

# Perthville Public School



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## Newsletter

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2020

Term 2 Week 3

Dear Parents,




Thank you for your efforts with the **Managed Return to School**. We've had a very successful start to the term and have loved seeing all of our student's faces this week.

A reminder that the following timetable continues until we know more about the move to Phase 2 which will see students attend school at least 2 days per week.

**There is talk we will be back full time earlier than expected, so as soon as we are made aware of any changes I will communicate these to you through email, letter and on Facebook.**

I have again added to this newsletter the Managed Return to School timetable which clearly outlines the phases in which students can return to school safely.

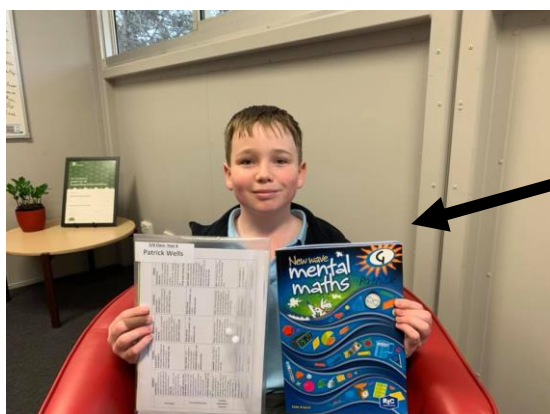
### Next Week - Week 4 – At this stage

Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> May	Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May
Remote Online Instruction Learning From Home pack - Week 4 starts Essential Workers Students	Wombats Return  Library Borrowing	Barramundis Return  Library Borrowing	Kookaburras Return  Library Borrowing	Learning From Home packs returned after 12pm. Pick up following week.

### Learning From Home – Week 4

The Learning From Home model will continue while students are not at school on their scheduled day. Please continue to pick up your new LFH pack each **Friday from 12pm** and return the one from the previous week.

Please ensure you complete the timetable provided in the pack and sign and return it on the Friday.



**YOUR PACK MUST COME TO SCHOOL EACH TIME YOUR CHILD DOES PLEASE**

### **Managed Return to School – Phase 1 – Continuing at Present**

From 11<sup>th</sup> May, students commenced returning to school 1 day per week. Our students have transitioned back in **House groupings** which has allowed each family to come on the same day and around 10 students to be present in each class. On these days the students have had their own teacher.

From Week 3, Tuesdays will be the Wombats, Wednesdays the Barramundis and Thursdays the Kookaburras. This will continue until we are advised to move to Phase 2.

I have attached the Managed Return to School Schedule for your information and planning.

### **If your child is sick?**

Please contact the office, there are strict attendance rules and we must keep our registers up to date.

### **No Bubblers in Use – Please bring water bottles**

Bubblers remain out of action. Please ensure you send in a water bottle which can be refilled throughout the day.

### **Advanced Cleaning**

Since March we have carried out extra cleaning each day. This will continue in Term 2. We welcomed Rosemary to our team on Monday who will also be completing advanced cleaning of touch point areas like play equipment, toilet areas and the cubby house throughout the day.

### **Student Drop Off**

To follow social distancing measures we request that parents drop off and collect their children promptly with minimal interaction with others. We will open both gates in Church Street and are also encouraging you to use Rockley street during this next phase of returning to school. We thank you for your assistance with this in coming weeks.

### **School Assemblies – Major Award Winners**

The only way we are able to hold whole school assemblies at the moment is virtually. We have kept up our assembly award system and celebrated class achievers through Facebook. We will wait to hand out major Blue Star, Gold and Representative awards until such time as all students have returned to school. That way all children are acknowledged by our whole school community. If, however, we are not back to school in full capacity by the end of Term 2 we will reevaluate this.



## **Sydney & Canberra Excursions – Now scheduled for Term 4**

All being well and if Covid 19 restrictions remain lifted, we will participate in both major excursions in Term 4. As you would be aware there will be slight changes to the itinerary and these will be made available to you closer to the event. Please put this date in your diaries.

**Stage 2 excursion - Term 4 on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October**

**Stage 3 excursion – Term 4 on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>, Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> and Friday 20<sup>th</sup> November.**



## **Cross Country – 8 years + - Fingers crossed for this term!**

If we return to school in full capacity towards the end of term 2 and weather permitting we will hold our Perthville Cross Country event during week 10. Students who turn 8 in 2020 and those older will take part. Please note their will be NO district representatives for this carnival in 2020.

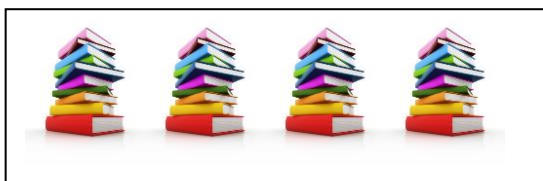


## **Athletics Carnival**

Again all being well and weather permitting, we will aim to hold our athletics carnival in Week 1 Term 3. This is held over 2 days and includes all students Kinder to Year 6. More information will come out closer to the event but a lovely morning for parents to attend (If restrictions permit) to watch their child compete.



