



## PRINCIPAL NEWS

Thank you for understanding and supporting the COVID protocols currently in place. They will be in place until at least the end of August at this stage.

Education Week and Book Week were conducted last week including the Premier's Spelling Bee. We had a wonderful week and Friday was such a fun day! We also recognised six staff for their service to education with service certificates. Ms Hook and Mrs Donnelly were presented with 20 year service certificates. Mrs Foster, Mrs Briggs, Mrs Rampano and Mrs Schultz were presented with 30 year service certificates. I couldn't think of a better week than Education Week to present the certificates to our dedicated teachers. Well done!

The drums purchased by the P&C have been a wonderful addition with the Monday afternoon drumming group now taking place with approx. 30 students. They have only been together two weeks but already sound amazing! We have purchased more drums as the teachers are really enjoying the opportunity to use them as a resource.

Our focus continues to be on the teaching of reading with all teachers meeting weekly with our instructional leaders. Professional reading, data analysis and shift in practice has been the primary focus.

Our new PBL signs have been installed with a couple more to go. We're very pleased with the impact they have. We also have PBL stickers to go in every classroom.

Our 2022 Kinder enrolments have been strong to date. If you need to enrol your child, please do so as soon as possible to secure your place.

Best of luck to all of our athletes taking part in the District Athletics carnival on Thursday. Parents are unable to attend this event due to COVID restrictions.

Our P&C Meeting was conducted last night via ZOOM. Thank you to the P&C and the community for your support of our wonderful school.

**Brad Lyne**  
Principal

## Education Week /Book Week Parade



## NAIDOC NEWS

**What is National Tree Day?** National Tree Day helps you connect with nature by planting trees and shrubs to improve our natural environment. We will be partnering with Hayes Toyota Murwillumbah who are donating hats, gloves and tree guards which we will be using in our Micro Food Forest in the Aboriginal Garden. We will be continuing the theme of NAIDOC 2021 Heal Country and use the tree guards to protect our native trees and shrubs that we planted.

**NAIDOC Colouring in competition** - winners have been presented with a canteen voucher. Winners were: Luna Q, Arlo G, Layla W, Tunny M, Marnie H, Jessie P, Jessica R, Clemens C, Faith D, Cheyenne H, Charlie K, Matilda O, Ruby P, Claudia R-P, Mia P.

**Kathy Frost - Coordinator**

## OFFICE NEWS

**Lost Property** - We have an enormous amount of lost property, including many uniforms without names. **PLEASE LABEL** your children's uniforms so we are able to return to the owner.

**Music Fees** - Last week invoices for music fees were sent home with all participating students. Due date for all outstanding fees is Friday 27 August. Please pay by POP or Eftpos. You are welcome to pay by instalments. If you would like to discuss your invoice please call the office.



**Sue Matheson - School Administrative Manager**

## 2022 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

Enrolments are now being accepted for Kindergarten 2022 at Pottsville Beach Public School. 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:

<https://pottsville-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/>

**Eleanor Collier - Coordinator**

## ES1 AND STAGE 1 NEWS

**Week 4 - Show & Tell and Public Speaking** - Students have been doing a wonderful job presenting their speeches in class. We will continue to practice

and present speeches this week, teachers will pick three students to present to the Kindergarten grade in Week 5 for our ES1 public speaking final.

**Mathematics** - In mathematics this fortnight we will be focusing on adding and subtracting numbers up to 10 and recording our problem solving. We will also be exploring the length of different objects by aligning and using informal measurements.

**Sounds and Sight words** - Over the term, we will be learning our double sounds. These include ch, sh, th, ng, ai, ee, or, ie, oo, oa, ar, er, ou, ue, oi and are. Our sight words for this week are 'stay, with, girl, when' and our sight words for next week are 'had, then, again, be'. It is always beneficial for students to practice reading, writing and saying the sounds and sight words at home to consolidate learning at school.

**Child Protection Lessons** - During Term 3 and 4, Kindergarten students will be involved in a series of child protection lessons. These topics include; body parts, feelings, warning signals, caring for others, safe and unsafe situations and saying no. In delivering these lessons, teachers will be using anatomically correct words to name body parts. This program forms part of our Personal Development, Health and Physical Education (PDHPE) curriculum. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your class teacher.

**Kindergarten Water Safety Program** - In Week 9, Kindergarten students will have the opportunity to participate in a two-day water safety program at Kingscliff pool. A permission note and payment details, which will be approximately \$20.00, will be available on the Sentral Parent Portal in the coming weeks.

