have an account? [Login Here!](#)

Enter your email and name.

Create a password.



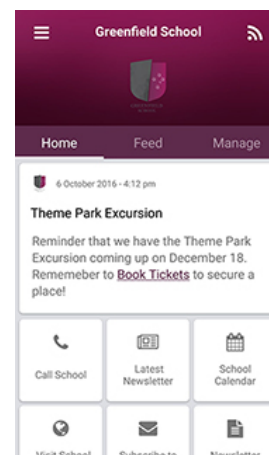
Already have an account? [Login Here!](#)



Already have an account? [Login Here!](#)

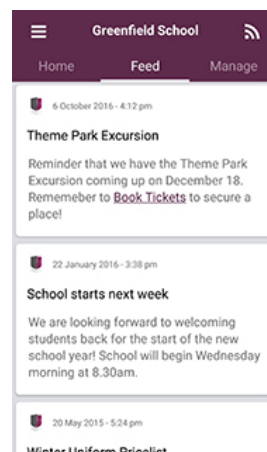
Home

View the latest feed item and school menu.



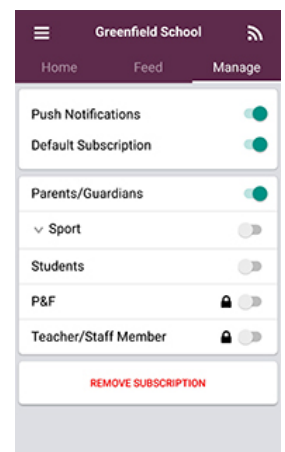
Feed

View all feed items for every group you belong to.



Manage

Manage push notifications, your default subscription and groups.



Managing Notifications

Choose which group/s you would like to receive notifications from.

Groups with arrows next to them indicate that there are sub-groups which you can join.

**For more information please view our FAQs
page**

<http://www.schoolzine.com.au/szapp>