



**Wednesday 24 October 2018 Term 4 Week 2**

## DATES TO REMEMBER - TERM 4 2018

### WEEK 2

<b>Wednesday 24 October</b>	S1 Surf Life Saving visit
<b>Thursday 25 October</b>	ES1 Assembly - KS 2.10pm
<b>Friday 26 October</b>	World Teacher's Day NSW celebration S2 AFL Gala Day - Sth Tweed S3 Human Sexuality program starts

### WEEK 3

<b>Monday 29 October</b>	SRC Executive written applications due
<b>Wednesday 31 October</b>	NSW State Athletics Homebush Book Club online orders close
<b>Thursday 1 November</b>	S3 Assembly 2.15pm NSW State Athletics Homebush
<b>Friday 2 November</b>	S3 Human Sexuality program Book Fair viewing day (students during class time) S1 Assembly - 1H 9.15am

### WEEK 4

<b>Monday 5 November</b>	Book Fair opens in Library: 3.00pm - 3.30pm SRC Executive interviews S2 Assembly 2.10pm
<b>Tuesday 6 November</b>	Book Fair held in Library: 7.30am - 9.30am and 3.00pm - 3.30pm P&C meeting 7.00pm
<b>Wednesday 7 November</b>	Book Fair held in Library: 8.30am - 9.00am and 3.00pm - 3.30pm Nachos Day payment due Plover Post payment due
<b>Thursday 8 November</b>	ES1 Assembly - KP 2.10pm

### INSERTS

**Term 4 at a Glance**  
**Year 6 Shirts for 2019**  
**S3 Rewards Day Wet n Wild**  
**Plover Post order form**  
**Nachos Day order form**  
**NSW Surf Life Saving - Seven Summer Safety Tips**  
**Year 5 Hastings Point Marine Centre excursion update**

## PRINCIPAL NEWS

Dear Parents

A very warm welcome back to Term 4 at Pottsville Beach Public School and especially to all our new students and their families. It has been lovely to meet them and welcome them to our school community. Term 4 is always a busy one filled with lots of exciting events, programs and experiences. This term we will see:

- 110 Year 6 students complete their primary schooling and commence their transition to high school program;
- 2019 Kindergarten students commence the second component of the Kindergarten Transition Program
- The publication of our school magazine the Plover Post;
- Book fair in the library;
- End of year reports, presentation assemblies and concert;
- Student Representative Council, sports captains and YCDI ambassador elections;
- Community Carols and
- Numerous end of year events for every class in the school.

Please find as an insert or under forms and notes on our website a copy of Term 4 at a glance.

## BUILDING WORK

Recent weather delayed the start of the roof being laid on the top floor. The frame work for the bottom level is well under way. The Department of Education has agreed to some welcome additional work. The old admin will be reroofed and a new layer of bitumen laid in the carpark. This will most likely take place in the Christmas break.

## P&C

The P&C is still searching for a President and two Vice presidents. The engine room of secretary, treasurer, fundraising committee, canteen committee and uniforms committee are all filled with a very experienced and supportive team. It is essential we fill these roles. The next meeting will be on Tuesday November 6 at 7.00pm.

## TIMBER, IRON BUILDING MATERIAL

Over a number of years the school has collected a considerable assortment of building products from sheets of corrugated iron, timber pine decking metal and plastic tubing and the list goes on. In preparation for the removal of demountables its time to remove this gear which has been stored underneath the demountables. The school is giving this "stuff" away for free. The catch is - you have to collect it. If you are interested please pop into school and see Polly (GA) or Mark Downward to have a look at what is available.

## STUDENT TEACHER

We also welcome from Southern Cross University Jade who will be undertaking her professional experience placement and pedagogy in practice placement. Jade will be working with Kindergarten classes in the coming weeks.

Mark Downward  
Principal



**You Can Do It! - Persistence** - Bonny W of 6S and Poppy I of 1D

### DEPUTY PRINCIPAL NEWS

**YCDI! - Persistence** - This term all students will focus on the foundation of persistence. Persistence at our school means trying hard and not giving up when something feels like it is too hard or not much fun. Examples of persistent behaviour include: to continue trying with school work even though it seems hard, not being distracted by others and checking work when it is finished to make sure it is correct. This term we say thank you to Luka B and Evie C our resilience ambassadors and we welcome Ava K and Amelie M as our persistence ambassadors. We know the girls will do a fantastic job.

**Attendance** - It is important that we also teach our students persistence when it comes to attendance. It is just as important in Term 4 as it is in Term 1 that students attend school every day that they are able. Thank you to all parents for making a commitment to have your children at school on time, every day. Every day and every minute counts!

**Tell Them From Me** - Thank you to the parents who have completed this brief survey. The information is highly valuable for us. If you would still like to have your say, please complete the survey by following this link: <https://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/ntdq8>.

