

# The Pearsall Post Newsletter

Term 1 Issue # 3

Thursday 7th March 2019

## Important Dates to Remember

- Wrapper Free Wednesdays
- School Banking Tuesday mornings behind the staff room.
- Early Close Every Wednesday at 2.30pm
- Lunch Orders Subway on Fridays
- Assembly Thursday 21st March - Yr 4 Dem 2

### Harmony Day Colour Run

The Harmony Day Rainbow Run will be held on March 22nd 2019 starting at 1.45pm. We ask that you send your child to school with a plain white shirt as the students will be covered in powder. Students are welcome to wear their plain white shirts all day. The days focus is on fun, fitness and to raise funding for extra days for Lisa our school chaplain. Notes went home last week with all of the details.

### Colour Powder

The colour powder used in our event has been sourced from India, the home of Holi Powder. It is made of high quality corn starch and permitted food colours. It's non-toxic, biodegradable, skin safe and environmentally friendly. Toxicological Risk Assessment and ingredient listings can be obtained from the School Office upon request. Students with asthma are advised to be careful in their decision to participate.

### Assembly

Assemblies for this term will be conducted on the following dates: Thursday 21st March, Thursday 4th April and Wednesday 10th April will be our ANZAC Day assembly. Parents and friends of the school are welcome to attend.

### School Arrivals

Just a reminder for students who arrive at school between 8.00am and 8.25, to go to the back of the office where a member of staff will be on duty to supervise. Students are then released at 8.25am to go to their classrooms where the doors will be open to start the day. Lessons formally commence at 8.40am. Students who are dropped off prior to 8am will not be supervised and we strongly advise parents to make other arrangements such as 'Before and After School Care'.

### Merit Certificate Awards Week 5



### Excellence Every Day

- Rm 3 - Blake
  - Rm 4 - Amara
  - Rm 6 - Kush
  - Rm 7 - Max
  - Rm 8 - Levi
  - Rm 9 - Eliza
  - Rm 10 - Molly
  - Rm 11 - Michael
  - Rm 12 - Vihaan
  - Rm 13 - Evie
  - Rm 14 - Katie
  - Rm 15 - Isis
  - D1 - Connor
  - D2 - Rhea
  - D3 - Jamie
  - D4 - Nash
- ### Leader In Me
- Rm 3 - Aarti
  - Rm 4 - Lachlan
  - Rm 5 - Alex and Jiah
  - Rm 6 - Aiesha
  - Rm 7 - Chase
  - Rm 8 - Ruby
  - Rm 9 - Aston
  - Rm 10 - Izabell
  - Rm 11 - Lochlan
  - Rm 12 - Kaiya
  - Rm 13 - Violette
  - Rm 14 - Hailey
  - Rm 15 - Luca
  - D1 - Jax
  - D2 - Boston
  - D3 - Esther
  - D4 - Angus

8.25am	Classrooms Open
8.40am	Siren for start of day
10.40am	Recess
11.05am	End of Recess
12.45pm	Lunch
1.25pm	End of Lunch
3.00pm	School Day Ends

**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.**

### NAPLAN dates 2019

NAPLAN testing for Year 3 and 5 will take place on the following dates:

Assessment	Date
Language Conventions and Writing	14th May
Reading	15th May
Numeracy	16th May
Catch Up test date	17th May

### Student Centred Funding (SCFM) 2019

Our current student population is 518. As you may be aware the SCFM plays out over the first few weeks to determine our funding for 2019. Please note the overall budget for each year is made up of the variance from the previous years and the current years student numbers. This is topped up by local revenue sources such as Contributions and Charges, fees and from our P&C. Jenny O'Connor our Manager of Corporate Services will confirm the finer details of this process with the School Board later this term.

