



PRINCIPAL NEWS

We have come to a very busy period of Term 4. Even though we are still under COVID restrictions, we are still trying to conduct as many annually scheduled events as we can to ensure everything is as normal as possible.

It was great to see the athletics/sports carnivals take place last week. There were so many smiling faces! Thank you to Mr Mercer, Mr Rologas, Mrs Frost and Ms Collier for organising the events. The snow cones were certainly a massive hit! Thanks to the P&C for organising this fun fundraiser.

This week is Book Week. Mrs Hollis has worked hard to make sure we all have a great week and promote the love and enjoyment of reading. Our Book parade is on Monday and it should be a fun day.

NAIDOC Week is next week and I must congratulate the staff and students for developing a week full of wonderful activities, celebrating NAIDOC Week and the theme of Always Was, Always Will Be.

The new playground equipment is all but finished! It's been amazing to see the progress each day and we are hoping for a speedy handover so we can start to use it! Some staff have their eye on getting in first - it could be a competition between staff and students to see who gets on first!

I was very proud of our SRC students last week as they reviewed the feedback from all the students gathered last term via surveys. The students will have a voice in our new school plan - it's important that all of our community will be represented in our school plan. Please keep your eye out for an opportunity for parents to contribute to the development of our school plan, helping review feedback gathered from parents last term.

We are well into the planning stages of 2021. At this stage, we will have 23 classes across our school. We have started putting some suggested classes together based on teacher feedback and student input. We are working hard to meet the needs of all students.

I am so pleased that Year 6 have the opportunity to be at Lake Ainsworth this week. It was a massive job to get it all organised in such a small amount of time. Thank you to Ms Richards, Mrs Smith, Mr Rologas, students, parents and staff for meeting such tight deadlines. We're looking forward to seeing all the great photos!

Brad Lyne
Principal

INSERTS

Part time work - school crossing supervisor

DATES TO REMEMBER

Last day Term 4 Wednesday 16 December



BINDIS CORNER

What is great about Bindi? by Year 1
Bindi makes me feel happy inside.
She is learning to get used to more students.
Bindi is cute and I like seeing a baby dog, I haven't seen one before.



Kindergarten Enrolments

Please ring the office
on 6676 1161 to
register your child for
Kindergarten 2021.

DEPUTY NEWS

Attendance - At Pottsville Beach Public School we understand the significant and positive impact a regular pattern of attendance has on the social and emotional well-being and academic progress of our students. Every minute counts and every day counts. If your child is sick, please return them to school as soon as they are well enough explaining their absence via our parent portal. If you intend to take leave (for travel, a holiday, a religious event or other) you are required to complete an 'Application for Extended Leave - Travel' and seek approval from the principal.

Day For Daniel - Congratulations to the SRC for organising this fundraiser and raising safety awareness across the school. Our school community raised \$678.50, a massive effort. These funds will be donated directly to the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.

Jenny Foster - Deputy Principal

ES1 NEWS

Show and Tell - Our show and tell topic for this week is 'Share a story your grandparents or parents told you about when they were little.' Our topic for next week is 'What is your favourite weather and why?' Students may bring in a prop to support their show and tell. It is always helpful for students to talk about their show and tell topic with their family before presenting it on their show and tell day.

Sight Words - Our sight words for this week are 'man, around, night, watch'. Our sight words for next week 'do, started, ran, next'. It is always helpful for students to practice recognising and writing these words at home to consolidate the learning we do in class.

Numeracy - In numeracy this week we have been focusing on counting adding and subtracting numbers up to and beyond 10. We have been practising counting on and back to solve problems and explain our thinking to our friends. We have also been looking at organising and displaying information into simple data displays.

