Welcome to 2019
Gong Xi Fa Cai! A warm welcome to a dynamic year of teaching and learning at Homebush West Public School where the innovations that our new learning spaces in tandem with the wonderful staff brings great opportunity and excitement for learning.

This week across the school students were settled and engaged; our Learning 2 Learn conferences were well underway; new spaces were explored and utilised; and our wonderful teachers ensured our Kindergarten students had a nurturing, motivating start to their educational journey.

Students from Year 1 to Year 6 are currently in rotating groups working with each of the teachers in their stage team and learning with different combinations of students to ensure that when classes are finalised and formed (usually end of Week 3) we will have optimised the learning groups. All students in every stage complete a common, core program and syllabus and our teachers deliver the learning as a collaborative team.
Sad News
It is with great sadness we advise that our lovely General Assistant, Dan Dillon (affectionately known as Mr Dan by the students) has passed away. The school is supporting Mr Dan’s family and some members of staff will be attending his funeral on Friday morning. We will always remember Mr Dan’s contribution through the beautiful white roses he planted on the school’s grounds.

Sharing sad news with children
If you are concerned, today or in the weeks ahead, you may be concerned about the reaction of your child to this news. Parents are encouraged to listen to children's concerns.

As adults we can assure children that all of us should seek help from others when we feel down or vulnerable and that young people should tell an adult if they are worried about a friend or themselves.

Our school will provide support for any members of our school community who need it in the weeks ahead. Please do not hesitate to contact the school support if needed.


Lunar New Year at Flemington Shops
The Lion Dance at Flemington shops was an enthralling display of colour, energy and excitement. Our 2019 School Leaders attended with Mrs Picoaga and our School Chaplain, Mrs Prouty. They enjoyed celebrating the diversity within our community and demonstrated maturity and respect in their conversations with the Mayor of Strathfield, Councillor Gulian Vaccari, our local Member for Strathfield, Ms Jodi McKay and a local GP Dr Tang. If you’d like to experience more Lunar New Year celebrations there’s a fantastic performance by Jin Wu Koon at Market City on the weekend https://www.marketcity.com.au/lunar-new-year-activities/
**Newsletter Update**
Please be advised that from Week 3 we will be publishing the newsletter on Mondays.

**New staff**
We welcome the following new staff to Homebush West. We are thrilled to have such a diverse range of expertise on our staff.

![New staff photos]

**We value**
**Respect for others**

**Drop and Go**
Please be advised that from Week 3 onwards we’ll be implementing ‘drop and go’ for parent drop off from Tuesday to Friday mornings. This supports students to develop independence, resilience and gives them ample time to be prepared for learning. On Monday mornings we invite you to attend our whole school morning assemblies.

**Parent Connect**
We were proud to host our first ‘Parent Connect’ Morning Tea for new and existing parents last Monday. Member for Strathfield Ms Jodi McKay spoke with parents, as did our Chaplain and Deputy Principal. We thank the P&C for taking the time to welcome new parents.

Please come and connect with other parents from Homebush West and learn more about school culture, Monday 9.15am in the School Chapel

**Coming Up Term 1, Week 4 2019**
Tuesday 19 February – Metro Assist, Turning into Kids 9.15-11am

Estelle Southall - Principal
Roxanne Picoaga - Deputy Principal
Students Enjoying Lunar New Year with the local community

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Welcome Morning Tea
Students enjoying the new play spaces
2019 School Representatives
Our School Representatives are very proud to lead our school for 2019.

They have many roles and responsibilities which include: running Monday morning assemblies, organising birthday cards, the sports shed, hosting many of our official assemblies including Chinese New year, Anzac Day, Harmony Day etc. They are also role models for all of our students and always try to reflect our Stars behaviour model.

We wish the current School Representatives all the best for the coming year which will be challenging, busy and exciting.

Mrs. Rich


Save on your cost of living
Did you know that you could be saving hundreds of dollars each year with NSW Government rebates? The very successful Active Kids Voucher is once again available in 2019 along with new additions such as Energy Switch and Creative Kids, for more details please go to https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/cost-living

Want to learn Mandarin Chinese? Welcome to join us!
Chinese school is now taking new enrolments this year. We welcome all students from 4 years old and up who would love to learn Mandarin to join us. Our classes are held every Saturday morning from 9am-12pm during school term. We have classes to target students of all Chinese levels ranging from Kindergarten to Secondary School level Chinese. To enrol, parents just need to turn up with their child to School and we have staff to assist you right away. For further enquiries, please don’t hesitate call on 0403083671.