**LIBRARY BORROWING EACH WEEK WHEN YOUR HOUSE GROUP IS AT SCHOOL**



**Tuesday Wombats  
Wednesday Barramundis  
Thursday Kookaburras**

## **Perthville 'Speak Off'**

Although the CWA public speaking competition will not be held in Term 2, our students will still take part in their annual Perthville 'Speak Off'. The instructions and information for when and how this will occur will be sent home with years 3-6 next week so that students can start preparing their speeches.

The topics to choose from are;

### **Year 3**

I must eat my vegetables

If I were a bee

What happened in my kitchen?

### **Year 4**

My Hidden Cave

Do we need trees?

My life as a school bus

### **Year 5**

Water

From where does carbon come?

The day the teacher overslept

### **Year 6**

Saving native plants

Hello!

Growing your own

**Perthville Public  
Speak Off  
Week 5  
T W and Th  
When you come in  
on your one day  
All Years 3-6**

## **Old Laundry and Cleaners Room being Replaced**

Building works are being carried out on the old teacher's residence (Old Admin). The old laundry and cleaner's room have been demolished over the weekend. This will be turned into one space that will provide a new area for our cleaning supplies and a space for storage.



## Science Week at School

Since all students have returned, 3-6 classes have had a focus on Science and their unit Solids, Liquids and Gases. Mrs Hotham has set up fabulous experiments for us to learn about and it was great to be back at school and learning all together! Here Dillon is showing the class how bi-carb soda mixed with water and vinegar produces a gas enabling the balloon to blow up.



# CLEANERS REQUIRED

Joss Facility Management are looking for cleaning staff to work at local Government sites across regional NSW.

PPE, Training and Uniforms provided.

Applicants need to provide a valid Working With Children Check upon application and successful applicants will be required to undertake a pre-employment medical prior to commencement.

Please contact Joss Facility Management via email on [careers@jossgroup.com.au](mailto:careers@jossgroup.com.au)



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### At all times

- Schools are safe places for students, teachers and staff.
- All students engage with a single unit of work.
- Keep up-to-date with your school's communications to make sure you receive important messages about timetable changes.
- Any identified cases of COVID-19 will continue to be managed in line with health advice, including temporary school closures where necessary.

### Learning from home

Practical resources and guides to support students are available at the department's [Learning from home](https://www.nsw.edu.au/learning-from-home) hub.

## PHASE 0

Schools are open for families who need it.

- Families are encouraged to keep their children at home wherever possible, with no student to be turned away.
- Students who attend school are supervised only, not in their regular classes.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

## PHASE 1

Students at school at least one day per week.

- Schools have discretion for establishing which group attends on which day, with a preference to group siblings/families together.
- Families who need to send their child to school every day may continue to do so and no child will be turned away.
- Classes are split across different spaces and break times can be staggered.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

### You can now

- Send your children to school one day a week.
- You are encouraged to keep your child at home for the rest of the week wherever possible.
- Check with your school to see which day of the week your children should attend.
- Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place.

### You must continue to

- Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your children if safe to do so.
- Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates.
- Make sure your children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage.
- Support your children to continue learning at home on remote learning days.
- Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible.
- Follow the health advice and keep your children at home if they are unwell.

## PHASE 2

Students at school at least two days per week.

- Schools have discretion for establishing which group attends on which days, with a preference to group siblings/families together.
- Families who need to send their child to school every day may continue to do so and no child will be turned away.
- Classes are split across different spaces and break times can be staggered.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

### You can now

- Send your children to school two days a week.
- You are encouraged to keep your child at home for the rest of the week wherever possible.
- Check with your school to see which two days of the week your children should attend.
- Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place.

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## PHASE 3

Students at school five days per week, with social distancing measures.

- Students with increased health risks may continue to learn at home to suit their individual needs.
- Students remain in the same classroom for the day, break times can be staggered to reduce mixing between class groups.
- No excursions or inter-school activities.
- Continued enhanced cleaning and hygiene supply arrangements.

### You can now

- Send your children to school every day.
- Access community services run on school sites, where they are not restricted by Public Health Orders.
- Use the school canteen and uniform shop where appropriate hygiene measures are in place.
- Walk your children into and out of school while maintaining social distancing.

### You must continue to

- Follow your school's advice regarding changes to drop off and pick up, including staying in your car when dropping off and picking up your children if safe to do so.
- Maintain social distancing by avoiding gathering outside of school gates.
- Make sure your children have access to lunch and snacks, noting some canteens may not be operating at this stage.
- Support your children to continue to learn at home if they are required to learn remotely.
- Communicate with your school via email and phone wherever possible.
- Follow the health advice and keep your children at home if they are unwell.

## PHASE 4

Students at school five days per week, with full school activities.

- Normal school breaks and entry/exit processes will resume.
- Infection control procedures will continue on a school by school basis.
- Communication to staff, students and families regarding NSW Health advice will continue.
- Continued communication to the Early Childhood Education sector regarding NSW Health Advice.

### You can now

- Send your children to school every day.
- Participate in school excursions and inter-school activities.
- Use playground equipment at schools.
- Drop your children off at school as you would normally do.
- Participate in school based activities such as volunteering in classes and assemblies.
- Use services that usually operate at your school like canteens and other community run activities.

# A managed return to school

Guidelines for families