Kindergarten Transition Program (KTP) - Pottsville Beach Public School 2021 Kindergarten transition begins next week! Students will be split into the following groups:

Group 1 - Last name A-Ma

Group 2 - Last name Mc-Z

Students are welcome to attend on the following dates:

Group 1 - Monday 9 November and Monday 16 November from 9.30am - 12 noon

Group 2 - Tuesday 10 November and Tuesday 17 November from 9.30am - 12 noon

Students are required to bring a backpack with a water bottle, crunch and sip, lunch and a hat to each visit. Due to current restrictions in place, parents are unable to come on site during our visits. Students are to be signed in at 9.30am and out at 12 noon just outside the front gate. We ask parents please do not arrive until 9.30am and please bring a pen to sign your child in and out of school. A free coffee van will be available and our P&C uniform shop will set up with sample uniforms. Our Year 5 students are looking forward to meeting their Kindergarten buddies during our transition days!

Eleanor Collier - ES1 Relieving Assistant Principal

ES1 AND STAGE 1 - SCIENCE INCURSION

Science Incursion - Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 are participating in a

science incursion provided by Street Science. The incursions will be engaging, dynamic and highly interactive. The incursions will take place on the following dates:

Kindergarten - Monday 7 December.

Approximate cost will be \$11.50 per student.

Year 1 - Monday 7 December. Approximate cost will be \$15.50.

Year 2 - Tuesday 8 December. Approximate cost will be \$11.50.

Permission notes and final costs will be sent out with the Week 6 newsletter

Eleanor Collier - Relieving ES1 Assistant Principal

Kathy Frost - Stage 1 Assistant Principal

STAGE 1 NEWS

NAIDOC 2020 - 'Always was, Always will be' the theme celebrates and recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65 000 years. Our celebrations will commence on Tuesday 10 November till Friday 13 November. This year teachers and Yuli students have worked together to come up with some school wide activities to celebrate our oldest living culture. We will commence our week celebrations with a Flag Raising and Smoking Ceremony with local Elder Ernie Williams. Each day our Yuli students will run rock painting each lunch time as well as running a school wide colouring in competition with each class to have a winner. We will have daily Aboriginal Dreamtime stories being read by our Aboriginal students and shared as well as class sport focussing on traditional Aboriginal Games. The culmination of our week will be the creation of a portrait of a famous Aboriginal Australian that we have researched. Pottsville Beach Public School very own Archie's.

Kathy Frost - S1 Assistant Principal

STAGE 2 NEWS

Beach Fitness - Stage 2 have been loving their fitness session over at the beach. Students have been participating in beach flags, ball games and walking/running activities.

End of year fun day - Stage 2 will be going to Murwillumbah Pool on Tuesday 15 December. Cost is \$15.00 per student. Notes will go home in Week 6. Payment and permission note due Week 9.

Thank you from Miss Thuys - Thank you to the staff and students of PBPS in particular 3M and 3B who I have thoroughly enjoyed teaching and learning with for the first three weeks of this term. I will hopefully see you all again next year on completion of my Bachelor of Primary Education at Griffith University.

Thank You from Mr Oehlmann (Mr O) - A big thank you to the parents and carers of Pottsville Beach Public School for the wonderful welcome I have received so far this term. 3/4R have been extremely friendly and staff have been especially accommodating.

Dave Mercer - Relieving Assistant Principal - Year 3

Tamara Keyes - Relieving Assistant Principal - Year 4

3M NEWS

3M really enjoyed having Miss Thuys from Griffith University working with us for three weeks. Thank you for teaching us about graphs, worded problems and helping us with our persuasive writing. We are currently learning to deal with our nerves with presenting a two minute speech to our peers. In creative arts this term we are attempting to weave and dabbling in pottery using clay and the schools kiln.

David Mercer - 3M Teacher



STAGE 3 NEWS

Year 6 Camp - 67 excited Year 6 students headed off to Lake Ainsworth camp this morning. Mr Rologas, Mrs Smith, and Ms Richards are looking forward to a fun packed time with a great bunch of happy campers. Keep your eye on our school Facebook page for updates of our fun!

