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It was certainly a wet one last week a fair bit of rain cancelling a number of events that were planned. Some of these will be postponed of which will be communicated to students and parents soon.

School photos occurred last week on Wednesday with a catch up day planned for tomorrow Monday the 26th. Please contact the office for any questions relating to this.

Our Aboriginal Education Team have been busy behind-the-scenes planning and preparing activities for this coming week being reconciliation week. We would normally hold an assembly as part of the week however with construction still taking place in our assembly area, we will be communicating some important information over our screens throughout the school week. Miss Frances Reynolds and Mr Murray have been working with our students to complete an art project that will be presented next Friday. Last year Picton High School won 1st prize in this competition, so we are looking forward to hearing how they go this year.

Just a reminder that the P&C meeting will be held this Wednesday (not Tuesday as previously communicated) onsite at Picton High School starting at 5:30. There will be an AGM followed by a regular meeting.

Emails were sent out at the end of last week to those families who don't have a registered Sentral Parent Portal account. Please follow that email for instructions on how to create an account. This is important for you to be able to book parent teacher interview occurring in two weeks time on Tuesday 3rd June. Interview booking times will not be open until Tuesday 27th May at 9am. You will receive further information when this happens. If you are unsure of how to book an interview please click the link below:
https://picton-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/parent-teacher-interviews/how-to-book-an-interview.html

Information can also be found on our website under 'About Our School" then 'Parent teacher interviews'.

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Our wellbeing team have been working to refine processes and consequences in place for students that are out of uniform. We will be communicating these this week to students for commencement in Week 6 of this term. They will include uniform reflections during lunch 2 break monitored by our HT Wellbeing. We are still experiencing a number of students coming to school out of uniform. Please be reminded all students are expected to wear full school uniform every day. If for any reason students cannot wear the correct uniform on a one off occasion, please send a note with your child that is handed in to their roll call teacher. Please be reminded tights and hoodies are not an appropriate substitute to be worn to school on these one-off occasions. If you require any financial assistance for uniform please contact our uniform shop supplier, Yeronga Uniforms in Tahmoor who will be able to assist you in gaining this assistance.

Please be reminded that there are no phones to be used on school grounds during the school day. This included purchasing at the canteen. Students will need to have a physical card or cash to purchase items. Thanks for your support in this matter.

What's happening in the TAS classrooms this term?

Year 7

Depending on their class, they are either studying Forces, Timber, Metal or Digital Technology.

Year 8

Have moved into either Food Fabulous Food or Fabulous Produce.

Those studying Food Fabulous Food will be jumping into the kitchen starting next week for the first time to start learning how to prepare and serve basic recipes. Those studying Fabulous Produce will be looking at the agriculture industry and spend some time in our school garden learning about how to maintain a basic garden.

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Year 9
Timber - Students have started work on designing their serving tray and have started practice joints before moving into receiving their timber for the project.
Metal - Students have started work on their folio for their upcoming practical project - The Campfire BBQ.
Food Technology - Students have started their new unit: Food Equity. Understanding food availability across the world and what affects this.
Graphics - have almost finished their hand drawing unit, and will be moving to CAD software.

Year 10
Timber - Students have started work on designing their serving tray or trinket box (200hr course) and have started practice joints before moving into receiving their timber for the project.
Food Technology - Students have started their new unit: Food Selection and Health. Understanding nutrition and healthy eating habits.
Child Studies - Students are studying the unit 'Play' and the importance of play for the developing child.

Year 11
Design and Technology - Students have received their next assessment task, where they are asked to upcycle an interior or exterior furnishing item using sustainable materials.
Exploring Early Childhood - Students are learning about how a child develops - physically, emotionally and cognitively, and what affects this.
Food Technology - Students are studying a Nutrition unit this term.
VET Hospitality (Cookery) - Students are producing recipes for the competency 'Simple Dishes'
VET Hospitality (Food & Bev) - Students are completing recipes based on 'Simple Dishes'.
Industrial Technology Auto - Students are looking at panel beating.
Industrial Technology Timber - currently working on skill building using hand tools.
VET Construction - currently working on materials handling.

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Year 12
Design and Technology - Students are hard at work on their Major Design Project ready for external marking very soon.
Industrial Technology Timber & Auto - Students are hard at work on their Major Project ready for external marking very soon.
Food Technology - Studying unit Food Manufacture.
VET Hospitality (Cookery) - Students are completing recipes for the competency 'Methods of Cookery'.
VET Hospitality (Food & Bev) - Finalising work placement plans.
VET Construction - Completed tiling unit and now ready to start a group task unit.

What's happening in sport?

Congratulations to:

- Ivy White- Golden glove award- Best defensive u18 baseball player in Australia

- NSW all schools swimming championships - Adddison Barnes- Representative efforts in the pool at nationals swimming was highlighted when our local member Judith Hannan spoke in parliament. 12-14 Girls, 7th 200m Breaststroke, 9th 200m Individual Medley
- NSW all schools swimming championships - Brodie Smith - 17+ Boys, 5th 50m Freestyle, 5th 100m Freestyle
- NSW all schools swimming championships - Callie Mcleod - 17+ Girls, 9th 50m Breaststroke

Down the track:

- Tue 3rd June — Parent/teacher Interviews – Bookings open via parent Sentral app on Tuesday 27th May
- 12th June — Year 7 Immunisations
- Wk 9 &10 — Year 12 Trial examinations

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