# POTTSVILLEBEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE INNOVATION SUCCESS COMMUNITY

## PRINCIPAL NEWS

PBL POP up Day - Congratulations to all students on another awesome term at Pottsville Beach PS. Tuesday was our POP UP day with all students taking part in a variety of different activities across the school. The activities were decided upon by our own students. The SRC had met earlier in the year and provided a list of what they would like to do to as part of the PBL program. This term saw a number of these activities implemented.



Wednesday 23 June 2021 Term 2 Week 10

Random prize draws occurred in all stages throughout the day with students winning back packs, drink bottles,

balls, footy tees and more. A special congratulations to our two random draw whole school winners who each won a scooter. Well done to Marlie S and Marnie H. K-2 Fun Day - Students had fun rotating around a myriad of activities for their sports fun day. It was great to see so many parents and grandparents cheering on their children. A special thank you to K - 2 staff for organising such a great morning.



Thank you also to the HUGE group of parents who came to feed us all our Nachos. They say it takes a village to raise a child and we certainly are witness to that. Semester 1 Reports - have been published to the Parent Portal today. Congratulations to all of our students for their commitment to their academic achievement throughout this semester. Keep up the great work.

#### Term 3 will be another exciting term at Pottsville

Week 1 Naidoc Week will be celebrated with a timetable of the events attached to this newsletter.

Week 3 is Education Week (26-30 July). Parent/teacher interviews are scheduled for that week as is our school's spelling bee. As mentioned previously Grandparents day will be held on Friday 30 July. Grandparents and parents please join us for some fun and games on the morning of Friday 30 July. We have brought forward our book parade to include Grandparents in the fun. The theme this year is 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds'. We would love our students

to come dressed up. They might like to come along as a book character, as something inspired by the theme or wearing any kind of favourite, fun clothes. We will have a number of activities happening from 9.00am including musical performances, our book parade, open classrooms, morning tea and some old fashioned tabloid games such as sack races and hopscotch. We hope you can join us!

K-2 will be visiting the Healthy Harold Van during this week. More information to follow.

Later in the term Stage 1 will take part in the intensive swimming scheme over a two week period with Kindergarten students taking part in a water safety day.

Parent Teacher Interviews are scheduled for Week 3 Term 3 and these will remain open until Wednesday 21 July. Please contact the Office if you have any questions.

Have a safe and relaxing holiday with your children. School returns Tuesday 13 July for all students.

Jenny Foster Relieving Principal



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#### DEPUTY NEWS

Absences - Principals are legally responsible for keeping accurate records of student attendance. Principals are also responsible for deciding if the reason given for an absence is justified. Wherever possible, parents and carers are encouraged to provide an explanation for absences before the absences occur. The Principal of the school has the right to question parents' requests for their child to be absent from school. The Principal also has the right to question an explanation given for a child's absence from school. To explain an absence, parents and carers are encouraged to respond by text once you receive an SMS stating that your child is absent OR go to your parent portal on Sentral and complete the reason for absence. I have also included a section of possible reasons for absence. Medical reason can be: flu, stomach-ache, diarrhoea, cold, headache/migraine, strong pain, fever, broken bone, vomiting, infectious illness eg chicken pox, nose bleed, asthma, rash, injury, medical appointment or dental appointment, optometry appointment, physiotherapy appointment, specialist appointment. Please be aware that sick or unwell is not enough information, please explain illness or injury. Family reason can be: funeral, moving residence, arrival or departure of an immediate relative from overseas. **Jenny Foster - Deputy Principal** 

#### **OFFICE NEWS**

Thank you to all parents who have accessed the parent portal. All permission notes and information for all excursions/incursions/activities/sport etc. will be uploaded to the portal where permission is able to be given. Please be aware that paper copies will **NO LONGER BE** provided. This will become your one stop communication platform. Please contact the office if you have any questions.

POP Online Payment - Where payment is required please go to the school's website and click 'Make a Payment" on top of home page.



