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Newsletter

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Safe, Teamwork, Achieving, Respect

Every child's journey at Penrith South Public School is one of purpose, high expectations, dignity and options.

This year marks the 60th anniversary of our wonderful school! 60 years of doing and serving, 60 years of students, families and staff working together, 60 years of friendships and learning.

In line with our school motto, a great example of 'doing and serving' is our wonderful volunteers who look after student banking. A small group of mums and dads come to school each Wednesday to count the money and process the deposits. If parents have questions they are encouraged to leave a note in the bank book or email the P&C via the school email address or by leaving a message with the office ladies. Thank you so much to these mums and dads that help out so our students can learn the benefits of saving!

Camp Change

There has been a change to the destination of our Stage Three camp this year as Myuna Bay has been suddenly closed. The camp will now be at Milson Island from 9 to 11 September. At this stage the cost will remain the same and any money already paid as a deposit will be automatically transferred to the new camp. The payment schedule will remain the same. More information will follow from Mr Waddell.

Toilets for Visitors

If you are visiting the school and you or your toddler need to use the toilet, please use either the disabled toilet at the front of the hall, if it's unlocked or head to the office for directions to another suitable toilet. The student toilet block is strictly for students.

Colour Run!!

It's finally here, we hope everyone has a really fun day. A big thankyou to students who have been fundraising for our under covered walkways! And a big thank you also goes to Mrs Delforce who has been the main organiser of this event. It's going to be a great fun colourful day!

There will be a bright yellow sign near the sausage sizzle where community members will be able to show their preference of which areas they would like the school to prioritise with the undercover walkways. Please have your say on the day.

New Uniform Supplier – Back to Basics

A reminder that our new uniform supplier will be in operation from day one Term Two. We hope you make the most of the online service they offer as well as their lovely service and quality. We are very happy to be partnering with this local business.

Feedback to Community

Late last year a number of community members and teachers completed a survey via email called Excellence in School Customer Service. Areas of strength acknowledged are ethical behaviour of teachers in their decisions and judgement and also adhering to code of conduct and Department of Education policies and also that collaboration is valued and recognised. Areas to work on are better management of incidents of bullying, communication and communication about learning and also improvements to our office. We would like to thank everyone who participated in the survey and for providing us with your feedback, without it we can't improve as a school.

Kerrie Beeby
Principal

TELL THEM FROM ME STUDENT FEEDBACK SURVEY (TERM 1, 2019) YEARS 4-6

I am delighted that this term, our school, like many other public schools in the state, will participate in a Department of Education initiative: the *Tell Them From Me* student feedback survey. The survey measures factors that are known to affect academic achievement and other student outcomes. The focus of the NSW-wide survey is on student wellbeing, engagement and effective teaching practices.

More information about the survey is available at: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au>

The survey is a great opportunity for our students to provide us with valuable and quick feedback on what they think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. More than 6,300 schools in Australia and around the world have used *Tell Them From Me* to survey 5.4 million students. Capturing the voices of our students will help improve how we do things at our school.

I want to assure you that the survey is confidential. The survey is conducted online and will typically take less than 30 minutes to complete. It will be administered during school hours between 8th-12th April. Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary.

A consent form and FAQs for parents/carers about the survey has been sent home with students. If you **do not** want your child or children to participate, please return the form to school by **Friday 5 April**. Copies of the form and FAQs are available from: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>.

The consent form and FAQs are available in 23 languages.

SCHOOL SECURITY

The school's security phone number is: **1300 880 021**

LOST PROPERTY

Lost property- items such as clothing, lunch boxes and drink bottles can be found in a white basket in the foyer of Room 24 (Oshclub Room). Valuables are held in the Front Office.

SCOOTER AND BIKE SECURITY

Students riding a scooter or bike to school must wear a helmet and they must dismount their scooter or bike and walk it to the bike rack located near Room 12. The bike or scooter should be secured to the rack with a chain.

TERM 1 2019

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10	Apr 1 Year 3-6 Assembly 2pm Hall Debate Training at York PS	Apr 2	Apr 3 School Banking Newsletter	Apr 4 School Colour Fun Run	Apr 5 PSSA <u>Money due for School Colour Fun Run</u> Last day for the Tell Them From Me Survey Years 4-6 Consent Form
11	Apr 8 <u>P&C Easter Raffle tickets and payment due by 3pm</u> <u>Tickets are \$1 and extra tickets are available in the Front Office.</u>	Apr 9 Captains, Councillors & SRC representatives attend Anzac Service at Penrith Paceway 10:30am to 11:45am	Apr 10 School Banking	Apr 11 <u>Pedlar's Parade</u> <u>Students to bring in money for purchases.</u> <u>Items are priced from \$1</u> <u>11:45am outside School Hall</u>	Apr 12 LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS <u>Voluntary School Contributions welcome \$30 per child and \$60 for families with 3 or more children</u> STAR DAY (MUFTI) NOTE TO COME Last day to order prizes for School Colour Fun Run

