

# Penrith Public School Newsletter



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Forward With Pride

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## Important Dates 2018

### TERM 4

#### DEC

- 4 Year 7 Orientation Day for 2019
- 5 Performance Showcase Auditions Conclude – Students Only
- 6 Gold Award Assembly – School Hall @ 9.30-10.30am
- 11 Performance Showcase Rehearsals – Students Only
- 13 Presentation Day- School Hall @9.30-11.30am
- 14 ES1 & Stage 1 Party Day
- 14 Year 6 Graduation Assembly - School Hall @2.30-3.15pm
- 14 Performance Showcase Concert–Parents Welcome School Hall@9.30-11.00am
- 17 Stage 2-3 & Support Party Day
- 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

### 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**

### 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

**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 Wednesday 19 December. The school will be closed for the summer holidays after that time.**

**Attendance Award** – Please be reminded that the attendance award will only be given to students who have no more than 5 unexplained late arrivals or early departures for the year. This award is an important one as school attendance is compulsory, with the morning session being children's prime learning time. Late arrivals disrupt lessons and impact negatively on the learning of all students in the class.

**Ice Block Day** – Our P&C are kindly providing ice blocks for all students on Friday. Thank you for this kind gesture – our students will certainly appreciate their treat during the HOT weather.

**Gold Assembly** – We can't wait to celebrate the successes of our students at Thursday's assembly. Parents and carers are invited to join us at 9:30am to congratulate our award recipients. I will also be announcing our 2019 Councillors and thanking our outgoing leadership team for their amazing efforts and hard work throughout the year.

**Volunteer Morning Tea** – Mrs Lockley and Mrs McManus have organised a delicious morning tea to show our gratitude to our treasured volunteers. If you have contributed your time to the school and did not receive a personal invitation, please accept our sincere apologies. As you can understand, it is very difficult for one teacher to know of every helper in each of our 20 classes. We invite all volunteers to join us in the library morning tea from 11:05 – 11:45am on Tuesday 11 December.

**Presentation Day** – Our annual presentation assembly will be held on Thursday 13 December at 9:30am. We invite you to join us in acknowledging our outstanding students and their efforts, successes, talents and achievements throughout 2018.

**Year 6 Farewell** – Students and staff are looking forward to this year's Year 6 Farewell dinner which will be held at the Penrith Bowling Club on Tuesday 18 December.

Have a great week

*Warm regards*

*Chantal Beltran*  
*Principal*

## Western Sydney Wanderes Cup Final

Recently our girls soccer team participated in the end of season wanderers primary schools football finals held at Blacktown. The students who took part are to be commended on their sportsmanship, behaviour and effort throughout the day.

The team needed to play 4 round robin matches against schools from all over Sydney. Unfortunately, despite leading at half time we lost our first game. However, the girls displayed a great team spirit to narrowly win the next 3 games, making it to the Quarter finals, which we lost in a penalty shoot -out. So close to another win!

Congratulations girls on a great day where you did yourselves and the school proud. Thank you to the parents who assisted on the day and made it possible to allow the girls to enjoy this sporting experience.

*John Emmingham*  
*Sport Coordinator*





# **1T at Warragamba Dam**



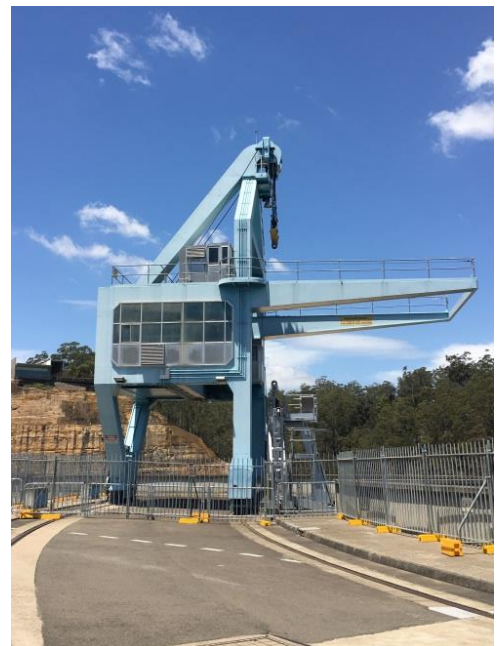
On Tuesday the 27<sup>th</sup> of November 1T along with two other stage 1 classes, went on adventure to Warragamba Dam. The students had a wonderful time exploring the dam and finding out all kinds of information about how to keep this giant water source safe from pollution.



