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Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 5

Dear Parents,

Our term is certainly well under way and we have lots of fabulous events coming up.

Our P&C AGM will be held on Tuesday 12th March and we encourage all new families to come along, there will be free nibbles and a few laughs. There is no need to put yourself forward for a position, just meet our team members and find out what's happening at PPS!

P&C events this term include the cake stall on Election Day (Sat 23rd March) and Hot Dog Special Lunch (5th April). Both of which need some volunteers, so if you can spare an hour or two we'd love to have you along. More information will be sent out soon.

District Swimming Carnival

Huge praise for Brooklyn Whalan, who finished Junior Girl Champion at the Bathurst District Carnival last Friday! Brooklyn swam beautifully all day and also led the Junior Girls Relay team home to finish third, meaning they also are off to the Western Carnival in Dubbo on Thursday 14th March. Lots of hard training ahead now girls! So proud of all swimmers who swam last week.



External Validation

Each year, 20% of NSW schools are nominated to participate in an external validation process. 2019 will be our turn and we are one of the first schools for Term 2. The Validation process provides an opportunity for our school to discuss our judgements about our practice and the evidence that underpins them with a panel of peers. Each year schools complete a self-assessment against the school excellence framework. We then provide supporting evidence which the panel reads and then makes comment on. This includes areas such as curriculum delivery, welfare, leadership and professional standards. All staff will be involved in the process and we will use feedback from our whole school community to form our judgements. We look forward to discussing our results with you and welcoming the panel to our beautiful school.

Zaric makes District Basketball Team

Congratulations to Zaric S who was selected from among 40 boys to represent the Bathurst District in Basketball. Zaric will play at the Western Region trials on Monday 4th March. Well done Zaric!

Few Reminders Please

Asthma Plans – Please return ASAP

For parents who received a letter requesting updated asthma plans for their child please provide them as soon as possible. These asthma plans are located in the room with the first aid cupboard and notice board that identify children suffering from medical conditions. Asthma Plans need to be provided to allow staff to follow the directions of a doctor if the child is in need of treatment. When contacting your doctor please request an asthma review appointment.

No Dogs on School Grounds Please

Please do not bring dogs onto school grounds. If you are collecting your child please remain with the dog outside the school gate or leave dogs at home while attending school. With the recent spate of dog attacks we are very mindful of the unpredictability of dogs. The hustle and bustle caused with lots of children around can sometimes upset the animal and we need to keep our students safe at all times. We appreciate your assistance with this matter.

No Play Equipment in Afternoon

As staff are not on playground duty at 3pm and after school, the playground equipment is out of bounds during this time. We encourage you to chat and meet in the COLA area or play on park equipment near the Perthville hall. We appreciate your assistance with this matter.

Communicating with our school

Your first contact in our school needs to be your child's teacher. Please ensure you call to make an appointment where our staff will find a time to talk to you when they can give you their full attention. Please remember that while our staff are in class or dealing with other matters, they may not be available to answer your questions immediately.

Our school will make sure that written communication is appropriate, fair and easy to read. We encourage you to use email and social media appropriately to connect with our school and stay up-to-date with up-coming events in the community.

Please find attached the School, Community Charter and our Communication policy.

School Uniform – Each day Strong and Proud

Students are expected in correct uniform each day. Uniform makes our students feel smart, strong and proud. **Rabun shoes and tights** are not part of our uniform policy and should not be worn. All uniform is available at school by seeing our uniform coordinators Clare Kirby and Helen Top. At school, students are responsible for organising their own jumpers and hats. If students misplace items they should check their classroom, bag area or the lost property box located in the office area.

Bathurst Show Entries

The Bathurst Royal show is a great event and some students will have art and craft works selected for entry. These will be on display in the pavilion. Ms Morris will be coordinating our school events but children are reminded that they can enter in any junior section by downloading a copy of the competition schedule and entering at the show office in Bathurst. We thank Ms Morris for her organisation and we look forward to having our work on display at the show in May.

Bullying No Way!

Friday 15th March

This year's theme is 'Speak even if your voice shakes'

Students will be completing activities throughout the afternoon on anti-bullying, identifying support networks and building resilience

Year 5 & 6 Information

Leadership Camp to be held this term – Attendance is not compulsory.

