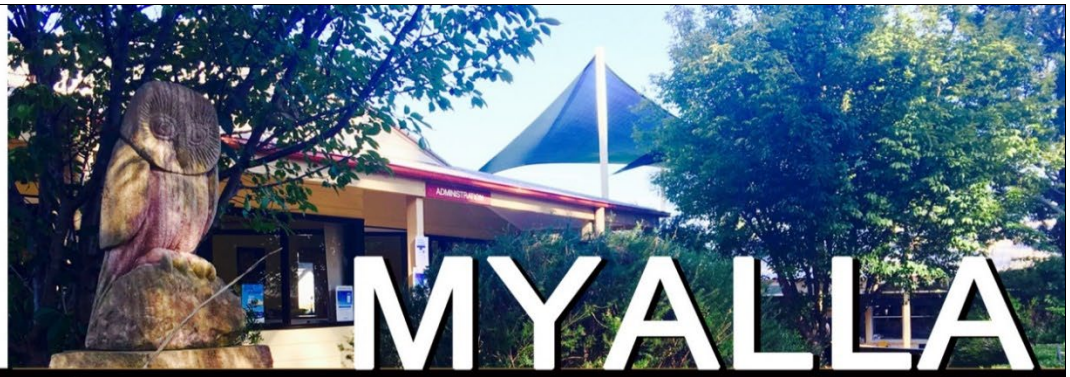

PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Thursday, 20 March 2025 *Term 1, Week 8*

Dates to remember:

Term 1, 2025

Thursday 20 March	Pulse Alive performance
Friday 21 March	Harmony Day
Tuesday 25 March	Zone Swimming Carnival
Wednesday 26 March	3-6 SRC Induction Assembly
Friday 28 March	K-2 SRC Induction Assembly
Friday 4 & Monday 7 April	Stage 2 Geography Excursion
Wednesday 9 April	PPS Cross Country Carnival
Wednesday 9 April	K-6 Combined Scripture Easter service
Friday 11 April	K-2 Easter Hat Parade
Friday 11 April	Last day of Term
Wednesday 30 April	Students return for Term 2

Principal's News

Parent Teacher Interviews - Monday 31 March to Friday 4 April

Pymble Public School will be holding our annual Parent Teacher interviews in the coming weeks.

This year, parents will make a booking for an interview through School Bytes. To make a booking, you must have access to the School Bytes Parent Portal. The Parent Portal can be accessed via the website - https://portal.schoolbytes.education/ or via the 'School Bytes for Parents' app on your phone.

For further information on how to book an interview via School Bytes, please see the following guide: https://support.schoolbytes.education/hc/en-us/articles/9332994472335-Parent-Portal-Book-a-parent-teacher-interview

All Class Interviews K-6 (other than 5/6R interviews)

Interviews for students in all other classes will take place from **Monday 31 March to Friday 4 April.** Bookings will open from Monday 17 March at 9am and close on Friday 28 March at 3pm.

5/6R Interviews only

Interviews for students in 5/6R will take place from Monday 24 to Friday 28 March.

Bookings will open from Wednesday 12 March at 9am and close on Friday 21 March at 3pm.

Should you have any issues, please speak to your child's class teacher or call the school office.

Executive Director Public Schools School Visit

Last Friday Cathy Brennan, Executive Director Public Schools for the Metropolitan North Directorate briefly visited Pymble Public School. During her visit, Mrs Brennan visited one of our year 2 classes, 2K to observe a writing lesson which was being taught by their teacher, Mrs Kingston-Smith. The children in 2K have been reading the children's book 'Sophie Scott Goes South' by Alison Lester, an informative text and learning about Antarctica in class.

As part of the new English curriculum, year 2 students are being explicitly taught how to write complex and compound sentences which include an independent and dependent clause, subordinate conjunctions and high-level vocabulary. The level of teaching and learning by the students is extraordinary. The children were clearly set up to succeed and confident in their engagement with the lesson. Mrs Brennan was impressed with Mrs Kingston-Smith's teaching and rapport with the students as well as the children's enthusiasm and engagement in the lesson. She commented that it was highly evident that explicit, engaging and rigorous learning and teaching is occurring at PPS.

I'd like to thank Mrs Kingston-Smith for allowing the executive director to visit her classroom. I'd also like to thank Mrs Brennan for taking time out of her busy schedule to visit our school.

New 2025 –2028 School Excellence Plan Parent Information Session, Thursday 27 March at 9am

The school leadership team together with our teaching staff over the past six months have prepared our new 2025 – 2028 School Plan (SEP). Our new SEP continues the school's emphasis on high level school improvement, excellence, student wellbeing, student growth and attainment, community partnerships and evidenced based teaching practices.

