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Wednesday, 7 May 2025

Term 2, Week 2

Dates to remember:

Term 2, 2025

Thursday 8 May

Friday 9 May

Wednesday 14 May

Wednesday 14 May

Friday 16 May

Tuesday 20 May

Tuesday 20 May

Thursday 29 May

Wednesday 4 Thursday 5 June

Kindergarten Calmsley Hill Farm Excursion

P&C Mother's Day Breakfast

Cross Country Trophy presentation 2.15pm

Online Guardian Cyber Safety Talk for parents 6pm @ Hall

PSSA Gala Day

School Tour 9.30am open to all prospective families

Zone Cross Country

Interrelate 6pm school hall

School Photos



Principal's News

Welcome back to Term 2. I hope you all had a restful break and are recharged for an exciting term ahead. As we step into this new term, I want to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful achievements of Term 1, and to express my gratitude for the hard work and dedication shown by our students and staff.

This term promises to be busy and enriching, with a variety of activities planned. We will continue to focus on our academic goals while also offering numerous extracurricular opportunities. Our commitment to providing a well-rounded education remains strong, and we encourage all students to get involved in the many offerings available.

I am excited about what lies ahead and am confident that, together, we can make this term one of growth and success. Thank you for your ongoing support, and let's make Term 2 a fantastic one!

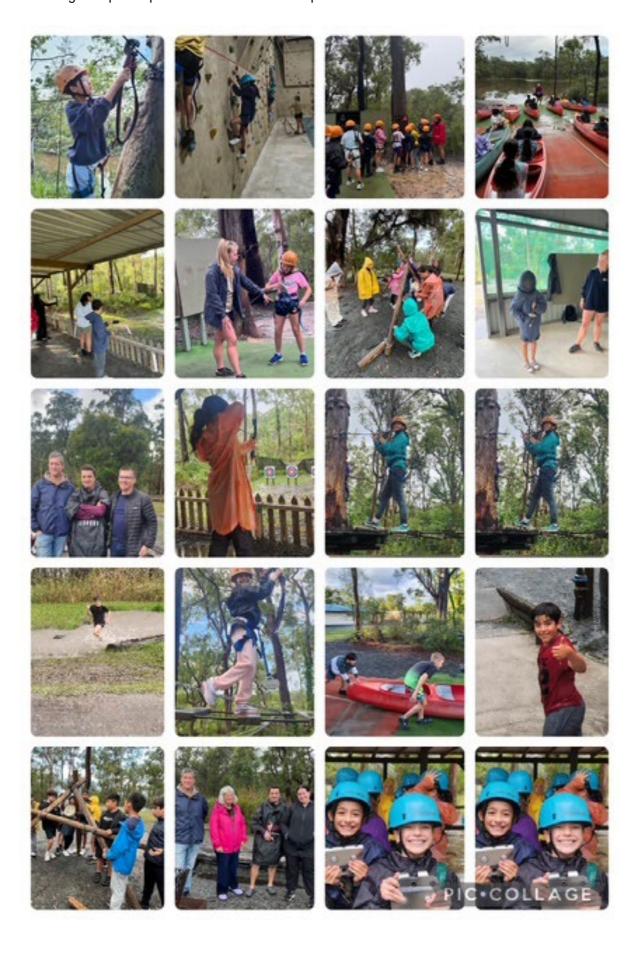
Year 5 Camp at 'The Great Aussie Bush Camp'

Last week, our Year 5 students embarked on an unforgettable adventure to The Great Aussie Bush Camp! The camp was filled with excitement and learning as students participated in a variety of thrilling activities designed to challenge their abilities and strengthen their teamwork skills.

Despite the wet weather, over the 3-day camp, the children tackled the high ropes course, navigated through orienteering, and whizzed through the air on the flying fox. They also enjoyed canoeing, tested their precision with archery, and built their strength in indoor rock climbing. The mud run provided a fun and messy challenge, while pioneering and fencing allowed students to explore new skills and push their limits.

The camp also served as a fantastic opportunity for students to build resilience and enhance their team-building skills. They learned to support one another, communicate effectively, and work together to overcome challenges; particularly in such wet and muddy conditions. These experiences not only created lasting memories but also fostered friendships and personal growth.

A huge thank you to our dedicated teachers, Mrs Herbert, Miss Fryer, Mr Tiling and Mr Rogan who organised and supervised the camp, ensuring it was a safe and enriching experience for all. The teachers took exceptional care of all students and gave up their personal time to be on camp.