TERM 2 2019

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Apr 29 Staff Development Day	Apr 30 Students return to school	May 1 School Banking	May 2 Choir Rehearsal <u>Payment due for Stage 1 Excursion (Year 1&2) Featherdale Wildlife Park \$30</u>	May 3
2	May 6 Year 3-6 Assembly 2pm Hall	May 7	May 8 School Banking Newsletter Zone Cross Country	May 9 Stage 1 Excursion (Year 1&2) Featherdale Wildlife Park	May 10 Mother's Day Stall

SUPERVISOR'S AWARDS

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM
<u>Kindergarten</u> Tyson Ruawhare Laylea Atcheson Taniela Tukuafu Chloe Savage Anastasia Carroll Aiden Benge Chloe Myers Charlotte Raffan Alexis Martin Rafael Ranches Tallara—Hope Clynes Micaela Glover Elijah Bray Olivia Birlocchio <u>Year 1</u> Lily Weymss Halaevalu Viseshio Eddison Camilleri Madison Bell Mikaylah Bendfeldt Lily Cullens <u>Year 2</u> Bella Wilson Short Ashley Meads Coopar Crawford Jacob Ingold Alex Montgomery Ruby Rose Wheeler Bonnie Naghten Isabella Coates <u>Year 3</u> Ayden Wheatley Jehoaddan Faalogo Sophie Thomson Alizia Winchcombe Hayley Tran Aviana Portelli Alice Ware Joshua Mitchie Haryash Kaur Dewan Mustafa Phoebe Morris Ava Manley Arabella Deadman Kaden McIlhatton <u>Year 4</u> Isabella Benge Tyler Ingold James Drinan Harry Williams Isaac Hart	<u>Year 1</u> Jordan Wheatley Charlotte Morris <u>Year 3</u> Maddison Hennig <u>Year 4</u> Byron Smith Isabelle Gibbs <u>Year 5</u> Skylah Riwh-Couch Lilly Barenvi <u>Year 6</u> Daniel Small Bray Coghlan Ella Sedwell Cameron Roberts Thomas Myers Nishika Talusani		

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<u>Year 4</u> Jessica Tukuafu Mehdi Shaddad Mia Tregear Byron Smith Riley Crawford Tayley Hopwood Hailey Reichel <u>Year 5</u> Cooper Towns Charlie Brown Sophie Wicht Summer Henricks Brock Neville Peyton English <u>Year 6</u> Atley Hillan Isabelle Papsdorf Brooke Sharpe Benjamin Blakey Taylan Goker Millie Banham-Smith Michael Dezenieks Alex Burke Dean Jones Lucas Choma Terri Beattie			

P&C NEWS

Hello everyone,

- The next P&C Meeting will be the AGM and held on Monday 6 May at 9:15am in Room 24.
- The next Clothing Pool will be held on Monday 6 May 8:45am to 9:15am in Room 24. Please note we do not have EFTPOS, cash only and limited change.
- It is membership renewal time. For \$1 you can join and this entitles you to be a member of the P&C and vote at the up coming Annual General Meeting.
- Our next big fundraiser is the Easter Raffle. A note with a book of 10 raffle tickets attached has been sent home. Each ticket is \$1. Additional tickets will be available in the Front Office. All sold and unsold tickets **must be returned** in an envelope along with the correct money to PIP in the Front Office by **3pm Monday 8 April**. The raffle will be drawn on Thursday 11 April for six prizes each being a \$50 giftcard.
- Next Term we will hold a Mother's Day Stall on Thursday 16 March. Gifts have been pre-purchased so no donations are necessary. A note will be sent home with all the details.
- Lastly our Election Day BBQ was a huge success. Thank you to the wonderful team of volunteers who gave their time on the day. Our volunteers included members of the P&C, parents, Mrs Beeby and Penrith South teachers. It was a huge commitment by all involved, thank you.

P&C Committee and Members

Email address: pspspandc@gmail.com

PLAY AND CHAT

Play and Chat is held at Penrith South Public School for 0-5 year olds on Tuesday and Thursday mornings 9:15am to 12 noon.

Drop in and have a cuppa. Everyone is welcome. We have painting and playdough, music, stories and great activities.