The school is holding a SEP Parent Information Session next Thursday 27 March in the school hall from 9-9.45am. During this session our school's planning processes, background data analysis and strategic directions and major initiatives as part of our new SEP will be presented. Parents and carers will also have the opportunity to ask clarifying questions.

We would like to see as many parents and carers as possible attend this parent information session.

2025 NAPLAN Testing

Over the past two weeks our years 3 and 5 students have undergone the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) online testing. The NAPLAN assessments are across the four domains of writing, reading, conventions of language and numeracy.

Our Year 5 students' last test was yesterday with year 3 students finishing their NAPLAN testing this Friday. NAPLAN is a point in time assessment and provides valuable diagnostic information on individual and groups of students. Together with school-based assessment data and other external data sets, NAPLAN helps to inform student achievement and importantly future teaching and learning plans.

Bruno Diodati
Principal

KISS AND RIDE ZONES

Understanding the rules

Kiss and Ride Zones are for your child's safety and for your convenience. Designed for quick entry and exit, it minimises congestion and risk when used properly.

RULES

- Kiss and Ride zones and 'No Parking' zones operate under the same conditions.
- Drivers may stop in this zone to drop off or pick up passengers or goods for a maximum of two minutes.
- The driver MUST remain in or within three metres of the vehicle at all times.
- The vehicle must not be left unattended.
- If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction only applies during the times shown.
- Penalties apply for illegally parking in School Zones. Rangers are active in the area.

REMEMBER

1. **DRIVERS DO NOT LEAVE YOUR VEHICLE -** To assist with traffic flow in the Kiss and Ride Zone, drivers are encouraged to remain in the car while the children get in and out. To facilitate this, children should travel with bags in the car and not in the boot.

2. **BE TIMELY -** If your child does not enter or exit the vehicle within 2 minutes you are required to travel around the block and re-enter the zone at the end of the queue.
   (Insert Street names relevant to your school)

3. **KERB SIDE ENTRY / EXIT -** Ensure your child enters / exits the vehicle on the kerb side. Ensure your child has their restraint securely fastened before moving off from the Kiss and Ride Zone.

4. **STAY IN SEQUENCE -** Please queue in an orderly manner. Drop/pick-up your child as close as you can to the top of the zone, allowing vehicles following you to enter the designated area.
   Do not cut in the queue

5. **NO U TURNS -** Do not make u-turns in busy school zones. They are dangerous and put children at risk. Fines and demerit points apply.

Kiss and Ride Zones need cooperation to ensure the safety of all children.

PLEASE DRIVE CAREFULLY AROUND SCHOOL ZONES

NO APOLOGIES NO EXCUSES!

Ku-ring-gai Council

Deputy Principal's News

School Supervision

School supervision commences at 8.30am each day when there are teachers on duty in the playground. Students should not be at school before this time unless they are enrolled in POOSH or are at supervised swimming, band or music lessons. If you need to leave for work before 8:30am please book your child into POOSH.

School finishes at 2:55pm and you need to collect your child/ren then or have them booked into POOSH. Students cannot stay in the playground and play unsupervised after 2.55pm.

If your child is attending after school activities such as Mandarin lessons and music tuition that begins after 3pm you will need to organise supervision for your child until these activities begin.

Late Arrivals

School begins at 8.55am. We still have many students who are regularly late to school in the morning. Some of these students are arriving late without a parent accompanying them to the office to explain why they are late. If students are late, they are missing valuable learning time. This may mean that family routines have to change, and children need to be in bed earlier each night in order to wake up earlier in the morning. Frequent unexplained late arrivals at school are recorded on School Bytes.

Below is a link to the Australian government website on the importance of family routines.

https://raisingchildren.net.au/grown-ups/family-life/routines-rituals-relationships/family-routines

Photographs of Students

We are reminding parents that videoing and taking of photos of other students is not permitted. When taking photos on school grounds of your child during school events, other students may be inadvertently in the photo or video and permission has not been obtained by their parents or carers to take this. We ask that parents and carers please check any photos or videos that they plan to post online or on social media accounts do not contain other students, as parents and carers have not given permission for this.

Jennifer Graham
Deputy Principal

Administration News

Absences from School

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please either call or email the school office (pymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) detailing your ***child's full name, class and reason for their absence***.

Application for Extended Leave (Travel) Forms

As part of the NSW Department of Education's attendance policy, parents and carers are required to apply for extended leave if their child is going to be absent from school for a period of 5 consecutive days or more. This does not apply for periods of leave due to illness. This applies to planned periods of leave which exceed 5 or more days. Parents and carers can apply for Extended Leave online via the School Bytes Parent Portal under the 'Forms' menu option.

