

# The Pearsall Post Newsletter

Wednesday 17th November 2021

Student Absence Line: **0437 482 159** 

# Important Dates to Remember

- EARLY CLOSE EVERY WEDNESDAY @
   2:30PM
- Running Club Tuesday @ 8am Meet Mr. G & Mr. B on the oval
- Chess Club every Monday @ lunchtime Meet Mr. B in the Library
- Caversham Wildlife Exc Yr 1 Students Frid 19th Nov
- Build A Bun Day
   Tues 23rd Nov

# Not Returning In 2022?

If your family is leaving Pearsall next year and your children will not be attending Pearsall PS, please inform the Administration in writing as soon as possible

# High Achievers Assembly—Friday 3rd December

The High Achievers Assembly will take place on Friday the 3rd of December. An ex-student Kaoma will be presenting the certificates to students. Kaoma commenced school at Pearsall Primary School in 2013 and is now studying Data Management at UWA. He will talk about the Habit 3: - 'Put First Things First'.

# **Assemblies**

Class run assemblies will take place over the next two weeks - Mrs Williams on the 18th November and Mr Birkelbach on the 25th November. Parents from the respective classes are welcome to attend.

# **Australian Maths Awards**

We have had a number of students who performed exceedingly well with this competition. A number of students were able to attain results in the top 3% of all Australian results.

# 2022 Booklists

2022 Booklists are now ready via CONNECT. ALL ORDERS MUST BE COMPLETED ONLINE AT <a href="https://www.campion.com.au">www.campion.com.au</a> by Friday 19th November 2021. Using "8DX2" as your code.



- Home delivery orders will be dispatched the week ending 10th December 2021 if placed on or before Friday 19th November 2021
- The delivery service is FREE for orders placed on or before the 19th November
   2021. After this date a delivery charge of up to \$8 will be charged
- Orders can still be placed past the 'return date' but it may incur a late fee.

OR

'While You Wait" collection service (Malaga) - Please note long delays can be expected in the two weeks prior to the commencement of the school year and availability of all stock lines cannot be guaranteed at this time. All back ordered items will be posted and a delivery fee will apply.

# **Pre-Primary Information Session for 2022**

The Pre-Primary information session for parents who will have students in Pre Primary next year will be held on **Wednesday 1st December at 4.00pm**. Information will be presented to parents on the programs that will be offered and ways to assist children with the transition from Kindergarten to Pre Primary.

# Term 4 Last Day

A reminder that the last day for students will be Thursday 16th December.



# **School Photos**

The school photos that were taken at the end of term three were sent home last week.



# **Voluntary Contributions and Charges**

The Voluntary Contributions and charges have been approved by the School Board. They will remain the same as they were for 2021.

# **2022 Kindergarten Students**

On Wednesday the 3rd November the 2022 Kindergarten students attended a Kindy Orientation session. It was terrific to see the confidence in students and to be placed in a kindergarten classroom. We have three sets of twins who will be in classes next year.

# **Outdoor Classroom Day**

On Thursday 4th November we celebrated Outdoor Classroom Day. This is a global movement to make time outdoors part of every child's day. On this day of action each year, teachers take children outdoors to play and learn. However, all year round, the Outdoor Classroom Day community campaigns for more time outdoors every day. Children are spending less time outdoors than ever before and this is affecting their health, wellbeing and development. Time outdoors – on Outdoor Classroom Day and every day – will make children happier and healthier, as well as equipping them with the skills they need for life. It has a positive impact on their mental health. Between recess and lunch, all students in the school took learning outdoors. It was wonderful to see teachers creatively integrate their class learning in the outdoor environment, with many doing this in innovative and really engaging ways.







8.25am Classrooms Open

Siren for start

of day

10.40am Recess

8.40am

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.