Enquiries: Call Kathy 0432 625 981 or Connect Child & Family Services 4759 1462

CIRCLE OF SECURITY PARENTING COURSE



- **Where:** Penrith South Public School.
- **When:** Friday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th March and 5th April 2019.
- **Time:** 9.30am – 12.00pm.
- **There is no cost involved.**
- **Free Childcare Available.**
- **To make a booking please phone Kathy on 0432 625 981**
- Circle of Security is an internationally recognised evidence based program which draws on 50 years of research into attachment. It is run as a six week group for parents and carers.

The group is designed to enhance the bond and sense of security for both parent and child in their relationship by:

- Giving parents a way to better understand their children: 'Why does my child behave that way?' 'What does s/he need?' and 'How can I best help him/her grow?'

Inviting parents to reflect on their own experiences of being parented and how it impacts on their parenting.

Providing an environment where parents can focus on their strengths and struggles and benefit from the experience of sharing with other parents.

An activity of Connect Child and Family Services

HOLD YOUR CHILD'S HAND

As pedestrians, children can be easily distracted and are often too small to be seen by drivers. They may be unable to predict or identify dangers and tend to act impulsively.

Talk with your child about safe behaviour on the footpath – it's not a safe place to play as it is near the road and vehicles may be entering or exiting driveways.

Until your child is at least eight years old, hold their hand:

- on the footpath
- in the car park
- when crossing the road.

Up until at least 10 years old:

- supervise your child very closely, holding their hand when crossing the road.
- If you can't be with your child, organise for another trusted adult to accompany them.
- After school, meet your child at the school gate. At the end of the school day children may be excited, distracted or tired and often not concentrating on their own safety.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on safetytown.com.au

IMPORTANT DATES

- Last day of Term is Friday 12 April. Students return to school for Term 2 on Tuesday 30 April.

Find out more information about the **COOL KIDS** program on Macquarie University website



COOL KIDS

TERM 2

Anxiety Support Programme

for children in years 4 to 6
8 sessions commencing Wednesdays from
8th May 2019 until 26th June 2019

after school at
CatholicCare Western Sydney and The Blue Mountains
Group Room - Ground Floor
326 High Street Penrith 2750
(behind St Nicholas of Myra Parish Centre)
Parking Through Higgins Street

from 3.15pm to 5.00pm
Program is free
Parent and child Workbooks at cost price of \$35

Contact: (02) 88432580 to register interest
Small group so limited spaces
A CatholicCare Cool Kids accredited facilitator
will contact you about the program and arrange an interview



www.ccss.org.au
enquiries@ccss.org.au
(02) 8843 2500



Tuning in to Kids

Dates for 2019

6th May

13th May

20th May

27th May

03rd June

17th June

When: 6 sessions from 6th May 2019
Where: CatholicCare Penrith
326 High street, Penrith 2750
(Behind St Nicholas of Myra church)
Time: 10:30 am - 12:30 pm
Cost: Gold coin donation
Topic: Emotionally intelligent parenting

Teaches parents skills in *emotion coaching*, which is to recognise, understand and respond to children's emotions in an accepting, supportive way.

Please note: there is no child minding for this course

Parking is available via Higgins Street, Penrith 2750

To register please contact (02) 8843 2580 or

Penrith@ccss.org.au

What parents are saying:

"It has made me a calmer parent and my child is calmer and we feel closer to each other. He/she is also better able to manage his/her behaviour."





Dear Families,

We are nearly at the end of Term 1 already! Oshclub has been extremely busy getting to know lots of new children and families this year. We welcome you to come in and have a look, talk to us about how we can support your child's needs and provide suggestions if you have some new ideas. We have been lucky to have a science incursion this term with Darren, the crazy scientist! Darren is a high school science teacher who runs this program and has done a fabulous job engaging our kids in the world of science.

I would like to inform our families that I will be finishing up at the end of term to take maternity leave. Ena and Lucy are taking over alongside Jobellyn, Natalie, Jen, Carmelina and Amanda and everything will continue on the same. We know there will be a settling in period but hopefully this transition will be as easy as possible for you and your children.

On a personal note, I would like to thank the wonderful families at Oshclub for all your support throughout the last 5 years. I appreciate that you are understanding, friendly, take the time to have a chat and have allowed me to become a part of your children's school life. As any educator or teacher will tell you, we generally don't shut off from work when we go home, we go home thinking about the funny things your children said or did today, the fun activities we could come up with to extend their learning and get them engaged for tomorrow, what we can do to better to support them and how we can handle things better ourselves the next day. It is a constant reflection on what we do and what we can do better. I can honestly say that although I am constantly exhausted, I genuinely love my job and spending everyday with our Oshclub kids! Thank you for making it so rewarding and hopefully I will be back soon!