Annual School Contributions

Annual school contributions have now been finalised and added to your child's School Bytes account. These contributions are charged in Term 1 each year and remain a voluntary payment. As outlined in Mr Diodati's email earlier this week, children will not be disadvantaged by a family's inability to pay school contributions. If you require financial assistance with paying school contributions or the cost of a school activity or program, please contact the school to speak with Mr Diodati or one of our relieving Administration Managers (Mrs Weir or Mrs Frankish).

Student Details on School Bytes

Did you know that you can now view the groups your child has been allocated to in School Bytes (such as class, house and scripture group), as well as your child's student email address? To view this data about your child, log into your parent portal, click on the 'Dashboard' menu and scroll to the very bottom of this page where all students in the family are listed. Click on the "Student Details' link for each child and all relevant information will be displayed.

Mrs Frankish, Mrs Weir, Mrs McCulloch, Mrs Cooper & Mrs O'Donohue

Library News

Thank you to those children and parents who are returning library books before school on the day the children have their library lesson. With library lessons being so short it allows the children's borrowing to occur with fewer issues.

I would like to remind all parents that the day children have a lesson in the library is not the only time they are able to borrow. They may borrow each school day, either before school each day or at lunch (Tuesday to Thursday), if they have their library bag. It is good for the children not to fill their school bags too full, so spreading borrowing over more days in the week will allow the children to carry a lighter load each day. It also helps them to be more independent and responsible while also exposing them to a wider variety of books.

Families who have been here for several years will be aware that the school has a subscription to ***World Book Online***. This subscription is current, and the username and password that you received last year is still valid. A copy of the flyer with the log in details will go out to each family this week. Please be aware that the log in details are NOT to be shared online or with non PPS families. It provides access to not only encyclopaedia articles at a number of ability levels, but also eBooks and other resources your family may find interesting, fun, and useful. One of the interesting and less well-known features, found in the settings, is the ability to translate the encyclopaedia articles into a wide range of languages, and to have the article read aloud in a variety of voices.

Miss Harris
Teacher Librarian

The school has a subscription to the World Book Encyclopedia online. This subscription allows children to access a variety of packages. These include an extensive set of ebooks, the *Early World of Learning* and also the encyclopedia which comes with 3 different access levels – Kids, Student and Advanced.

The children are able to access the resources at school and at home, on a variety of platforms as long as there is an internet connection. As it is a paid subscription the log in details can not be published in the newsletter. Using the information sent home separately, please log in and explore the site as the quality and variety of the resources, which are continually being updated, in the package are excellent.

If you have any questions, or misplace the log in details, please ask Miss Harris in the library, or your child's teacher.

LOG IN DETAILS

http://www.worldbookonline.com/?subacct=AU15080

The username and password are available from the library or your child's class teacher.

ANZAC Colouring & Poster Competition News

The ultimate aim of the ANZAC School Initiatives is to provide a greater understanding and awareness on the importance and respect of ANZAC Day. The initiatives are open to all primary school students (K-6). **The winning students will be awarded some fantastic prizes (see entry form for details).** Entry forms will be handed out by class teachers.

The judging of entries will be adjudicated by a panel including delegates from Koori Kids, community Elders and some council delegates. Closing date is Thursday 10 April 2025, and it is anticipated that the judging will take place on 21 April.

We are hoping to receive many creative entries from students. Correspondence and entries should be handed to the school office.

Cross Country 2025

When: Wednesday 9 April (T1, W11)
Where: Bannockburn Oval
Time: 9 am - 12.30pm
Who: All students who turn 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12 this year.
Bring: Recess and 2 drink bottles
Wear: Sports uniform and hat

Students turning 8, 9 or 10 this year will run 2km which is 1 lap of the oval and 2 laps of the outside track.
Students turning 11, 12 or 13 this year will run 3km which is 1 lap of the oval and 3 laps of the outside track.
The first 6 runners in each race will qualify for the Zone Cross Country Carnival held at St Ives Showground in Term 2.

Mrs Armbrister

Harmony Day – Friday 21 March

Harmony Week celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It Is intended to celebrate the cohesive and inclusive nature of Australia and promote a tolerant and culturally diverse society. The continuing message of Harmony Week is 'Everybody Belongs'.

This year, Harmony Day will be held on Friday in week 8 (21 March). On this day, students are invited to come to school dressed in a traditional outfit e.g. kimono, kosovorotka etc. or dressed in orange mufti-wear. Throughout the day, students will be involved in a range of classroom activities celebrating inclusion and our culturally diverse society.

