

Term 2 Week 8  
June 2019



# Newsletter

# Penrith South Public School

*Opportunity Growth Success*

60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Student Learning – Past, Present and Future  
Penrith South Public School 1959 – 2019  
Past Present Future

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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.**

Welcome to Penrith South Public School Aaliyah, Mercedes and Billy.

### Parent Working Bee

Last Friday, we had a group of parents who gave up their time to volunteer at our school to help with some work around our grounds. In the hours that they were here they managed to weed gardens, relocate some plants around the school, mulch gardens and the plantings along the Evan Street entrance pathway, assist Mr Nik with the installation of new bag hooks for our students and help with a general tidy up around our school. On behalf of the staff and students I would like to greatly thank Cassy, Cath, Kim, Jo and Pania.



### Staffing

This week we farewell our School Administration Manager, Mrs Patane, who has accepted another position within the Department for the remainder of the year. We wish Mrs Patane all the best for her new role in which we are sure she will be

very successful. Relieving in her place, we welcome Mrs Swan who we are sure will be a fabulous addition to our school.

### **Stage 2 Homework Project**

Congratulations to our Stage 2 students who created such an outstanding range of homemade musical instruments. We were lucky enough to see some of these instruments in action at our K-6 assembly on Monday and everyone was very impressed. These projects provide our students with an opportunity to showcase their wonderful skills incorporating planning, design, creativity and the assembly of items. Also a big thank you to parents, as these projects often would not be as successful without your ongoing support.

Craig White  
Relieving Principal

## **KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS FOR 2020**

**Enrolments for Kindergarten 2020 are now being accepted at Penrith South Public School.**

If you or someone you know has a child turning 5 before July 31, 2020 they are eligible to enrol to start school next year. Please visit our school office between 8.30am and 3.15pm Monday to Friday to collect the enrolment forms. Completed application forms should be returned to the Front Office together with the child's original Birth Certificate, current Immunisation Certificate and proof of address (eg Utility Bill, Rental Agreement or Council Rates).

**The NSW Department of Education Policy states that a child of compulsory school age (6 years old) must be enrolled at and attending a government or non-government school by the time they turn six.**

I look forward to getting to know our new kindergarten students and their families before they start school next year. The Transition to School Group will commence next Term on July 26.

If you have any questions regarding your child's readiness to start school please feel free to make an appointment with me to discuss this.

Cassie Sigmund  
Relieving Assistant Principal

## **STARTING SCHOOL GROUP**

This is a relaxed playgroup that introduces our Kindergarten students for 2020 and their families to school life. The group meets every Friday in Terms 3 and 4 from 9:15am to 11am. The group starts July 26 2019.

This free transition program is facilitated by a qualified Educator and aims to build friendships and confidence in a fun and relaxed educational environment. Parents and carers stay with their child and children are asked to bring a healthy snack, water and a hat.

Please call Kim Martin on 0423 720 492 to enrol.

Connect Child and Family Services  
Community Based Family Support

## **STUDENT ABSENCES**

Parents/caregivers must provide an explanation for absences to the school within 7 days from the first day of any period of absence. Where an explanation has not been received within the 7-day timeframe, the school will record the absence as unjustified on the student's record. The Absence Note or letter should be given directly to the Class Teacher for processing.

## SUPERVISOR'S AWARDS

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM
<u>Kindergarten</u> Lincoln Appleby Oscar Carroll Koby Dunn Bentley Fornari Tru Hickey Skye White Tanush Talakola Jataye Beattie Natalee Wiegold Hayden Broadhurst <u>Year 3</u> Chase Bradley Loughlin Monaghan Tyler Gartrell Jakobe Evans Dakota Lyons <u>Year 4</u> Allan Neely Jack Lita <u>Year 5</u> Lania Fili Alex Thomson <u>Year 6</u> Hadid Khan Koby Gorrel Jake Higgins Tallyn Bajada Indiana Pini Mylinda Vella Eric Stewart Eva Archer Josh Dela Cruz Michayla Espie	<u>Kindergarten</u> Dommenic Refalo Shaun Talent Lincoln Appleby Gemma Lawler Flynn Macarthur-King Chloe Myers Huhana Paurini Malekai Tredoux Rafael Ranches Tyson Ruawhare Samantha Petterson Makayla-Anne Weatherstone Hallie LeBreton Elyana Becroft Jessica Bastian <u>Year 1</u> Skylah Nunn <u>Year 2</u> Kobi Graham Charlie Powhiro <u>Year 3</u> Josiah Button Haryash Kaur Alice Ware George Saab <u>Year 4</u> Maiwand Atmar Mia Tregear Medhi Shaddad Alicia Mason Hailey Reichel <u>Year 5</u> James Austen <u>Year 6</u> Millie Banham-Smith Josh Dela Cruz	<u>Year 3</u> Alizia Winchcombe <u>Year 4</u> Fajar Abrar	