Year 6 Excursion to NSW Parliament House and Art Gallery of NSW

Last week our Year 6 students went on an enriching excursion to the NSW Parliament House and the Art Gallery of NSW. This educational trip provided our students with a unique opportunity to deepen their understanding of democracy and the importance of art in our society.

At Parliament House, students participated in a guided tour where they learned about the legislative process, the role of elected representatives, and the significance of civic engagement. They enjoyed exploring the historic building and even had the chance to participate in a role play activity in the House of Representatives where important decisions are made.

Following this insightful visit, the students travelled to the Art Gallery of NSW, where they were exposed to a diverse collection of artworks.

This excursion not only enhanced our students' knowledge but also inspired them to engage more deeply with their community and the arts. I'd like to thank the teachers for providing this valuable experience for our Year 6 students.

Election Day Stall Success!

This past Saturday, our school community came together for a fantastic day of fun and fundraising during the election day stalls. Our Year 6 students showcased their entrepreneurial spirit by running a lolly stall, all in support of their end-of-year gift to the school. Their enthusiasm and hard work truly shone through!

The P&C organised an election BBQ, serving up the ever-popular democracy sausage sandwich that drew in many voters. Meanwhile, the PPS band committee sweetened the day with a delicious cake stall, offering treats that were hard to resist.

Thanks to the collective efforts of our Year 6 students, the dedicated P&C parent helpers, and the band parents, we not only created a vibrant community atmosphere but also raised valuable funds for our school. A huge thank you to everyone who contributed their time and energy to make our election day stalls a resounding success. Your support is greatly appreciated!







Road Safety

As we continue to prioritise the safety and well-being of our students, we would like to remind everyone of the critical importance of road safety, particularly in and around our school zone.

Ensuring that our children arrive and depart from school safely is a shared responsibility that requires the cooperation of all members of our school community.

Key Road Safety Tips:

- 1. **Observe School Zone Signage:** Please pay attention to the reduced speed limits during school hours. These limits are in place to protect our students as they travel to and from school.
- 2. **Use Designated Drop-off Areas:** We kindly ask that parents utilise the designated carline zone on Crown Road for dropping off and picking up students. This helps ensure that all children can safely enter and exit vehicles.
- 3. **Stay Alert:** Always be vigilant for pedestrians, especially children, who may be crossing the road. Watch out for school crossing guards and follow their instructions.
- 4. **No Parking in Restricted Areas:** Please do not park in no-parking zones or driveways. This not only ensures the safety of all students but also allows residents to access their driveways as needed.

By following these guidelines and promoting road safety, we can work together to create a safer environment for our children. Thank you for your cooperation and commitment to keeping our students safe.

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

- 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.
- 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)
- 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
- 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







Deputy Principal's News

Mother's Day Stall

We want to extend our thanks to the dedicated members of our P&C for organising the wonderful Mother's Day Stall today. This annual event not only allows our students to select special gifts for their mothers, but it also fosters a sense of community and appreciation for the incredible women in our lives.

The P&C team worked hard to create an inviting stall filled with a variety of gifts for students to choose from.

A special thank you goes out to the volunteers and Year 6 student leaders who wrapped the gifts on Monday after school. They also assisted with the sales of the gifts today. Their enthusiasm and dedication made the event a great success. The smiles on the faces of our students as they selected gifts for their mothers was wonderful to see.

We look forward to the Mother's Day Breakfast on Friday morning.







Playground Reminders

The bottom playground equipment is closed before and after school. During this time, students are not permitted to use the equipment even if they are with their parents. It is available to be used by POOSH as required during their programmed activities

Walk Safely to School Day will be held on Friday 16 May 2025.

This day is a great opportunity for families to walk to school together and have conversations about being a safe road user.

Here are some tips to help make walking to school a regular part of your routine:

Plan your route: Take some time to plan the safest and most convenient route to walk to school. Consider pedestrian crossings, footpaths, and traffic lights.

Set a schedule: Decide on the days and times you'll walk to school each week. Consistency is key to forming a new habit. Try to stick to your schedule as much as possible.

Safety first:

ALWAYS hold your child's hand until they are at least 8 years old. Closely supervise them until they are at least 10 years old.

ALWAYS hold your child's hand:

- · when on the footpath
- · when crossing the road or
- · when in a car park

Teach your child about being a safe pedestrian: This includes watching out for driveways, walking facing traffic when there are no footpaths and always Stop, Look, Listen, Think, everytime you cross the road.