Ku-ring-gai High School

Celebrating 60 years of Harmony in Diversity

Come and see Ku-ring-gai High School

Open invitation to attend a school tour

Tuesday afternoons this month

4:00pm to 5:30pm

Please RSVP through email:

kuringgai-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au

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NAPLAN 2025 parent and carer information

Each year the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is sat by students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. Students will participate in tests for writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy.

NAPLAN 2025 will take place from **Wednesday 12 March** to **Monday 24 March**.

NAPLAN is just one part of our school's learning assessment program. The tests assess literacy and numeracy skills your child is already learning at school, so the best preparation is their everyday classroom learning. Our school will also undertake activities to help students become familiar with the types of questions and tools available in the online tests.

The public demonstration site (https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/public-demonstration-site) is available for you to see the format of the online tests.

Further information about NAPLAN is available on the NESA website (https://www.nsw.gov.au/education-and-training/nesa/naplan) and the NAP website (https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/for-parents-carers).

If you have any questions about NAPLAN, please contact your child's teacher.

Transport for NSW Careers

Is this one for you?
School Crossing Supervisor

About you:

Help protect our vibrant school communities.

Be a road safety hero for school kids, caregivers, school staff and local motorists.

Able to communicate with different groups and give clear instructions.

Willing to work outdoors in all weather conditions.

Permanent Part-Time
Pymble Public School – 99033

In this role, you'll:

- Work shifts between 8:15 am – 9:15 am and 2:30 pm – 3:30 pm.
- 20 hours each fortnight.
- Monday to Friday during school terms.

Salary:
$25.66 per hour, + Super, + Holiday pay for Term 1,2 and 3.

Apply today
Applications close 11:59pm on Wednesday 26th March 2025.

Visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au and search for **Reference Number: 99033** or search 'School Crossing Supervisors' for a full list or vacancies or scan the QR code to apply.

For further information, contact Sandhini Chaudhary
E: sandhini.chaudhary@transport.nsw.gov.au
P: 0466 343 704

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Transport for NSW

School Student Travel

School student travel information for parents and students

School Travel Passes

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to apply or update their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their local bus operator to discuss their travel needs.

Students living in rural and regional areas will receive their travel pass from their nominated transport operator. It may be issued via their school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note**: some rural and regional operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Terms of Use

Students using School Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the Opal terms of use .

This includes travel within the approved times between 6.30am and 7.00pm from Monday to Friday on school days only. Students must use their Child/Youth Opal card for any travel outside these times.

All students are required to comply with the Student code of conduct. The code of conduct aims to ensure the safety and well-being of school children and other passengers. It is important that parents ensure their child is aware of this, as failure to comply with the code of conduct can result in a suspension from travel.

Mail sent from the Stakeholder Liaison Team, Customers Systems and Operations.

Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/school-students

Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback

You're receiving this email because you have been nominated as your school's representative for all School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) news and information. If you'd prefer not to receive these emails or nominate a different representative, you can manage your email preferences by clicking here.

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- Create Brighter Thinkers
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- Achieve Academic Success

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- Demonstrates actions and consequences
- Rewards correct decision making
- Increases self-confidence
- Provides opportunities to make new friends from diverse backgrounds

Pymble Public School Chess Classes, 2025

Wednesdays 1:00PM - 1:45PM at POOSH Care next to Music Room

Term 1	**Cost: $153**	**12th Feb - 9th Apr**
Term 2	**Cost: $170**	**30th Apr - 2nd Jul**
Term 3	**Cost: $170**	**23rd Jul - 24th Sep**
Term 4	**Cost: $170**	**15th Oct - 17th Dec**

To enrol please pay online with your credit card at
www.sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/payment

Enter the code **2KWBA9NZ7U** and fill in the electronic form, with your child's details.

**There are no credits or refunds for missed classes, clashing activities, sickness, school excursions, staff development days, teacher strikes or change of mind. Any missed classes can be made up at one of our online chess classes. Please visit https://sydneyacademyofchess.com.au/online for more information.*
Payment must be made the day before attending the first lesson of the commencing term. The participant will not be allowed to join the class until payment has been received. Joining midway through the term is welcome.
Use the payment code above and follow the online instructions.

