

# Perthville Public School



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## Newsletter

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019

Term 3 Week 5

Dear Parents,

Week 5 is already upon us and the term is moving rapidly!

It was great to see everyone having a fabulous time at the district athletics carnival. Well done to the P&C who ran a fabulous canteen for over 400 students and their families. Also a big thanks to Ms Barlow, who has worked tirelessly on carnival organisation. Thanks also to all staff who ran each activity on the day and a huge thanks to our students, who participated well and were great sports!

### School Photos are Tomorrow - Please wear Full Winter Uniform

Please ensure you have ordered your photos online. Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at [www.advancedlife.com.au](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) using our school's unique 9 digit advanced order code.

**The code is C83 9ZN Q9D.**

Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day. Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed **no later than the day before photography day.**

Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to [enquiries@advancedlife.com.au](mailto:enquiries@advancedlife.com.au)

Even if you are not ordering school photos, all students need to be at school to have a photo taken for school reporting purposes.

Students need to be dressed in the correct winter uniform. School Jumpers will not be worn in photos.

Girls – Winter tunics, Perthville long sleeve shirts, navy stockings and black shoes.

Boys – Grey Trousers, Perthville long sleeve shirts, black shoes.

### Book Week 2019- Reading is my Super Power- Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, we will be holding a book week parade where students can dress up in their favourite book character or a costume that represents this year's theme of 'Reading is my Super Power'. At the conclusion of the normal Week 5 assembly, all students will parade their costumes. We hope you can join us for a fun morning.

**Dress Up Day This Friday**  
**Yeh! What Fun!**



### Interview Survey

Recently our teachers completed parent/teacher interviews. We have included a survey for you to complete. We are also interested to know if you were unable to attend how we may be able to provide you with further information about your child's academic progress. Please complete the survey (see attached) and return to the front office.

## District Athletics Results

Congratulations to the 40 athletes who participated in the District Athletics carnival last Friday. You all tried your best and displayed great sportsmanship throughout the day. A big congratulations to those students who made the Bathurst District team who will compete at the Western carnival in Dubbo on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September. Notes for this event were handed out on Friday. To our P&C and the many parents who assisted with the canteen on Friday, a thank you! We greatly appreciate the time and effort that goes into such an event. A big thank you also to Ms Barlow who worked with Bathurst South Public School to organise and run the event on Friday. You did a fabulous job Jess, a great day was had by all!



## Men's Shed – Our Random Act of Kindness

As part of Education Week, schools in the Bathurst network carried out Random Acts of Kindness. Our visit to the Bathurst Men's Shed was to say 'Thanks' for the work they have done previously with building specialised furniture for our students. The Men's shed had built adaptive tables and chairs for a number of our students, ensuring they have full access to classroom programs. The Year 6 students learnt a lot about the equipment the men use, the services they provide to the community and generally had a good old chat! The students shared morning tea with the Men's Shed team and loved their visit into this much loved community service. Well done to Year 6 and Mr Dickson for organising this event.



## Job Vacancy - Casual Cleaners

JOSS Facilities are after part time school cleaners in our area. Please contact Lyn on 0400 533 670

## **Riding For the Disabled**

Two students from Perthville PS have started attending the Riding for the Disabled program. Craig had a fabulous time riding 'Commanchee' last fortnight, as you can tell by the smile on his face! We are looking forward to Darcy participating this week too! A big thank you to Mrs Holt and Ms Jayne for taking our students to this event.



## **Current Works at school**

Around our school at the moment there are a number of works being carried out to maintain and improve the buildings. Our new admin building has been completely painted inside and is waiting on the new carpet to be installed. The current admin block has had some painting work as well as some store rooms attached to our classrooms. The 5/6 room sink and the sports shed floor have been replaced. In the near future the sports shed roof will be replaced and the cleaners store room which attaches to the old laundry is also getting a face lift.