Avoid distractions: Set a good example by putting your phone away. Focus on your surroundings. If you need to use your phone, stop in a safe place.

Make it fun: Keep the walks enjoyable by talking about what you see and about your day. This can help make the time go quickly and make walking to school something your child looks forward to.

Join forces: Coordinate with other families in your neighbourhood to walk to school together. Not only does this make it more fun for the kids, but it also provides additional safety in numbers.

Celebrate achievements: Celebrate achievements along the way to keep motivation high. Whether it's reaching a certain number of walks or noticing improvements in fitness, acknowledging progress can help reinforce the habit.

Practise, **Practise**: The more supervised pedestrian experiences your child can get the better, so they will be ready to safely travel by themselves when they are older.

Walk Safely to School Day can be the start of a new routine.

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 (<u>pymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au</u>) detailing your <u>child's full name, class and reason for their absence</u>.

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



Cross Country 2025

At the end of last term, 366 very excited children trecked down to Bannockburn Oval to participate in our annual Cross Country. The weather was wonderful and it was a fun way to conclude term 1.

Thank you to the teachers for manning the checkpoints,

controlling the crowds and marshaling the runners. Thank you also to the parents who were able to attend and support the children.

Congratulations to all the children who participated. Throughout this long, challenging course you demonstrated resilience and sportsmanship. Below are the 48 children who will represent our school at the Ku-ring-gai Zone Carnival. This will be held at St Ives Showground on Tuesday 20 May.

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The students who came 1^{st} , 2^{nd} or 3^{rd} in their race will receive a trophy. This will be presented at our school assembly on Wednesday, 14 May.

Karen Armbrister





SRC News

Congratulations to our elected SRC members for Semester 1. These children received their badges last term and have already attended meetings, enthusiastically sharing thoughts and ideas for fundraising or projects.

CLASS	ВОУ	GIRL
1B	Harrison M-W	Natalie L
1L	James O	Melody B
1 M	Lincoln P	Ottie S
2 <i>C</i>	Henry R	Teresa L
2K	Alexander V	Arabella L
25	Harold T	Harper Z
3H	Ethan H	Chelsea L
3K	Vivaan S	Emiko B
3V	Jacob I	Anya E
3/45	Tommy V	Annie H
4 <i>G</i>	Hamish G	Elise Y
4H	Archie W	Lilly G
5/6A	Charlotte E	Harrison C
5/6B	Morris Z	Chloe L
5/6F	Joseph C	Nikita W
5/6R	Lochie H	Adrina K
5/6T	Ben R	Grace H

They are particularly excited to be asked to work, in collaboration with the P&C, on art designs for new bubblers that are being installed around the school. Watch this space for the chosen art design!! We also thank the PPS community for supporting their first SRC fundraiser for the year. Stewart House is a valuable resource that supports children in need and our donations all help this worthy cause.

Kylie Booth and Paige Kingston, on behalf of the SRC.



Berry Street Educational Model

At PPS we have adopted The Berry St Education Model which promotes social and emotional wellbeing for both students and staff. Staff have been trained in the Berry St Model and are working to implement it into all aspect of school life. Each Myalla I will be providing a brief insight into what we have been doing in BESM at school.

Berry Street Education Model (BSEM) is an educator-designed, evidence-informed framework that equips teachers with practical tools to create classrooms where every student feels safe, engaged, and ready to learn.

MORNING CIRCLES

One aspect of the program which has been introduced into all classrooms is the practice of holding a 'Morning Circle' every morning in order to provide predictable routines within our classrooms and to provide a calm beginning to the day.



Greeting

We start welcome circle with a couple of minutes for young people to greet each other and connect.

Expectations

A reminder of the behavioural expectations of the class.

Announcements

An opportunity for students to share positive news

• Positive Primer

A quick activity that prepares students for the day. It can be physical eg. Scissors paper rock or can be a focus question eg. Ask a friend what their favourite dinner is.

What Went Well?

A quick statement about one thing that was encouraging from the morning circle.

The whole Morning Circle should take no more than 5-10 minutes but has shown to prepare students for work and make the transition between playground and classroom easier.

We encourage you to talk to your student about the Morning Circle in their classroom and to focus this week on designing a new way to greet someone – either with actions or words (perhaps you could teach your child to say Hello in a variety of languages)



We often find that our students struggle to negotiate the Cyber World and can open themselves to danger by unregulated use of the internet. On 14 May at 6pm in the school hall there will be a parent seminar from Nathan Verindor Online Guardians where current risks will be outlined and actions to ensure safety are suggested.

