

# Perthville Public School



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## Newsletter

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2019

Term 4 Week 8

Dear Parents,

An extra newsletter this week as we have a lot of information to come during the final weeks of Term 4.

### **Building Progress**

We are in the middle of many refurbishments and our school is starting to look lovely. Last Thursday Mr Dickson and I held a meeting with our asset management team and infrastructure building team. Mr Martin has been working very hard to complete our gardens and have our grounds looking as nice as can be with limited water.

**Administration Building** – Is finished externally and is almost ready to move into, we are waiting on final cupboard installation in a few rooms but over the holiday break we will move and be ready to commence as our new admin building in 2020. New phone lines and computers have been installed, new furniture on its way and our new photocopier ordered. Our old photocopy room will be the new uniform shop.

**Roof on Sports Shed** - As you can see the fencing has moved to the area around the old sports shed. A new roof will be fitted and new shelving will be added internally to the sports shed. The old cleaner's shed next to the GA shed is being removed.

**New carpet and Painting in 3/4 class** – This is on our list and due to be completed before the end of March.

**New fence** - A new fence similar to that already installed in the car park, will be installed all around the carpark and right up the back area between us and the convent.

**Additional Painting works across the school** – There will also be painting completed in the boys toilet and in other areas along our exterior windowsills.

### **P&C Funded Projects**

Our old torn matting soft fall has been replaced by certified 'playsafe' pine bark. Mr Martin has done a wonderful job removing all this and then spreading the new mulch. Whilst our initial goal was to replace this with a similar product, it proved far more expensive than we anticipated with many quotes sought and all over \$40 000. The area looks rejuvenated and is back in action this week.

### **Classes for 2020**

Our enrolments for 2020 sit at 135. This will mean 6 classes. The only grades split at present will be Years One and Five. A letter will come home to these families with our last newsletter for the year. Please keep an eye out for this if you have a child heading into Year One or Five. There are also a few staff and room changes which will be listed in our next newsletter once all positions are finalised. Whilst we endeavor to keep you as informed as possible, you need to be aware that over the holiday period there are always changes to family circumstances which can result in changes to our enrolments.

### **Last Reminder for Hamper Items and Ticket Sales**

Please return all sold tickets and any items you would like to add to the Christmas hampers.



## Communication Survey

Thank you to those that completed our communication survey. We had 60 respondents and overall most of the feedback was extremely positive. Like in any organisation there are ways to improve and we will certainly discuss our 2020 communication strategy with you over coming months.

## Banner from Railway Museum

Gracing our fence along Church Street is our banner of artworks that has been on display at the Bathurst Railway Museum. It looks fabulous as you enter our school. Thanks to Ms Morris for coordinating this project and picking up our banner last week.

## Year 6 Special Assembly & Social Media Presentation – This Friday

A special assembly will be held for Year 6 this Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to attend. The year 6 students will be treated to special awards, cake and the year 6 video, showcasing their time at Perthville and the changes that have occurred throughout their time with us. This will be followed at 10.45am by a presentation on the appropriate use of social media and cyber safety, presented by representatives from Bathurst Police. Parents are welcome to stay for this presentation as it is timely with our year 6 students' soon to be attending high school.

## Year 6 Mini Fete- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December

On Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December, Year 6 will be running a mini fete with some great activities for the students to participate in. There will be colourful hairspray, face painting, pie throwing, lolly guessing competitions, zooper doopers, Nerf fun, chocolate toss and more! Each activity is worth 1 credit and students are asked to bring \$5 (for 10 credits) if they wish to participate in this fun afternoon of activities. Year 6 will be set up in the COLA before school each day to collect participation money. Please ensure money is brought in by Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December. The Year 6 students are going to use the money to buy a gift for the school as they leave, or put the money towards some improvements to the school.



## Costumes for Presentation Day

Below is a list of the required costumes for presentation day for each class. Please ensure clothes and shoes are appropriate for school and for dancing. Costumes need to come to school in a bag with your child's name clearly marked by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December.