**KTP - Parent Information Night** - Unfortunately, due to the current COVID restrictions, we have been unable to host our 2022 KTP parent information session onsite. The presentation is available as a video that can be accessed on our website and we encourage all parents who have or are looking to enrol their child at PBPS for 2022 to engage with the presentation at their leisure. Please feel free to contact the school with any questions or concerns.

**K-2 Assembly** - Thanks to KMac and 1/2Squires for presenting at assembly today, they did a wonderful job! Our next assembly will be in Week 9 where KDonnelly and 1Schultz will be presenting. Due to the current restrictions, we are still unable to have parents attend assemblies. We will keep you updated if there are any changes to these restrictions.

**Life Education** - A big thank you to Miss Collier for organising a visit from Healthy Harold for our K-2 students. The children who attended were extremely engaged in the lesson and thoroughly enjoyed their time in the Life Education van.



**Parent Teacher Interviews** - Parent Teacher Interviews: It has been fantastic catching up with many of our parents over the last week for parent teacher interviews. If you are still awaiting a phone call, please rest assured that teachers are continuing to call parents this coming week. If you would like to speak with your child's teacher before you are called, please feel free to make contact via the front office or Seesaw to arrange a time.

**Stage 1 Intensive Swimming** - Year 1 and 2 students have the opportunity to participate in a two week intensive swimming program scheduled for Weeks 7 and 8 this term (23 August - 3 September). The program caters for swimmers

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

"1-2-3 What are we?"

"SAFE-RESPECTFUL-LEARNER!"



Bounce back groups resumed last Friday much to the delight of all the students who were able to see their group peers and teachers all dressed up in their costumes. The students were ably guided through the explicit lesson of 'Following teacher's Instructions' by their Year 6 group mates with fun and enthusiasm. The next lesson will be on 'Respectful Social Interactions: The difference between social, unsocial & anti-social behaviour'.

Students are well on their way earning their tokens for the next PBL reward and by demonstrating the behaviours taught in our PBL lessons, I'm sure we'll gain the reward in no time.

**PBL Team**

of all abilities and lessons are conducted by qualified swimming instructors. The cost of the program is \$95.00 per student. Further information about the program and permission notes have been sent to families via the Sentral Parent Portal. If you would like your child to attend this valuable program, please give consent via the Parent portal and pay via POP (on the school website). If you have any questions regarding the program or require assistance, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

**Stage 1 Public Speaking** - A reminder that Year 1 and 2 students will be presenting speeches to their classes in Week 6 as part of our Talking and Listening program. Students began writing speeches at school and were asked to complete and practice them at home. Information to assist with the writing of speeches was sent home earlier this term, however if you need some assistance, please contact your child's class teacher.

**Stage 1 Focus: Weeks 5 and 6 Phoneme/Grapheme focus:** o\_e, oa, oo/oo

**Year 1 High Frequency Words: Week 5** – little, work, know, place, years.

**Week 6** – live, me, back, give, most.

**Year 2 High Frequency Words: Week 5** – here, stop, without, second, late.

**Week 6** – miss, idea, enough, eat, face.

**Eleanor Collier - ES1 Relieving Assistant Principal**

**Amy Paron - S1 Relieving Assistant Principal**

## STAGE 2 NEWS

Stage 2 really got into the spirit of book week with some fantastic outfits. Well done Stage 2 and thank you to Mrs Hollis for organising.

Well done to Ethan B (Winner) and Eliza S (Runner up) for their outstanding achievement in the Stage 2 Spelling Bee.

Both Year 3 and Year 4 will be participating in a free cricket gala day run by Cricket NSW at Seabreeze Sports Fields in Week 6. Notes will be sent out via the Sentral parent portal. We will also be participating in hockey clinics again later in Term 3 and possibly a gala day against other schools.

**David Mercer - S2 Relieving Assistant Principal**

## STAGE 3 NEWS

**Stage 3 Spelling Bee** - Congratulations to all of the participants and to our winner Liam V and runner up Noah S. More details regarding regional finals will be forthcoming.



Stage 3 afternoon groups will complete their first rotation for Semester 2 this week. New rotations to commence next week. Congratulations to our drumming group for a fabulous performance at our assembly last week!

A huge thank you to all parents and students for putting such great effort into your costumes for our book week parade last Friday. I know our Kindergarten students loved the opportunity to parade around with their big buddies!

**Leonie Richards - S3 Assistant Principal**

## LIBRARY NEWS

**Day Full of Fun** - A huge thank you to everyone for supporting our dress up day last Friday. We had a ball parading, performing and experimenting with games from the past. Some beloved book characters came to life with fabulous

costumes and some of our staff relived glory days with enthusiasm if not style! Just a reminder that the last day for ordering bookclub Issue 5 is Friday 13 August.

**Renai Hollis - Teacher Librarian**