OPTIONAL EXTRAS (prices exclude delivery)
To enhance your child's learning experience these items are available for purchase online at the time of enrolment

Workbook 1 – Cost: $25 [For Beginner/Rookie Players] **Workbook 2 – Cost: $25** [For Intermediate Players]	**Workbook 1 & 2 – Cost: $40** [SPECIAL OFFER]	**Exploration in Chess Beauty – Cost: $33** [For Advanced Players]
Chess Set & Roll-up Board – Cost: $25 [Recommended for All Ages]	**Chess Clock DGT1002 Bonus – Cost: $55** [Recommended for All Ages]	**DGT Starter Box (Fold-up Chess Set + DGT Bonus) – Cost: $85** [Recommended for All Ages]

*Pay for four terms in advance and receive a **free chess set** or **workbook 2**. Offer expires 31st March, 2025.*

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Free Stepping Stones Parenting Seminars

Triple P

For parents of primary school aged children with disabilities

Attend one or attend all three!

WEBINARS

- **Positive Parenting for children with a disability**
  Date: Friday 28th March
  Time: 12:00pm-1:30pm

  REGISTER NOW!

- **Helping your child reach their potential**
  Date: Friday 4th April
  Time: 12:00pm-1:30pm

  REGISTER NOW!

- **Changing problem behaviour into positive behaviour**
  Date: Friday 11th April
  Time: 12:00pm-1:30pm

  REGISTER NOW!

Contact
Jodie Caruana
School-Link
schn-chw-schoollink@health.nsw.gov.au

The Sydney children's Hospitals Network

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NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY
Friday 21 March
Hi schools!
Register to take part and Council will deliver a free box of fresh fruit for your students on the day!
BE SAFE
Important Note: This promotion is only applicable to schools within the Ku-ring-gai Local Government Area
Scan to REGISTER NOW
Orders close Monday 3 March
krg.nsw.gov.au/ride2school
BOX DIVVY
LOVING LIVING
KU-RING-GAI
Ku-ring-gai Council

YummyBearsKiosk
EXPERTS IN SCHOOL CANTEENS & HEALTHY EATING

PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

CANTEEN MENU

YBK Breakfast

- Café Style Raisin toast $ 2.00
- Honey, jam or vegemite toast $ 1.50
- Pikelets with jam or honey $ 1.00
- Approved school size banana bread 80g $ 4.00
- Cheese Jaffle $ 1.50
- Fresh fruit salad small $ 3.00 Lrg $ 5.00
- Fruit salad and Greek yoghurt $ 5.50
- Variety of homemade muffins $ 3.00

Drinks

- Water $ 2.50
- Sparling Mineral water $ 3.00
- Plain Milk popper $ 2.50
- OAK Flavoured milk 300ml $ 3.70
- Soy milk $ 3.50
- Up&Go $ 3.70

OCCASIONAL

- Juice poppers 99% fruit juice 250ml $ 3.00

YBK Snacks

Everyday

- Seasonal fresh fruit $ 1.50
- Fruit Skewer $ 2.00
- Apple slinky $ 1.50
- Fresh fruit salad Sm $ 3.00 Lrg $ 5.00
- Fruit salad and Greek yoghurt $ 5.50
- Carrot Stick (4x) $ 0.50
- Health pack (carrot, celery, cucumber, ham, cheese and crackers) $ 4.00
- Cucumber, celery and carrot cups with Hummus $ 3.00
- Variety of homemade muffins $ 3.00
- Pizza bread $ 2.00
- Garlic Bread $ 1.00
- Greek Yoghurt cups $ 1.50
- Greek Yoghurt cups with berries $ 2.00
- Pauls Vanilla Custard $ 2.00
- Pretzels $ 1.50

OCCASIONAL

- Oven baked hash browns $ 1.50
- Vegie chips (Gluten free) $ 3.00
- Popcorn Plain $ 2.50

Frozen

Everyday

- Frozen orange $ 0.30
- Frozen pineapple ring $ 0.80
- Frozen watermelon $ 1.50
- Quelch Stick $1.00
- Juicies $ 2.00
- Frozen juice cup $ 2.00
- Juicie Tubes $ 2.50

OCCASIONAL

- Paddlepop $ 2.50
- Moosies, frozen milk $ 2.50
- Twisted Yoghurt cups $ 3.50

Special Diets

GLUTEN FREE

- Muffins $ 3.00
- Banana bread $ 6.00
- Veggie chips $ 3.00
- Pasta Bolognaise $ 7.00
- Homemade fried rice with gluten free soy sauce $ 5.50 (250g)
- Health pack with gluten free crackers and gluten free Hummus $ 4.00
- Gluten free burgers $ 8.00
- Gluten free pie $ 7.50
- Gluten free sausage roll $ 6.50