The students went for a drive down to the dam wall, where they got to see where the gates open and the giant cranes they use to open the gates when water needs to be released.

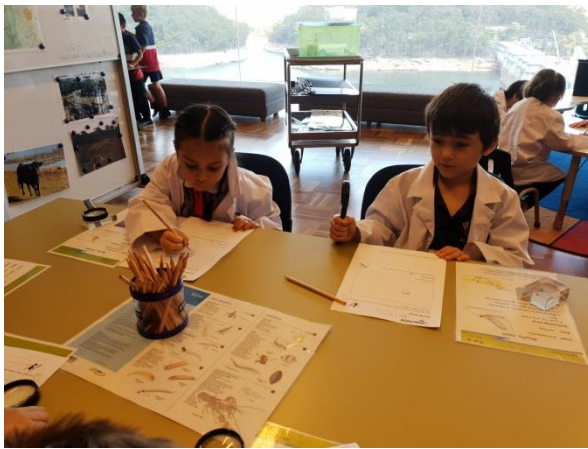
We all had a fabulous time and got to be scientists, and researched some of the water bugs that can be found in the dam.

Here are some photos of us having a great time together.





# 1T at Warragamba Dam





## **Final Dance Report 2018**

Another wonderful year of dance at Penrith Public School. Thank you to all those who supported our dancers so that they could represent their school at the festivals. All the teachers and choreographers involved were truly proud of these talented and dedicated young people. Thanks also to everyone who was able to attend our recent Dance assembly. What a great finale!

*Abby McManus*

### **The Stage 1 Dance Group 2018**

**Wake Me Up Before You Go-Go - choreographed by Isabelle Fogg, led by Therese Fogg**



## The Stage 2 Dance Group 2018

*Singin' in the Rain* – choreographed by Abby McManus and Jessica Maltese



## The Stage 3 Dance Group 2018

*Latch* – choreographed by Caiti Brown, led by Jillian Brown and Monica Lockley





## Debating Team

On Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September the debating team travelled to Werrington County Public School to participate in a semi final debate. The opposing team was from Werrington Public and the topic was "Children get too many trophies". We were the affirmative team. It was a tough debate and our team worked together to present some strong rebuttals against the other team. However the adjudicators awarded Werrington Public as the winners of the debate.

The debating coaches, Mr Sanderson and Mrs McGrouther are very proud of the dedication and effort made by all members of the debating team this year. The girls collaborated and supported each other through every debate and deserve to be very proud that they made it through to the semi finals in 2018. Well Done Penrith for going Forward with Pride.

*Belinda McGrouther*







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for

# Carols by Glow Stick

**When:** Friday 7th December, gates open 5:30pm, carols 7pm.

**Available:** Food trucks will be selling delicious food! Drinks, lollies and glow products available for purchase. P & C will be holding a raffle.

**Bring:** A rug and enjoy a picnic dinner.

**Entry:** By donation.

York Public School, South Penrith,  
enter via Jason Avenue.  
Disabled parking through  
Evan Street entrance.

York Public School are Proudly  
supporting Bear Cottage - a very  
special place dedicated to caring for  
children with life-limiting conditions.



A graphic element consisting of a series of vertical bars of varying heights and colors (red, orange, yellow, green, blue) arranged in a slightly curved, arch-like pattern.

**msp**  
**photography**

Thank you to MSP for kindly donating to our Christmas Raffle Hampers



## 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.



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**Penrith Public School P&C and Canteen Association**

## School Banking Information

If your child has collected 10 Dollarmites tokens and would like to redeem them for a School Banking reward item this term, please fill in your child's redemption slip and bring it along to one of our School Banking days before 30 November 2018. This will ensure the reward item will arrive before the school holidays.

Our final School Banking day for 2018 is 18/12/2018 any Dollarmites tokens that are not redeemed this year can be used in 2019.

*Irene and Lone*

# Christmas Family Night

FREE



**Thursday 6th of December 6pm-8pm**

**Bring the family along  
for a great night of fun!**

- Santa's little helper workshops
- Gift wrapping station
- Meet Santa in store
- Light refreshments will be provided

- Aussie Christmas Dingo's: Come get your Christmas photo with a Dingo
  - HUGE jumping castle, Baby ball pit, slushies, popcorn, fairy floss, snow cones
  - Bake chocolate chip cookies for Santa
  - Mobile game van, incredible LEGO display
- \*Face Painting and so much more!

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