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Newsletter

Penrith South Public School

Opportunity Growth Success

60th 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 Benjamin.

Asbestos Media Reports

Recently there has been some news coverage regarding asbestos in schools and I want to assure everyone that the processes and systems in place at Penrith South Public School ensure the health and safety of all students, staff and site visitors.

Our school site, like all schools, is closely monitored and maintained to ensure the ongoing safety of all people within our school grounds. Please click on the link to read more regarding asbestos management in NSW public schools.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/news/announcements/statement-from-the-secretary-of-the-department-of-education>

Blue Mountains Nepean Dance Festival and Special Eisteddfod

Congratulations to all the boys and girls who participated in the Blue Mountains Nepean Dance Festival last week. We received fantastic feedback from staff, parents and the students themselves regarding their experiences and how well they performed. A big thank you to our dance teachers for their work in coordinating the groups and preparing the children for such wonderful events.

Congratulations also goes to our students who participated in the Special Eisteddfod in our school hall on Friday. Five schools performed at the Eisteddfod with some very inspiring moments provided by all children. I know all members of the audience thoroughly enjoyed their day. Thank you Ms Hoarau, Ms Newcombe, Ms Stoker, Ms Lorgier and Ms Gale for all your hard work to ensure our students performed so admirably.

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 commenced on Friday 26 July.

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 and started on Friday 26 July.

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 and 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

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)



- *Listen to each other's point of view*
- *Be kind to each other*

Teachers will be looking out for students who are being respectful to their friends inside the classroom and on the playground. They will be focusing on students who are using kind words when solving problems and taking each other's points of view into consideration.

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. Absence notes are enclosed at the end of this newsletter.

SCHOOL SECURITY

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

SUPERVISOR'S AWARDS

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD	PLATINUM

NIGHT WITH THE STARS

Date: Thursday 26 September

Students must arrive at Penrith Panthers at 5:15pm. Students need to be walked up the escalator located to the right of the main entrance. Teachers will take the students and parents can then make their way to the Evans Theatre for a 6:30pm start.

For further details see the permission note that was sent home with all students. Parents and carers are reminded to complete the permission note, even if your child is not attending the evening and returned to school as soon as possible. Spare notes are available in the Front Office.

TERM 3 2019

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
10	<i>Sep 23</i> <i>Swim School</i> <i>Clothing Pool 8:45am to 9:15am Room 24</i> <i>P&C Meeting 9:15am Room 24</i> <i>Year 3-6 Assembly 2pm Hall</i>	<i>Sep 24</i> <i>Swim School</i> <i>Night with the Stars Rehearsal at school</i>	<i>Sep 25</i> <i>Swim School</i> <i>School Banking</i>	<i>Sep 26</i> <i>Swim School</i> <i>Night with the Star students to arrive at Panthers by 5:15pm</i>	<i>Sep 27</i> <i>Swim School</i> <i>Star Day- Note to come</i> LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS

- **STUDENTS RESUME SCHOOL FOR TERM 4 ON MONDAY 14 OCTOBER 2019.**
- Group photo orders are due back by Friday 18 October.

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

GROUP PHOTOS

The school's Special Group and Sports Group photos are now available to be viewed and ordered. Copies of the photos will be displayed in the Community Noticeboard on the rear wall of Room 5.

Orders can be made online at www.theschoolphotographer.com.au using the online order code of 19S1711PC38P. Alternatively cash orders can be made using the Order Envelope that can be obtained from the school's Front Office. For cash orders, please place the exact amount in the envelope and place the envelope in PIP (Paying in Point) in the Front Office. All orders are due by Friday 18 October.

Photo prices are \$16 each, 2 for \$30, 3 for \$42, 4 for \$52 or 5 for \$60. Any additional photos (after 5 photos) are \$10 each.

Jessica Hulse

School Photograph Organizer

P&C NEWS

Hello everyone,

P&C Meeting

The next daytime P&C Meeting will be held on Monday 23 September at 9:15am in Room 24.

Clothing Pool

The next clothing pool will be held on Monday 23 September 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. Donations of clean second hand uniforms are always appreciated and can be left at the front office. Please note we do not have EFTPOS, cash only and limited change. Prices are \$10 for dresses, \$5 for school polos, school jumpers and sport shorts and \$2 for other items.

P&C Committee and Members

Email address:pspsandc@gmail.com

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.

We ask that families check jumpers, jackets, hats and lunch box items are labelled with their child(s) name. This will help items be returned to their owners.

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.

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

ROAD SAFETY



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Absentee Explanation Note

Student's Name: _____

Class: _____

Date/s of Absence/s:

Reason for Absence/s:

Parent/ Caregiver's name: _____

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