

The Pearsall Post Newsletter

Thursday, 1st December 2022

Student Absence Line:
0437 482 159

Important Dates to Remember

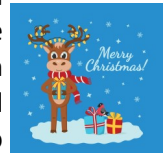
- EARLY CLOSE EVERY WEDNESDAY @ 2:30PM
- Christmas Concert & 10 Year Celebration Thursday 8th December
- Subway every Friday via Quickcliq
- Last day for Term 4 Thursday 15th December

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Christmas Concert & 10 Year Celebrations



The annual Christmas Concert will take place on Thursday the 8th of December. Students will be asked to arrive at their classroom by 4.30pm. We will aim to start the concert at 4.45pm. Each year group will present an item. At this event we will also Celebrate 10 years of Pearsall Primary school with an opportunity for a family picnic after the concert including food trucks and a performer. The P&C have been amazing in their support of the event particularly Kia Zulberti and Renaka O'Shea. Wrist bands will be provided to all students who attend on the night as a acknowledgement of 10 years at Pearsall Primary School.



From the Principal,

Graduation

The Year 6 graduation will take place at ECU Joondalup commencing at 6.00pm on Monday the 12th of December. This venue allows us to cater for the large cohort of students we will have graduating.



Renanka O'Shea- Thank you

Renanka O'Shea is our outstanding P&C President. We wish to thank her for her time and effort she has given to the Pearsall Primary School community. She has devoted many endless hours to the benefit of all stakeholders in our school. She has overseen so many significant events that have captured the Pearsall spirit. The monies raised through her leadership have contributed significantly to the benefit of all students at Pearsall. The list of resources provided have included playgrounds, shade sails over the concourse area of the oval, ICT resources, books, outdoor furniture, teacher relief time, support for our Yr 6 camp and many other significant resources. Her skills in bringing our community together through the many special events she organised, will be sadly missed. Through her time at Pearsall, Renanka has organised, quiz nights, Halloween discos, bogan bingo, quiz nights, colour runs, sausage sizzles, casino nights, speakers for parents and many other events. We thank her profoundly for the significant contributions she has made to the Pearsall Primary School Community.



**NEW 2022
TIMETABLE**

8.25am	Classrooms Open
8.40am	Siren for start of day
10.40am	Recess
11.15am	End of Recess
1.15pm	Lunch
1.40pm	End of Lunch
3.00pm	School Day Ends

Please note:

2.30pm finish on

Wednesdays

**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.

**BOOK FAIR - "PAWS FOR BOOKS"**

What a hugely successful Book Fair we had this year. After having a year off due to COVID we were back with a vengeance. Total sales were a whopping \$9627.98 giving us almost \$2000 in commission which will go towards our incursion next year.

**"PAWS FOR BOOKS" Dress Up Day - Gold Coin donation for HAART**

To raise awareness of the plight of homeless, abandoned & endangered animals, students and staff were invited to dress up in an animal theme. Everyone looked amazing!

A gold coin donation raised \$601 for HAART (Homeless & Abused Animal Rescue Team)

THANK YOU to everyone who supported Book Fair & Dress Up Day!

Your support is hugely appreciated!

Virtual Excursions in Science

Thanks to the very generous science grant we were awarded late last year, we were able to purchase a set of virtual reality headsets. This week Year 6 Students in Dem 5 and Dem 6 went on a virtual excursion to a power plant where they were able to explore how electricity is generated using both fossil fuels and wind turbines. Earlier in the year they were able to visit volcanoes and go under the ocean to see how the movement of tectonic plates cause Tsunami's. Virtual reality is allowing our students to experience their learning in a whole new and very engaging way. They are able to explore their world in exciting ways and, as evidenced by their engagement and assessment results, is proving to be a real bonus to their learning.

Booklists 2023

Booklists are available from the school website ([Booklists - Pearsall Primary School](http://booklists-pearsallprimaryschool.pearsoned.com.au) (pearsallps.wa.edu.au) The recommended provider is Champion but parents do have a choice in who they use to obtain school requirements. Champion do provide a door to door service making the process of gathering the requirements a relatively easy exercise.

Reports

Reports will be provided to parents on Wednesday the 14th of December Via Connect.

Unwanted Books

If you have any unwanted books at home that you would like to donate to the school please let the office know. We use these books to supplement classroom supplies.

School Drop-off

As the weather gets warmer, we have noticed some students arriving early. This is a safety concern as there is no teaching staff onsite to supervise. A staff member comes on duty at 8.20am, so the earliest arrival time should be 8.15am. We have camp Australia onsite to support you if you need to drop your child off earlier due to work commitments, to ensure your child is safe. [Pearsall Primary School | Camp Australia](http://pearsallprimaryschool.wa.edu.au)

Hot Weather

The warmer weather is now occurring. Please ensure you send your child to school with a water bottle and hat. If children are not hydrated during the day, they have trouble concentrating, and we have a "no hat, no play" rule. This is about being sun smart and protecting our children's skin. Early this year, we went through the uniform policy with the School Council.

Year 5 Leadership Day



What do you get when you put an AFL player, a yoga instructor and a fireman in the same room ???.....A fantastic Yr 5 Student Leadership Day !

Last Thursday, our Year 5 students participated in a fun-filled day of activities designed to promote teamwork, leadership skills and resilience. Adam Przytula from Armed for Life, engaged our students with a talk on Resiliency and Bullying before groups divided into sessions with a Dockers player, Yoga Instructor and Firefighter. The day concluded with an energetic dance- off with hip-hop artist Marksman Lloyd. For more information on Armed For Life follow the link

[Armed For Life - Armed For Life](#)



Pearsall Dental Clinic

Pearsall Dental Clinic will be shut from **Mon 19th December 2022 to Fri 27th January 2023**. Emergency dental treatment is available at the Mt Henry Dental Therapy Centre: 43 Mt Henry Rd, Salter Point. PHONE: 9313 0555 Between the hours of 8:15 am & 4.30pm Mon- Fri excluding public holidays.

The School Dental does not provide after hours emergency treatment. Emergency dental treatment is available on Thursday 15th Dec & Monday 19th Dec- Fri 23rd Dec on 9302 2969. After hours emergency service 1800 098 818.



CLASS PLACEMENT POLICY

Rationale

The school creates its class structure based on the professional judgement of staff with the aim of creating the best learning environment for each student.

Procedures and guidelines

Consideration of this process begins in October of the previous year.

Other factors influencing class structure are:-

- the projected number of students in each year level
- the ratio of girls to boys
- projected enrolments during the year based on past trends
- the number of teachers allocated to the school based on total enrolments
- the layout of classrooms
- Disability allowance students
- the needs of the students and
- the constraints of resources and facilities.

The Administration, with considerable consultation from key staff, are responsible for the final decision on the class structure in the school.

Should there be more than one class in a particular year level, or the need to form a split grade class, the professional judgement of relevant teaching staff from the previous year will decide the placement of individual students.

The Administration, with required advice from staff that is open and transparent, will have the final decision on the individual placement of students.

Factors that will be considered in the placement of students includes:-

- gender
- work habits eg ability to work independently
- academic performance
- social maturity
- behaviour
- previous class placements
- special needs eg twins, family situation
- school psychologist recommendation
- friendship groups.

Parents may be consulted on class placement, if deemed necessary by the Administration and class teachers.