

The Pearsall Post Newsletter

Term 1 Issue # 1

Thursday 7th February 2019

Important Dates to Remember

- Wrapper Free
Wednesdays
- School Banking
Tuesday mornings
behind the staff
room.
- Early Close Every
Wednesday at
2.30pm
- Assembly
Thurs 21st Feb
Yr 3/Rm 16

Welcome

Welcome everyone to a new school year!

A special mention should be made to our 75 new kindergarten students all beginning their first school year. Welcome to our new students who are coming from other schools in pre primary through to Year 6.

2019 is shaping as an exciting new year.

This year will see a continued focus on providing students with the skills and independence to be leaders using the habits of highly effective people. We look forward to seeing the continued improvement of student learning, with Pastoral care and the sense of belonging continuing to be a focus area in our school. We also look forward to working closely with parents and carers to achieve the best possible outcomes we can for all of our students.

New Staff News

Ashlee Foster has commenced this year as a Kindergarten teacher. She will work full time and collaborate with Miss Layton to create a wonderful year for our Kindy students. Karl Birkelbach will be teaching Year 4 students in Demountable 2 and Helen Ardagh who has replaced Glenn Ross, will commence with Year 6 students in Demountable 3.



Books and Materials

Many thanks to those parents who have ensured that their children have returned with their books and materials needed to participate in classroom programs. If your children do not have the required tools for learning please make this a priority. This is a critical issue impacting on student learning and effective classroom management. Your support and co-operation is appreciated.

Hats On

The decision to have students wear hats has been under the direction of the Cancer Council Sun Smart Program. Please make sure your child has their hat at school.

Assembly

The first assembly for the new year will be on Thursday the 21st February at 8.45am. The host class will be Year 3 Room 16. All are welcome to attend.

Student Supervision

Please note that if your child arrives at school prior to 8.25am then they should be seated at the back of the office where they will be supervised.

For safety and supervision reasons both before and after school, students and toddlers are not permitted to play on equipment.

Pearsall Primary School Staff 2019**Teaching Staff**

8.25am	Classrooms Open	Amy Robertson	PP Teacher	DOTT
8.40am	Siren for start of day	Annemarie Schell	Yr 1/2 Teacher	Room 8
10.40am	Recess	Ashlee Foster	Kindy Teacher	Room 2
11.05am	End of Recess	Brad Gartrell	Yr 4 Teacher	Dem 1
12.45pm	Lunch	Briarly Wills	PP Teacher	Room 4
1.25pm	End of Lunch	Bronwyn Lee	PP Teacher	DOTT
3.00pm	School Day Ends	Candace Dunne	PP Teacher	Room 5
		Carly Doughty	Teacher	French
		Casey McLeod	Yr 3 Teacher	Room 16
		Debra Frost	Music	Music Room
		Elissa Ielati	Teacher	SAER
		Emily Ransom	Yr 2 Teacher	Room 15
		Helen Ardagh	Yr 6 Teacher	Dem 3
		Helen Williams	Kindy Teacher	DOTT
		Jamie Kitin	Yr 5 Teacher	Room 10
		Jackie Cannon	Yr 3 Teacher	Room 13
		Jennifer Warden	Teacher	Science Room
		Jessica Mance	Teacher	DOTT
		Karen Wilson	Phys Ed Teacher	Phys Ed
		Katherine Prebble	Yr 1 Teacher	Room 7
		Karl Birkelbach	Yr 4 Teacher	Dem 2
		Laura Marshall	Yr 3/4 Teacher	Room 12
		Lisa Ingham	Chaplain	Block 4
		Louise Layton	Kindy Teacher	Room 1
		Michelle Parker	Yr 5/6 Teacher	Dem 4
		Natalie Marlowe	Yr 2/3 Teacher	Room 9
		Nicole Godden	PP Teacher	Room 3
		Rachel Van Der Heiden	Yr 1 Teacher	Room 7
		Stephanie Benjamin	Yr 1 Teacher	Room 6
		Tracey Burdon	Yr 5 Teacher	Room 11
		Vanessa D'Adamo	Yr 2 Teacher	Room 14

Education Assistants

Alison Supanz	EA	Year 2
Karen Lindsay	EA	Year 3
Marie Westlake	EA	Room 3
Marlisa Grausser	EA	Room 4
Mia Sampson	EA	Room 1
Parris Murphy	EA	Year 3
Rachel Watson	EA	PP Room 3 & 4
Lisa Watters	EA	Room 2
Roxanne Clarke	EA	Year 1
Sara Sim	EA	PP Room 3
Samantha Slaughter	EA	PP Room 5
Tiffany Parsons	EA	PP Room 5

Administration Staff

Gary Payne	Principal	Administration
Mandy Froud	Deputy	Administration
Jenny O'Connor	MCS	Administration
Tiffany Harding	School Officer	Administration
Trish Schofield	School Officer	Administration
Shari Smith	Library Officer	Library
Sarah Morphet	School Psychologist	Administration

Please note:
2.30pm finish on
Wednesdays

Assemblies held
every 2nd
Thursday at
8.45am

Second Hand
Uniform Shop

8:00-8:30am
Thursday
mornings in the
under covered
area.
Run by the P&C
Committee.