He will also speak to both Stage 2 and 3 students during the day about the same issues.

Our presenter has two decades of experience working in the NSW and QLD Police. He specialises working with students, children at risk and young offenders. He has a wealth of experience working with parents, carers and families providing effective tools and strategies relating to a variety of adolescent development issues. We encourage you to attend on 14 May. This is the third year that Nathan has visited PPS and the feedback from parents and students has been extremely positive.

Should you have any questions regarding the evening, please email me at robyn.herbert@det.nsw.edu.au.



Kind regards Robyn Herbert

Uniform Shop

In-Store Payment Options

Dear Families.

Due to a shift in how shoppers spend and the way banks are transacting, Alinta has made the decision to become a cashless company.

This decision has come due to a number of factors:

- · Consumers no longer carrying cash
- · Local branches are closing
- · Local branches are becoming cashless and making depositing cash difficult

Cash will no longer be accepted in store as of 1 June 2025.

We apologise for any inconvenience this causes.

Thank you,

Alinta Management.

PAYMENT METHODS



EFTPOS (EFTPOS cards, Mastercard or Visa using card, smartphone or smartwatch)



CREDIT CARD & DEBIT CARD (Mastercard or Visa)



ONLINE via online shop



LAYBY (with 20% deposit and 3-month term)





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 <u>apply</u> or <u>update</u> 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 <u>Student code of conduct</u>. 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



CHESS!!

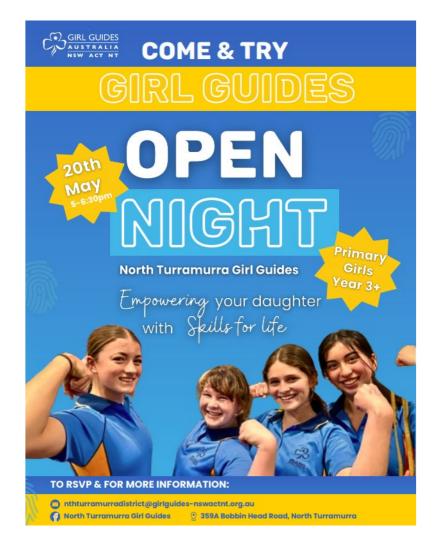
Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Pymble Public School is held on Wednesdays from 1:00pm to 1:45pm, starting on 30 April 2025.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

Each student in the Chess program will also receive access to Chess Squad https://www.chesssquad.com/ which is an online teaching/playing platform.

If your child is interested in taking part in the class, please email office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com for an enrolment form. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.















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Volunteers come from all walks of life. You don't need to be a trained teacher! We offer free full training, lesson scripts and ongoing teacher support.



If you want to help students access this valuable program, contact us or visit:
primaryethics.com.au/volunteer





PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

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



- 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

- 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,
- Cucumber, celeny and carrot cups with ham, cheese and crackers) \$ 4.00
- Variety of homemade muffins \$ 3.00 Hummus \$ 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
- Popcom Plain \$ 2.50

Everyday

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

OCCASIONAL

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

CANTEEN MENU

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 (2500)
- 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



- 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)
- 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



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)

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

Hot Food



- Homemade Pasta Bolognese \$ 6.50
- Homemade Pasta with napoletano sauce \$ 5.50 (250g)
- Fried rice with vegetables \$5.50
- Homemade lasagna \$ 6.50
- Worton 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
- all small salads \$5.70 Greek salad \$7.20

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 sance
- Vegetarian Burger potato patty, lettuce, tomato and mayo (Vegan option also available)

IUESDAY

Homemade Butter chicken with rice \$7.30

MEDNESDAY

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

A note from the President

On behalf of the P&C, I'd like to extend a heartfelt thank you to **Cath Powell**, who is stepping down as Band Coordinator. Cath has made a truly wonderful contribution to the band program at PPS. Her passion and enthusiasm have been a tremendous asset to our students, and she leaves behind a lasting legacy in the music community at our school.

We'd also like to acknowledge **Chris Gibbs**, Cath's husband, who has been a huge support behind the scenes—especially in setting up for live performances and managing equipment. The band program has truly benefited from their combined efforts.

It is my pleasure to announce that **Nicki Fischer** will be stepping into the role of Band Coordinator, effective 28 April 2025. Nicki is a fantastic fit for the role, and we're all looking forward to working with her as she leads the band program into its next chapter.

