

The Pearsall Post Newsletter

Term 1 Issue # 6

Thursday 2nd May 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
Sushi on alternate Mondays (wk 2, 4, 6, 8 & 10)

Principal's Message

Welcome back to a great term of learning. Staff are well planned for many engaging activities and experiences during the term and look forward to children striving to achieve their goals. Leaders are those children who put in their best effort all the time. They have a growth mindset and keep trying until they get it. Parents have an important role to play in this also by supporting and encouraging children to give their best effort.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Thank you to all parents and caregivers who took the opportunity to meet with teachers in the last fortnight of Term 1. We had a very high attendance rate of families attending the meetings.

END OF DAY—Pick up times

School finishes at 3:00pm, with a 2:30pm finish EVERY WEDNESDAY. It is important that you arrive in time to collect your child and leave the school premises promptly. Children who are not picked up on time will be sent to the office to wait.



Evacuation Drill

Last term we held our first evacuation drill of the year. Evacuation and lock down drills are carried out throughout the year to ensure all staff, students, visitors and contractors are aware of the procedures in case of an emergency situation. Last Term's evacuation drill was a huge success with all staff, students and visitors moving safely and quickly to our evacuation point. A special congratulations to our amazing students who were very sensible throughout the drill!

TERM TWO:

- Assembly—Thursday 9th May: Room 9 Mrs Marlowe's class (Year 2/3) Undercover area 8.45am, all welcome
- NAPLAN 14th MAY TO 24th MAY
- Leader In Me Day 30th May
- Pearsall PS Cross Country 6th June
- NAIDOC Week 10th June—14th June
- School Board Meeting—27th May
- P & C Meeting—17th May
- 2020 Kindergarten Enrolments now open

**ENROL
NOW**

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
undercover ar-
ea.
Run by the P&C
Committee.**

Mothers Day Morning Tea

On Friday 10th May all mothers or female caregivers are invited to attend a Mother's Day activity at Pearsall Primary School. Starting at 8:45am in the undercover area for a special morning tea, then visiting your child/children's classrooms until 10:00am when the morning will conclude.

Please ensure you RSVP before Tuesday 7th May via the drop boxes in the school office.

Mothers Day Stall

The P & C will be holding a Mothers Day stall on 9th & 10th May. More information to follow.

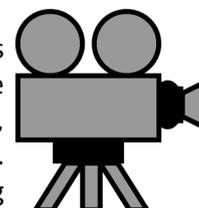


NAPLAN Online

This year our Year 3 and 5 students will be completing the annual National Assessment Program in Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). They will be completing most of the assessments online. Last year we completed the online program and students have been engaged in other online assessments in preparation for this. The online assessments will mean that the whole process is streamlined and that we should get results much earlier. The assessments are intuitive which means that the test responds to the questions that the children get right and wrong and then determines the next level of questions for them to answer. This will greatly assist in providing a much more accurate picture of a child's level of understanding. NAPLAN will be completed over Weeks 3 and 4 of this term. For more information please refer to your child's teacher or visit <https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/parent-carer-support>

FilmBites

Students in PrePrimary to Year 6 will be involved in a FilmBites incursion in weeks 7, 8 and 9 this term. Students will learn the elements of drama in the WA Curriculum, exploring voice, movement, role, situation, space, character, time, tension and mood. Experienced and specialised staff from FilmBites will be conducting these sessions. Permission slips were sent home earlier this week and are available via Connect. These must be returned with payment by Monday 5th June, after this date students who have not paid will be excluded from the incursion.



Year 6 BUZ Rangers

Year 6 students have been trained to be BUZ Rangers! The focus of this program is to develop playground leaders with positive skills, enabling the school play areas to be a safe place for all students and therefore reduce the incidence of bullying. Students are trained in skills of mediating between peers and other children in conflict and helping children with friendship and playground skills. The BUZ Rangers program aims to



achieve a positive sense of self within a team; build confidence in communication with others; an ability to convey friendship skills; understand, communicate and manage feelings; recognise and resolve conflict; mediation; bully-proofing; being a positive role model in the playground; and encouraging positive play in the school playground.