To the teachers and school community, thank you for supporting Oshclub in your school, it can sometimes mean compromising a little and it can be hard if you need to share a space with us, but we do appreciate that very much. The communication between teachers and Oshclub educators really helps us to support the children in our care and we value those relationships.

Lastly, vacation care is running between 15th to 26th April, we are only closed public holidays. Book in now online! Please contact our team if you need any help!

Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0407 683 342. Email: penrithsouth@oshclub.com.au

Coordinator: Lauren

Support Coordinator: Lucy

Assistants: Jobellyn, Natalie, Jen

OSHClub Head Office: 1300 395 735

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is Free!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au all bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

NOTICE - ALLERGY - Please ensure all food is nut free

(EX) CURSION

(IN) CURSION

Monday 15 April

EXPLORE THE OCEAN FLOOR

IN-SERVICE

How do you make an octopus laugh? With 'ten-tickles' of course! Discover more fun aquatic facts on today's submarine adventure!



Monday 22 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SERVICE CLOSED



Tuesday 16 April

(IN) + \$17.00

DISCO FEVER

INCURSION - SILENT PARTY DISCO 4 KIDS

Put on your silent disco headphones and rock it out in our silent disco party.



Tuesday 23 April

(EX) + \$30.00

JUST BEAD IT

EXCURSION - ZONE BOWLING CASTLE HILL

Challenge your friends and strike it lucky with some tenpin bowling action. Socks and enclosed shoes required.



Arrive by 8:45am. Enclosed shoes required.

Wednesday 17 April

(EX) + \$30.00

SPRING HAS SPRUNG AT THE FARM

EXCURSION - CALMSLEY HILL FARM VISIT

Get up close to a range of native and farmyard animals. at Calmsley Hill farm in Fairfield today!



Arrive by 8.30am

Wednesday 24 April

(IN) + \$17.00

CRAWLING CRITTERS

INCURSION - MINI BEASTS

Use a magnifying glass as we discover all about live, large invertebrate animals in a hands on session.



Thursday 18 April

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA

IN-SERVICE

Celebrate the Easter Season with us today!



Thursday 25 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SERVICE CLOSED



Friday 19 April

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

SERVICE CLOSED



Friday 26 April

WHEELS DAY

IN-SERVICE

Enjoy your bikes, scooters, skates, blades or skateboards for a day of riding fun. Helmets and safety gear must be worn, no equipment can be shared.



Junior Adventures Group continues to pioneer the OSHC sector, building stronger communities and brighter futures for more than 70,000 children, 40,000 families and more than 400 schools across Australia.

Our Values

- Considerate - Be there for others
- Passionate - Bring energy and determination
- Courageous - Challenge ourselves

The values we share guide our behaviour as we work towards our vision to **build brighter futures together.**



What we offer

- A healthy, safe, respectful and engaging environment
- Caring, enthusiastic, fun and friendly team
- New and popular excursions, incursions and theme days
- Stimulating experiences tailored to children's interests, abilities and current trends
- OSHClub endeavour to link each fun experience to key learning outcomes



We are a child safe organisation



What Does My Child Bring?

Please bring breakfast, morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a refillable drink bottle. If bringing food please make sure it's nutritious and doesn't require heating or cooking.

Please be mindful of the planned incursion/excursion and ensure your children are dressed appropriately. Don't forget your sun smart hat, comfortable clothes, closed shoes and a drink bottle.

To avoid loss or disappointment, please leave your valuables, money and electronic toys (including tablets and smart phones) at home.



Healthy Eating

OSHClub follows the Australian dietary guidelines which can be found at <https://www.eatforhealth.gov.au>

Activity Changes

If an excursion or incursion (due to unforeseen circumstances) is cancelled, the activity will either be postponed or an alternative activity of equal value will be provided where possible.



Before making your booking & cancellations

All children must be enrolled with OSHClub prior to booking via oshclub.com.au. Bookings made within 5 days for a Vacation Care session will incur an extra charge of \$4.00 per day per child. 7 days notice is required for cancellation of a Vacation Care booking to ensure you will not incur out of pocket costs. Please note that bookings can not be made online within 5 days of the session commencing. In order to book within this period, you will need to contact the service directly, the Customer Service and Billing Team on 1300 395 735 or by emailing oshaccounts@junioradventuresgroup.com.au.

Child care subsidy

Our services are registered with Centrelink, so you will be able to claim Child Care Subsidy on your fees. For further information please visit <https://www.education.gov.au/new-child-care-package-frequently-asked-questions>.



Children with additional needs

We support all children including children with additional needs. If you would like to provide additional information about your child and his/ her needs or require inclusion support funding, please contact us 6 weeks prior to program commencement on 0407 683 342 for staffing purposes.

Book now at oshclub.com.au | be quick as places are limited

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