Thank you Cath — and welcome, Nicki!

Amy Olson P&C President

Connect with the P&C













The next P&C meeting is on **Wednesday**, **21 May 2025** (Term 2, Week 4) at **7:30pm**.

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

Band Program



PPS Band Program Update 📢

Hello fabulous band families!

This week marks my very first as PPS Band Coordinator, and I couldn't be more thrilled to be part of this incredible program. A heartfelt thank you to Cath Powell for her amazing work over the past few years and for trusting me to take the reins, what big, beautiful shoes to fill!

We kicked things off with the PPS Band Cake Stall this past Saturday, my very first task in the role! A HUGE thank you to everyone who donated those beautiful, colourful, and delicious treats. And to the amazing volunteers who helped sort, set up, and run the stall with me, I'm so grateful. Thanks to your generosity and support, we raised over \$2,500 for the band program! Absolutely outstanding!

Term 1 has been fantastic. All the PPS Bands are sounding brilliant, and I know the end-of-term concerts were a real treat for families. I especially loved being part of the Junior Band rehearsals. Watching the kids grow and improve so quickly is just magical.

I can't wait for the year ahead, there's so much to look forward to, and I'm excited to get to know more of you from across all our wonderful bands. Keep an eye on your inboxes and WhatsApp groups, exciting updates coming soon!

We're so lucky to have this amazing band program at PPS. I look forward to continuing to grow and strengthen it alongside our incredible Band Committee, our fabulous Conductors and Tutors, the ever-supportive Robyn Herbert, and of course you, our wonderful band parents.

Music has always held a special place in my heart. While I don't officially play anymore, I absolutely loved learning as a child. Musical education is such a powerful tool for young minds, as Jean Ashworth Bartle said, "Teaching music to children is the most important thing in life, next to parenting, that a person can do."



With gratitude, Nicki Fischer









P& C Events Mums Fiesta

In the last week of Term 1, 60 PPS mums gathered for a vibrant Fiesta – a night full of fun, food, dancing, and fabulous bright outfits! In addition to being a wonderful evening out, the event raised \$1,200 for the P&C.

A huge thank you to the amazing mums who joined the party, and special thanks to the P&C event committee:

- **Neda and Farid Zand**, who planned and coordinated the event, booked the fabulous DJ, and prepared the catering, drinks, and special margaritas.
- **Libby Gauld,** who played an incredible role by securing the fabulous venue and providing outstanding support for the event.
- Amy Olson, for providing the delicious dessert and helping set us up with fun.
- KWP Rugby Club, for generously hosting us in their clubhouse for the second year running.
- Amelia Seeto, who organised the fun game of Mingle Bingo and prepared a tasty vegetarian dish.
- Camila Albuquerque, who organised prizes and added festive Mexican decorations to the night.
- Brazilian Shine and Shakti Shanti Australia, for generously donating prizes















On Saturday 6 April, the PPS dads came together at Club Turramurra for a relaxed and social afternoon. It was a fantastic opportunity to connect, unwind, and enjoy some good company.

Thanks to everyone who came along.



Election Day

Election Day BBQ - A Sizzling Success!

On Election Day, our incredible P&C Events Team exceeded expectations by providing the community with delicious food and a warm, welcoming atmosphere. Thanks to their hard work and dedication, the BBQ, Drink and Coffee stall was an awesome success, serving over 750 meals and raising an impressive \$3,950 in funds!

A heartfelt thank you to all the fantastic volunteers who generously gave their time on Saturday—many of whom went above and beyond their shifts, welcoming everyone with kindness and a smile. Your contributions made the day not only a great success but also truly special for our school community.

We would like to acknowledge the following volunteers for their wonderful support:

Gayle King, Farid Zand, Patricia Monk, Louisa Zschirn, Beverly Zhang, Camila Albuquerque, Leo Patterson, Vivian Hew, Jessica O'Sullivan, Joseph Chung, Alicia and Andrew Ferrier, Sarah and Alice Cable, Brendon Long, Kathryn Gibson, Lauren Dooley, Robert Yue, Lena McMahon, Eugene Visione, Judy Watt, Prashanti Goluguri, Alexander Terracini, Nicholas Olson, Nona Farbehi, Thuyvy Gong, Lucas and Eva Zhu.

