



# FLAT CHAT

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Success through Innovation

Dear Parents and Community Members,

Another busy week that gets us closer to the end of the year and school holidays – phew!

This week teachers have been reminding students about **school swimming** which starts next Monday, 30 November. A reminder that due to COVID-19 restrictions, students cannot use the change rooms at the pool, only the toilet facilities. For this reason, we have asked for all students to come to school with their swimmers on under their school uniform and to bring two towels each day.

Another reminder – This Friday the Year 6 students have planned a **CRAZY-HAIR-DAY** fundraiser. Students are also allowed to come to school in appropriate out-of-uniform clothes and the Year 6 students are asking students for a gold coin donation.

Have a great week! *Mrs Bromfield*

### SWIMMING—COVID Restrictions

Just a reminder that we are unable to have parents with us at swimming this year due to COVID-19 rules

### Planned End-of-Year Activities

Our end of year activities have been planned following the latest Department of Education / NSW Health COVID-19 guidelines,

- 30 Nov, 1,2 & 4 Dec - swimming - parents helpers are not permitted.
- Tuesday 1 December - Year 6 students attend Year 6 - 7 transition day at Wauchope HS.

- Wednesday 2 December - Year 5 student leadership speeches - parents are not permitted to be present and watch.
- Friday 11 December, 2pm - whole school Presentation Assembly. Due to current restrictions, we have a limit to the number of parents that we can invite. Invitations will be attached to this week's newsletter
- Tuesday 15 December - Year 6 Farewell. Invitations going home today
- Wednesday 16 December - last day of school for students

## P & C News

Next P&C meeting TBA

### COMING EVENTS

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| 30 Nov      | Whole school swimming - <u>parents helpers are not permitted.</u>                                  |
| 1 Dec       | Year 6 to 7 transition day at WHS  |
| 2 Dec       | Year 5 Leadership speeches, (not permitted to attend)  |
| 11 Dec      | 2020 Presentation Assembly 2pm (visitors by invitation only due to COVID restrictions on numbers)  |
| 15 Dec      | Yr 6 Farewell, on the school grounds from 5:30pm - 7:30pm  |
| 16 Dec      | Last Day Term 4 for students   |
| 18 Dec      | Last Day Term 4 for staff  |
| 27 & 28 Jan | The first 2 days of the 2021 school year are set aside as Staff Development Days (pupil free days) |
| 29 Jan      | First day of school for Years 1 to 6   |
| 1 Feb       | First Day of school for Kinders  |



**WEAR IT MAGENTA DAY**

**“Wear it Magenta Day”**

**Thursday 3rd December 2020**

Students are requested wear magenta coloured clothing on Thursday 3rd Dec. The Sydney Sixers have developed a “Wear it Magenta Day” to provide a connection between the Sixers and schools, by celebrating this vibrant colour & playing cricket during the WBBL finals week/leading into BBL.



As this is our last Sporting School's cricket day for 2020 we decided to get involved. **Let's celebrate by turning our school MAGENTA for the day.** (Please do not buy clothing especially for this day, colours close to the magenta/pink will do fine!)

**There might even be a few giveaways donated by the Sydney Sixers for students on this day!!!**

## **Compulsory School Attendance**

### ***Information for parents/carers***

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. Long Flat PS works 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 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 teacher with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the class teacher or school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the teacher or an Office staff member will contact you to discuss the absence.