#### Sue Matheson - School Administrative Manager 2022 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are now being accepted for Kindergarten 2022 at Pottsville Beach PS. We can't wait to meet our new students for 2022. Information about our Kindergarten Transition Program will be made available in the coming weeks. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school on 6676 1161. Enrolment applications can now be accessed and submitted through the school's website:

www.pottsville-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

#### **Eleanor Collier - Coordinator**

#### **ES1 AND STAGE 1 NEWS**

Life Education and Healthy Harold - Life Education is the largest independent Australian health education provider for school children aged 5-13 years. Life

Education is a non-government, not-for-profit organisation that works with partner schools to deliver essential curriculum-based lessons empowering children to make safe and healthy lifestyle choices that could impact on their futures. Based on the Australian Curriculum, specialist educators deliver ageappropriate programs in mobile classrooms. Healthy Harold, the mascot, helps educators to create a fun and memorable environment.

With the support of Tonny from the Tweed/Byron Life Education Action Group Souther Cross Credit Union, the cost of this incursion will be \$8.00 per child. A note will be sent out via the Sentral Parent Portal in the first week of Term 3. This will provide further details of when payment is due.

Home Reading - Thanks to all our students completing their home reading. Please keep up the fantastic effort and remember to return home reading folders daily. We encourage you to continue reading over the holidays and students will be given additional books to read. Students don't have to read only their home readers, you might like to read old favourites at home or visit your local library to borrow new books to read!

K-2 Sports Fun Morning - Thanks to all our students who had fun participating in the various activities at our K-2 Sports Fun Morning! Thanks to all spectators who came along to cheer us on and thanks to the K-2 staff for their organisation. Congratulations to the Year 2 students who have been invited to attend the Years 3-6 Athletics Carnival tomorrow.

Whole School Assembly - Congratulations to all our K-2 students who received a Gold Award or a PBL Award at our whole school assembly today! PBL Pop Up Day - K-2 students had the opportunity to disco, create art, code on the iPads, play with bubbles or play on the fixed equipment during our Popup Day on Tuesday. Students enjoyed having the opportunity to choose the activities they wished to participate in to celebrate PBPS students reaching our PBL token goals.

Happy and Safe Holidays - Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 teachers wish you a happy and safe holiday. If students are looking for some learning to do at home, we encourage then to revise the sounds and high frequency words we have been learning this term. These can be found on our Term 2 Overview. We can't wait to see everyone again in Term 3.

Stage 1 specific Information - Year 1 High Frequency words: T2 W10 - my, than, first, water, been. T3 W1- called, who, am, its, now.

Year 2 High Frequency words: T2 W10 - together, got, group, often, run. T3 W1- important, until, children, side, feet

**Phoneme/Grapheme focus:** T2 W10 - ng, ai, ay, a-e. T3 W1 - ee, ea, e-e 2022 Kindergarten Transition Program - Thanks to everyone who came along to our school tour on Tuesday afternoon, we hope you enjoyed checking out our Kindergarten rooms and some of our school facilities. The KTP parent information session will be held on Tuesday 3 August from 5.30pm-6.30pm in the Kindergarten rooms. Please come along to hear about our transition program and school readiness. If you have any questions or concerns in regard to Kindergarten 2022 please feel free to contact us, we are here to help.

Eleanor Collier - ES1 Relieving Assistant Principal Amy Paron - S1 Relieving Assistant Principal

#### **STAGE 2 NEWS**

Congratulations on a great term. Have great and safe holiday. See you next term.

#### David Mercer - S2 Relieving Assistant Principal

#### **STAGE 3 NEWS**

Year 5 Camp - Year 5 will be going to Camp Goodenough on November 17-19. The cost of the camp is \$260 and invoices will be sent via the Sentral Parent Portal Week 1 Term 3. Full or incremental payments will be accepted via POP

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only. We're really excited about this, as our students were unable to attend camp in Year 4 due to COVID restrictions. It is anticipated that all students will attend. This such an enjoyable and rewarding experience for our students. Year 6 Camp - Year 6 will be going to Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Camp on November 17-19. The cost of the camp is \$330, invoices will be sent via the Sentral Parent Portal Week 1 Term 3. Full or incremental payments will be accepted via POP only. It is anticipated that all students will attend. This is such an exciting and rewarding experience for our students.

