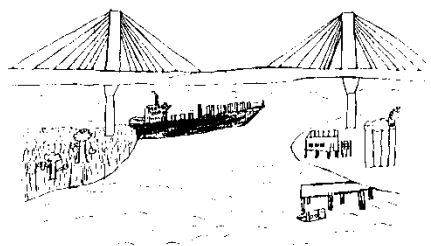


# BRIDGE ROAD SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers

We have been busy this term with our teaching/learning programs. We are most appreciative of the literacy work that Christine Johnson has been doing with our students. Chris has been working with and training staff while tutoring the children one day a week for 2 terms.

The AFL program that ran on Wednesdays for 6 weeks was most successful...from my office window I observed engaged, happy students, following instructions, using their forever improving ball skills while playing cooperatively!

Thank you to Luanne who compiled a wonderful exhibition of our students' work in visual arts for display at the Seaview Gallery at Dulwich Hill. I was very proud of our artwork which in my opinion stood out alongside that of other special schools in Sydney Region!!!

Our daily fitness program continues and the children's fine and gross motor skills are improving steadily. This program commences our day at the school - so much learning is taking place - joining in, playing fairly, taking turns, being cooperative, improving skills and personal bests etc.... Nutrition goes hand in hand with fitness - we ask for your support when packing food

for the children each day - please do not include brightly coloured soft drinks and too many overly salty or sweet items - we realize too, that some children eat very little at school but we do try to get them to take food from their bags to eat.

We have fruit, cut into small pieces every lunch time - the children leave their games and run to line up when they see the fruit leaving the cottage!

Next term in Weeks 5 and 6 we will be attending swimming lessons for 2 weeks at Victoria Park Pool. Prior to this the students will be involved in a Water Safety Program.

There will be a football workshop over 3 weeks as well next term.

Sydney University has a temporary gym around the corner from our school. Some of our children will be involved in a special activities program at this gym during the term....

Lots to look forward to before the end of the year....and of course the Variety Club Christmas Party and Books In Homes special assembly - a most beneficial event when the children are presented with more books from this wonderful group.

Term 2 ends this Friday, Sept.21

Term 3 commences Monday Oct. 8

Kind Regards, Jackie