## LOST PROPERTY

Lost property can be found in a white laundry basket in the foyer of Room 24 (OshClub Room). Parents and carers are reminded to label everything so that items, when found, can be returned to the students. Lost valuables are held in the Front Office.

Over the last few weeks a large number of jumpers and jackets have been found in lost property with no labels. Parents/caregivers should label all items so that they can be returned when found.

## SCHOOL SECURITY

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

## TERM 2 2019

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>8</b>	<i>Jun 17</i>  <i>K-6 Assembly 2pm Hall</i>	<i>Jun 18</i>	<i>Jun 19</i>  <i>SCHOOL BANKING</i>  <i>NEWSLETTER</i>	<i>Jun 20</i>	<i>Jun 21</i>  <i>Naidoc Cup</i>  <i>Year 5-6 School Camp</i> <i>Medical Information</i> <i>Note due</i>  <i>PSSA</i>
<b>9</b>	<i>Jun 24</i>  <i>K-2 Assembly 2pm Hall</i>	<i>Jun 25</i>	<i>Jun 26</i>  <i>SCHOOL BANKING</i>  <i>Choir Rehearsal</i>	<i>Jun 27</i>  <i>Debating Team Debate</i> <i>12:50 Hall</i>	<i>Jun 28</i>  <i>PSSA</i>
<b>10</b>	<i>Jul 1</i>  <i>P&amp;C Meeting</i> <i>9:15am Room 24</i>  <i>Clothing Pool</i> <i>8:45am to 9:15am</i> <i>Room 24</i>  <i>Year 3-6 Assembly</i> <i>2pm Hall</i>	<i>Jul 2</i>	<i>Jul 3</i>  <i>SCHOOL BANKING</i>  <i>NEWSLETTER</i>	<i>Jul 4</i>  <i>Debating Team –</i> <i>Minchinbury PS</i>  <i>Naidoc Assembly</i> <i>9:15am Hall</i>  <i>Naidoc</i> <i>Performance</i> <i>-Lucas Proudfoot</i>	<i>Jul 5</i>  <i>Star Day – Note to</i> <i>come</i>  <b><u>LAST DAY FOR</u></b> <b><u>STUDENTS</u></b>

### IMPORTANT DATES

- **LAST DAY OF TERM FOR STUDENTS FRIDAY 5 JULY. STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL IN TERM 3 ON TUESDAY 23 JULY.**
- Final instalment for Year 5-6 Camp to Milson Island of \$100 due Friday 2 August.

### NAIDOC ASSEMBLY 9:15AM THURSDAY 4 JULY

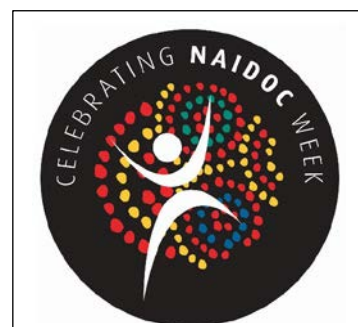
Please join us to help celebrate NAIDOC WEEK by attending a special assembly to mark this important occasion.

This assembly will include a traditional welcome Smoking and Dance ceremony along with viewing some aspects of Auntie Julie Jones' Aboriginal Cultural lessons our children have participated in this semester. A slide show will help showcase the amazing and cultural enrichment opportunities our children have been involved in across the whole school.

