

The Pearsall Post Newsletter

Term 2 Issue # 5

Thursday 22nd April 2021

Student Absence Line:
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Important Dates to Remember

- **ANZAC DAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY**
- Monday 26th
April
- **EARLY CLOSING
EVERY
WEDNESDAY@
2:30PM**
- **Running Club
Tuesday @ 8am**
*Meet Mr G & Mr B
on the oval*
- **UNIFORM SHOP**
*Wednesday 5th
May 2.30—3pm*
- **Next Assembly
Thursday 6th May -**
*Yr 1, Rm 6, Miss
Benjamin*

From the Principal...

I sincerely hope that everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter and school holiday break. Term 2 will be a very eventful and rewarding term for our students. I look forward to our Arts Week that will take place in Week 9. This promises to be an outstanding celebration of the arts at Pearsall PS.

ANZAC Service

This morning, Thursday 22nd April, we held our ANZAC Day service, led by our Year 6 student leaders. Students read poems and paused for a minute of silence to show respect for the fallen. Thank you to families and community members for their donations of flowers which were presented on behalf of each classroom.



We also thank Sergeant Andrew Cain and the Woodvale Secondary College band for their involvement in our event.



2022 Kindergarten Enrolments Are Now Open

If you, or someone you know residing within the Pearsall intake area have a child due to begin Kindergarten in 2022 (born between 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018), you can download an Application to Enrol form from our website. When lodging enrolment at our school office, a copy of the child's birth certificate, current immunisation history statement and proof of address are required. Places are limited and fill fast. For more information, please see our website.



School Board Meeting

A School Board Meeting will take place on Monday, 3rd May. One of the agenda items will be BYOD (Bring-Your-Own-Device).

Term Brochures

Each term, teachers send home important information to parents regarding the learning that will take place for the term. This is further reinforced via the weekly Connect notices from classroom teachers. This information is to help you follow what your child is learning and to partner together with their learning. It also provides helpful information about the events and life in the school community. If you are not receiving these Connect notices, please contact your child's classroom teacher or the school office to ensure your Connect login details are correct.

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

LOST PROPERTY

A box of lost property is located at the rear of the Admin building. Parents are welcome to check for items once gates open in the afternoons. Please ensure all belongings are clearly labelled.

2021 Whadjuk Gift

In Term 1 our Year 5 students were invited to Mater Dei College to participate in the Whadjuk Gift—a reconciliation initiative combining sport, creative design and culture, developing a deeper understanding of Indigenous culture.

Our Year 5 students represented Pearsall excellently and everyone involved had a wonderful time and Pearsall even won the relay trophy. Congratulations Year 5's!



PrePrimary and Kindergarten Parents

A number of meetings have taken place at the end of Term 1 with parents and teachers to discuss progress and assessments that have been made. This will continue into Term 2 particularly for Kindergarten parents. Thank you to the parents who have already attended meetings. Hopefully they were very productive.

School Gates

This term, student from all year levels will be entering the school site in the mornings on their own. We have found that this structure creates a positive, proactive student environment which also gives greater opportunity for teachers to interact more purposefully with students. Our teachers will be starting each day with clear routines that make students comfortable and encourage learning when children are most alert. It is important that children arrive at school on time to ensure the best to start to each day.



Assembly

The first class assembly for Term 2 will be held on Thursday, 6th May starting at 8.50am. It will be hosted by Miss Benjamin's Year 1, Room 6 classroom. Parents of the host class are more than welcome to attend.

After School

At the end of the day students should not be playing in the outdoor classroom or any other school play equipment. There is an expectation that parents are actively supervising their children on school grounds. Parents and students should vacate the school site immediately after the siren as quickly as possible. **Students are not permitted to play around the school grounds or on play equipment after school.**

NAPLAN 2021

Year 3 and Year 5 students will sit online NAPLAN tests during weeks 4 and 5 of Term 2 (11th May until 21st May). It is very important that all students in Years 3 and Year 5 attend school on these dates.

All tests will be conducted online, except the Year 3 writing which will still be pencil and paper.

If you have any questions regarding NAPLAN, please speak to your classroom teacher.



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.

Credit from Swimming Money

At the beginning of the school year, swimming lessons were reduced from two to one week due to the COVID lock down. Most families had paid \$45 per student for swimming in 2020. Due to database limitations, we were unable to apply a \$22.50 credit to each child's account for 2021. Initially we had planned to use these funds for a whole school event but are unable to do so in 2021. Therefore it has been decided to use these funds for year level events, excursions and incursions.

