



Curl Curl North Public School

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P&C Association - Principal Report

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Happy P&C Day !

I am really proud to acknowledge our P&C in person at this meeting. In case you missed it in the last newsletter...

“I would like to take a moment to highlight P&C Day which was held on Wednesday, March 5. I need to acknowledge and thank our wonderful CCNPS P&C who consistently support our school, enabling additional learning opportunities and resources for our students. During our assemblies this week, I highlighted the invaluable role our parents play as part of the P&C. They oversee essential services like OOSH, the school canteen, and the uniform shop, but their contributions extend far beyond that. They actively support events such as the Colour Run and Picnic Days, creating a vibrant school community in addition to raising funds for the school allowing for additional resources to be purchased where there is a need, supporting equity and opportunity. We are fortunate to have a dedicated group of parents who volunteer their time, making a significant difference in the lives of our students.

It is truly inspiring to see so many parents come together, and I am proud to belong to a P&C focused on positive engagement to enhance our wonderful school.”

Change to local High School for 2026

- From 2026, intake areas across the northern beaches are changing. The updates provide improved alignment between primary schools and high schools, enabling more students to move from primary school to high school with their peers.
- For students currently living within the Curl Curl North PS catchment area, The Forest High School is the allocated local high school for 2026.
- Northern Beaches Secondary College Freshwater Senior Campus will transition from a Year 11 –12 senior campus to a Year 7–12 campus from 2027. For 2026 Northern Beaches Secondary College Freshwater Campus will remain a Senior College with students in Years 11 and 12 only. Any student enrolling in Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 will have guaranteed access to The Forest High School as their co-educational option. From 2027, the College will commence the transition into to a Year 7-12 campus. Year 7 and Year 8 will be enrolling, along with Years 11 and 12 students.
- Families who anticipated enrolling their children at Freshwater Campus in Year 7 for 2026 will be able to enrol them in Year 8 for 2027. Students in Years 9 or 10 for 2027 will have guaranteed access to The Forest High School.



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SDD Professional Learning

- There will be 2 Staff Development Days in Term 2. **Day 1** is a state-wide focus on 'High Potential and Gifted Education' and there will be high-impact professional learning provided for all staff on this day. **Day 2** is a teacher-directed day which are new this year. The aim of these days are to improve teacher workload throughout the term by securing dedicated time to prepare for each term at the outset. Accordingly, the structure and content of these will be set by teachers themselves for their own or collaborative planning and preparation.

Welcome new class parents

- I just wanted to acknowledge parents who have volunteered (or have been volunteered) in the role of class parent this year. We really appreciate your support. The classroom teacher is there to clarify any event/teaching relating matters and the senior executive and P&C executive are also available to provide support or clarify any matters needed.

Playfair Road Crossing – Update and Feedback required

- Engineers from the Northern Beaches Council have been reviewing the plans to upgrade the crossing on Playfair Road and in doing so have indicating there is an opportunity to consider whether it is in the best location.
- Based on observations from the school, we could see implications if it were moved closer to Lillie St. and being that there is already a crossing at the top of Playfair, we consider the current position the better option.
- I am interested in feedback tonight from the P&C regarding these options.

Other P&C Matters:

- Events – Silver Assembly, Harmony Day (a touch of orange),
- Education Open Day – Wednesday 6 August 2025
- School Wishlist – a wishlist has been provided to the P&C for consideration and support. A significant wish is support with IT. The school is researching the most suitable interactive whiteboards to start replacing the boards that were purchased as part of the new school build in 2018 which are at the end of the warranty period.

Donna Blatchford – Principal