# **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.

# Thank You To Our P&C

On behalf of our Kindy Children and our Kindy Team we would like to say a huge thank you to our wonderful P&C for kindly donating \$1800 for us to purchase new bikes and scooters. Our Kindy's were so excited to take turns and try out the new equipment! Please get behind our P&C and consider joining or donating your time so they can continue to support your children.





# Jump Jam

On Monday our Jump Jam team presented their Michael Jackson Thriller dance for this years competition. Our team presented a very polished performance. Thank you to Mrs Sillence and Mrs Parker for all their hard work in preparing the team. Recorded performances have been sent to the judges.

# **Christmas Concert**

This event will take place on Thursday 9th December. Students need to be dropped off at their own classroom at 5pm, ready for a 5.15pm start on the school oval. This year's theme is "Christmas around the World" and each year group has selected 1 item to perform.



Traditionally, students wear any combination of red, green or white but each year group may decide to wear something which aligns with the country they have chosen. Your child's teacher will provide further details.

The final whole-school song is 'Elfie Selfie' so students may like to wear elf hats/ears and have a photo taken with a selfie photo board which the Lighthouse students are making.

Band students will need to meet in the Music Room at 4:50pm, to set up music stands. **Please note that alcohol is not permitted on school grounds**.

# **PEAC**

Congratulation's to the students who were recently successful in being offered a place in next year's Primary Extension and Challenge (PEAC) program. Statewide testing for all Year 4 students occurred earlier this year and identification of the successful students was conducted through testing, marking and ranking of each student's results. PEAC offers a supplementary program of these students and provides them with the opportunity to extend, challenge and develop their thinking skills.

# Gifted and Talented Programs 2023 – Applications now open.

The Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance Programs applications for Year 7 in 2023 are now open. More information will be sent home with Year 5 children next week.

## **Phones and Smart Watches**

Parents are reminded that legislation passed in 2019,prohibits students from accessing phones and smart watches whilst at school. These devices must be "Off and Away" all day. Unless a child needs a phone to contact parents after school, we advise that they not be bought to school as we cannot guarantee the safety of these items during the day.



Communication between parents and children during the school day must be made via the School Admin Office.

## **Social Media and Photo Permission**

This is a gentle reminder to families that many of our students do not have permission for their image to be shared on any social media platforms. This includes parents taking photos of children other then their own children during excursions or at assemblies etc. Please if you take group photos of children make sure only your child's face is visible on your social media platforms to protect and respect the privacy of all students.

# **Evacuation practice**

As part of our requirements of the Standalone Bush Fire Plan and our commitment to student and staff safety at school we will be conducting an evacuation drill in Term 1 next year, weather permitting. Any visitors at the school at this time will need to follow directions of the staff. We will practice with all students from Kindergarten to Year 6, staff and visitors. Everyone on site will move to the allocated areas in case of bush fire. The students will then return to their classrooms, possibly very excited.

# **School Banking update from Commonwealth Bank**

For 90 years, our School Banking program has helped children learn about money, reinforced the importance of regular savings and provided structure for parents to support their children to save. Though the program continues to have strong support from schools, parents and teachers, recent decisions by some state and territory



governments because of a review by the corporate regulator mean we are unable to continue providing programs in schools, and we have had to make a difficult decision to close our School Banking program for all government and non-government schools across the country. Our School Banking program was established in 1931 at a time when having a bank account was not commonplace, and since then we have helped more than 15 million Australians take their first financial steps. This would not have been possible without the wonderful support we have received from schools like yours, including all the parents and volunteers, and for this we are deeply grateful. Thank you. Even though this is a sad time, School Banking has taught so many young Australians, past and present, the value of money and we believe this should be celebrated. We have created a place for you to share your stories, fondest memories and lessons learnt through the program. To share your story and access our financial education resources, please visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking

Even though the CommBank School Banking program will not be returning to your school after this year, you can continue to make deposits into your child's Youthsaver account through online transfers or at any CommBank branch. If you need further information please phone 132 221 or visit your local CommBank branch.