The assembly will close with our Aboriginal Dance Group performing a traditional dance they have been working on for this occasion. Hope to see you there!

Greg Waddell

Organising Teacher



## PSPS SPORT REPORT –WEEK 6

SPORT	PLAYED	WIN/LOSS/DRAW	SCORE	PLAYER OF WEEK
Junior Soccer	St Pauls	Loss	5-1	Dreyden Fili
Senior Soccer	St Pauls	Loss	10-1	Matilda
Jnr Rugby League	Cambridge Park	Win	24-0	Daniel Codd
Snr Rugby League	Regentville	Win	16-0	Ryan Malton
Junior A Netball	Lapstone	Win	11=2	Ava Choma
Junior B Netball	Nepean Christian	Loss	6-4	Amelia Batha
Senior A Netball	Lakes	Win	21-6	Brooke Sharpe
Senior B Netball	Cambridge Park		4-1	Myley Schulz
Junior Boys AFL	St Pauls	Loss	33-28	Jaxon Mutch
Junior Girls AFL	Nepean Christian	Win	85-2	Taylor Butler
Senior Boys AFL	Regentville	Loss	53-4	Ansh Banga
Senior Girls AFL	Regentville	Win	25-18	Makayla Kunkel
School Sport	Dodgeball, Newcombe Ball T-Ball			Lars Rowcliff Sean Kingdom

## PSPS SPORT REPORT –WEEK 7

SPORT	PLAYED	WIN/LOSS/DRAW	SCORE	PLAYER OF WEEK
Junior Soccer	Bye			
Senior Soccer	Bye			
Jnr Rugby League	York	Win	16-16	Harley Alvey
Snr Rugby League	Samuel Terry	Loss	24-0	Deacon Coghlan
Junior A Netball	PAC	Win	9-2	Makayla Consentino
Junior B Netball	PAC	Loss	13-1	Summer Jardine
Senior A Netball	Regentville	Win	13-2	Indianna Hemmett
Senior B Netball	Samuel Terry	Loss	9-2	Bray Coghlan
Junior Boys AFL	Cambridge Park	Win	54-1	Noah Tregear
Junior Girls AFL	Kingswood	Win	92-0	Miya Rincon
Senior Boys AFL	PAC 2	Win	26-24	Thomas Myers
Senior Girls AFL	St Pauls Grammar	Loss	120-12	Myllinda Vella
School Sport	Soccer, Dodgeball, T-Ball			Tahlia Rook Jonae Rochfort

## 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

## COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

Our Community Notice Board, located on the rear wall of Room 5, opposite the Canteen is worth a look if you are walking by. Community events and family service information are on display. Additionally after school activities such as guides, scouts, Air League and sports have flyers on display.

## UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Our new uniform supplier is Back to Basics School wear & Sportswear. They are located at 52 Cox Ave Kingswood. Their phone number is 4721 7422.



## **FREE fun program to help kids become fitter, healthier and happier!**

**Do you have children 7-13 years old?**

Go4Fun® is a healthy lifestyle program run by qualified health professionals to improve health, fitness, and confidence in children above their healthy weight.

Go4Fun® programs run weekly for 10 weeks during school terms, and are 2 hours long. Parents attend each session with their children to encourage a whole family approach. All sessions include:

- Weekly games and activities for kids
- Fun, interactive discussions to improve children's physical activity, confidence and eating habits
- Practical demonstrations, games and tips about healthy foods, label reading and portion sizes

**Programs across: Nepean, Blue Mountain, Hawkesbury and Lithgow areas**

To register **FREE** call 1800 780 900,  
**SMS 0409 745 645** for a call back  
or visit [www.Go4Fun.com.au](http://www.Go4Fun.com.au)



## **KITCHEN GARDEN UPDATE**

Since starting the Kitchen Garden we have been looking at ways to improve the garden soil. Worm towers have now been put into the garden and now we need organic (compost) bins to put our crunch and sip scraps in. As the council are giving away new organic (compost) bins at the moment, I was wondering if you are not wanting your old organic (compost) bin or don't use your organic (compost) bin if you would mind donating it to the Kitchen Garden program. If you are willing to donate the bins could you please give it to your child's teacher and I will collect them. Thank you for supporting our garden.