## **3/4 Excursion to Dubbo**

On the 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> September (Tuesday and Wednesday of week 8) students in years 3 and 4, will be heading to Dubbo for their excursion. Permission notes and further information about the excursion were sent home last Tuesday. Please ensure these are returned by the due date.

## **5/6 Excursion to Aussie Bush Camp**

On 6<sup>th</sup> November Years 5/6 will travel to Kincumber for the Great Aussie Bush Camp excursion. This is a great few days of challenge, fun and meeting new friends. Permission notes for this excursion are attached and ALL notes and payment must be received by the end of this term.

## **Eisteddfod and Band**

Our school band will perform at the Bathurst Eisteddfod on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> September. More information regarding Eisteddfod will be sent home in the coming weeks. Mr Dickson and Mrs Yordanoff are looking for year 2,3,4 and 5 students to join the band in 2020. If you're interested please see Mrs Yordanoff.

## **Kindergarten and Other Enrolments for 2020**

Our anticipated enrolments for 2020 have been recorded. We encourage you to contact people in our area who will have children starting school next year. Ask them to make contact with our school so we can begin planning for classes next year and also to let them know about our Perthville Possums program. There is a revised state wide enrolment policy which has meant some changes to our intake zones so please contact the school if unsure. *We have included further information about the revised changes and a copy of the Revised Enrolment Policy again for you (see attached).*

## **Father's Day Stall & Canteen Day**

On Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August, our P&C will be running a Father's Day stall. Students are encouraged to bring \$5 where they can purchase a gift for a special man in their life. Lunch order forms went home today. \$5 for a pie or sausage roll and a juice. \$4 for an extra item. The lunch orders will be ready for the 1.30pm break.

## Term 4 Dates for Your Diary

**Swimming Lessons 25<sup>th</sup> Nov to 6<sup>th</sup> Dec**  
**(Every Day - 2 weeks -Yrs 2-6)**

***Presentation Day - Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December***

**Year 6 Big Day Out - Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December**

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>5</b> 19/8-23/8			Newcastle Permanent Maths Competition Newsletter	School Photos	Assembly – Book Week Parade
<b>6</b> 29/8-30/8		Bathurst Alliance Professional Learning for Staff	Bathurst Alliance Professional Learning for Executive		Father's Day Stall & Lunch Orders
<b>7</b> 2/9-6/9			Half Staff Development Day Newsletter		Assembly – 4/5
<b>8</b> 9/9-13/9		3/4 Excursion - Dubbo P&C Meeting 6pm	→		
<b>9</b> 16/9-20/9			Newsletter		Assembly – 5/6
<b>10</b> 23/9-27/9				Seaforth Band Visit	Last day Term 3



## **Revised Enrolment Policy – Effective Term 4 2019 for Perthville PS**

Dear Parent and Caregivers

The Department of Education is continuously seeking to ensure that every student has the right to an equitable and excellent education.

At the commencement of Term 3 the Department implemented revised enrolment procedures in every public school. The Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools policy and procedures ensure that schools uphold the core values of equity, accountability and integrity in the enrolment process.

These changes have an impact on our school.

Every student who is a designated local student will have automatic enrolment at our school.

We realise that parents may choose to submit a non- local application to our school.

Our school has an enrolment cap and a locally determined buffer. This is determined by the number of permanent classrooms in our school.

Our enrolment cap is 92 and we currently have 140 students.

We are currently exceeding our enrolment cap.

This has implications for both you and our school.

1. Only local students who are zoned to our school will be enrolled.
2. Each local student will need to provide a 100 point check when applying for enrolment. This is attached for your information.
3. We are currently unable to enrol non-local students.
4. Students with exceptional and compelling circumstances can apply for out of zone enrolment. We have attached the out of zone criteria for your information. A school based enrolment panel will consider these applications and you will be notified as quickly as possible. The Director Educational Leadership, Ms Toni MacDonald, is required to approve all out of zone enrolments.

**It is important to let you know that if we continue to exceed our enrolment cap into the future, brothers and sisters of students who are out of zone enrolments will not be able to be enrolled at our school.**

We understand there may be questions with the adjustment to the enrolment procedures and we are here to assist in supporting you to make contact with the Principal of your local designated school.