The survey closes this Friday 26 October.

**Jenny Foster - Relieving Deputy Principal**

### ES1 NEWS

Welcome back to our final term for 2018. We hope you had a fabulous holiday.

**Assembly** - KS are hosting this week's Kindergarten assembly in the hall on Thursday 25 October at 2.10pm. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Child Protection** - This term we will be teaching mandatory Child Protection lessons. Notes were sent home last week. Please see your child's class teacher if you have any questions.

**Preschool visits** - As part of our Kinder transition program preschool students will be visiting our school this term.

**Shara Perry - Assistant Principal**

### STAGE 1 NEWS

**Celebrating Success** - Congratulations to the following students who received awards in Week 1.

**1/2F** - Kai R, Hudson P, Freya S, Lacey G and Sunny S

**1H** - Noah H, Lincoln H, Addison H, Denver C, Aliah H

**1C** - Charlie Y, Sunny S, Robert B, Avonlea I and Dallas S

**1D** - Isabelle A, Asha W, Isaac W and Khloe Maher

**1S** - Rumi K, Eliza S, Sophie G and Evangeline E

**2H** - Oscar, Josha, Samuel S, Axel

**2PS** - Sachi Barnard, Josie B, River A and China D

**2S** - Tallulah S, Thomas P, Emily M, Sonny- Bill H

**100 (200/300) Book Challenge** - Congratulations to all of our students who are embracing this home reading challenge. All students will receive a certificate of achievement and have their name in our lucky dip, which will be held at the end of Week 8. If your child has completed the 100 books please encourage them to ask their teacher for the next book. Certificates will be issued at our next assembly.

**Sight Word Challenge** - A large number of our students have been working through our sight word homework with some outstanding

results. Keep on trying hard.

**What we are Learning in Term 4** - has been sent home with students in Stage 1 today. Please note that we are not doing the speaking and listening topics this term. During Term 4 we are encouraging our students to get active and do physical activity for their extra homework. In line with our Science unit (Up Down and All Around) and our Geography unit (Features of Local Places - Beaches). We want our students to explore nature and in particular our local environments with their families and share what they are observing.

**Surf Life Saving talk Stage 1** - Students had the opportunity to participate in a talk about surf safety today. It was very informative and was important to get our students beach ready for the summer holidays.

**Week 3 Assembly** - 1H and Mrs Harris will be hosting our first assembly of 2018 on Friday 2 November at 9.15am. We hope to see you all there.

**Kathy Frost - Assistant Principal**

### STAGE 2 NEWS

What a busy and exciting term ahead! Yesterday students received valuable information about beach safety from Surf Life Saving Australia. Good luck to the students who are attending the AFL Gala day on Friday this week. We are sure you will have fun, learn some new skills and represent our school proudly. This term during History lessons, students will be learning about cultural events celebrated in Australia and around the world. Child Protection lessons will commence this term for students in 3/4W, 3/4M and 3/4A. In these lessons students will be learning strategies to recognise potentially harmful situations and ways in which to protect themselves. The next assembly will be held on Monday 5 November at 2.10pm in the school hall and will be run by Ms Richard's and the Year 3 SRC. The Year 4 SRC will assist with the running of the Stage 2 End of Year Presentation Assembly on 4 December at 9.15am.

**Leonie Richards - Assistant Principal**

### 3/4 NEWS

Heat is important to us in many ways in our everyday lives. We use heat in practical ways, such as drying our hair, cooking our dinner and warming our water. 3/4W will be investigating different heat sources and how heat moves from one object to another. Through hands-on activities, students investigate the difference in conductivity of materials. Here's a link for an experiment you can try at home! <https://www.coffeecupsandcrayons.com/simple-heat-experiment>

**Owen Werner and Tamara Lockett - Class Teachers**

### STAGE 3 NEWS

**Year 6 Farewell Committee** - The Year 6 farewell dinner will be held on Wednesday 12 December 2018. Planning for this event will commence shortly. We are requesting any Year 6 parents who would like to be part of the organising committee to attend a preliminary meeting on Monday 29 October at 3.00pm in 6S classroom.

**Spirit of Pottsville** - Year 6 2018 will be presented with the Spirit of Pottsville award at the final assembly on Thursday 29 November at 2.00pm. Eligible students will receive the award if they consistently follow our school rules.

1. Learn at all times 2. Play safely 3. Show respect to others.



New Soccer posts

**Notes home** - This time of year is particularly busy for Stage 3 students. Today with the newsletter will be the Wet n Wild rewards day note, selected Year 6 students extended transition note and the Year 6 Senior shirts 2019 information and order form.

**Year 5 Marine Environment Centre excursion** - This excursion was postponed from Tuesday 4 September. The excursion will now be held on Monday 19 November. A revised permission note is attached with this newsletter.