#### Leonie Richards - S3 Assistant Principal

#### SPORT NEWS

PSSA Rugby League State Knockout - On Tuesday 8 June the school Rugby league team had a tough 16-14 loss to Tweed Heads Public School. It was an exceptionally tough battle, with all boys throwing their bodies into contact throughout the whole 40 minutes of the fixture. Special mentions to Parker K who captained the side with great authority and led from the front with some ferocious defence. Benjamin R was a star upfront with barnstorming runs, consistently getting our sets off to a strong start. Mason S played brilliantly at fullback, making line break after line break returning the ball from the back

field. Madden C for a bullocking run close to the line resulting in a crucial try. Well done to all our boys, you represented the school with pride and superb sportsmanship, A big thank you to all parents for driving to the fixture and a huge

thank you to Mrs Lippiatt for washing all the jerseys.

PSSA Girls Hockey State Knockout - The school hockey team had the privilege of playing on the main turf field at Murwillumbah Hockey Fields on Thursday 17 June. The girls played with tremendous spirit, going down to a far more experienced Cudgen side 7-0. What our team lacked in experience, they made up for in tenacity, competing for the entirety of the game. Mia P and Indiah W, our most experienced players were standouts. They both were encouraging all of their teammates and came close on countless occasions to getting that elusive goal for the team. Amara and Nylah L were ferocious on the ball throughout the game, both displaying great potential. Jazz K and Tahlia O were relentless in defence at all times making it as difficult as possible for the opposition attack. Sienna L, Kenesha D and Avalon B were popping up everywhere, their commitment was to be admired. Our youngest member of the

team, Anika B displayed poise beyond her years. She changed positions throughout the game and accounted herself exceptionally well. A big mention to Aleah E, our goalie. She had plenty of traffic coming at her throughout the game and



stopped numerous shots. Thanks to all the parents for driving, a great day was had by all!

#### Alex Tait - Coordinator

#### **CREATIVE ARTS CAMP NEWS**

Congratulations to Riley Y, Violet K, Crystal W, Nirvana P, Areeya M, Harry P, Ruby P, Charli H and Noah S for their successful selection for the Creative Arts Camp that will be held at Lennox Head in August. Students attending will be participating in an identified area of talent. Groups include concert band, mixed instrumental and guitar, dance, visual arts, media arts, vocal and drama. This camp has been running for 50 years, nurturing the creative talents of students. These students are sure to have an exciting and rewarding experience. **Tamara Keyes - Coordinator** 

#### LIBRARY NEWS

Grandparents Day Friday 30 July - SAVE THE DATE! - Grandparents and parents please join us for some fun and games on the morning of Friday 30 July. We have brought forward our book parade to include Grandparents in the fun. The theme this year is 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds'. We would love our students to come dressed up. They might like to come along as a book character, as something inspired by the theme or wearing any kind of favourite, fun clothes. We will have a number of activities happening from 9.00am including musical performances, our book parade, open classrooms, morning tea and some old fashioned tabloid games such as sack races and hopscotch. We hope you can join us!

Renai Hollis - Teacher Librarian

#### WELLBEING Wellbeing Tips



Problem solving is a critical skill that can be developed. Follow these five steps to support your child in their problem solving strategies.

Dannielle Thomson - Student Wellbeing Teacher



#### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL) "1-2-3 What are we?" "SAFE-RESPECTFUL-LEARNER!"



Congratulations to all students and school staff who have

worked extremely hard this term embedding the Positive Behaviour for Learning culture in to our school. Tuesday's POP UP day was thoroughly enjoyed by students and staff alike and a well-deserved side step from the routine of school life. The last lesson on being an upstander not a bystander generated some very deep discussion on what to do when not so positive things are happening to your friends. Keep earning those tokens boys and girls. Well done from all staff.

PBL Team



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