

The Pearsall Post Newsletter

Term 1 Issue # 3

Thursday 11th March 2021

Student Absence Line:
0437 482 159

Important Dates to Remember

- **EARLY CLOSING EVERY WEDNESDAY@ 2:30PM**
- **Running Club Tuesday @ 8am**
Meet Mr G & Mr B on the oval
- **UNIFORM SHOP**
Wednesday 31st March 2.30—3pm
- **Next Assembly Thursday 25th March,**
Yr 2, Rm 14, Miss D

From the Principal...

Year 6 Student Leaders

At our first assembly this term we were able to present to our Year 6 students the leadership roles that they will be undertaking for the year. Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to be our Pearsall Leaders in the following areas:

Green Team: Logan D, Serena D, Amber H, and Sarah M

ICT/Technology: Tom V, Blake S, Layla D and Joel M

Music: Rhea K, Jordan A, Makayla D, and Krish A

Science: Liam F, Shayla J, Boston A, and Kapish A

Library: Ava D, Ajany A, Kioka G, and Cassie C

Faction Captains: **Lava:** Jacob N & Vihaan D; **Storm:** Jayven T & Jordan C;

Thunder: Sapphire M & Myles E; **Lightning:** Ava B and Cooper C;

Lighthouse Leaders, Buz Leaders and Anzac Day Leaders will be announced in the upcoming weeks.



Change of Certificates at Assemblies

Instead of fortnightly certificates at each assembly, we will now be doing a Certificate of Acknowledgement at a special assembly at the end of each term. Each teacher will now present two awards that recognise students who have been able to go beyond their comfort zone academically or socially.

Parent-Teacher Interviews –Term 3, 2021

Parent-Teacher interviews will take place in Week 2 of Term 3, where the school will currently be closed for a half day. This is an opportunity for parents and teachers to review the Semester One report.

A proposal was previously raised by the School Board to close the school for two half days for Parent-Teacher Interviews as necessary to provide more time for parents to talk to teachers and to accommodate the cross over times when a parent has two or more students. A survey was conducted via the last newsletter regarding this proposal. If you have feedback regarding this proposal, can you please email to our School Board chairman via this email address: pearsallpsboard@gmail.com

Year Group Parent Information Sessions -Term 1

Thank you to the hard-working staff of Pearsall who work so diligently to provide these sessions for students and parents. These outline procedures and learning and are vital to ensure our communication between staff and parents is effective.

Gary Payne, Principal



Woolworths Cricket Blast School Cup

On Thursday 4th March we had three teams of year 5 and 6 students compete at the T20 Cricket Blast Carnival at Kingsway Sporting Complex. This event was run by the WACA and included many local schools. Our teams played brilliantly all day, showing great skills in bowling, fielding and batting. The positive attitude and encouragement towards each other made for a delightful day of cricket with many highlights from all three teams. Our A team played three matches and won two. Our B and C teams played 4 matches and won three. Thank you to Mrs Wilson, Mr Gartrell and Mr Nice who all looked after the teams on the day.



School Gates in the mornings

A reminder that students in Years 1 to Year 6 should be entering the gates on their own, without parents coming onto the school grounds. This promotes a confidence with students and a responsibility for children to organise the start of the learning day for themselves. It has worked extremely positively over the last year, enabling for a highly effective start to the school day.

At the end of this week, Week 6, PrePrimary students will be asked to enter on to school grounds via the gates by themselves.

Kindergarten students may be accompanied until the end of term 1.



After School

A reminder that parents and students should move off the school site as quickly as possible to avoid congestion and to adhere to the ongoing Government requests of social distancing. **Students are not permitted to play around the school grounds or on play equipment after school.**

No Dogs on School Premises



For health and safety of all children, we ask you do not bring your dog onto school grounds at drop off and pick up times and to not to tie your dog at the entrance of the school.

Harmony Week, 15th to 19th March

Pearsall PS will celebrate Harmony Week during week 7, March 15th–19th. Harmony Week celebrates Australia's cultural diversity; it is about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone. The theme this year is Everyone Belongs. On **Friday 19th March**, we are asking that students **wear orange or traditional/cultural costume** to celebrate Harmony Week. During the Week students will create a handprint that represents them that will be displayed around the library.

Change of date—the Harmony run scheduled for Friday 19th March has now been changed until Term Two, no date has been set as yet.

Next Assemblies: There will be two assemblies before the end of term . These will take place on Thursday 25th March with Miss D'Adamo's Year 2 class (Room 14) and Thursday 1st April with Miss Schell's Year 1 & 2 class (Room 8). Parents/cargivers of the hosting class are welcome to attend.