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.

Students arriving late or leaving early

Should you need to bring your child in late or pick them up early you need to come to the office and sign them in/out.

If you know that you will be collecting your child during recess or lunch break please prearrange by sending a note to the class teacher so that your child can be prepared. It is very difficult to locate students in the playground in these times.

If you have someone other than a parent collecting your child during the school day, please advise the school office and class teacher.

We will need a letter from the parent and the person collecting will be required to show identification at the front office, for example a Driver's Licence.

**Kindergarten 2020 Enrolments**

Enrolment Applications for Kindy 2020 are now open. Positions are highly sort and fill quickly. If your child or someone you know who lives within the Pearsall catchment area, is due to start Kindy in 2020 (date of birth 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016) application forms are available on our Pearsall PS website or at the front office.

If potential students live outside of the Pearsall catchment area, we recommend that they apply to their local catchment area school but are welcome to complete an Out of Area Expression of Interest form which will place them on a wait list if positions become available. Forms are available in the school office.

**ANZAC Day Service**

Chosen students did an excellent job at conducting our ANZAC Day service on the last Wednesday of Term 1. Thank you to Woodvale Senior High School who had their school band feature at our service.





- Mothers Day stall, 9th & 10th May
- P & C Meeting—17th May
- Disco, Friday 28th June
- Fundraising event—Toy Story 4 at the movies, Saturday 6th July

Autism Awareness



Last term we as a school acknowledged Autism. Students wore blue as a symbol of Autism awareness and a special morning tea was held to recognise some parents of those with Autism. Some special teachers also took part in “Walk for Autism”. Well done to all involved.



Healthy Minds

...from the Pastoral Care Team

10 Keys to happier Living... (continued)

3. Exercising—Take Care of Your Body
Our body and mind are connected. Being active makes us happier and healthier. It instantly improves our mood and can even lift us out of depression. We don't all have to run marathons—there are simple things we can do to be more active each day. We can also boost our wellbeing by spending time outdoors, eating healthily, unplugging from technology and getting enough sleep.

Action Ideas:

- Be active today! Get off the bus one stop early, take the stairs, turn off the tv, go for a walk—anything that gets you moving.
- Eat nutritious food, drink more water, catch up on sleep. Notice which healthy action lifts your mood and do more of them.

“ Try to limit sitting and sleeping to just 23 and a half hours a day”

Dr Mike Evans.

WA State School Basketball
Congratulations to Ryder in Year 6 who has been selected for the Western Australian 12s Boys Basketball Squad.
Through hard work and determination, Ryder was selected from over 200 boys who tried out for the team. He will be travelling to Bendigo, Victoria to represent Pearsall PS and WA.
Well done Ryder! We will be cheering you on.



Pearsall PS is a Connect School! If you are new to Connect you will receive an email with the website, username and password. Please call or pop into the front office if you require any assistance. If you already have a Connect account but can't recall the username and password,

or have recently changed contact details, please let us know so we can resend your login details. Connect provides a secure internet service that will allow access to a range of services:

Pearsall Primary Parent Community:

- **Student format reports:** In 2019 student reports will be accessible for download via your Connect login. You are also able to access previous reports for your children.
- **Notifications about school events:** fortnightly newsletter notifications are published via Connect, as well as incidental iNews and notes that relate to whole school or whole of year level activities.

Classroom Community:

- Class-specific notifications—many of our classes use Connect for whole class messages and class events relevant to learning for your children.

Please note that Connect is the school's preferred choice for whole school communication and is the method with which student reports will be deployed. Notifications are sent via email to your email address.

There is a **Connect Now** app available in the App Store for smartphones if you prefer to receive notifications via your smart phone instead. If you have not yet registered with Connect, please send the school an email at Pearsall.ps@education.wa.edu.au

