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Newsletter

Wednesday 11th December 2019

Term 4 Week 9

Dear Parents,

This is our last newsletter for 2019. We wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and a relaxing and fun filled holiday break. Please stay safe and enjoy your time with family and friends. School finishes for 2019 on Wednesday 18th December for all students and staff.

2020 Start Dates

ALL students K-6 return to school on Wednesday 29th January 2020 and teachers and admin staff return Tuesday 28th January. This Tuesday will be a Professional Learning day where staff will be completing school planning and yearly updates.

Hamper Raffle Tickets - Send in Now Please!

Raffle tickets are also due to be returned. Much appreciated!

Thanks to all Staff

What an amazing year we've had! So many wonderful achievements! Our school in NAPLAN was the best performing school in the Bathurst network, our reading and maths results have been outstanding and our sporting and cultural activities have provided our students with so many amazing memories. Thank you to all of our fabulous staff who work so very hard for each and every child at PPS. Your love, dedication, professionalism and the long hours you work mean our kids are receiving the most comprehensive, positive and engaging education. That's our vision!

Thanks Mr D

A huge thanks you to Kurt for stepping into the part time Principal role since June. When you run a school that sets such high expectations, it is important to learn new skills and stay at the forefront of new things coming, I am no exception to that. It's even better when you can hand your role over to someone so capable. Thanks so much Kurt!

Thanks Kirralee

What a wonderful asset you have been in the Assistant Principal role. Your leadership and organisation is second to none and I thank you for being there leading our team each day. Your management of so many systems across our school keeps us ticking. Thanks Kiz!

A huge thanks to **Mrs Gavey** who has picked up a permanent role at Kelso PS. We thank you for all your wonderful work with Kindergarten this semester. Loved having you as part of our team!

We also thank **Mrs Glasgow and Mrs Parker** who taught 5/6 while Mr Dickson was in the Principal's chair. Both will be joining us on staff again in 2020.

We welcomed and will continue to have **Ms Dianne Drummond** working with us in 2020.

We also thank **Mrs Karen Soetens** who worked with us across the year in the support teacher role.

Well done and thank you all. X Jodie



Thank you Ms Debbie Knight

Ms Knight will be taking leave in 2020, we wish her all the very best for a relaxing end to an extraordinary career. She has been dedicated to the students of Perthville for 20 years and spent many years before that in schools at Spring Ridge, La Perouse and Macksville.

Ms Knight has been responsible for so many of our students being able to read so well. Her wealth of knowledge, her commitment, drive and thoroughness in planning, marking and classroom expectations will be sadly missed. I will miss her advice, her foresight and her wealth of teacher knowledge. We've had a lot of laughs over the years!

Deb grew up locally in Tarana, where her dad was the Principal for many years. She was a state athlete, played many sports and has always had a passion for rugby league. She has been a long time ambassador for the RSPCA and has always loved supporting our scripture program with Ms Beverley, our Premier's sporting program, our online reading programs and was my second IC before we had the Assistant Principal positions.

Deb will enjoy spending time now with her mum, sister and extended family in the Nambucca area. I'm sure you will join our staff and extend your thanks to Deb in coming days. Check out some of the classes taught by Ms Knight at the end of this newsletter.



Thank You Ms Lyn Holt

Ms Holt has also decided to finish up at Perthville. Lyn has been a wonderful support learning officer in our school for many years. She has worked with lots of our students, providing wonderful care, support and guidance in their education programs. Lyn is creative, capable and has been a wonderful strength and advocate for Perthville School. She has been instrumental in our success with students with additional needs and especially our work with Carenne School in hydrotherapy, sensory gym and riding for the disabled. She will be sadly missed by all our staff and students. We wish her all the very best in the future. We've also shared some fun times at Perthville over many years! Thanks Linnie, we love you!



Class Structures for 2020

Full information about classes for next year has been included with this newsletter and some families will receive information about children in Years 1 and 5.

It is important to note the changes to rooms for K-2 classes.

- 2020 Kindergarten move to where Year 2 are now in Block C
- Year 1 and 1/2 are moving to new double classroom where K and K/1 are now
- Year 3 are in demountable behind library
- 4/5 and 5/6 stay in same place in Block B

Presentation Day - This Friday 12pm – Perfect School Uniform Please

What a great day Friday will be, we are really looking forward to Presentation Day and hope that you can all come along to our award ceremony and concert. The award ceremony will start promptly at 12pm. The concert will follow and this special event should be wrapped up by 2pm that afternoon. The weather is expected to be fine so all is ready to go! Thank you parents for organising all the costumes and items needed for our concert. Students who have individual lines have done a fabulous job. Special mention to Mrs Yordanoff who has prepared not only her own class for the concert but the choir and band as well! Great job Georgia! We are really looking forward to a great end to 2019.