As a school we will ensure that each child gets to go on educational and fun excursions and have incursions that make use of the credit this year. We have made a start this term - with the Year 2's planning an excursion to the Zoo, the Year 4's going to a Lego Relics exhibition and the Year 6's going to see 'Matilda the Musical' run by the Mater Dei students.

There will be many more fun events run this year, and we will make sure it is evenly and fairly distributed so each child will use all of their credit.

There were a few families whose children were not participating in swimming lessons or were new to the school. These families will receive separate notes requesting payment for events as they occur.

Congratulations to the Following Students who were honoured at our High Achievers Assembly in Term 1

Room 3—Hudson & Parker

Room 4—Olive & Riley

Room 5—Lucas & Miranda

Room 6—Kei & Aaliyah

Room 7—Agnya & Landyn

Room 8—Ana & Aryan

Room 9—Ally & Cooper

Room 10—Ella & Akio

Room 11—Aiesha & Meshach

Room 12—Madison & Rihanna

Room 13—Bella & Raelynne

Room 14—Alex & Lucas

Room 15—Lacey & Luke

Room 16—Jorja & Krishna

Dem 1—Eliza & Marga

Dem 2—Isabelle & Ren

Dem 3—Ebony & Seth

Dem 4—Lily & Rylan

Dem 5—Hayley & Shyla

Dem 6—Jordan & Sarah

Science—Ajany & Niocholas

Music—Cruze & Harrison

Sport—Jayven & Katie

**From the 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**

Upcoming P & C Events...

Mothers Day Stall—Thursday 6th and Friday 7th May, classes will be allocated times to attend the Mothers Day stall.

2nd Hand Uniform Shop: Will be open next on Wednesday 5th May, 2.30pm-3.00pm in the Undercover area. Donations can be left in the school office.

Pizza, Sushi and Subway Orders—Quikcliq: Pizza—Thursday 6th May & 3rd June ; Sushi— Monday 24th May—*all orders via Quickcliq.com.au*

Subway lunch orders are available 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.

Harmony Colour Run—Friday 21st May All funds raised from the Colour Run will go towards our school chaplaincy. All fundraising will be done online—Sign up at myprofilepage.com.au

Information will be sent home, via Connect and the P & C Facebook page.

Getting conversations started about learning

How many times have you asked your child, “How was school today?” or “What did you learn?” only to have them answer, “It was ok, nothing much”?

Dr Lyn Sharratt, educational leader, author and researcher encourages parents to ask their children the following 6 essential learning questions that directly align with their child’s learning and help get the conversations started:

- ⇒ What are you learning?
- ⇒ How are you going with your learning?
- ⇒ How do you know how you’re going?
- ⇒ Where do you go for help if you are stuck?
- ⇒ How can you improve?
- ⇒ What are you most proud of?



Parent Issues or Concerns

If there are any concerns or issues that parent may have regarding school, please come up to the school so that we can address the issue/concern as quickly as possible. If the issue is classroom-based, the first point of contact should always be the class teacher. If there are other issues or concerns, please feel free to make an appointment to see Administration through the office.

Dogs on School Grounds

For the safety of our children, please do not your family pet on school grounds. The Department of Education has strict policy in relation to how we manage animals on school grounds:

Animals, including pets, are NOT allowed on school grounds unless they are part of an organised event, or are an authorised assistance animal.

If any animal, stray or domesticated, is found on school grounds local government authority will be contacted.



Student accident insurance, ambulance arrangements and private property brought to school.

Parents are reminded that the school or Department does not hold personal accident insurance for students. In the event of a serious incident, the school will make the decision to call an ambulance for a student. The school is not responsible for the cost of this service. Private property brought to school by students, staff or visitors is not insured and the Department does not accept any responsibility for any loss or damage.

Important Upcoming Dates: Term 2

ANZAC Day Public Holiday	Monday 26th April
Yr 6 Matilda the Musical excursion	Wednesday 28th April
2nd Hand Uniform shop	Wednesday 5th May (2.30pm)
Assembly—Year 1, Room 6	Thursday 6th May
P & C Pizza lunch orders	Thursday 6th May
Mothers Day Stall	Thursday 6th & Friday 7th May
NAPLAN (Yrs’ 3 & 5)	10th to 21st May
Harmony Colour Run	Friday 21st May