

Penrith Public School Newsletter



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Forward With Pride

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Important Dates 2018

TERM 3

AUG

- 14 ICAS – Maths Exam
- 17 Pyjama Day-Gold Coin Donation
- 20 P&C Meeting @ 6pm
- 22 KF Assembly
- 29 5/6MG Assembly
- 29-30 Zone Athletics Carnival
- 31 Fathers' Day Stall

SEP

- 3-5 Stage 2 Camp
- 5 1T Assembly
- 12 Support Exc. Taronga Zoo-School Sleep Over
- 17 P&C Meeting @ 6pm
- 19 K-6 Red/Green Assembly
- 26 5/6B Assembly
- 27 Calmsley Hill City Farm -Kindergarten
- 28 Last Day Term 3

MONEY/NOTES DUE

Stage 2 Camp online medical and consent forms Overdue

- \$85 St 3 Camp Final Payment due 5 September
- \$32 Calmsley Hill City Farm due 5 September
- \$20 Book Pack – OVER DUE
- \$35 Voluntary School Contribution

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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

We have had a great fortnight at PPS!

I would like to acknowledge and thank our dedicated staff and generous parent/community helpers who give up their time to ensure our students have access to a varied and diverse range of extra-curricular opportunities.

Pedlar's Fair – Thanks to our supportive parents and friends for making our annual fair a huge success! Students had an absolute blast and staff were thoroughly spoilt with the range of foods from around the world. We would also like to thank Mrs Fogg for coordinating the event – this is a huge task and could not have happened without the enormous amount of time and effort Mrs Fogg invested in planning the day.

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.

Chaplaincy Program – We are delighted to welcome Mrs Bell to PPS! Mrs Bell will be supporting students across all stages, with a focus on development of social skills and resilience. The programs will run on Thursdays and Fridays.

Baby News! – Congratulations to Mrs Manning on the birth of beautiful Emalia Violet. Mrs Manning has commenced her maternity leave and we wish her and her family all the happiness in the world as they embark on this new chapter of their lives.

Parent Teacher Interviews – Thanks to all parents who booked in for an interview with your child's teacher this term.

P&C – Our next meeting will be held on 20 August 2018 at 6pm.

Enrolling Now for 2019 – If you have a child commencing kindergarten in 2019, or if you know of anyone commencing school next year, we are taking enrolments now! Our comprehensive Kickstart to Kindy program runs throughout terms three and four.

WWCC Information - This year Penrith Public School has attended a number of sporting gala days and extra curricular activities off-site which involve a small number of students. If your child is unable to be transported to the venue, they can be transported by a teacher with the permission of the parent. However, recently there have been a number of students who have been unable to get transport to the venue. If a child is to be transported by a parent or carer (who is not their own parent or carer) the parent must have a Working With Children Check. As the parent is volunteering, the check is free. If you are interested in doing the Working With Children Check to help with transportation of students, I have included the link below which will direct you to the appropriate site for this:

<https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/child-safe-organisations/working-with-children-check>

So going forward, as a way of transporting students to and from various venues parents/carers must have a volunteer Working With Children Check to do this or alternatively the school will look into bus hire where a cost will be involved. If you have any questions at all, please see Mr McMahon.

Warm regards
Chantal Beltran
Principal

STUDENT SAFETY

For the safety of all children, please **shut all school gates** upon entry and leaving the school premises.

The staff car park is strictly for staff and transport approved by the Department of Education only.

DO NOT park or walk through the car park. This is unsafe for our students - many of whom cannot be seen when vehicles are reversing.

We appreciate your understanding and support in this matter.

Let's keep our children safe!

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

5/6W

The broken branch was the first signal for a decaying tree that would eventually vanish from the minds of many people. The beautiful amber coloured leaves were gracefully swaying down to the dirty earth, with the cracked, broken branch plummeting down to the ground, until the empty tree had nothing left. – Nhi

The old, creaky door was painted in a dull, gloomy, brackish-brown colour. Nothing could possibly stop the screeching coming from the other side. No-one could ever image what sorrow and dangers the door held on the other side. – Ezzah

The cute, adorable puppy was running around rapidly. He ran quickly across the rusty pipe. A friendly old man was about to trim his soft, fuzzy fur. – Abigail

This incredible skateboard could do maths. It tried to call itself an intelligent hover-board. However, it was broken by a fierce dragon. – TJ

A drone once tried to hit me, but a tall man stopped it. I said, “Thank you” and he left to build a tall building. He found that it was horrible, so he destroyed it and built a small house. – Hunter

I’m getting a puppy for my Birthday from my Pop, Earl. Her name is Boggie and she is an ex-greyhound racer. Boggie is a whitey, browny colour. – Cooper

As I sat down on the sandy beach, I watched the beautiful orange and yellow sunset. It seemed to go down into the water. – Jazlyn

Treasure chests are containers that come in different styles and shapes and could hold anything. They can be secretly hidden or placed anywhere – in the deep, blue sea or your messy bedroom. Treasure chests are quite often thought to be associated with precious jewels or gold, but you can trick people by storing something completely different in them. – Zoe