Kindergarten- (Lion King theme) Students who are Zarzu's need to wear blue clothes and Simba's need yellow, orange or brown clothes.

K/1- Bright and colourful t-shirt with dark pants or skirt

Year 2- Christmas t-shirt or white t-shirt with denim pants or skirt. Enclosed comfortable gym or sports shoes.

3/4- Costume of choice that represents any profession or job. No props are required but if essential, need to be fixed to the costume.

4/5- Black shorts or skirt/skort with a plain bright coloured t-shirt

5/6- Students are performing as Elton John, so any clothes that represent Elton's style will be appropriate. Large glasses will be provided unless students wish to wear their own. The Bargain Centre in Russell Street & Vinnies would be a great place to look!

## Combined Scripture Service –Tuesday 10th December

Scripture students will be involved in a combined Christmas Service on Tuesday 10th December at 9.30am. All parents are invited to attend and students will be presenting the Christmas story, play and songs. We look forward to celebrating our Christmas service with you.



## Library News



This is the last week for borrowing books. We ask that all borrowed books be returned by this week. Thank you!

Don't forget that we have a fabulous library here in Bathurst with great resources and activities throughout the school holidays.

<https://www.bathurst.nsw.gov.au/community/library.html>

**Thanks Mrs Bicanic for doing such a wonderful job in our school library!**

## Swimming Lessons

The last days for swimming lessons for Years 2-6 will be held over the next 2 days. Well done to all children who have swam and improved over the past fortnight.





## Semester Two Reports- sent home Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December

There has been a change to the way we are reporting in the areas of English and mathematics this semester. In the past we used the NSW Literacy & Numeracy Continuums to report on your child's academic achievement in the areas of English and mathematics. The continuums have been replaced by the National Literacy and Numeracy Progressions this year. Teachers have been tracking each child on the progressions, however the software used to generate the reports we have used in the past has not yet been updated. Your child's English and mathematics achievement will be reported to you in the form of a comment with the content from both the NSW syllabuses and the National Learning Progressions.

Key Points to remember are;

- We have still reported for Science, Geography, Creative Arts and Personal Development/ Health and Physical Education in the traditional way
- We are still including an A-E grade for each subject. Remember a **SOUND** means that the child has learnt everything they have been taught this semester. To get **HIGH** the child must be showing work beyond that level
- Also an important point is that we work in stages. This means that when a child enters Year 1, Year 3 and Year 5 they are at the very beginning of 2 years of learning. If they receive a **SOUND** then they are doing well as the learning of that concept takes place over the 2 years.
  - Early Stage 1 is Kindergarten over 1 year.
  - Stage 1 is Years 1 and 2 (over 2 years).
  - Stage 2 is Years 3 and 4 (over 2 years)
  - Stage 3 is Years 5 and 6 (over 2 years).
- We are still giving an effort score. 1 being 'limited effort' to 5 being 'tries their best at all times'.

## Term 4- 2019

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>8</b> 2/12-6/12			Extra Newsletter	Years 2-6 Swimming Lessons	Assembly 9.30- Year 6 Special Assembly & Police Cyber Safety presentation Years 2-6 Swimming Lessons
<b>9</b> 9/12- 13/12		Combined Scripture Service 9.30am 	Dress Rehearsal Last Newsletter for 2019		Presentation Day  Reports & Portfolios home
<b>10</b> 16/12- 18/12		Year 6 Big Day Out & Movie Day K-5	Staff & Students Finish the Year Today		

## 2020

28<sup>th</sup> January- Staff return

29<sup>th</sup> January- All students return

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# CHRISTMAS DISCO



**FRIDAY 6TH DECEMBER 6 - 8 PM**

**Perthville Hall  
Rockley street Perthville**

*Sausage sizzle and canteen items available  
for purchase!*



**Dress up in Christmas outfits and  
get ready for some fun!**

***This is not a supervised event  
Parents are to stay for the duration!***

