



*Learning for Life*

Week 5 Term 2 2012

# MINERVA SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

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**DATES TO  
REMEMBER  
2012**

**JUNE**

**Monday 11 June**  
Queen's Birthday Public  
Holiday

**Thursday 28 June**  
Invitation to our  
Library Open  
Afternoon 3-4pm

**Friday 29 June**  
Last day of Term 2

**TERM 3**

**JULY**

**Monday 16 July**  
PUPIL FREE DAY

**Tuesday 17 July**  
First day of Term 3 for  
students.

**SEPTEMBER**

**Friday 21 September**  
Last day of Term 3 for  
students.

### *Minerva Students Enjoyed the P&C Easter Raffle & Mother's Day Stall*



*Thank You!  
Minerva  
P & C*

*Brand New  
Bikes  
For  
Minerva!*



## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Sunday 13th of May was **Mother's Day** and I hope all the mothers and grandmothers had a wonderful day. Motherhood is such a rewarding experience; however it can also bring some very big challenges along the way. Sometimes it's the cup of tea in bed, a smile or a hug that makes it all worthwhile.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our hard working P&C who ran the Mother's Day Stall this year. Once again it was a great success and topped last year's effort.

A very big **Thank You** goes to Mr Damcevski for assembling our seven new bikes. The bikes were purchased with funds raised by Geoff Tunks M2M bike ride, thank you Mr Geoff.

As mentioned in the previous newsletter we will be having an **Open Afternoon** for anyone who would like to look around our wonderful new library& ICT centre. Please keep 28<sup>th</sup> June, 3-4 pm free in your diary as we would love to see you there.

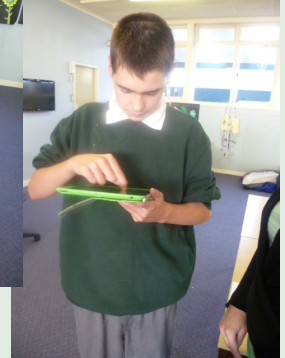
**Community access** programs are underway across a number of classes. As part of this program the students develop their money, road safety, travel and social skills around a number of venues in the Sutherland shire.

Our **In-school work experience** program has recently been updated and improved. As a result the cooking room has been adapted to incorporate a dedicated work skills program for our students to practice their work skills. Thank you Miss Laura for your hard work in giving the cooking room a much needed make over!

**Friday Assembly** is also having a makeover. Miss Laura and Miss Michelle have moved assembly from the noisy hall to the new library with the added benefit of having the Interactive whiteboard. The aim of this is to engage the students using visuals and multi media. The new assemblies have been a great success so far and we hope to continue with his new format.

Kind regards,  
**Fiona Young**  
**Principal**

## CLASS T



Class T enjoys choice board activities – puzzles, iPads and computers.

## CLASS A



Class A at the Post Office. One of the many sites visited on community access.

## CLASS S



Class S with their snappy crocodiles!

## CLASS L



Class L showing off their chalk drawings.

## CLASS C



As part of their English and HSIE program Class C students have been enjoying going on weekly excursions to Cronulla Library. During these sessions they select a range of books to quietly read and to borrow for home reading. If the weather permits this is followed by a relaxing lunch at Cronulla Park.

## CLASS K



Celebrating Dane's 16th Birthday !

## CLASS M



Class M students are enjoying learning on the iPads.



## CLASS D



D.E.A.R. Boys.

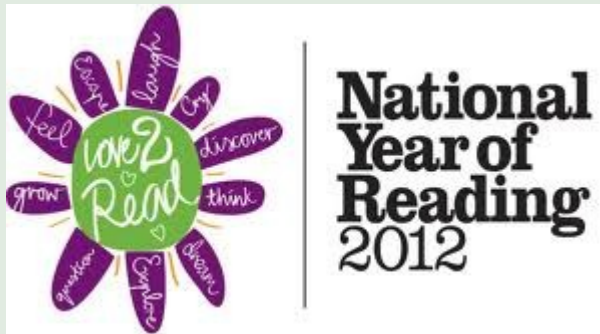


Playing/causing Trouble !

## LIBRARY

The new Minerva library is open for business, and the students are making the most of it with lots of activities to celebrate the national year of reading and their fabulous new space.

Don't miss out! Come and visit our great new space on Thursday afternoon 28<sup>th</sup> June. More details to follow soon.



Bailey is finding information about animals in the non-fiction section.

Adam from class A relaxing with a good book.



Malachi and Andrew from class M, creating dioramas - enjoying the veranda of the new learning centre and library.

## WORK EXPERIENCE



Shannon and Jake hard at work at Petcare 2000 warehouse, Caringbah. What an amazing team constructing large complex cat scratchers from detailed instructions. Jack, absent from these photos, is also a valuable team member at Petcare.



Annaliese performing beautician duties as part of her work experience at Lark Ellen Aged Care.



*We now have  
fabulous  
new books  
for our school.*

*Earned  
through your  
donations in the  
2011 Woolworths  
Earn & Learn  
promotion.*

# MINERVA SCHOOL

## P&C ASSOCIATION

## 2012 Woolworths Earn and Learn Program

Minerva School is excited to be taking part in the **2012 Woolworths Earn and Learn** program this year.

Last year, Minerva's Earn & Learn points were used to purchase some great educational resources for our new Library (*as seen above*).

From Wednesday 9th May until July 1st 2012, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker sheet. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school.

If you need more sheets or have any questions, please send a note to the Minerva Office marked "Earn & Learn" with Student's Name, Class & how many sheets you need or your enquiry. Or you can just send the stickers in an envelope marked "Earn & Learn".

Thanks for everyone's past support.

## Minerva P & C Association