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:

12.30pm finish on

Wednesdays

Assemblies held

every 2nd

Thursday at

8.45am

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.

Pearsall Primary School Website

We would like to remind parents that our website is a very useful tool to see what is happening in the life of the school and to access information—visit us at pearsallps.wa.edu.au

Update Your Information At The School

A reminder to update your mobile phone numbers, email addresses and emergency contact details at the front office as soon as possible when circumstances change. There have been occasions when parent/carers have been unable to be contacted in emergency situations. It is extremely important that we have the latest information at all times.

Crunch & Sip

The Crunch & Sip program is an easy way to help your child be healthy, help learning and stay happy!

Crunch and Sip is a set break to eat fresh fruit or salad vegetables and drink water in the classroom. Students re-fuel with fresh fruit or vegetables during the morning or afternoon, assisting physical and mental performance and concentration in the classroom, a bit like putting petrol in a car.

Pearsall PS is committed to encouraging healthy options and nutrition education in the classroom, by making links with the curriculum and creating a supportive school environment. Crunch & Sip gives students an opportunity to eat healthy fresh fruit or vegetables that may otherwise be left in the lunchbox or not eaten at all.



Congratulations to P&C 2021 Office Bearers

At the last Pearsall P&C AGM the following positions were filled:

President: Renanka O'Shea

Vice President: Kia Zulberti

Treasurer: Neil Crooks

Secretary: Nicole Seath

Executive Committee-Wayne Richardson, Anjo Roach, Kirby Thomas, Steven Hough

A special thank you to Renanka O'Shea who will continue to lead our P & C Committee as president in 2021.



More From the Pearsall P&C...

At Pearsall PS we have a very active and effective P&C. For more information you can visit their **Facebook page: Pearsall Primary School P&C**

Quikcliq: Subway lunch orders are available on Fridays using the Quikcliq platform. Visit quickcliq.com.au to register

School Banking: On Thursdays. Students place school banking into the bags in their classrooms. New students can open accounts and register with Commonwealth Bank.

2nd Hand Uniform Shop: Will be open next on Wednesday 31st March, 2.30pm-3.00pm in the Undercover area. Donations can be left in the school office.

Easter Raffle: Donations to be made in baskets in classrooms before Friday 19th March. Tickets and draw information will be available soon.

Thursday, 1st April—Free Dress Day (more information to be provided via Connect)

HEALTHY MINDS, From the Pastoral Care Team...

A Mindfulness Practice for Families (by Christopher Willard)



One easy way to introduce mindfulness to your children is through informal practices that you can do along with them.

Start with a simple kindness meditation, offering good wishes, thoughts and compassion to others.

1. **To begin, find a comfortable sitting position.** You can even place a hand on your heart. Allow your eyes to close or lower your gaze toward the floor.
 2. **Bring to mind someone who you really respect and look up to,** and who really loves you in return.
 3. **Notice how you feel as you bring this person to mind.**
 4. **Make yourself think a kind thought and send it their way.** What would make them happy?
 5. **Next, bring to mind someone else you love and care about:** A family member, a friend, a beloved colleague. Just bring this person to mind, sending this person a kind thought.
- We'll move from here to a more neutral person. Perhaps someone you don't know very well: A parent you see occasionally in the pick-up line, a person who delivers your mail, or makes your coffee in the morning. Just bring this person to mind and imagine yourself sending them some kind of kind thought.
6. **Lastly, bring to mind someone who has frustrated you lately,** someone who is a little difficult. Send this last person a kind thought, something nice for them in their life.
 7. **Check in with your mind and body as you conclude this practice.** Allow your eyes to open if they've been closed. Notice if there's any shift in how you feel.

THE GREEN TEAM:

Clean Up Australia Day– Friday 5th March.



On Friday 5th 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.

Here are some of the champions who helped Australia stay beautiful.



As always we thank you for your constant support for The Green Team and our future environment.

The Green Team 2021

Important Upcoming Dates for Term 1:

HARMONY WEEK	Monday 15th—Friday 19th March
Year 6 Camp Parent Info Meeting	Wednesday 17th March @ 2pm in Undercover area
Assembly—Yr 2, Room 14	Thursday 25th March
Assembly—Yr 1/2, Room 8	Thursday 1st April
LAST DAY OF TERM 1	THURSDAY 1ST April
<i>Easter Long Weekend</i>	<i>Friday 2nd April—Monday 5th April</i>
<i>School Holidays</i>	<i>2nd April— 19th April</i>
FIRST DAY OF TERM 2	TUESDAY 20TH APRIL
ANZAC Day event	Thursday 22nd April