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 – 2020 student leaders – 4 students elected by students through school voting system

House Points Trophy – Presented to winning House for 2019

A Thank You to the P&C

Thank you to P&C President Amanda Peterson and the P&C Executive – Leanne, Allan, Kathy and Julia for their amazing support this year. Our meetings are friendly, relaxed and very informative. I encourage everyone to attend these meetings. There are only two per term at 6pm. There is also no problem with bringing along your children to play in the library while the meeting takes place and they are held at 6pm so it follows the school's staff meeting and it's not too cold in the middle of winter. You learn a lot about what is happening in your school and it's a nice way to meet other parents. The resources that support all of our children would not be made possible without the strong support of the P&C. If you turned up to help and support any event this year, you've been fantastic.

K-5 Movie Day – Tuesday 17th December - Bring in a gold coin Please!



The two movies that we will be showing are yet to be confirmed but please note that both may be rated PG, therefore if you **DO NOT** want your child to watch a film with this rating you need to contact the office and let Mrs Webb know. Alternate activities will then be provided for these children. We will also be having popcorn and poppers and we ask for a gold coin donation to cover the cost of this fun event. Students are able to wear Mufti Clothes on this day.

Combined Scripture Service

Thank you to our Scripture teachers who do an amazing job each week. The concert yesterday was lovely and a nice way to celebrate Christmas. Well done to all scripture students.



Year Six Graduation Assembly – A Great Celebration!

Well done to Year 6, we are really proud of the mature, hardworking and wonderful young adults you are becoming. We wish you all the very best in coming years and hope that you will continue to enjoy PPS for your last week. The Year 6 Graduation Assembly was held last Friday. This was followed by a movie compilation that Mr Dickson put together of Year 6 and their school years! We thank Mr D, at this busy time of year, for making this special memento and we trust year 6 enjoyed their special day. Please remember if you would like a copy of the special movie that you send in a thumb drive.

Year 6 Big Day Out

Year 6 will enjoy their big day out next Tuesday. Students need to be in neat casual dress. They will be watching Frozen 2 and lunch will be at the Great Wall Chinese Restaurant. Students need to come to school where Mr Dickson and Mrs Glasgow will arrange transport with parents who volunteered. We look forward to a fabulous day.



Semester Two Reports and Portfolios- sent home Friday 13th 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 syllabus 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 a 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 give an effort score. 1 being 'limited effort' to 5 being 'tries their best at all times'

Major Excursions for 2020 - PLEASE BE AWARE BOTH EXCURSIONS ARE IN TERM 2

Please be aware that major excursions for our primary aged children occur each year. We like to give parents plenty of warning before significant costs are presented. A \$50 deposit for each child will be requested in Term 1. We encourage payment plans or making regular payments early on.

Term 2 - Years 3 & 4 History - Sydney Approx. \$250

Term 2 - Years 5 & 6 History - Canberra Approx. \$350

Term 4

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9 10/12- 14/12					Presentation Day 12pm Reports sent home
10 17/12- 19/12		Year 6 Big Day Out & Movie Day	Staff & Students Finish the Year Today		

Term One Dates 2020

February

11th Class Information Sessions & Family Picnic Evening

14th PPS Swimming Carnival

21st District Swimming Carnival

School Photos – 30th April 2020

Class Structures for 2020

Dear Parents

Our current projected enrolments for 2020 are 133, this entitles us to 6 classes. Please be aware that all staff work together to place students in classes. We take into consideration not only academic ability but maturity, work ethic, peer relationships, siblings and of course the number in each class.

The classes for 2020 will be as follows;

Kindergarten -	17 students – Miss Kate Morris
Year 1 -	21 Students - Ms Julie Foxall
Year 1/2 -	22 students - Mrs Bicanic (Mon & Tues) & Mrs Glasgow (Wed-Fri)
Year 3 -	24 Students - Ms Jessica Barlow
Year 4/5 -	26 Students - Mrs Georgia Yordanoff
Year 5/6 -	26 Students - Mr Kurt Dickson (Assistant Principal - Primary)

Learning & Support Teacher - Ms Kirralee Naylor (Relieving Assistant Principal – Infants)

Library Teacher - Wednesdays - Mrs Jacquie Bicanic

RFF Teachers - Mrs Jen Hotham and Mrs Kristina Parker

The classes to be split next year will be Year 1 and Year 5.