Mrs L Kirkman  
Organising Teacher

## **P&C NEWS**

Hello everyone,

### **P&C Meeting**

- The next P&C meeting will be held on Monday 1 July at 9:15am in Room 24.

### **Clothing Pool**

- The next Clothing Pool will be held on Monday 1 July at 8:45am to 9:15am in Room 24. If you are unable to visit the next Clothing Pool or have an urgent request, please see one of our P&C members or the staff in the Front Office.  
Please note we do not have EFTPOS, cash only and limited change. Prices start at \$10 for dresses, \$5 for School Polos, School Jumpers and Sport Shorts and \$2 for other items.
- Donations of clean second hand uniforms are always appreciated and can be left at the Front Office.

P&C Committee and Members  
Email address: [pspsandc@gmail.com](mailto:pspsandc@gmail.com)

## NIGHT WITH THE STARS!!

The students are all having so much fun with our dance lessons led by Miss Bec. It has been amazing to see their development in only a few short weeks. I know that all the students are starting to get very excited about performing at the **Evans Theatre at Penrith Panthers on Thursday 26 September**, showcasing all their hard work.

At Penrith South Public School we are also feeling very lucky as Penrith Panthers have kindly donated a grant towards our performance. This is a very kind donation from a local establishment that will ensure our 'Night with the Stars' is a HUGE success and also assist to keep the cost of tickets down. We would like to publically thank Penrith Panthers on behalf of the staff and students!!

Tickets will be going on sale this term. A note will be sent home shortly detailing the process to purchase tickets. **Tickets will be \$11 per person**, which is a fantastic price for such an amazing venue. Keep an eye out for more details to come.

Charlotte Kop  
Organising Teacher

## WHOOPIING COUGH

A member of our school was recently diagnosed with Whooping Cough (pertussis). A note from Public Health was sent home with every student this week. Parents and caregivers are asked to take the time to read the note.

Public Health advise that if a student has a throat swab for Whooping Cough **they must not attend school until the results are back from the doctor.**

## COUGH ETIQUETTE

### **Cover your cough**

- When coughing or sneezing, use a tissue to cover your nose and mouth
- Dispose of the tissue afterwards
- If you don't have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your elbow

## ACTIVE KIDS AND CREATIVE KIDS

**Active Kids** and **Creative Kids** are programs designed to encourage more children to participate in sport, active recreation and creative and cultural activities.

Each year, parents, guardians and carers can receive a \$100 voucher to go towards both creative and physical activities for school aged children. That's \$200 worth of savings per year for each child.

A **Creative Kids** voucher will help parents to cover some of the registration, participation and tuition costs on activities such as singing, drama, coding, languages, music, writing, drawing and photography.

The **Active Kids** voucher can be used on sports, fitness and physical activities for registration, participation and membership costs.

The vouchers can be used once with an approved provider. To find out more, parents need to visit [service.nsw.gov.au](http://service.nsw.gov.au).

## Public Schools NSW

### Information Sessions for Parents and Care Givers



Wondering what **Support Classes** can provide for your child?  
Come to one of our Information Sessions.

#### **Werrington Public School**

Heavey Street, Werrington

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 9am- 10.30am**

Further information: Andrei Roskolnikov – Learning & Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7613

#### **St Clair Public School**

4 Timesweep Drive, St Clair

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> June 9.30am – 11.00am**

Further information: Alissa Karbon – Learning & Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7642

#### **Springwood Public School**

Burns Rd, Springwood

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June 10am – 11.30am**

Further information: Andrei Roskolnikov – Learning & Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7613

#### **Rydalmere East Public School**

41 Spurway Stree, Ermington

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June, 10am – 11.30am**

Further information: Sue Embrey – Learning & Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7616

#### **Wentworthville Public School**

Fullagar Road, Wentworthville

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 12.30pm – 2pm**

Further information: Sue Embrey – Learning & Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7616

#### **Sherwood Ridge Public School**

34 Roseberry Road, Kellyville

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 1.30pm – 3pm**

Further Information: Kerrie Melville – Learning and Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7670

#### **Winston Hills Public School**

Hillcrest Ave, Winston Hills NSW 2153

**Week 9 TBC**

Further Information: Bianca Cozad – Learning and Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7614

#### **Lalor Park Public School**

Heffron Road, Lalor Park

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> 9.30am – 11am**

Further Information: Bianca Cozad – Learning and Wellbeing Officer: 9208 7614



## Penrith South Public School 'Starting School Group'

Group starts July 26 2019

9.15am—11.00 am Friday Mornings

During School Terms 3 and 4

Free Play  
Learning

Do you have a child starting  
kindergarten next year?