Chatterbox Café – English Class FREE
Come and join the continuation of English Classes - called ‘Chatterbox Café - in our Media Room (in the library) every Tuesday from 9:15-11:30am. Strathfield Council provides teachers and volunteers to practise your conversational English skills. Morning tea and printing resources also available.

Please see Mrs Prouty for more information.
The Chaplaincy Program run by Mrs Prouty is proudly sponsored by

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HOMEBUSH

Walking Bus
The Walking Bus encourages a healthy, active lifestyle, improves safety in our community and reduces traffic congestion around the school.

Did you know the Walking Bus is run only by volunteers?
You don’t need to live on the routes to volunteer! We always need more volunteers as families move or their working hours change. Please consider how you can help one morning or afternoon each week.

Your younger children are welcome, many of the volunteers have had babies in carriers and prams walking along with us! If you might be able to volunteer please fill in this form http://wsbhwps.weebly.com/become-a-volunteer.html or contact the school office or Suzanne suzanne@suzanne-ellis.com

Hampstead Road route
If you live near Melville Reserve, Hampstead Road, Exeter Road or Henley Road enrol to use the Hampstead Road route.

Courallie Ave route
If you live near Austin Park, Courallie Ave, Mandemar Ave, Marlborough Road or in the Centenary Park Estate enrol to use the Courallie Ave route.
There is a map here to show where the Walking Bus goes http://wsbhwps.weebly.com/uploads/1/4/2/4/14242667/current_wb_map_2014.pdf

Please enrol your children online http://wsbhwps.weebly.com/enrol-my-children.html
We look forward to welcoming new students to the Walking Bus. If you have questions, please see the office, Suzanne Ellis or Chris Prouty, School Chaplain

Don’t forget to download our school’s SkoolBag app to ensure that you are kept in the loop on:

- School newsletters
- Notices
- Events
- Cancellations
- Reminders
- ...and more!

Just search for our school’s name in the App Store on your phone and download our app!
Exclusive Real Estate supporting Homebush West Public School

Exclusive Real Estate is very keen to help our school and community and is a top Real Estate Agent in the area. They have offered an extra incentive that you can pass on to friends and family. If you take advantage of Exclusive Real Estate’s great service you can benefit the school at the same time, Exclusive will donate:

- $500 from any sale referral
- $250 for any property management referral
- $500 for any strata building


The Walking Bus is proudly sponsored by Exclusive Real Estate

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**Hot Dog Orders**

Friday Hot Dog Orders – Last orders by 3pm Thursdays

Hot Dog Order Form

First Name: ________________

Last Name: ________________

Class: ________________

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**We value Success for all**
Term 1 Tuesday ‘Noodles or Fried Rice’ Fundraiser

Thursday 31 January 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

HWPS will be running a Tuesday ‘Vegetarian Noodles or Fried Rice’ lunch order day during Term One, if you wish to participate in the fundraiser please complete this form below and return to the office ASAP. One serving of Noodles or Fried Rice is $3.00 and is paid at the office with this note. Please note: this payment is not part of the school fees.

TUESDAY VEGETARIAN NOODLE or FRIED RICE LUNCH ORDER

I would like to pre-order noodles or Fried Rice for lunch. Please see below for my child’s details:

Child’s Name: _____________________________  Child’s Class: _____________________________

Please select (tick) which days you wish to pre-order vegetarian noodles or fried rice (please circle your option) for your child to have for lunch:

☐ Tuesday 12 February (Week 3)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 19 February (Week 4)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 26 February (Week 5)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 5 March (Week 6)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 12 March (Week 7)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 19 March (Week 8)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 26 March (Week 9)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 2 April (Week 10)  Rice / Noodles
☐ Tuesday 9 April (Week 11)  Rice / Noodles

CASH PAYMENTS ONLY

Total Amount paid $ ____________

Food Allergy or Special Diet

Complete ONLY if REQUIRED

☐ My child has a food allergy and cannot eat food containing: _____________________________

Please note that the noodles or rice option is vegetarian only.

Noodle Ingredients: Hokkien noodles, salt, soy sauce, vegetable oil, cabbage and carrot.

Rice Ingredients: Rice, salt, soy sauce, vegetable oil, corn, baby peas and carrot.

Please note: On Tuesdays there will also be popcorn, apples and other pieces of fruit for sale for $1 each.

Parent Signature: _____________________________  Date: _________

Medical Information

* In signing this order form you confirm that your child’s medical record and emergency contact details are current including any allergies/asthma information. If medical records are not current, please see office staff to update.
A very good place to start.

Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform.

FEBRUARY OPEN CLASSES

Come along to your local venue and try a free class

Annandale, Beecroft, Caringbah, Dee Why, Kellyville, Mosman, North Parramatta, North Ryde, St Ives, Strathfield and Waverley
Is this your daughter?

For more than 30 years, the Australian Girls Choir has played a role in the growth and development of girls across the country. We provide an experience that goes far beyond the stage; your daughter will develop confidence, public speaking and presentation skills, resilience and friendships that will last a lifetime.

Our senior performers have entertained everyone from Queen Elizabeth II to Oprah, and have shared the stage with a long list of artists including Hugh Jackman and Pharrell Williams. For the past 20 years, we’ve been proud to represent Qantas at live events and in the ‘I Still Call Australia Home’ advertising campaigns.

Join us at our FEBRUARY open classes!
Call 02 9922 6733
CHESS!!

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Homebush West Public School is held on:

Intermediate: Thursdays from 3:00pm to 4:00pm, starting on 7 February 2019

Beginners: Thursdays from 3:00pm to 4:00pm, starting on 7 February 2019

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.
### Term 1 2019

All programs run once a week.

Free program for children aged 7-13 ABOVE A HEALTHY WEIGHT.
Children and parents/carers need to attend each week.

### Healthy lifestyle program for kids

IT’S FREE

After school, during term  |  Exercise with fun games  |  Learn about healthy eating  |  Build confidence & self-esteem
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For more information and to register your child, free call 1800 780 900 or visit go4fun.com.au
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
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.

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Email: SydneyEast@Helenogrady.com.au
www.helenogrady.com.au
KIDZ ON STAGE
DRAMA CLASSES

LOCATIONS
Concord
Homebush
Lidcombe
Strathfield South
Public School
Newington Public School
St Joseph's Enfield

TERM DATES
Term 1: Monday 4th Feb – Saturday 13th April
Term 2: Tuesday 30th April - Saturday 6th July
Term 3: Tuesday 23rd July - Saturday 28th September
Term 4: Monday 14th October - Saturday 7th December

BOOKINGS:
CALL RACHEL 9763 1220

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

HOLIDAY FUN FOR THE KIDS!!!
Treat your child to a workshop they will never forget!!!

3 Day Holiday Workshop Dates

Monday 15th - Wednesday 17th April 2019
Monday 15th - Wednesday 17th July 2019
Monday 7th - Wednesday 9th October 2019
Monday 20th - Wednesday 22nd January 2020

Join our email list to hear about our upcoming school holiday programs.

EMAIL:
drama@hennessyspeechanddrama.com
JOIN LCF FUN LANGUAGES

FRENCH AND SPANISH AT HWPS!

First lesson FREE
Sibling and loyalty discounts available
Registered 'creative kids' provider!

Spanish Club - Wednesday's at 3.20pm
French Club - Friday's at 3.20pm

FREE NO OBLIGATION TRIAL!

Contact: tracey.adamson@lcfclubs.com.au
Ph 0404 634 739
www.lcfclubs.com.au
Work at the biggest event in NSW

NSW State election
23 March 2019

Get paid to help deliver democracy.

We offer a variety of roles based on your interests and experience.

You must be on the electoral roll to work at the election.

Apply now at elections.nsw.gov.au
Tuning in to Kids
PARENTING WORKSHOP

Come along to our four week course and explore how to develop your child’s emotional intelligence and help them get ready for academic success!

Discover how to:
• Make more meaningful connections with your child
• Help them manage emotions
• Prevent behaviour problems
• Help your child become a lifelong learner

TIME & DATE
Tuesday 19 February 2019, 9:15am - 11:15am
Tuesday 26 February 2019, 9:15am - 11:15am
Tuesday 5 March 2019, 9:15am - 11:15am
Tuesday 12 March 2019, 9:15am - 11:15am

VENUE
Homebush West Public School
Exeter Road
Homebush West 2140

REGISTRATION
chris.prouty@powertochange.org.au
or call Chris on 0404 437 955
or return the slip below
Limited spaces available!

Childcare & morning tea provided!

Yes, I would like to attend “Tuning in to Kids, Parenting Workshop”; to help my child deal with difficult emotions and become a lifelong learner.

Parent’s name: ................................................
Phone number: ................................................
Child’s name: ................................................
Child’s class ................................................