Year 6 Farewell and Ringing of the Bell - These events will go ahead on the dates scheduled with the format to be determined based on the latest COVID related advice.

Stage 3 Presentation - The format of the presentation this year is likely to be significantly different from the past years. Staff are working together to come up with a plan and we will advise you of the details as soon as possible.

2021 Year 6 Shirts - PBPS 2021 Year 6 polo shirts, will be moving away from the traditional designed shirts to having an Indigenous design. The staff and students love the design. The Artwork is done by Indigenous artist, Elaine Chambers-Hegarty. The story is about: 'Our Journey To Water - Line art shows the major waters nearby with dot background'. The price per polo is \$32.00 which includes all artwork, numbers and names. At the moment 'Struddys are manufacturing within 4-6 weeks from final approval. Final payment due by Thursday 5 November by 12 noon.

Year 5 and Year 6 Taster days KHS - NSW Government Health have advised that transition can go ahead this term. The dates will remain the same as planned:

Year 5 'Taster Day' will go ahead at KHS Tuesday 24 November 2020 (Week 7)

Year 6 Orientation will go ahead at KHS Tuesday 1 December 2020 (Week 8)

Leonie Richards - S3 Assistant Principal

YEAR 5 - BUDDY TRAINING NEWS

On Wednesday 14 October Year 5 completed buddy training with Ms Foster. We learnt how to introduce ourselves to our buddies and their parents, we also learnt how to keep our buddies safe and teach them our school values of safety, participation and respect. We look forward to meeting our buddies soon!

Kurt and Cory - Year 5 SRC

SAFETY OF WHEELS NEWS

The safest places to ride bikes, scooters and skateboards are within fenced areas. This helps your child from riding or falling onto the footpath or the road. When riding on the footpath, cyclists must keep to the left and give way to pedestrians. On shared paths, riders are encouraged to leave a metre of space, where possible. Your child also needs to take special care at driveways where vehicles may be driving in or out. Plan your route using quieter streets, bicycle paths or shared paths, if possible. At intersections, your child and adult riders accompanying them, must dismount and wheel the bike and cross the road as a pedestrian.

Eleanor Collier - Coordinator

STEM NEWS

Mr Mark Wiggins from KHS attended our school on Monday to conduct a STEM building challenge with 48 of our Stage 3 Students. The task was focused on building a tower using spaghetti and marshmallows.



STEM students

Each team was required to complete a series of activities involving teamwork, persistence critical thinking.

The winning teams are pictured with their trophies.

Winners: Jamie M, Zen K, Finlay E, Beau A

2nd: Jessica, Lennox, Jaivah, Max

3rd: Tuesday, Tehya, Nadia, Skye

Most Consistent: Mia, Nirvana, Ethan, Marley

Peter Rologas - Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

Thank you to everyone who has supported our book fair this year. Many senior students have been lending a hand with all aspects of the fair and it's been lots of fun. Online purchases can be made until midnight on Wednesday 4 November. See our school facebook page for more details.

Renai Hollis - Librarian



CAMP AUSTRALIA NEWS

The past two weeks at Camp Australia we've been cooking, creating and playing! We've been loving playing our giant board games including snakes and ladders, twister and chess. Noah, Keane and Ethan got creative using our giant dominoes and made impressive patterns! Olga has been busy in the kitchen cooking banana bread, coconut bread and damper. Our summer holiday club program has just been released and bookings are now open. Just head to campaustalia.com.au to get all the details. If you would like to know more about what we do at Camp Australia or about enrolment please contact the customer service team on 1300 105 343.

Marika - Camp Australia

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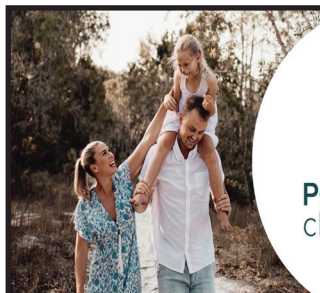





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