In week 10 of this term, Years 5 & 6 are invited to the Leadership Camp. The camp will run over 2 days at the Bathurst Gold Fields and will involve other students from the Bathurst Small Schools.

This excursion has been planned to supplement the following work being done in the classroom on Leadership and History. The approximate cost is \$110 per student.

During this camp students will work on a range of leadership skills including team work and collaboration. They will also participate in talks on cyber safety and basic CPR and first aid.

Students will also participate in 'puberty and change' talks from Bathurst Community Health and also have a day session on Australian colonies focusing on Gold in early colonial times. There will also be a disco held on the night after dinner. More information will be sent out with students in coming weeks.


Year Six Shirts

Mr Dickson has sent home a note in regard to Year 6 shirts. These need to be ordered by this Friday. Please return the note with your deposit. **Late orders will not be taken and will need to be referred directly to the supplier.**

Most of our recent photos of school celebrations, achievements and everyday happenings can be found on Facebook



Children in Years 5 & 6?
Denison College
Kelso & Bathurst HS
Information for Parent Evening &
Campus Tours
Tuesday 19th March 6.00pm



Denison College

School Contributions

The school fees assist us with purchasing online maths and reading programs, text books, sports equipment, art and craft supplies and stationary needs. This year school fees have remained the same as 2018. Fees are as follows.

1 child = \$65

2 children = \$120

3 children = \$175

We ask that you pay this contribution to the office before the end of term 1. If you are having difficulty please contact Mrs Webb.

Festival of Instrumental Music – Recorders

Recorder lessons, Thursdays 9.30am – 10am, are well underway and the students are sounding great! Could those students involved, please return their permission note ASAP as our participation numbers need to be submitted to the organisers by the Friday! Please do not hesitate to phone or email the school with any questions you may have. Thank you!

Mrs Bicanic



GALLOPING GUMNUT MOBILE NEWS

As a Mobile Children's Service, we are very grateful to Perthville Public School for their ongoing support of our Service and we are loving the newly renovated Library space. We are very pleased to be able to offer the following Education and Care Services for the community of Perthville:

*Preschool for 3 to 5 year olds on Mondays and Fridays (9:15am to 3:15pm)

*Child Care, with a Preschool Program, for 2 to 5 year olds on Tuesdays (9:15am to 3:15pm) with access to the Child Care Subsidy to reduce fees.

*After School Care on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons (3:25pm to 6:00pm) also with access to the Child Care Subsidy to reduce fees. Permanent and Casual Care is available.

We currently have limited vacancies in our Preschool and Care programs but would love to see more families utilising our After-School Care program so that we will eventually be able to offer additional afternoons.

We also operate a Play Session, once a month on Tuesdays, at the Community Hall. This is facilitated by two qualified Educators who provide an Early Childhood Program for children aged 0-5. Parents, Grandparents and Carers stay with the children and it is a wonderful opportunity to meet new people and socialise in a welcoming and supportive environment. We have NO waiting list, and EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Our next Session is Tuesday, 5th March – 9:30am to 11:45am.

For more information phone: 0427 070 871

What's Due Back?



- Year 6 Shirt orders
- School Contribution
- Band fees

Iceblocks Available

Tuesday and Thursday
Icy Poles & Paddle
Pops \$1



P&C Meetings



Tuesday 12th March – 6pm AGM
Tuesday 9th April – 6pm



Volunteer Agreements

All parents or relatives who volunteer to assist with our children are asked to read and sign a Statutory Declaration that complies with the Child Protection (Working with Children) Act 2012. Parents and grandparents are not required to obtain the Working with Children Check number. Volunteers not related to a child at the school must have the Working with Children Check number before volunteering at the school. We encourage you to contact your child's class teacher if you are able to help with reading, sport, computers or assist in the library. Please see the office before volunteering.