Please return this slip to the school office or via email to homebushw-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
第一学期第二周新闻报

From the Principal
校长的信息

第一学期第二周
这周幼稚园下午三点下课
星期一
家长联络小组活动，早上九点十五分
星期三
西班牙语班，下午三点十五分
星期四
宗教课开始
国际象棋，下午三点
星期五
法语班，下午三点开始

Welcome to 2019
恭喜发财，欢迎大家回校开始新一年的学习。这周一到六年级的学生轮班学习，很快新的班级就会形成，我们分班是以最有利于学生的学习来分的。
幼稚园的老师对新生关怀备至，他们很快就安顿下来了。我们特别为学校职员的专业精神和合作精神而自豪，期待着新的一年在新校楼上课有很多令学生兴奋的活动。

Sad News
我校校工Dan Dillon因病去世了。学生会有通知带回家。学校尽力帮助他的家人度过这个难过的时刻。我们学校部分职员参加周五的葬礼。当我们看见校园里的白玫瑰就会记起Mr Dan的。

Lunar New Year at Flemington Shops

Newsletter Update
请家长留意，从第三周开始，我们的新闻报在周一发布。

New staff
新职员

欢迎以下的新老师来我们学校任教。

Jamie Han 幼稚园老师
Emma Kilbare  一二年级级组老师

Anthony Johnson  三四年级级组老师

Trinh Doan  三四年级级组老师

Dalia Hamad  三四年级级组老师

Shiasta Wafa  五六年级级组老师
2019 School Representatives

新的一年我们新任职的学生领袖会很胜任地引领大家。

他们的工作范围很广：比如每周一主持学校大会，为学生准备生日卡，管理体育器材以及主持一些学校大型的活动，比如：庆祝中国年，澳纽军团纪念日，和谐日等等。另外他们会是其他学生的表率。在这我们祝愿他们这一年的工作既有挑战性也兴奋难忘。

Save on your cost of living

澳洲政府以下的补贴可以让你省了不少钱。新州的“活力儿童”津贴新的一年又继续发放了，而且还增加了一些新的津贴，详情请大家进入有关的网页阅读。


Want to learn Mandarin Chinese? Welcome to join us!

澳洲华裔相济会在我们校址里举办中文学习班，对象是四岁到十八岁的学生。时间是每星期六早上九点到十二点，学期第一第二周已经上课了。欢迎大家参加。

Walking Bus

步行校车的目的是鼓励学生健康活跃的生活方式，改进社区的交通安全，减少校区附近的拥挤。步行校车都是由义工帮助运作的。你们不一定住在步行校车线路上也可以帮忙。我们一直需要更多的志愿者帮忙，请你们考虑一下是否可以每周帮一个早上或下午。要是你们平时要带孩子，也可以把孩子带上。要是你们能够帮忙，请填以下的表格

http://wsbhbps.weebly.com/become-a-volunteer.html，或者联系校办公室或 Suzanne suzanne@suzanne-ellis.com

Hampstead Road 路段

要是你们住在以下地方或周边的：Melville Reserve, Hampstead Road, Exeter Road 或 Henley Road，可以参加 Hampstead Road 路段的步行校车。

Courallie Ave 路段

要是你们住在以下地方或周边的：Austin Park, Courallie Ave, Mandemar Ave, Marlborough Road 或 Centenary Park 屋村，可以参加 Courallie Ave 路段的步行校车。


请在网上帮你们的孩子报名参加步行公车 http://wsbhbps.weebly.com/enrol-my-childchildren.html，我们欢迎和期待新学生的参加。有问题的家长可以联系办公室或向 Suzanne Ellis 和我们学校牧师 Chris Prouty 打听。
欢迎大家来参与我们的免费英文课程！每周二早上九点十五分到十一点三十分，
Strathfield 市政厅给我们提供义教的老师帮大家提高英语水平。我们免费提供早茶以及
印刷材料。详情请询问 Mrs Prouty。

Exclusive Real Estate supporting Homebush West Public School
Exclusive 是本区有口碑的地产公司，他们很乐意帮助我们学校和社区。要是我们能够
介绍一个房子给他们卖，他们会给 我们‘步行校车’赞助$500。要是我们介绍一间房子
给他们出租，他们会赞助$250。要是我们介绍一栋单元给他们管理，他们会赞助
$500。介绍的时候，要提起我们学校的名字。
Exclusive 地产公司网页 www.exclusivere.com.au。
地产经纪 Andrew Bova m: 0414 614 256 电邮: mailto:andrew@exclusivere.com.au
学校的‘步行校车’是由他们赞助的。