A special mention must also go to **Neda Zand**, our incredible P&C Event and Fundraising Coordinator. The stall was exceptionally well-organised, offering a fresh and tasty menu that was clearly enjoyed by all. We know how much behind-the-scenes effort goes into making events like this possible, thank you Neda.















On Monday 05 May PPS students wrapped gifts for the Mother's Day stall. The group included Year 6 prefects, house captains, vice captains, and some Year 5 students. 600 gifts were wrapped in two hours, demonstrating excellent teamwork, time management, and support.











Upcoming P&C Events

Mother's Day Breakfast - Friday 9 May | 7:00-8:30 am

Join us for a lovely, fun-filled morning!

- * Pre-purchase your tickets here: https://events.humanitix.com/mothers-day-breakfast-2025-b5ddwavw
- * Dads or carers we'd love your help too! Sign up to volunteer:

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094CAFAF2AABFCC70-56640851-mothers



The Famous Photo Booth is back on for Mother's Day.



The P&C will be running Interrelate Sessions in Term 2.

You can buy your tickets here - https://events.humanitix.com/interrelate-2025



Second Hand Uniform Shop

Weekly Opening Hours

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

Election Day Stall

The Election Day Stall on Saturday was a great success raising \$850. A big thank you to the volunteers who made this possible.

Year 6 Election Day Lolly Stall

Wrapping up the weekend's Election Day stalls was the always-popular Year 6 Lolly Stall. Run by the Year 6 students themselves, the stall offered voters a sweet selection of lollies and ice blocks.

In preparation, the students packed lolly bags, signed up for shifts and then on the day processed payments using the POS machines, and served customers with enthusiasm and professionalism. Their hard work paid off—the stall raised just under \$400!

These funds will go toward the Year 6 Gift to the school, an annual tradition where the graduating class donates a special item or contribution for the benefit of the whole school community.

A huge thank you to **Emma McCulloch** (mum of Chloe in Year 6) for coordinating Year 6 fundraising this year. Your support and leadership are greatly appreciated!







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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		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

The 2nd Hand Uniform shop is a P&C initiative run by volunteers and we offer a walk-in service to purchase donated 2nd hand uniforms. The shop is 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 tones of school uniforms from ending up in landfill.

If you have any questions, you can reach out to us at 2ndhand.ppspc@gmail.com





Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- Agree to join in free online financial education workshops



1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au



Manly Warringah Basketball Assoc.

MWBA Pink Ball Term 1 2025

For Girls 7-12 Yrs who would like to learn basketball skills. Saturday 15/02-05/04 Time 1.15-2.15pm

Northern Beaches Indoor Sports Centre

www.trybooking.com/CXBZY

Learn basketball skills, all kids aged 5-12yrs old, Saturday 08/02-05/04 www.trybooking.com/CXBZS

Kissing Point Softball Club

Boys & girls, all ages and skill levels welcome. Come try softball. Season starts May 2025, games played Saturday.

www.kissingpointsoftball.com.au

Ignite Football

For Kids aged 7-12 at Barker College – Bowman Field Fun football sessions in a team-based environment.

Ignitefootballprogram@gmail.com

Turramurra United Football Club

Registrations open now, seasons starts early April Bannockburn oval training Thursday nights https://turramurraunited.com.au/play/registration/

Gordon Football Club

All girls & boys aged 4 and up are welcome. Season runs from April to end of August www.gordonfc.com.au

Ku-Ring-Gai Cubs Rugby League

Wanted Girls League Tag 12s,14s,16s & 18s
Register now - Training @ Turramurra Memorial Oval
cubsrugbyleague@gmail.com

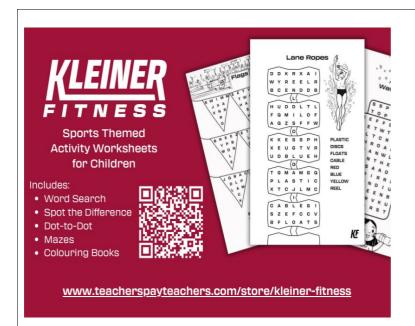
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Expression of Interest for Spanish classes.

Should you be interested in your child learning Spanish, please contact Michele at The Language Company.

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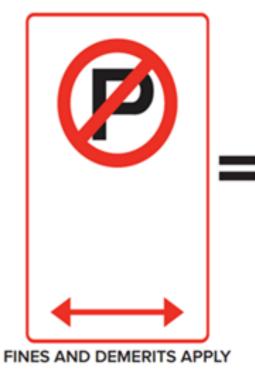












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