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Newsletter

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Term 4 Week 5

Dear Parents,

Half way through our term and our year is definitely ramping up! We had a great week with Footsteps Dance Company last week, the lessons were loved by both students and staff and we had lots of fun at our disco. We are really looking forward to our Presentation Day, Tech Heads and special end of year events.

Surveys

Attached to this newsletter is a survey that will assist with future school planning. We are seeking feedback about some of the projects and activities we have been involved in this year. It is important for all families to return their surveys so we are able to support our students in the best possible way with opportunities that are considered worthwhile and appreciated. The survey is anonymous and can be returned to the front office when complete.

Perthville Possums

Today was the last day of our Perthville Possums transition program. 28 beautiful little people will now enjoy their summer holidays and return to start 'Big School' on Wednesday 30th January. Mrs Hardy, Miss Morris, Mrs Bicanic, Mrs Yordaoff and all of Year 5 should be congratulated on the excellent program they delivered over the four weeks. Today we finished with the Teddy Bears Picnic – Great Fun!



Wear Red Day

Students wore bright red last Friday to raise money for Ronald McDonald House in Orange. Students also enjoyed the red frogs and ice blocks available on the day. Well done to school leaders and Miss Morris for organising this event. Total raised was \$275.00 and will be paid to Ronald McDonald House.



Library

Notices will be sent home this week regarding overdue books. Can students please look at home and bring in any that are found. If your child receives a notice and you believe the books have been returned please also let us know.

This week, week 5, is the last week for borrowing books. Please return all library books by the end of week 7. Thank you! Mrs Bicanic



Year 5 Student Leader Speeches

Year 5 students did a fabulous job today presenting their leadership speeches. They have been working well across our whole school on developing the school and abilities to become a school leader in 2019. Huge thanks to Mrs Yordanoff who ensured our potential leaders know exactly what the commitment is for this position and the necessary skills required to lead. Voting has occurred and leaders will be announced on Presentation Day on Friday 30th November.



Half Staff Development Day

Our last half staff development day will be held tomorrow - Thursday 15th November. During this afternoon staff will be learning more about the TECH Heads program and prepare our digital education plan for 2019. This half day, along with our day in terms one, two and three will replace the Professional Learning days which are normally held at the end of Term 4. Staff will finish the same day as students in Term 4 on Wednesday 19th December.

Presentation Day Awards

I have included a list of major awards for the year and tried to explain the process of selection. Teachers discuss at length award winners and recipients can be selected right up until presentation week.

K- 5 Class Awards – Given to 3 students per class for academic achievement, class citizenship, effort or improvement

Year 6 – Dux – Outstanding Academic Performance

Year 6 Citizenship – Outstanding citizenship and representation

Year 6 Class Award - Given to 1 student for academic achievement, class citizenship, effort or improvement

K-6 Col O'Regan Encouragement award – Any student in K-6 that shows growth, effort and always tries their best.

Sports Awards – Western Region Sport Representatives

Creative Arts Award – Outstanding creative achievement and involvement

Public Speaking Awards – Junior and Senior Public Speaking

Leadership Badges – 2019 student leaders – 4 students elected by students through school voting system

House Points Trophy – Presented to winning House for 2018

Disabled Parking Footpaths Completed

Works have started on the disabled parking area in Church Street. When finished, 2 car park spaces will be made available to those in need. This is the first step in improving both bus and car access to our school. Future planning includes a turning circle at the end of Church Street and a change to the bus zone area in Rockley Street.

Next Assembly

Friday 16nd November 9.30am

Please note there are no items this term as we prepare for Presentation Day Performances

School Tea Towels

Only 4 left \$15 each or 4 for \$44

Great Christmas presents.



Term 4 Sports Morning, Awards and Certificate!

We will be holding a special sports morning on Friday 7th December. This day is where we celebrate the achievements of the children in the Perthville, Bathurst District and Western Region Sporting teams. We will also be holding our inter-house ball games competition and award that amazing trophy!

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR Year 6

Year 6 to Denison College - Kelso High – Full Day Orientation with all schools!

Year 6 will participate in their last transition to Kelso High school this term. This day is the state wide transition day on Wednesday 5th December. **This is an all-day event.** Transport to and from this event is by private arrangement. Canteen facilities are available and students can order their lunch in the morning upon arrival at Kelso High. Mr Dickson will NOT be accompanying students on this day.

Parent Orientation Night – Kelso HS 27th November

Year 6 Parents who have children attending Kelso High next year are also invited to a parent Information evening at 6.30pm on Tuesday 27th November at the Kelso HS hall.

Year 6 Special Assembly – Friday 14th December

A special assembly will be held for Year 6 on Friday 14th December. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Year 6 Baby Photos

Year 6 are requested to bring in 3-4 baby photos. Mr Dickson will be putting together a short DVD for a special keepsake!

Year 6 Big Day Out – Tuesday 18th December

Year 6 will enjoy their big day out on Tuesday 18th December. A permission note has been sent home with ALL Year 6 students today.

'Return to School' Donations

Correctional Services NSW along with the Burrumbuttock Hay Runners are organising 'Return to School' packs for the children of families affected by the drought in rural NSW that will be delivered in time for Christmas.

They are seeking donations of exercise books, art books, calculators, glue sticks, coloured pencils, lead pencils, rulers, erasers, sharpeners, textas, school bags, pencil cases, lunch boxes, drink bottles etc.

If you would like to donate an item to this great cause, please bring them in to the front office no later than Friday 16th November and we will take the items to the drop off point on your behalf.

Thank you to River for bringing this appeal to our attention, such a kind and caring student!