Please contact the school if you require further clarification.

The principals of schools in the Bathurst area are committed to ensuring that your child will receive an excellent education and we look forward to continuing our relationship with you into the future.

Yours sincerely

Jodie James

In collaboration with Principals of the Bathurst network.

**Criteria for non-local enrolment applications must be documented and cannot be unlawfully discriminatory. Criteria may include:**

- siblings already enrolled at the school – 1<sup>st</sup> Priority
- proximity and access to the school
- medical reasons
- safety and supervision of the student before and after school
- compassionate circumstances
- recent change in the local intake area boundaries.

Criteria must not include student ability, performance or achievement. Priority will be given to siblings of currently enrolled students, where possible.

**100-point residential address check in some schools with a designated intake area**

Schools that are above or near (i.e. the number of non-local enrolment applications received exceeds the number of enrolment places available outside the local enrolment buffer) their buffer level use the following 100-point residential address check to verify that the student being presented for enrolment lives within the intake area.

Document showing the full name of the child's parent	Points
1. Only one of (i.e. no additional points for additional documents) 1.1. Council rates notice 1.2. Lease agreement through a registered real estate agent for a period of at least 6 months or rental board bond receipt 1.3. Exchanged contract of sale with settlement to occur within the applicable school year	40
2. Any of the following 2.1. Private rental agreement for a period of at least 6 months 2.2. Centrelink payment statement showing home address 2.3. Electoral roll statement	20 each
3. Any of the following documents 3.1. Electricity or gas bill showing the service address* 3.2. Water bill showing the service address* 3.3. Telephone or internet bill showing the service address* 3.4. Drivers licence or government issued ID showing home address* 3.5. Home building or home contents insurance showing the service address 3.6. Motor vehicle registration or compulsory third party insurance policy showing home address 3.7. Statutory declaration stating the child's residential address, how long they have lived there, and any supporting information or documentation of this.	15 each

\* up to three months old



# Enrolment policy

## Information for parents

The Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools policy is in place to assist schools to meet their obligations under the *Education Act 1990* - to ensure that every student has a place at their local school. The policy also communicates to staff and the community a transparent enrolment process.

### Why was the enrolment policy revised?

Across the state, many communities are changing. Some are growing at rates never seen before. Some schools that used to be able to accept out-of-area enrolments, no longer have the room to do so.

The revised policy is designed to support schools to manage all enrolment applications, encourage greater consistency in decision-making and make sure the enrolment choices are clear for parents.

### What are the changes?

#### The enrolment cap

The enrolment cap is the number of students that can be enrolled at a school based on the school's permanent accommodation. The enrolment cap tells us whether the school may or may not have the capacity to accept non-local enrolments. It is not a target or limit on the number of local enrolments a school can take.

Each school with a local intake area will have a cap set by the department from Term 4 2019.

Within the enrolment cap, a number of enrolment places (the buffer) must be kept aside for the likely number of local students who will need to enrol during the year. For this reason, a school will not take non-local students once they reach their buffer, unless there are exceptional circumstances.

#### 100-point residential address check

Parents planning to enrol their child at a school that is near or at their buffer or cap will be asked to complete the 100-point residential address check to confirm they live within the school's designated intake area. This means you will need to provide documents to verify your child's current address.

So that schools only seek information relevant to your child's enrolment, a list of approved documents for the residential address check is available from the school or the department's website at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/enrolment-of-students-in-nsw-government-schools>.

#### Selection criteria for non-local enrolment

Sibling enrolments are now clearly prioritised (where possible) and selection criteria for non-local enrolment will not include student ability, performance or achievement.





## What has not changed?

Schools will continue to enrol students who live in their local intake area, regardless of the school's cap status.

There are no changes to enrolment rights of siblings of non-local students. In schools with available places, each enrolment application is considered on its merits, including if siblings currently attend the school. If the school is below capacity, out-of-area applications for siblings of current students will be given enrolment priority.