DAIRY FREE

- Yoghurt $ 3.50
- Soy milk $ 3.50
- Muffins $ 3.00

dairy free breads and spreads

HALAL

- Homemade Pasta Bolognese $ 6.50(250g)
- Pizza wraps from $ 5.50
- Homemade Butter chicken with rice $ 7.30
- Halal Pies $ 6.00
- Halal Sausage rolls $ 5.50
- Halal Beef burger (beef Patty, tomato and lettuce) $ 7.00
- Falafel wrap (Falafel, hummus, lettuce, tomato and cucumber) $ 8.00
- Chicken burger (chicken, lettuce and mayo) $ 7.00
- Chicken kebab stick $ 4.00
- Chicken kebab in a wrap $ 5.50
- Chicken kebab in a wrap with lettuce and mayo $ 6.50

Cold Food

SANDWICHES

white, wholemeal, multigrain, gluten free bread available

- Vegemite or honey $ 2.50
- Vegemite and light tasty cheese $ 4.50
- Light Tasty Cheese $ 4.00
- Chicken, lettuce and mayo $ 5.50
- Chicken and salad $ 6.00
- Egg and Lettuce $ 5.00
- Salad $ 5.00
- Tuna and mayo $ 5.00
- Tuna and salad $ 6.00
- Light Tasty Cheese and tomato $ 4.50
- Ham $ 4.50
- Ham and tasty cheese $ 5.50
- Ham and salad $ 6.00
- Cheese and salad $ 6.00
- Ham, tasty Cheese and Tomato $ 6.00

(extra fillings $ 0.50, toasted $ 1.00, Turkish bread $1.00, GF $1.00)

WRAPS

- Char grilled chicken breast, lettuce, tomato, cucumber and mayo $ 8.00
- Ham, cheese and Pineapple toasted $ 7.50
- Ham and cheese toasted $ 7.00
- Tuna, lettuce, tomato and mayo $ 8.00
- Falafel with mixed salad, carrots, cucumbers, hummus and Tzatziki $ 8.00
- Homemade Chicken schnitzel, avocado, lettuce and mayo $ 8.50

Hot Food

- Homemade Pasta Bolognese $ 6.50 (250g)
- Homemade Pasta with napoletano sauce $ 5.50 (250g)
- Fried rice with vegetables $ 5.50
- Homemade lasagna $ 6.50
- Wonton Soup $ 5.00
- Chicken noodle soup $ 4.00
- Chicken kebab stick $ 4.00
- Chicken Kebab in a wrap $ 5.50
- Chicken Kebab on wrap with lettuce and mayo $ 6.50

OCCASIONAL

- Ricotta and Spinach Rolls $ 5.00
- Timbertown Junior pies $ 4.00

Sauce satchels 50cents

Fresh Salads

- Garden Salad and dressing $ 6.70
- Grilled chicken and salad $ 8.00
- Tuna and salad $ 8.00
- Greek salad $ 7.20

all small salads $ 5.70

OCCASIONAL

- Caesar salad *(lettuce, bacon, parmesan and croutons)* $ 7.50 (chicken $1.00 extra)

YBK Weekly Meals

MONDAY - *Burgalicious $ 7.00*

- Chicken Burger with fresh chargrilled chicken breast, lettuce, mayo
- Beef burger with beef patty, lettuce, tomato and sauce
- Vegetarian Burger - potato patty, lettuce, tomato and mayo *(Vegan option also available)*

TUESDAY

- Homemade Butter chicken with rice $ 7.30

WEDNESDAY

Pizza wrap

- Margherita $ 5.50
- Bbq Chicken and Cheese $ 6.50
- Meatlover $ 7.50

THURSDAY

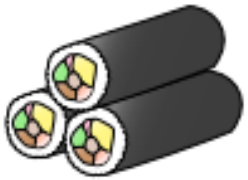
- Sushi Roll Tuna/Teriyaki Chicken/Vegetarian $ 4.80
- Sushi Baby Box Tuna or cucumber $ 4.80
- Edamame beans $ 3.50

FRIDAY *OCCASIONAL*

- Timbertown beef pie $ 6.00
- Timbertown sausage roll $ 5.50
- Timbertown Beef potato pie $ 6.50

SAUCE SATCHELS 50cents

*Daily specials may change according to season, weather/school events.



P&C News

Connect with the P&C

P&C Website
ppspandc.org

P&C Website for Kindergarten
ppspandc.org/kindy2024

School Website
pymble-p.schools.nsw.gov.au

Questions of Comments for the P&C?
Get in contact!
president.ppspc@gmail.com

Upcoming P&C Meetings

The next P&C meeting is on **Wednesday**, **21 May 2025** (Term 2, Week 4) at **7:30pm.**
We would like to extend the invitation to everyone in the school community. You don't need to be a P&C member to attend. You may attend in-person or via Zoom.
Please contact secretary.ppspc@gmail.com to register your interest. Zoom details and a copy of the meeting agenda will be sent out via email closer to the date.