### On Entry Assessment

Our Pre Primary and Year two students will be assessed on the on-entry assessment between week 3 and 6. The main purpose of the On-Entry Assessment Program is to provide teachers with information about the skills and understanding that a child brings to school. Conducting this assessment early in the year ensures that your child's teacher has information about the current skills and understandings of each child. This assists in the planning and development of targeted learning programs that address the needs of each individual, and identify children who may require early intervention or extension. National and international research supports this approach into the early identification of students' literacy and numeracy skills. It is important to note that there is no pass or fail in this assessment. It is just to get baseline data to develop programs to meet your children's needs.

### Did you know.....

**1 in 4** is how many Australian children are living with an undiagnosed eye condition, according to a recent report. In fact, a whopping 32 per cent of Aussie kids have never had their eyes tested, even though conditions like short-sightedness and lazy eye may become harder to treat once a child turns eight (when their vision is fully developed). Get an eye test before their eighth birthday and every two years after that.

### Healthy Minds

.....*from the Pastoral Care Team*

Over the course of the next two terms our Healthy Minds entries will focus on the "Great Dream - Keys to happier living" These can relate both to students and their families.

<b>G</b>	Giving	– doing things for others
<b>R</b>	Relating	– connecting with people
<b>E</b>	Exercising	– taking care of your body
<b>A</b>	Awareness	– living life mindfully
<b>T</b>	Trying out	– keep learning new things
<b>D</b>	Direction	– have goals to look forward to
<b>R</b>	Resilience	– finding ways to bounce back
<b>E</b>	Emotions	– looking for what's good
<b>A</b>	Acceptance	– be comfortable with who you are
<b>M</b>	Meaning	– being part of something bigger

Stay tuned for more information!

**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.***

**Student Attendance**

Regular school attendance is integral to successful schooling. High levels of student attendance are strongly linked to successful academic, physical and social outcomes. Families are reminded that we expect all students to attend school AT LEAST 90% of the time. Parents and families are responsible for informing the school as early as possible on the day of the absence.

- Our preferred method of communication is by SMS with details of reason for the absence.
- SMS student absences to 0437 482 159
- Students who are not at school by 8.40am are to go to the office for a LATE SLIP and this is to be given to the class teacher.

**Sun Smart**

Pearsall Primary School is a Sun Smart school. Sun Smart's mission is to reduce skin cancer incidence, morbidity and mortality through a targeted prevention and early detection program.

Sun protection will cut your risk of skin cancer at any age. When the UV is above 3, you need to use sun protection.

- Slip on sun protective clothing
- Slop on sunscreen minimum SPF30+ Broad Spectrum Sunscreen
- Slap on a hat
- Seek shade
- Slide on sunglasses

If your child has sport in the morning, it is always a good idea to apply sunscreen before school, or supply your child with sunscreen to apply themselves later for their own protection. As part of the school policy, the children need to wear a sun safe hat when in the sun at all times.

**THE GREEN TEAM:**

On Friday 1st March Pearsall students participated in Clean Up Australia Day. Each class was given a designated area around the school and the community to clean up. Most of the rubbish is not from us as a school but more from being blown down the streets or fallen out of rubbish bins. Thank you for supplying your child with gloves - this makes the process not only safe but sustainable for our environment as well. As always we thank you for your constant support for The Green Team and our future environment.

**The Green Team 2019.**

# Come & TRY!



## First day FREE!

Join in the fun at our OSHC program, your first session is FREE!\*  
It's also free to register. Once registered, you can activate your session whenever you like.

We encourage you to register now and to always book in advance.

Visit: [pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/register-firstdayfree](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/register-firstdayfree)

### What's OSHC?

OSHC stands for Outside School Hours Care. Depending on your school, it can cover both Before and After School Care.



### What happens in OSHC?

- Every program includes elements from each of the following areas:
- Outdoor Play Time
  - Construction and Manipulative Play
  - Creative Time
  - Life Skills
  - Homework and Quiet Time
  - New Experiences

\*Applies to first booking per child only. Valid for Before or After School Care for parents who register from the 4th of March 2019. Offer ends conclusion of Term 1 2019. For more information visit your school's page at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)