



Curl Curl North Public School

DONNA BLATCHFORD – PRINCIPAL

P&C Association - Principal Report

21 October 2025

Staffing

- I am excited to announce that Sarah Lee has been appointed as one of our School Counsellors and will be at our school each Monday and Tuesday from Week 4.

This may 2026 Planning Underway

- We are estimating student numbers in 2026 to be approx. 730 students.
- This may be an increase from 28 classes this year to 29 classes in 2026 and due to student numbers across grades, there will need to be stage composite classes.
- I will be in a better position next P&C meeting to update you further in relation to 2026 planning.

Northern Beaches Senior College – Freshwater Senior Campus

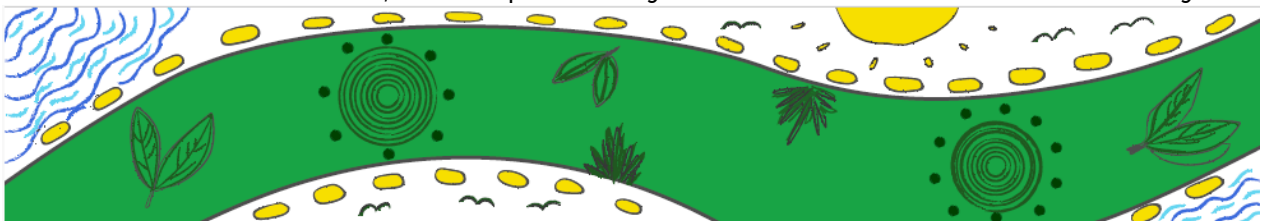
Project update

- Following our invitation to Catherine Moran, the Relieving Principal at Freshwater Senior Campus, Northern Beaches Secondary College, she will be attending our next P&C meeting as a start to meeting our school community as we strengthen the connection between our primary and secondary schools, especially as part of the transition process.



School Focus

- Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) Update – Introducing 'Curly' our PBL mascot.
- Aboriginal Education – This artwork, created by Aboriginal students from our school, centres around our school swale outlined with sandstone. Within the swale are fig tree leaves, snake whistle plants, and representations of our school community coming together. The water depicted in the corners reflects our connection to the coast, accompanied by the sun and local birds in the sky.



- New posters are being printed with the Curly mascot and swale artwork. I am hoping these will be installed in the next few weeks.
- Eco Pole with native bees will be installed in our playground later this term and this will be linked to a whole school enrichment program.



Curl Curl North Public School

Update on Change to School House Names

- Our SRC, together with the current House Captains, Vice Captains, and a group of staff, will participate in an upcoming workshop aimed at exploring the unique characteristics of various local animals. This learning experience will help students make an informed decision when voting to select the top four animals to replace the existing school houses of Bass, Phillip, Flinders, and Cook. The workshop will be led by experienced facilitators with strong connections to Indigenous knowledge and local ecology.

Happy Families Webinar

- Please details of the Term 4 webinar attached.

Other P&C Matters:

- Update on P&C donation towards upgrading Beach Futsal playground equipment.
- Happy Families Subscription – please see details below which will also be in the next newsletter
- Thank you to the P&C for supporting hospitalities for our upcoming Grand friends Day on Friday and in spoiling our teachers next Friday as we celebrate World Teacher's Day.

Donna Blatchford – Principal

A photograph of a modern, two-story school building with a light-colored facade and large windows. The building is surrounded by greenery, including palm trees and other plants. In the foreground, there is a blue-surfaced outdoor area, possibly a playground or sports field.

Curl Curl North Public School

Entitled: *Raising Responsible, Respectful Kids*

Wednesday 5 November, 7pm AEST / 8pm AEDT

On-demand gratification has become the modern-day norm, and our children have never known anything different. As a result, parents are noticing a clear pattern of declining levels of resilience and frustration tolerance. We naturally want them to be happy and successful, but we also recognise that a sense of entitlement can hinder their journey. While our hearts yearn to give them the world, we know it's equally important to nurture gratitude, responsibility, and respect within their hearts.

Our children are growing up in a world defined by instant gratification. They've never known a time when things weren't immediately accessible, which has contributed to declining resilience and frustration tolerance. As parents, we yearn to give them the world and shield them from disappointment, but we also know that fostering gratitude, responsibility, and respect is essential for their true happiness and success.

Entitled with Dr Justin Coulson will dive deep into the issue of entitlement. We'll explore its root causes, its impact on our children's development, and most importantly, we'll equip you with practical strategies to turn things around. You'll learn how to shift your child's mindset from "gimme" to "thank you", and how to foster a sense of appreciation even in an age of abundance.

In this presentation, we will navigate the challenges of parenting in today's world and discover how to raise children who are not just responsible and respectful, but empowered, resilient, and ready to make a positive contribution to the world.

Register to receive the webinar link as well as email reminders here:

<https://happyfamiliesfamilyeducation.ac-page.com/answers-with-dr-justin-entitled-register-hfs>