

Penrith Public School Newsletter



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Forward With Pride

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Important Dates 2018

TERM 4

DEC

- 18 Year 6 Farewell @ Penrith Bowling Club -6.30-8.30pm
- 19 Year 6 Shirt Signing 10.00-11.00am
- 19 Year 6 Archway Departure 2.45-3.15pm
- 19 Last Day Term 4- **NO LUNCH ORDERS TAKEN - Open for Snacks etc.**



TERM 1 2019

JAN

30 Students Return Years 1-6

FEB

5 Kindergarten Start

MONEY/NOTES DUE

\$20 Book Pack—OVER DUE
\$35 Voluntary School Contribution

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

School Banking

8:45 – 9:00am
**Every Tuesday
under the COLA**

Second Hand Clothing Pool

Every Wednesday at
8.45am - 9.15am
**Please note
NO ONE is to enter
the room unless a
P&C helper is present.**

Class Assemblies

Commence at 2.30pm-
3.00pm every Wed.
K-2 Odd Week, 3-6 Even
Week. Parents and
Caregivers are welcome
to attend these
assemblies

All Notes & School Newsletters are accessible on our School Website

Limited Paper copies of the newsletter are available outside the Office.

PENRITH PUBLIC SCHOOL'S CORE VALUES

Learning Environment Cooperation Respect

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

Another school year has drawn to a close and I'm sure you are all looking forward to enjoying some quality time with family and friends.

Staff Development Days – As you are aware, school staff are required to participate in professional learning sessions throughout the year. The first day of the school term in terms 1, 2 and 3 is also set aside for staff development days, as well as the final two days of term 4. This year, staff at Penrith PS will be completing additional professional learning after school hours, which will replace the staff development days on Thursday 20 and Friday 21 December. **The last day of school for STUDENTS AND STAFF for 2018 will be TOMORROW, Wednesday 19 December. The school will be closed for the summer holidays after that time.**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Sanderson, Mrs McManus and Mrs Douglas for your hard work throughout 2018. Mrs Douglas is making the big move interstate, whilst Mr Sanderson and Mrs McManus are expanding their skillsets and taking up employment in other settings. I am sure Mr Sanderson and Mrs McManus will still be active members of the PPS community, whilst Mrs Douglas will have to follow the exciting year ahead from afar, or via our social media pages. Thank you for all your hard work throughout the year!

I cannot thank our hard-working P & C Association enough for the time and energy you invest in building and maintaining strong and positive links between the school and the home. Your support for the school has been consistent and incredibly constructive support in so many ways. I thank all our parents who have assisted with fundraising efforts, volunteered in classrooms, transported students to and from extra-curricular activities, among many other things.

Congratulations to our incoming leadership team – I have no doubt you will fill your roles with enthusiasm and pride. Well done to our outgoing leadership team, you have been delightful to work with throughout 2018.

Presentation Day served as an opportunity to acknowledge the enormous efforts and commitment of our students throughout the year. I congratulate all students who received awards today, well done!

Students and staff are looking forward to tonight's Year Six Farewell. We wish our year six students every success as they commence their high school journey and hope you remember your years at Penrith Public School fondly.

Have a safe and restful holiday.

Warm regards

Chantal Beltran
Principal

Westmead Children's Hospital

Kira and Shaelee were wonderful ambassadors for our choir and school when they went to Westmead Children's Hospital on Tuesday 4th December to present a very big cheque to fund music therapy at Westmead Children's Hospital.

Students from Penrith Public school who performed in the Celebration Sing Out Concert at the Sydney Town Hall this year, helped to raise \$30000 for the second year in a row.

This concert which Penrith Pubic school has been participants since 2000, has raised over \$500000 dollars over the last 15 years .Next year will be the 80th Anniversary of the very first concert which raised money to help Polish Refugees in 1939.

A special thank you to Mrs Turner and Mrs Sanderson who so ably helped our students put into action one of our most important rules 'Care for Others.'



5/6L Christmas Poetry

Stage 3 have explored poetry, figurative and creative writing during term 4. We applied our skills and knowledge of types of poetry to Christmas themes. There are many types of poems. We used acrostic, limerick, cinquain, haiku and concrete (shape) poems. We hope you enjoy reading some of our Christmas poems.