Join us for a starting school playgroup. It helps  
provide a gentle introduction to school life  
through play.

Group  
Activities

Please bring some fruit, a bottle of water and a hat for  
your child.

Parents stay with their child at the playgroup. Siblings  
can attend.

Stories &  
Games

Each morning there will be free play, group time  
and morning tea.

Children not attending any other Early Childhood

Visit Areas  
of the  
School



Please call Kim Martin on 0423 720 492 to enroll.

# HEAD LICE

## Head Lice Spread and Treatment Tips

It's that time of the year again, when head lice are once again on the prowl.

### Head Lice Spread:

- Regularly check your children's hair.
- Teach older children to check their own hair.
- Tie back and braid long hair.
- Keep a fine tooth head lice comb in the bathroom.

Just remember, there is no single solution to stop head lice infestations, only persistence.

### Head Lice Treatment:

Conditioner stuns head lice! The stunning effect seems to last about 20 minutes. After this time most lice are active again.

Conditioner also makes it hard for the lice to grip the hair shafts. Lice hold onto hairs with their six claws, and when they are alive, they are usually not removed by the typical plastic fine tooth comb. If the hair is wet, or, better still, coated with conditioner, lice seem unable to hold on as strongly as on dry hair. Conditioner may also suffocate lice. Use conditioner on hair to increase the rate of detection. Applying conditioner to dry hair is best, but it will work on wet hair also.

White hair conditioner has been recommended to assist in the removal of head lice.

- Apply conditioner to dry hair aiming to cover each hair from root to tip with a layer of conditioner.
- Detangle the hair using an ordinary comb.
- Immediately comb the hair with a fine tooth comb (preferably with cylindrical metal teeth – NOT FLAT TEETH). Plastic nit combs are good for removing adult head lice but not necessarily the eggs.
- Wipe the conditioner off the fine tooth comb onto a tissue and look for lice and eggs.
- Repeat the combing for every part of the head at least 5 times.

For more information on head lice treatment visit:

<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/headlice/treatment/index.html>

Please ensure that you check your child's hair thoroughly on a regular basis, especially coming into the colder months. We have had cases of head lice reported at school. It is only by parents/caregivers being vigilant in the checking of their child's hair that we can control this problem and we ask for your co-operation in this matter.

## WEARING HELMETS AND RIDING SAFELY

### Wearing Helmets

Always remember to check that your child is wearing a helmet whenever playing or riding on wheels:

- Bikes
- Foot scooters
- Rollerskates
- Skateboards
- Rollerblades

Road Safety Transport NSW

## UPDATING CONTACT DETAILS

If you have changed any of your contact details, please complete the notice below and return it to the school in order that we can update our records.

Thank you.

### Change of Contact Details

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Home address: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PARENT/CAREGIVER 1

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone no: \_\_\_\_\_ Work no: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile no: \_\_\_\_\_

#### PARENT/CAREGIVER 2

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone no: \_\_\_\_\_ Work no: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile no: \_\_\_\_\_

### Two Emergency Contacts Other than parent/caregiver

#### EMERGENCY CONTACT 1:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone no: \_\_\_\_\_ Work no: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile no: \_\_\_\_\_

#### EMERGENCY CONTACT 2:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to student: \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone no: \_\_\_\_\_ Work no: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile no: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Caregiver Name (Print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent/Caregiver

\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### Office Use Only:

Records amended by: \_\_\_\_\_



## Penrith South Public School

### Absentee Explanation Note

Student's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/s of Absence/s:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Reason for Absence/s:

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Parent/ Caregiver's name: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent/Caregiver's Signature      Date



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