Christmas Hamper







Donations of Quality Non Perishable Items Now accepted

Raffle Ticket books were sent home last week – please return asap.

This year our P&C will again be coordinating our Christmas Hamper raffle for Presentation Day on Friday 30th November. We ask that you start to send in some quality, non-perishable items for the hampers. We appreciate your support. Everyone who sends in some items receives a free ticket!

Term 4

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
5 12/11-16/11			Perthville Possums 9-12pm & Parent Meeting Leaders speeches 12pm 	School Validation Mrs James away Half Staff Development Day 3.30-7.00pm	Assembly 9.30 School Validation Mrs James away
6 19/11-23/11					
7 26/11 – 30/11		Year 6-7 Parent Information Night Kelso HS			Presentation Day 12pm
8 3/12-7/12	Tech Heads 	Tech Heads 	Year 6 to HS Tech Heads 	Tech Heads 	Sports Presentation Tech Heads 
9 10/12-14/12	Tech Heads 	Scripture Christmas Service 9.30 Tech Heads 	Tech Heads 	Tech Heads 	Assembly Year 6 Graduation Reports & Portfolios sent home Tech Heads 
10 17/12-19/12		Year 6 Big Day Out Movie Day	Staff & Students Finish the Year Today		

Parent Feedback Survey 2018

Dear Parents,

Our school undertakes a range of surveys each year to seek feedback about our school, student learning, resources, programs and communication. We use this information to design future projects and/or improve current practice.

This survey is for parents. Students will be given separate surveys designed specifically for children. It would be appreciated if the completed survey could be returned to school by Friday, 7th December 2018

Thank you for your anticipated support with this survey. I look forward to sharing the results with you in our Annual School Report.

Jodie James

How would you rate the quality of instruction that your child receives at school? Please circle

Excellent

Very Good

Good

Fair

Poor

How well do the activities offered at our school match your child's interests? Please circle

Extremely well

Quite Well

Fairly Well

Mildly well

Not well at all

How would you rate the quality of our school facilities? Please circle

Excellent

Very Good

Good

Fair

Poor

Based on your knowledge how much of a sense of belonging does your child feel at school? Please circle

A tremendous amount of belonging

Quite a bit of belonging

Some belonging

A little bit of belonging

No belonging at all

How safe does your child feel at school? Please circle

Extremely safe

Very safe

Somewhat safe

Not so safe

Not safe at all

How often do you meet in person with the teachers at our school? Please circle

Weekly or more

Monthly

Every few months

Once or twice per year

Almost never

How useful do you find talking to the teachers about your child? Please circle

Extremely useful

Very useful

Somewhat useful

Not so useful

Not at all useful

How often do you help your child engage in activities which are educational outside the home? Please circle

Almost all the time

Frequently

Sometimes

Once in a while

Almost never

How often do you help your child understand the content he or she is learning in school? Please circle

Almost all the time

Frequently

Sometimes

Once in a while

Almost never

How likely is it that you would recommend our school to a friend or fellow parent?

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Activities / Programs

Rate the activities/programs held at school this year. Please only rate/ comment on the ones your child/ren has/have been involved in.

Swimming Lessons - Year 2-6

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Band

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Creative Arts Groups Years 3-6

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Bathurst Eisteddfod – 2 Choirs & Band

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Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden – Kinder & Year 6

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PSSA Sports – Softball, Netball, Soccer, Basketball, Hockey, Rugby League

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School Athletics Carnival - At school and Brian Booth oval

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I-Learn Transition for Year 6

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Possums Transition – for Kindergraten

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Footsteps Dance Lessons & Disco

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Excursion to Sydney – Years 3/4

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Excursion to Canberra – Years 5/6

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Sporting Schools - Water Polo

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CWA Class Speeches – Years 3-6

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Year 6 Big Day Out

This year our year 6 students will be going on the annual 'Big Day Out' excursion as a way of recognising and rewarding their commitment to Perthville Public School.

Date: Tuesday 18th December Week 10

Itinerary of approximate times.

- 9am-9.25am arrive at school as normal on the bus or drop off by parent or carer.
- 9.30am travel by private vehicle with a parent or parent helpers (yet to be determined) to **Metro 5 cinema**, 10am movie starts. **Please be aware that the movie could be rated PG**
- 12:00pm after the movie has finished the students will walk across to **Panthers Bistro** in the Panthers Complex for lunch. This will consist of Pizzas and soft drink.
- 1pm travel by private vehicle to **Bathurst Tenpin Bowling** which is located at the bottom of Mitre St near the tennis courts.
- 1:15pm begin playing two rounds of Tenpin Bowling.
- 2.45pm - 3pm Tenpin is concluded, travel by private vehicle back to Perthville Public School.
- 3.25pm students are able to return home on buses or parent pickup as normal.

The cost of this excursion will be **\$40 per student** which covers the cost of the movie, lunch and Tenpin. Please note we cannot allow students to attend if they haven't paid prior to the event.

Students may also like to bring some money with them if they wish to purchase popcorn or a drink at the cinema. Students can wear casual dress; however appropriate foot wear is important as the students need socks as they will change into bowling shoes.

Please remember this day is a privilege and perfect behaviour is required.

**Year 6 Big Day Out
Permission Note**

I give my child/ren _____ permission to attend the year 6 big day out on Tuesday 18th December.

Please identify below the travel arrangements of your child. Please also indicate if you would be a parent available to assist with transportation.

In the event that there aren't enough parent helpers, Mr Dickson can transport limited numbers in his vehicle.

Indicate below if you approve of your child travelling with Mr Dickson

I'm happy for child to be transported by Mr Dickson if required.

I enclose \$40 to cover the cost of this excursion

Signed: _____ Date: _____