I had a new carpet that was blue with red circles. I took it to the shops to feed it and I took it to the doctor for a check-up. I would never leave it alone, until one day it went missing. I looked everywhere for it! – Kiarna

Puppies are so much fun and cool. Puppies are little dogs and they can also be very, little dogs. Some have lots of hair. They are so playful. – Jermaine

My beautiful, relaxing vacation would be to my dream place – Dubai. A fun, bright vacation to the Gold Coast would be great. A vacation to America might be mysterious or scary – I don’t know what will happen. – Bahra

5/6W

At my old school in Year 3, it was very hard to choose the sport to do as there were so many. I chose Newcombe ball because it was an easy sport. We were in the Grand Finals and were the Runners-up for that competition. – Aaminah

A kitten is a tiny cat that usually lives with its mum. They can be different colours. Kittens love cat food and milk, as do all cats. – Brayden

A door opened while I was silently walking past it. There was a chest behind it with a large jug. The door was a bright purple, not white, like my friend's door. – Brock

The open horizon of the sunset was glazing over the grass like a warm blanket. Every sunset is different, it is the last shining, visible part of the sun. As you gaze at the sunset, someone else could have a morning. – Daniel

The broken branch was hanging off an old, dying tree in the dark and creepy forest. It was knocked down by a small, blue bird. When the broken branch fell on my head, it felt very painful. – Sebastian

The small, energised puppy found a big ball with yukky spots all over it. A youthful, fussy puppy saw a pretty cat and was jealous. – Skye

My treasure chest would not open so I used a crowbar. Then I asked my dad to open it with his tools, but it still would not open. I kicked it and it opened! – Armin

The sad, lonely sun set for the day. It filled the sky with its bright colours – red, orange, yellow. The next afternoon, the bright, beautiful sun set slowly, then rose up again, filling the air with lots of candy. – Than Ho

The soft, fluffy puppy gets excited when anyone knocks on the door. Its coat shines in the sunshine and is as soft as a sheep. – Riley

This morning, I saw a DOOR!! It was pink, old and wooden, so I got out of the car and ran into it. I saw another door. It was furry, black and white and it was weird. – Koby

There was a giant, brown treasure chest with a golden key to open it. Inside the chest were lovely things – lots of bright, shiny things. It was covered with a variety of jewels. This treasure chest was secretly hidden deep in the brown, sticky dirt. – Hasini

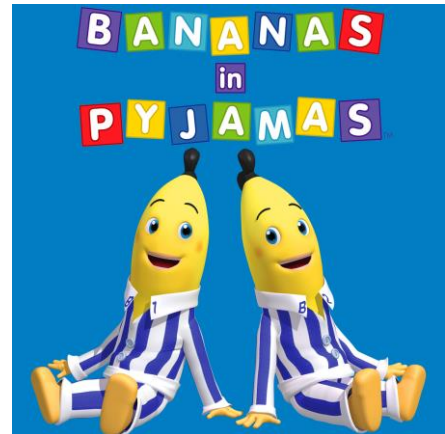
My cute, little puppy played in the colourful doggy park. She likes to play with a second puppy that is light brown with darker brown spots. My puppy is a very sweet dog to have and she loves everyone so much. – Julianna

Trees are a part of nature. They are brown and green. They have a brown trunk and green leaves. They are an important part of nature. – Isaac

Term 3 SRC News

It's Pyjama Day this Friday, 17 August for teachers and students. Please wear your favourite pyjamas and bring a gold coin to donate. All money raised will be donated to our Aussie farmers.

Mrs Reynolds & Mrs Broadbridge



School Banking is every @ 8.40am near the canteen



Remember, **Tuesday** is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit.

For every deposit made at school, students will receive a silver Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for an exclusive School Banking reward item in recognition of their regular savings habits.

School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

If your child has lost their book, they can bring their money to school in a sealed envelope with a note on the next School Banking day. We will issue them with a replacement.

Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at **Penrith Public School**. We would also like to thank the wonderful parents who volunteer as our School Banking Co-ordinators and process our banking every week.

If you would like to know more about School Banking visit **commbank.com.au/schoolbanking**.

CUA Fun Day

On Friday 26 October, our school will be holding a community day. This day is sponsored by **CUA**. Each student will be provided with an information brochure about the event and how our school can fundraise to raise funds to assist our school in a variety of areas. Each student will have an online account set up by their class teacher which will allow donations to be made online and the link can be shared to anyone around the world. I will be sending out more information as we get closer to the event. Please use the link below if you like to learn more about the CUA Community Day:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vhr474czSLM>

Regards,

Mr McMahon

Fathers' Day Stall Friday 31 August

Don't forget to send in a gift for the Fathers' Day stall to the office (no used items thank you). The aim is to have at least one gift for each child to give to their dad.

Car Goods	Toiletries / Personal Care	Garden Needs	Tools
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Car wash• Chamois / sponges• Car freshener• Degreaser• Polish• Key rings	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deodorant• Aftershave• Shaving cream• Hankies• Combs• Nail clippers• Shoe polish kits• Socks• Handkerchiefs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Gardening gloves• Plants• Small garden tools• Packets of seeds	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Mini tool kits• Allen keys• BBQ tools• BBQ aprons

These items are only ideas, ANY donations will be greatly appreciated.

