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Welcome to Term IV!

It is hard to believe that Term 4 is just around the corner, it feels like it was only yesterday that we were opening our new school. It's only when we look at our children that we are aware of the passing time. I perceive the changes that take place in them - I see, with each passing year their growth, not only in centimeters, but more importantly – in enriching their knowledge, learning their roots and developing their personality. It is us; Teachers, and you; dear Parents who are responsible for, and have the privilege of shaping the souls and minds of these children, of teaching them Polish traditions and ideals. And that is precisely the purpose of our school.

DATES IN TERM IV

- Polish Festival at "Polonia" Sports Club in Plumpton
- 9/12—End of School
 Year

Term 3 Summary

This year in Term 3, Saturday after Saturday, four of our teachers with the help of Ms. Gosia Helwani worked with passion and enthusiasm to provide our students with an exciting way to understand and engage with the Polish language and traditions. Thank you for all your hard work!

Toward the end of last term there was a call to celebrate Father's Day and Grandfather's Day. A huge thank you goes to all the mums for; the preparation and decoration of the hall, for the delicious baked goods, for organizing and conducting a lottery and for all other help. Thank you to all the Dads and grandparents who came along. And finally; thank you to Mr. Darek and the teachers for preparing the children for the assembly. I think our dads and grandparents looked up with great pride and joy when they saw their children singing and reciting poems in their mother tongue. Thank you to our children for a beautiful performance. Our oldest class presented a performance entitled "Walczyk dla Taty". Classes II and III, under the watchful eye of Mrs. Małgosia, presented a poem for



grandparents. We were all amazed at Robert's wonderful costume; he had us all fooled! Class "0" and I invited dads to take part in enacting a poem -dads copied the children as they jumped and clapped. Our youngest students "seeded poppies for dads". The performances were interwoven with songs and contests. There were smiles, laughter, and lots of sweet kisses for dads and grandparents.



Another important occurrence which took place last term was work on fundraising for the school. We sold 30 boxes of chocolates "Cadbury" which gave the school a profit of \$600. I am extremely grateful to all those who have taken up this task for their enthusiasm and hard work. You are amazing! Another fund raising campaign for the school was the sale of sausages at Bunnings in Cambelltown on Friday 22/9. We are so fortunate to have such wonderful mums to manage such initiatives. Your commitment, hard work, conscientiousness and solidarity are the driving force of the school, which gives me strength and faith in what we have started together. All of you, without exception, deserve a medal! There are not enough words to express my gratitude. Thank you! Our Friday in

Bunnings proved to be a great success. Collaboration, mutual help, and hard work have produced a remarkable \$966. We broke records. No Bunnings stall has earnt such a large sum of money on a Friday!

Last Saturday 14/10, 8 people from our school - including four teachers and four ladies from the Parent Committee represented our school at a conference organized by the NSW Federation of Community Languages. This event was an opportunity to take part in many interesting workshops conducted by professionals from different fields and exchange various experiences teaching in language schools.



Do you have a problem finding a suitable gift for your mom, wife, sister or daughter? Ms. Agnieszka Williams will be happy to help you solve this problem. Agnieszka sells beautiful jewelry from *Lily Anne*.



Mobile: 0432367080; Email: agnieszka 707@hotmail.com



We all dream about beautiful and sunny holidays. Mrs. Renata Bieńkowska will be happy to help us in realizing those dreams. If you are interested please contact us by phone: 0404920516; or email: renatab101@hotmail.com

Award of the Consul General

In the current school year, the Consulate General of the Republic of Poland in Sydney introduced an initiative to reward the best student of the Polish language from schools in Sydney and surrounding areas. This year our school has nominated Gabriela Helwani from class V for the award. Gabrysia is an exceptionally diligent and hardworking pupil. We cordially congratulate Gabrysia and her parents and wish them success in the next years of learning!



School Website

I would like to update the information regarding the creation of a website for our school. At this point the page has already been registered. As I have written previously - we have free hosting for another 2 years. I would like to ask those of you who can or know someone who can create websites to contact myself or any other Teacher.





Security in the Car Park

As usual, I would like to ask all parents to keep the car park safe. Please remember; there may be children about. As you leave the school, please remember to keep a watchful eye, and hold your child's hand whenever in the presence of vehicles.

Contact Numbers for Teachers

Below you will find contact numbers and emails for teachers working at the school.

Cecylia Macioch— Mobile: 0431139463;

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Student/Teacher ID Card

You will only be able to apply for an ID card until the end of October. The card entitles students or teachers from our school to reduced travel costs by means of transport in Poland and discounts on entrance tickets to museums and parks. Please contact myself or any other teacher if you are interested. Please do not miss this opportunity!

Parent Committee For the 2017 School Year

- President—Dominika Herdzik
- Vice-President—Katarzyna Lavorato
- ♦ Treasurer—Malgorzata Helwani
- Secretary—Agnieszka Williams



School Fees

Our treasurer Magłosia Helwani will be accepting school fee payments, each Saturday between 8.50 and 9.30 as well as between 12.00 and 12.30. The term fees are as follows: \$100 for the first child, \$90 for the second child. Term fees for third and consecutive children are not required. If you prefer paying via direct deposit our bank details are as follows:

BSB 062-340

Account Number: 1064 1428

If you choose the electronic form of payment we kindly ask you email the treasurer and inform her of your payment so she can verify. In the subject line of email please mark "School Fees", and in the email please provide your child's name you have made payment for, the term you are paying for, the amount paid and reference used in your payment. School Email: macarthurpolsatschool@outlook.com

Polish Sunday Mass Times:

- 10:15am Church of The Holy Trinity
 57 Guernsay Ave, Minto NSW 2566
- 11:30am Sacred Heart Catholic Church
 13 Park Rd, Cabramatta NSW 2166
- 6:30pm All Saints Catholic Church George St, Liverpool NSW 2170



ZWIAZEK HARCERSTWA POLSKIEGO

WE WELCOME all youth to our scouting association. Using our principles of the Scouting movement via camping, hiking and bushcraft we aim to develop in the youth physical, intellectual and moral strength, values embodying good citizenship, love of the environment, initiative, self reliance and organisational skills and knowlege of the polish culture, history and language.

More information: 0425275541 (Druhna Danusia)

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Website: http://www.zhp.org.au/

Folklore Ensembles in Sydney

Polish Song and Dance Ensemble Kujawy



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Polish Song and Dance Ensemble Podhale



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Polish Song and Dance Ensemble Lajkonik



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Polish Song and Dance Ensemble Syrenka



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