A separate letter for each family with children entering Year 1 and Year 5 is attached.

A class information afternoon has been arranged for Tuesday 11th February. This afternoon is where all parents/carers will receive information about their child's class, what supplies each child will need, homework and future events. Please see timetable attached.

If you have any questions or require further information please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jodie James

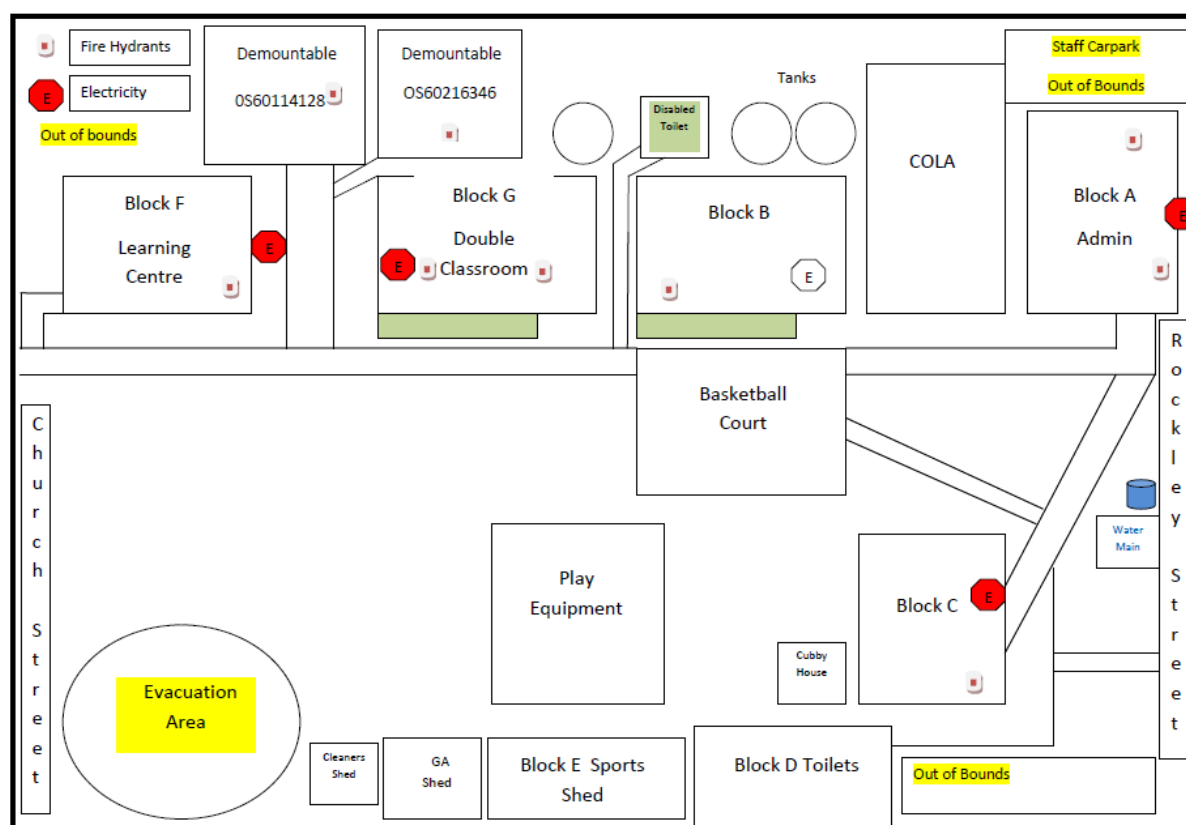
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Class Meetings – Tuesday 11th February 2020

This is a great opportunity for you to visit your child's class/classes, meet their teacher and find out about how their class organisation works. The P&C will also be hosting a family picnic afternoon.

The session will go for approximately 20 minutes, allowing you time to move onto the next class if required. Please see below for your child's class meeting time.

Teacher	Time	Classroom
Ms Barlow Yr 3	3.30	Demountable 4128 Year 3 Room
Mrs Bicanic & Ms Glasgow Year 1/2	4.00	Block G First Room
Ms Morris Kinder	4.30	Block C Kindergarten Room
Mrs Foxall Yr 1	5.00	Block G Second Room
Mr Dickson & Mrs Yordanoff Yr 4/5 & 5/6 Plus Denison College Staff	5.30	Block B 4/5 & 5/6



We thought we'd share a few of Ms Knight's classes over the years.

2009



2010



2011



2012



2013



2014



2015



2016



2018



Thank You Ms Knight &
Ms Holt
from all the staff and students
at PPS