Helpers for Fathers' Day wrapping and stall are needed please leave your details at the office

Bargain Buyers Bus Trip

Sat, 27 October 2018



Penrith Public School Annual Bus Trip

Come along, bring a friend or family member and have a fabulous day!
Cost: \$60 per person. This cost includes morning tea and a delicious lunch.
Please pay a \$20 (non-refundable) deposit at the office. We will be visiting various shopping outlets. A list of these outlets will be available soon.

Pick up: Penrith Public School @7.00am Sharp and drop off 6.30pm

Lunch: TBA, don't miss out!

Sorry this is only for adults over the age of 18 years.

I include \$20 per person as deposit and understand the balance will be required by Monday 16 October 2018

Name	Contact – Class/Phone

Canteen News

!! ☐ Important announcement! ☐ !!

From Week 6 until the end of Term 3, the canteen will only be open in the morning and for the first break.

If your child needs a second break order please place this order in the morning and it must be collected in the first break.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and appreciate your understanding and patience at this time.

Normal canteen operations will resume from Term 4.

Dance News

On Monday 30 July the Stage 2 and Stage 3 Dance groups went to the Joan Sutherland for the Penrith Valley Performing Arts Festival. They rehearsed during the day and then performed in the evening. Stage 2 thrilled the audience with an old-fashioned number "Singin' in the Rain". Stage 3 wowed the audience with a sophisticated modern dance to "Latch" (choreographed by Mrs Brown's daughter Caiti Brown).

Congratulations to both dance groups you did yourselves and your school proud.

Coming up in Weeks 6 and 7 is the Blue Mountains Nepean Dance Festival featuring ALL our dance groups. Notes will be sent home in due course. *Abby McManus (Dance Coordinator)*

Stage 2 "Singin' in the Rain"



Stage 3 "Latch"



Tree Day 2018

On Friday 27 July, our school participated in National School Tree Day. 140 volunteers planted over 70 shrubs, grasses and groundcovers along the pathway between the Stage 3 rooms and the equipment. A big thank you to Mrs Bagnell, Mr Bagnell, Mr Wilkes and Mr Redington for giving up their time to assist our eager 'green thumbs' with making the day a success. Now we are all wishing for a good soaking of rain!

*Miss Fell & Mrs Bagnell
On behalf of the environmental
committee*



Penrith Selective High School

Students from Penrith Public School have been attending Penrith Selective High School on Monday's to participate in extension mathematics activities. The sessions involve working with a high school student to solve mathematical problems and increase their working mathematical skills. The program has been running for two terms and the students from Penrith Public School have been thoroughly enjoying the experience. A huge thanks has to go to Mrs Briggs (Head Teacher of Mathematics, Penrith HS) and the Year 9 volunteers in assisting with the program.

Daniel McMahon
Assistant Principal



SPORTS REPORT FOR TERM THREE

There will be lots of exciting sports events happening this term as well as a few we've already had. I'd like to thank all the parents who come along to these events and support their children and the school in the various sporting endeavours.

Premiers Sporting Challenge

All cards completed need to be handed in next week so students in stage 2 and 3 can receive the level they have earned through their physical activity over the last ten weeks.

Soccer Knockout

Unfortunately both the girls and boys teams were defeated in their matches but both teams put up spirited displays against tough opposition. Next up for our soccer players will be the Penrith Cup Gala Day on Friday. The girl's team will also be competing in the Wanderers Cup regional play offs later in the year.

Touch Football

Good luck to the Girl's touch football team who will compete in their state knockout match tomorrow. Thanks to Mrs Footit for her ongoing coaching of this team. Also today students have enjoyed a touch football gala day.

Athletics Team

Our school athletics team has been selected. Permission notes will be given out soon. While most students will participate on the 29th and 30th August, some students will need to wait to see if they have successfully qualified. Athletics ribbons will be given out shortly at a suitable assembly time. In addition, Boronia House Captains will be presented with their badges.

Swimming Scheme

Don't forget that early next term our school offers the chance to participate in two weeks of intensive Learn to Swim lessons. We are fortunate to have nearly double the usual amount of numbers we are able to take. It is hoped lots of students take advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

House points

With four sports house groups adjustments and recounting has had to be made but following the athletics carnival an updated points score has been completed. The current standing is Wattle-555, Waratah-531, Banksia-469 and Boronia- 428. Our last carnival will be the Ball games carnival where there will be enough points on offer for any sports house to still have a chance.

Other Sports Opportunities in Term Three

This term students will have the opportunity to participate in some cricket coaching lessons and a Rugby League skills day with special "celebrity" league personalities and prizes to win. Stage 3 students will also have the chance to attend a special Panthers on the Prowl Sports Expo where they will be exposed to a wide variety of sports and some stage 3 students will represent the school at the NRL rugby League legends day.

Phew! That's a lot of sports activities this term. I hope students take up the chance to be involved in as much as possible.

Mr Emmingham