Payments

Please note that all payments to the school can be made by **EFTPOS** in the front office or **Direct Deposit**:

**Acc: Pearsall
Primary School
BSB: 066040
Acc: 19904146**

Put your child's initial, surname and reason e.g, J.Smith swimming.

You can combine the amount if you have more than one child.

Please note, Eftpos and Direct Deposit are for school related payment and not for P&C payments.

Attendance

We will be working closely with families to ensure people who need support get children to school every day. Our staff work hard to fit in all the learning areas and special activities to make learning fun and interesting. Not having your child at school means that they are missing out on learning. Please come and talk to Mrs Froud if you have any concerns or need ideas to support your child arriving at school.

School Voluntary Contributions 2019

A reminder that voluntary contributions are now due. This money is an invaluable resource that is used to assist with the running of programs in this school and to supplement funding made by the Department of Education. Voluntary Contributions are payable at the front office or online.

The school voluntary contributions for 2019 are as follows:

- One child attending Years K-6 **\$60.00**
- Two children attending Years K-6 **\$120.00**
- Three or more children attending Years K-6 **\$150.00**

NAPLAN Dates 2019

NAPLAN dates are 14th May to 16th May. NAPLAN testing at Pearsall Primary School will again be completed via the online facility.

Medication at School

It is a requirement that parents fill out medication forms for their children to receive medication at school. These forms are available for you to fill out in the front office. Medications for students are stored in the Administration Building in a locked cabinet. If your child has an allergy; asthma or any other medical conditions please make sure that you inform the front office staff so they can put in place appropriate action plans. If your child is required to take medication at school in a "one off" situation please bring the medication to the front office and fill in an Administration of Medication form.

Medication is NOT to be taken to classrooms or left in students bags.

In Term Swimming

Unfortunately due to renovations taking place at Wanneroo Aquamotion it has made it difficult to arrange another suitable venue within close proximity of school that has availability. The school had little opportunity to reschedule due to the very late notice that was provided. In Term swimming will recommence in 2020. All families that paid, have been given credit.

Family Court Orders

Can you please notify the school if you have had changes made to existing family court orders or if new court orders are in place for your family. This information should be provided to the office.

2019 Term Dates

- Term 1** 4th February to Friday 12th April
- Term 2** 29th April to Friday 5th July
- Term 3** 22nd July to Friday 27th September
- Term 4** 14th October to Thursday 19th December

Assembly

The first assembly for the new year will be on Thursday the 21st February at 8.45am.

School Drop-off and Pick-up

As we head back to school, I would ask you to remember to follow all road rules to ensure our students are safe as they arrive to school and then leave in the afternoon. Here is some advice from the Directorate on ideas to help with the school drop-off and pick-up each day.

Think before you park.... and keep our kids safe!

With school now back for the year we are encouraging all parents to make parking safety a priority!

This means :

- Keep clear of 'no stopping' and 'no parking' zones
- Don't park in bus zones on school crossings, across footpaths or driveways; and
- Don't double (or triple) park!

Remember—it's okay to park a little further away from the school and walk the rest of the way!

Consider—having a pre-determined meeting spot agreed with your kids. That way if you are a little late, they know where to wait.

Think—visibility around schools and if your car may be blocking the view of crossings for other motorists. Also, be mindful when entering or leaving parking spots—look twice.

Be kind—to other road users and pedestrians and also if you see any parking officers in the area—they are doing their job and working to keep our kids safe!

Connect

Connect is a secure, web based communication system developed and maintained by the Department of Education. It provides teachers, students and parents with secure access to a collaborative online learning environment via the internet. Pearsall Primary School is using Connect to distribute information to parents of current students and not the general public. This includes:

- A library containing school newsletters, permission slips and information for incursions and excursions.
- A messaging function for staff to send messages and notes to individual parents, parents of classes, year groups or the whole school. It is envisaged that this will eventually replace all of the printed notes distributed to the students to take home.
- The messaging function is also for teachers to communicate to their class groups. This could be about homework, class activities, reminders, requests for class parent help, photos of excursions and more.
- Online discussions amongst the school community.

Connect is the vehicle for parents to receive the fortnightly school newsletter, and the free 'Connect Now' app for smartphone/tablet is an immediate and simple way for parents to receive and view all notices as well as the newsletter. Connect allows teachers to provide general class information to you about the teaching and learning activities that his/her class are undertaking.

The service is being further developed to allow more flexible communication between parents and teachers as well as providing personalised information about your child's learning activities and progress. To access Connect you will need internet access, no additional software is required. To register please email the office for a registration form, including the Conditions of Use, sign and return to the office.

Once this is processed, login details will be emailed to the address you provide.

If you have changed your email details please notify the office.