Term One

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 25 th -1 st			Newsletter	Lunchtime: Recorder Practice	
MARCH 6 4 th -8 th				Lunchtime: Recorder Practice	Assembly Yr 2 9.30 am
7 11 th -15 th		P & C Meeting 6pm AGM	Newsletter	Lunchtime: Recorder Practice	
8 18 th -22 nd				Lunchtime: Recorder Practice	Assembly Kinder 9.30 am
9 25 th -29 th	Sporting School Athletics →		Newsletter	Lunchtime: Recorder Practice	
APRIL 10 1 st -5 th	Sporting School Athletics → Leadership Camp Yrs 5&6 →			Lunchtime: Recorder Practice	Assembly K/I 9.30 am Crazy Hair Day World's Greatest Shave 
11 8 th -12 th	Bike Week →	P&C Meeting 6pm	Newsletter	Easter Hat Parade 	ANZAC Service Yr 6 Last Day Tm I

School Community Charter

 **Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.**

The following School Community Charter outlines the responsibilities of parents, carers, educators and school staff in NSW public schools to ensure our learning environments are collaborative, supportive and cohesive.

What our schools provide

NSW public schools work to create positive environments for students, staff and the entire school community that support student learning. We strive to ensure that every student is known, valued and cared for.

The best education happens when parents and schools work together.

The School Community Charter aligns with the NSW Department of Education Strategic Plan 2018 – 2022.



Positive environments

It is important that our NSW public schools are positive environments and that parents and carers are kept informed of students' progress and school announcements.

Parents and carers can expect:

- to be welcomed into our schools to work in partnership to promote student learning.
- communication from school staff will be timely, polite and informative.
- professional relationships with school staff are based on transparency, honesty and mutual respect.
- to be treated fairly. Tolerance and understanding are promoted as we respect diversity.

We treat each other with respect

We prioritise the wellbeing of all students and staff

Unsafe behaviour is not acceptable in our schools

We work together with the school

Ensuring respectful learning environments for all members of NSW Public Schools communities.



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Our schools and communities will make sure that written communication is appropriate, fair and easy to read. We encourage you to use email and social media appropriately to connect with your school and stay up-to-date with up-coming events in the school community.

Our guide for parents, carers and students provides useful information about the complaints process: education.nsw.gov.au/about-us/rights-and-accountability/complaints-compliments-and-suggestions/guide-for-parents-carers-and-students

Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

To ensure the wellbeing of students, staff and the community in our schools, steps will be taken to address unacceptable behaviour. This may include restricting contact with the school community or, in more serious cases, referral to NSW Police.



Unacceptable behaviour may include but is not limited to:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.



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Procedures for parent communication with the school

The following is offered as the first point of contact regarding areas of compliment or complaint.

Area for Discussion	Appropriate Action
The academic progress of my own child	Directly contact the child's teacher to arrange a suitable time to discuss academic performance either by <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Seeing the staff member in person• Sending in a note• Phone the school on the 6337 2316• Email at perthville-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
The welfare of my own child	Directly contact your child's teacher to clarify information. The Assistant Principal and Principal are available to discuss complex or ongoing issues. Contact the office so a mutually suitable appointment time can be made.
Changes to personal details, attendance, holidays, medication	Please contact the office staff to inform change of address, telephone number, emergency contact, custody details, health issues etc. Email is also suitable.
Actions of other students	Contact your child's teacher for a classroom or playground problem. Contact the Assistant Principal or Principal for ongoing playground problems.
School policy or practice	Contact the office staff via phone or email. State nature of concern. The appropriate member of staff will contact you to discuss further.
Actions of a staff member	Contact the office staff . Speak to the Assistant Principal or Principal . An appointment will be made if necessary.

***We would appreciate parents not contacting staff private mobile numbers.
School matters should be discussed during school hours.***



BUSH POETRY AND BALLADS NIGHT
PERTHVILLE HALL MARCH 7th at 7pm

Local Poets



Harry Bestwick

Mark Ryan

David Chapman

Terry Jones



And Local Balladeers

Dave Tonkin

Pat Alexander

Matt Williamson



Hear the Poetry and Ballads of the Greats

Gold Coin donation



Proceeds to Perthville Neighbourhood Group

Light refreshments afterwards.



Kaigan-Kan Karate

at Perthville Community Hall

Monday's

(during school terms)

Juniors 4.00pm - 5.30pm.

Seniors class 5.30pm - 7.00pm.

**With parental permission, Perthville Public School
students walk to the hall after school.**

**For more information contact:
Christine Nash - 0425 226 114**