Christmas Cinquain

Christmas
Merry, snowy
Laughing, jumping, exciting
Joyful for their presents
Grateful
By Izaiah



Christmas Haiku
Dreaming of Christmas,
My favourite time of
year,
Because of presents.
By Oliver



Christmas Haiku
Thinking of Christmas,
Spending time with family,
Laughter fills the air
By Ben

Christmas Acrostic

Christmas is fun with friends and family
Happy morning with presents
Rip open the wrapping paper
Inside the pudding, there is a chocolate surprise
Santa comes down my chimney
Together eating a feast
Merry Christmas
Awesome gifts
Santa's elves helped give me a gift
By Kira

Christmas Limerick

For a Christmas poem, I didn't know what to write.
5 minutes later, I was already filled with fright.
1 minute later Jason told me I was going to be in trouble.
And then my fright increased by double.
But then I finally thought of something to write.
By Shreyas

Christmas
joyful, emotional
hugs, kisses, laughter
brings lots of joy
hope
By Guor

Christmas Cinquain
Reindeers
adventurous, cute
flying, prancing, delivering
They always bring joy
Magical
By Jenna



Christmas Cinquain
Reindeer
joyful, cute
trotting, flying, giving
Happy, soft, cuddly, magical
Red Nose
By Jade

Christmas Acrostic
Candy canes hanging on the Christmas tree
Happy holiday with family
Reindeers floating in the air
Ice in the cold North Pole
Santa's crazy red outfit
Time flies by to the end of the year
Merry Christmas to the jolly good fellows
All the presents under the Christmas tree
Santa's sleigh flies in the night sky
By Shwithi

Christmas Cinquain
Christmas
Joyful, exciting
Laughing, playing, eating
A life of happiness
Family
By Allison

Christmas Limerick
Christmas is a celebration where we all care about each other.
We give gifts to family like a mum, dad, sister or brother.
It's not just those things,
There are feasts and bells that dings.
But the most important thing is that we love one another.
By Ally

Christmas Haiku
Christmas Trees stand tall,
Gifts waiting to be opened,
Baubles glow like stars.
By Vanessa

Christmas Haiku
I love gingerbread,
I eat it on Christmas Eve,
It's so delicious!
By Alicia

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WE
WISH YOU A
Merry Christmas
& A HAPPY NEW YEAR

SCHOOL HOLIDAY ROAD SAFETY REMINDER

FOR FAMILIES

With the school holidays approaching, daily routines will soon change. Different play locations and holiday destinations means different traffic environments.

So to help keep our children safe, families are reminded about these key road safety points:

- **Stop, look, listen, think every time you cross the road.**
If your child is aged 8 years or younger hold their hand when walking near or across roads. If your child is 9-10 years old always actively supervise them.
- **It's the law that everyone wears a helmet when riding a bike in a public place.**
It makes sense to wear a helmet when riding scooters and skateboards too!
- **Click clack front 'n back every person for every trip.**
Everyone in the car must be securely buckled up in the right seatbelt or child restraint.
- **Talk to your child about being a safe road user.**
Reinforce safe road behaviours by being a good role model! Children learn safe road behaviours from the adults who care for them. Talk about what you are doing to be safe when near roads, in the car and when riding.
- **Point out road safety differences and dangers in new environments.**
This is especially important when on holidays in different surroundings. Roads, footpaths, parks, carparks, bike tracks and bike lanes may look different in holiday areas.



The best way to keep your child safe is to actively supervise them.

Talk and teach your child about road safety every time you are out and about.

Remind other adults who care for your children to do this too.

You can find out more at:

[Safety Town](#)

[Department of Education](#)

[Transport for NSW](#)

Have a safe holiday break!

Message from the Office

- When making payments, please ensure your child's name, class and activity are written on payment envelopes.
- If paying by cash, ensure correct money is placed in envelopes. **No change will be given.**
- **Online payment via the school website is the preferred payment method.**
- When payments are processed online, if you make a payment twice for the same activity, the second payment will be processed as a payment in advance to be used for any future events.
- A friendly reminder, if your child has been loaned clothing from the office, we would appreciate it if you could wash and return the items to the office as soon as possible, as we have limited clothing. Packing a spare set of clothing for your child, especially in years Kindergarten and Year one, would be greatly appreciated.
- Parents please check jackets & hats to ensure that they belong to your child. Please ensure you label your child's items such as hats, jackets and other belongings with first and last name.
- **PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL CAPS ARE NOW \$12 EACH**

Canteen News

Breakfast club closes at 9.05am everyday. **NO ONE** will be served after this time. There is No EFTPOS or CREDIT card facilities. NO credit, weekly prepaid orders, or promise to pay the next day will be accepted. No phone orders.



There will strictly be no lunch orders on
Wednesday 19 December.
Snacks, Drinks & Icblocks sold only.

Merry Christmas to
all the families at
Penrith Public School.

May you all
have a safe
Holidays and a
Happy New Year.