Schools will continue to provide families with support and advice during the enrolment process, including assessment of exceptional and compelling circumstances particularly for vulnerable students and their families.

Schools will also continue to apply the policy fairly and consistently using transparent and accountable processes when making decisions around enrolment applications. Parents have a right to appeal to determine whether the stated processes have been applied in a procedurally fair manner.

## But what do the changes mean for me?

### What if my child is already enrolled but we do not live in that school's intake area?

Your child will remain enrolled at the school as the revised policy does not affect students already enrolled in NSW Government schools.

**We were in area when my child was enrolled in the school. The department has since changed the school's boundary and our residence is now out of area. I have other children and I want them all to go to the same school.**

### What are my options?

At times it is necessary for the department to make adjustments to a school's local enrolment intake area. This could mean a family with a child/children already enrolled is then outside the local intake area. When this happens, the family will still be able to enrol siblings together at the school, regardless of whether the school is over the buffer or cap.

### I already have a child enrolled as an out-of-area student in a NSW Government school. Can I enrol my other children at that school too?

This will depend on the capacity of the school:

- If the school is **not near its buffer**, then siblings should be able to be enrolled at the school. In fact, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **nearing its buffer**, then the school will form a non-local enrolment panel. The panel considers non-local enrolment applications when the number of non-local applications received exceeds the number of places available below the buffer. Again, in this instance, siblings of students currently enrolled will be prioritised, where possible, over other non-local enrolment applications.
- If the school is **at capacity** they will not accept non-local enrolment applications unless there are exceptional circumstances.

### I have already accepted an offer for my child to attend a school in 2020 that is not my local school. What happens now?

The enrolment will proceed. Non-local enrolments accepted before Term 4 2019 for students starting in 2020 should not be affected.

### What is the criteria for enrolment in a school that is not my local school?

Schools that are able to accept non-local enrolment applications establish a non-local enrolment selection panel, if demand exceeds the number of places below the school's buffer.

Schools are required to make the selection criteria available to the school community.

### My circumstances are challenging and I think this school is best for my child. We live outside the school's intake area. What should I do?

We understand that not everyone's circumstances are the same, and that there are instances where exceptional circumstances will need to be considered.

Your circumstances should be discussed with the principal of your local school who can assist you to negotiate an out-of-area enrolment if there are exceptional and compelling circumstances.

## Contact

For general enquiries contact: 1300 679 332 or email: [DoEinfo@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:DoEinfo@det.nsw.edu.au)

For enrolment enquiries, speak to your local school. Find school contact details at: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/going-to-a-public-school/finding-a-public-school>





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## Parent Teacher Interview Survey

Parent teacher interview were scheduled at the beginning of Term 3.

Did you attend? Yes No

If you were unable to attend, is there an alternative way you would like us to discuss your child's academic progress with you?

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Were the available booking times suitable for you?

Yes No

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Did you feel the 15 minutes was long enough to discuss your child's academic performance?

Yes No

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Did you discuss your child's report with them prior to the meeting?

Yes No

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### 3-6 Parents only

Did you find having your child present for the interview beneficial?

Yes No

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If the executive were to run a parent information session around reporting and grade achievement, would you attend in Term 4?

Yes No

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Comments:

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## Canteen Day Friday 30th August

Meal deal: Either 1 pie or 1 sausage roll + 1 popper = \$5

Extra pies or sausage rolls \$4 each.

Orders are to be handed in by Wednesday, 28th August, before school starts.

Please write each child's order on a separate paper bag and hand the paper bag and correct money in at the office.

Don't forget the Father's Day Stall will also be held Friday 30th August. Bring \$5 to buy dad and/or grandad a gift!

**NAME:**

**Class:**

Please tick

Deal: 1 pie  
Or 1 sausage roll + 1 popper \$5

Extra: 1 pie \$4

1 sausage roll	\$4
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**TOTAL:**