Meetings are usually held each term in Week 4:
Term 3: Wednesday 13 August 2025
Term 4 and AGM: Wednesday 5 November 2025

Upcoming P&C Events

Come along and connect with other PPS parents to these upcoming events:

It's time to sombrero-up at the Mum's Fiesta!

You can buy your tickets here: https://events.humanitix.com/mum-s-fiesta

Dads and father-figures, come along for a casual catch-up and drink:

P&C Projects

P&C are currently working on a few projects. If you have any ideas and/or would like to join in our working groups for the following projects, please e-mail: president.ppspc@gmail.com

1. Car Line: Exploring ways to improve the school's car line system for safer, smoother drop-offs and pick-ups.

2. Swap Initiative: Investigating a potential program for families to exchange quality second-hand items (e.g books, outfits for extracurricular activities).

3. School Supply Drive: Developing a proposal for a P&C-led initiative to collect useful classroom supplies.

Second Hand Uniform Shop

Winter is coming! In need of a uniform? We are having a winter sale:

Please note that the 2nd-hand uniform shop remains open for sales **every Thursday from 8:30am to 9:00am** during the **school term**.

Our stock is dependent on donations, so if you have uniforms you no longer need, please consider donating them by placing them in the white uniform recycling bin located outside the school office. We only accept PPS branded uniforms and for hygiene reasons we can't accept socks or tights. Please make sure all donations are in usable condition and washed before they are donated.

Please support this great initiative at our school and save tons of school uniforms from ending up in landfill. If you have any questions, you can reach out to us at 2ndhand.ppspc@gmail.com

Promotion

Important Update:

PPS Parents Facebook Page

We are no longer able to allow sales posts on the main page. **All items for sale must be listed in the Buy & Sell section** to ensure we comply with Facebook's policies and keep our page running.

📌 Starting Monday, 10 March, sales posts on the main page will be removed.

To post an item for sale, simply use the Buy & Sell section—just click the button at the top of the page to access it.

Thanks for your understanding and cooperation!

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Grounds & Pool

Calling All Green Thumbs!
We're looking for volunteers to help maintain our school's vegetable patches during the holidays! If you and your family or friends can spare a few hours, we'd love your help with weeding and occasional mulching to keep our gardens thriving.

Interested? Contact Fash at 0415 683 285. Your support makes a big difference! 🌿 😊

Join Our April 2025 Working Bee!
We're looking for volunteers to help with weeding, pressure cleaning, hedging, painting, and general cleanup during the school holidays. If you can spare around two hours, your support will make a huge difference in keeping our school looking its best. (confirmed dates are soon to be published!!)
Interested in lending a hand? Get in touch—we'd love to have you on board! 😊

Grounds & Pool Feedback Forum - https://forms.office.com/r/GkDRBrE7Yw
Please use this link to submit your suggestions / feedback to the Grounds & Pool committee.

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School Travel Advice

For trip planning visit www.transportnsw.info or call 131 500.
For current school and route services visit www.cdcbus.com.au

Conditions of Carriage: Students must have a valid Opal card and must tap on and off every trip. Further details about the SSTS are available at: www.transportnsw.info

Key: (L) Bus turns left; (R) Bus turns right

PYMBLE PS

Bell Times — Effective 31/03/2024

Morning: 08:55
Afternoon: 14:55

MORNING BUSES

Route	Time	Bus Route
579	08:01	**FROM PYMBLE STATION** via 579 route. Drop on Bannockburn Rd (08:07)
8066	08:12	**FROM TURRAMURRA HS** via Maxwell (R) Koombalah (R) Kissing Point (R) The Comenarra, Doncaster (L) Yarrara (R) Ward (08:27) (L) Livingstone (L) Everton (R) Avon (R) Arilla (L) Allawah (R) Linden (R) Beechworth (R) Highway (L) Bannockburn (R) Rushall (L) Crown to school (08:46)