**Wet n Wild** - Students in Stage 3 (Years 5 and 6) are invited to attend their Rewards Day at Wet 'n' Wild on Friday 14 December 2018. The cost of the day is \$32.00 per child which includes return bus fare and entry to Wet 'n' Wild. If your child has an annual pass to Wet 'n' Wild they can use this for the day and the total cost is \$14.50 only.

**2019 Year 6 Shirts** - Year 5 students have an opportunity to purchase unisex style senior shirts for 2019. The design and layout of the shirt has been chosen by staff and Year 5 students. The cost for this shirt is \$36.30, order form sent home today.

**Rod Ryan - Assistant Principal**

### PLOVER POST NEWS

Don't forget to order your school magazine The Plover Post. Full of photos, highlights and class moments. The final day for payment is Wednesday 7 November.

**Judy Donnelly - Coordinator**

### SPORT NEWS

The school has installed a new set of goalposts in the school playground. These posts were requested by the students through the SRC and purchased by the SRC with assistance of generous community member, Robin O'Rourke. Two goalposts have been installed in the playground with a third set to be installed once all of the new building work has been completed. The school would like to thank the SRC and Robin for this excellent addition to our playground.

**Peter Rologas - Sport Coordinator**

### LIBRARY NEWS

**Book Fair Coming Soon** - Our big book fair will be open for business in the Library in Week 4, from Monday 5 November until Wednesday 7 November. Students will have an opportunity to view the fair during the week prior to sales. The book fair is a major fundraiser and all profits go directly into new books for students to borrow. Hope to see you there!

**Pottsville's Past** - Many thanks to Jill Bonnor for generously donating a book called Pottsville's Past, written by her father Phillip G. Bonnor. The book shares many interesting facts about our local landmarks and clubs. Jill has given us permission to copy this resource for use in our studies of local history.

**Renai Hollis - Teacher Librarian**



PBPS chickens have arrived!



ICAS Maths Students

### OUR CHICKENS HAVE ARRIVED!!

Firstly a huge thankyou to two of our school parents, Bernadette and Greg and to the students and teachers who gave up their time during the holidays to build the chicken coop. We came in well under time even with the rain and IKEA instructions. Last Thursday after a lot of investigation and planning we joined the mass of schools on the Far North Coast who already have introduced animals into their schools by providing six Isa Brown chickens with a new home at our school. Students and staff are very excited as is the canteen as they are the happy recipients of the fresh free range eggs and they are also able to direct a majority of their fruit and vegetable scraps to the chickens. The introduction of chickens to Pottsville Beach Public School will provide invaluable learning opportunities and experiences for the students across the whole school with Stage 3 in particular learning about the care and keeping of chickens through authentic hands on experience.

**Tamara Keyes - Coordinator**

### UNSW ICAS - Mathematics

The following students are to be congratulated for their effort and performance in the Mathematics assessment.

**Credit** - Josha B, Keane M, Harry P, Noah S, Matilda D, Jamie M, Ava N, Jake S, Amelia K

**Merit** - Aksel W, Chloe M

**Participation** - Emily E, Isla K, Rory M, Aila M, Charlotte A, Byron D, Patrick E, Ethan E, Jared H, Elijah K, William E, Isabella P, Riley C, Charlie P, Madeline S

**Leonie Richards - Coordinator**

### BOOK CLUB NEWS

Issue 7 book club is now open online for orders. Issue 7 needs to be completed online by Wednesday 31 October. Orders can be made through the LOOP system at [scholastic.com.au](http://scholastic.com.au). We can call parents to receive books which are gifts if you select the gift function. Points earned go towards buying wonderful new books for our school Library.

**Amanda Hawes - Book Club Coordinator**

### ETHICS NEWS

At the end of Term 4 the Ethics program will require a coordinator for the program to continue in the school for 2019. We currently have four teachers that teach ethics to ES1, Stage 1 and Stage 2. The role is to mediate with the school and teachers in order for the program to run. The program runs itself as each teacher is trained and accesses their own lesson material. The job also requires at times for you to recruit new teachers and assist with paperwork, signing up and preparing them for training. It doesn't take much time or effort and you could also teach ethics at the same time. If you are interested please email me [katlouie77@bigpond.com](mailto:katlouie77@bigpond.com) or take a look to the website [www.primaryethics.com.au](http://www.primaryethics.com.au). I will fully support and walk you through all the steps and answer any questions.

**Katrina Worth - Ethics Coordinator**

### P&C NEWS

The P&C have applied for the Southern Cross Credit Union Community Grant of \$5000 to go towards completing our Aboriginal Garden. Public online voting opens for a four week period from Monday 22 October through to Sunday 18 November. We ask that everybody jump online and click this link: <https://www.sccu.com.au/community-grants> and vote for Pottsville Beach Public School to give us the best chance of winning this wonderful initiative".

**Katie Johns - Coordinator**



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