AFTERNOON BUSES

Route	Time	Bus Route
9080	15:00	**TO PYMBLE STATION AND WEST PYBMLE** via Crown, Reservoir, (L) Bannockburn (R) Selwyn (L) Bobbin Head (L) Highway (Pymble Station on Highway 15:06) then to Gordon Station Bus Bay (15:15) **then transfer to route 560**
9039	15:05	**TO PYMBLE STATION** via Crown, Reservoir (L) Bannockburn (R) Selwyn (L) Bobbin Head (**South Turramurra student transfer to 9015** at Sacred Heart School (15:10) (L) Highway (R) Livingstone (R) Everton (R) Avon (R) Arilla (L) Allawah (R) Linden (R) Beechworth to Highway to Pymble Station (15:25)
9015	15:10	**TO SOUTH TURRAMURRA from Sacred Heart School** via Crown, Reservoir (L) Bannockburn (R) Selwyn (L) Bobbon Head (R) Highway (L) Kissing Point (L) The Comenarra (L) Ravenhill, Carina (L) Mimosa, Waratah (L) Boronia (L) Kissing Point (R) Canoon to Barwon
560	15:36	**FROM GORDON STATION** via St Johns (R) Pacific Hwy (L) Ryde (R) Yanko (L) Kooloona (L) Yanko (L) Congham (R) Wallalong (R) Yanko (L) Yarrara (R) Ward (L) Livingstone (R) Cultowa

Throughout the year, the PPS Christian Prayer Group meet to pray for the PPS community. The group meet on the first Friday of each month at 9am at PPS at the shelter area on the top playground. If you would like to join us, please contact Briony Jones (brionyjones_1@hotmail.com)

Lost Property

The Lost Property box is located in the room under the Hall, near the Band Room. With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, parents are able to once again check the Lost Property box for their child's missing items.
To minimise items going missing, please ensure your child's belongings are clearly labelled. Items with NO NAME will be sent to the 2nd Hand Uniform shop and proceeds from these sales will be used to fund school improvements.

Uniform Shop

With the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, the Uniform Shop is pleased to be able to welcome parents and carers back into the store during their normal opening hours: Tuesday 1.30pm – 4pm and Thursday 8.15am – 10.30am.

The Uniform shop is also still offering contact free ordering:

(1) Online ordering – www.alintaapparel.com.au
(2) Store phone order – 0413 087 395
(3) Contact Alinta Call Centre – 4321 0433

2nd Hand Uniform Shop

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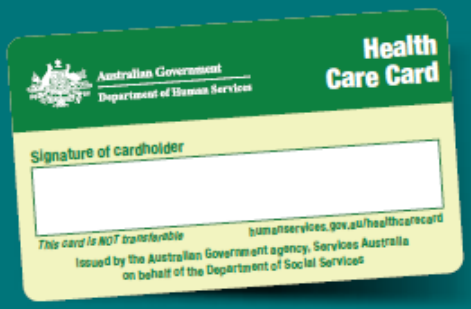

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Students currently in Year 6 or Year 10 2025 enrolled in public or non-government schools who are seeking entry into Year 7 or Year 11 in 2026 performing arts stream may apply for an audition in one or two of the three disciplines of Dance, Drama or Music.

Audition information and online application is located on the school's website:

Home - Newtown High School of the Performing Arts

Auditions - Newtown High School of the Performing Arts

To assist parents and carers completing the ***'Moving into Year 7 in a NSW Government School'*** form, please note the following:

- Newtown High School of the Performing Arts is a specialist performing arts high school providing the highest level of education to students with outstanding potential and/or achievement in Dance, Drama and Music.
- **If residing outside our catchment area,** Newtown High School of the Performing Arts has specific enrolment criteria which requires students to audition. Audition information and on-line applications may be found on our school's website.
- Student from **within our local catchment area** who have an interest and talent in one or two of the disciplines are encouraged, although not obliged, to audition for places in our performing arts stream via the online application process which is separate to an Expression of Interest provided to parents from their primary schools.
- The closing date for audition applications online is **Thursday 1 May 2025**.

To be eligible to apply, candidates must be Australian Citizens or holders of a visa granting permanent resident status in Australia on the day of their audition.

For audition enquiries email newtown-h.school@det.nsw.edu.au or contact 9519 1544 ext 105.

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HARMONY DAY

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Our annual competitions are back in 2025! And we're gearing up for our biggest year yet. We're inviting students from around Australia to enter - with great prizes to be won, and the chance to attend our prizegiving ceremony at NSW Parliament House.

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Entries Close: April 12, 2025

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Poster Comp: Year-group winners - $150
Junior and Senior overall winners - $250

Short Film Comp: Section winners - $250

Songwriting Comp: Section winners - $250

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More information:

See our website for information on competition rules, age categories and prizes

Contact:

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Ignitefootballprogram@gmail.com

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https://turramurraunited.com.au/play/registration/

Gordon Football Club
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www.gordonfc.com.au

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