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Thursday, 19 June 2025

Term 2, Week 8

Dates to remember:

Term 2, 2025

Friday 20 – Tuesday 24 June

Sunday 22 June

Thursday 26 June

Wednesday 2 July

Friday 4 July

Tuesday 22 July

Sydney North Dance Festival – Glen Street Theatre

PPS Band Workshop

K-2 Athletics Carnival

Stage 1 Gibberagong excursion (2K & 2S)

Last day of Term 2

Students return for Term 3



Principal's News

PSSA North Sydney Cross Country Carnival and Winter Gala Day

Over the past two weeks students have participated in the second Ku-ring-gai PSSA Gala Day for this term as well as the North Sydney Cross Country carnival.

Students represented our school in three winter sports (soccer, netball, and AFL) at multiple venues as part of the Ku-ring-gai PSSA Gala Day. The children competed well across all three sports and showed outstanding sportsmanship throughout the day. I'd like to congratulate the students on their efforts for their respective teams as well as for the way in which they represented the school with pride. I'd also like to thank the teachers who coach the teams and dedicate their time to ensuring this opportunity is available to the children. Thank you also to the parents who attended and assisted with transporting shade shelters to the various venues.

Last Friday five students represented our Ku-ring-gai PSSA at the North Sydney Cross Country Carnival in Wyong. Our students competed fiercely and showed great sportsmanship at the carnival. They represented the Ku-ring-gai zone PSSA and our school with pride. All five students competed well. Chloe M in Year 6, Emily B in Year 4 and James D in Year 2 all ran competitively in their respective races and are to be congratulated for their efforts.

Two of our students performed exceptionally well in their events and have qualified for the State Carnival. Kenneth H in Year 3 finished first in his race and Marlow G in Year 5 finished 3rd in her race. This is an outstanding achievement.



Congratulations Christopher

Congratulations to Christopher from 3K who competed in Melbourne at the Rise Cup fencing competition. Christopher achieved a gold for under 8 Epee, and third place in the under 10 competition. Well done, this is an outstanding achievement.

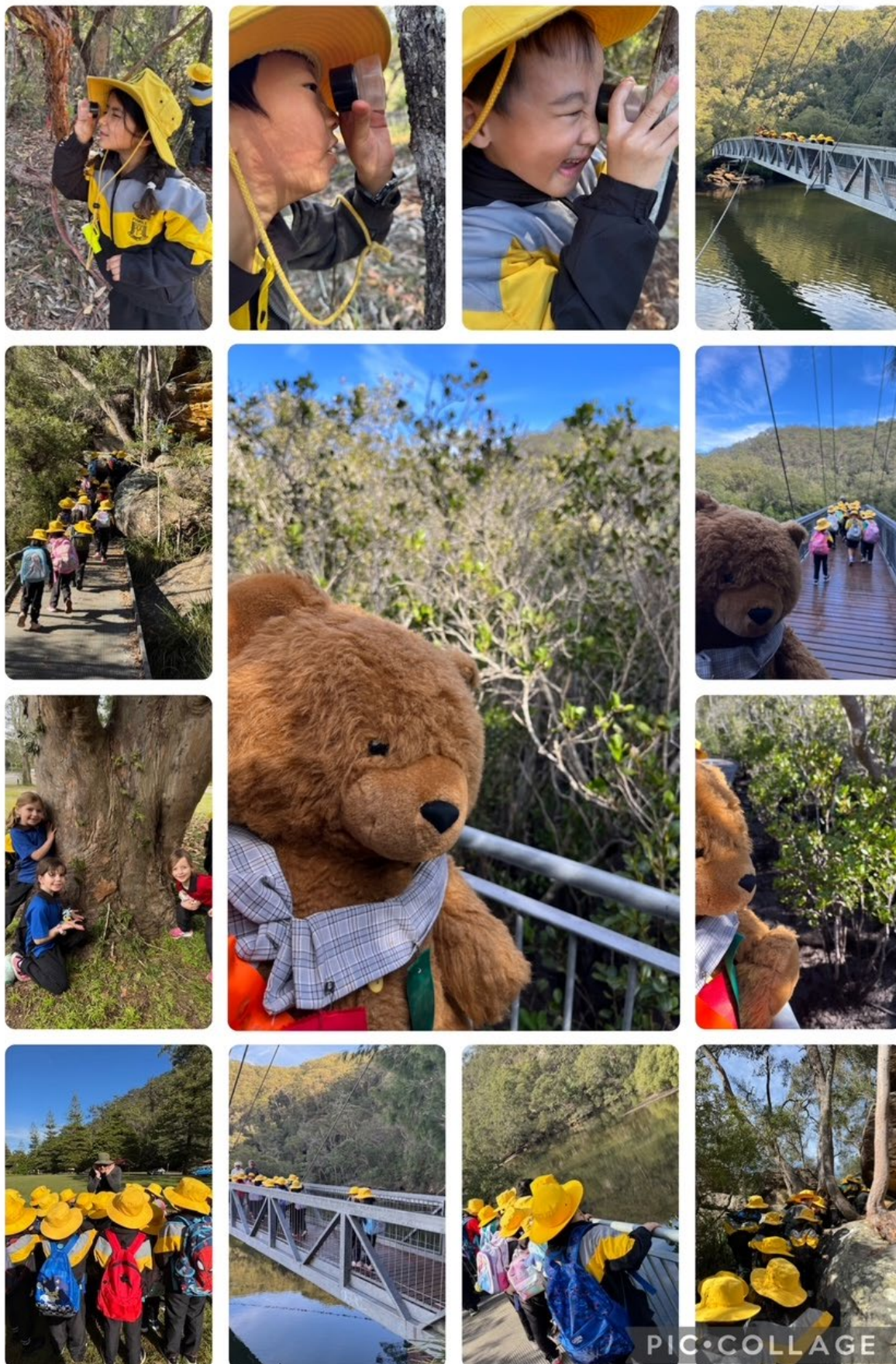


Stage One Gibberagong Environmental Education Centre Excursion

Recently, classes 1B, 1M, 1L and 2C visited the Gibberagong Environmental Education Centre in Bobbin Head. The children explored the natural environment, went on a bush walk and participated in environmental activities at the centre.

The children had a wonderful day of exploring and learning.

Classes 2S and 2K will be visiting the Gibberagong Environmental Education Centre in two weeks.



2025 Sydney North Dance Festival

Our junior and senior girls' dance groups will be performing at the 2025 Sydney North Dance Festival at the Glen Street Theatre. The children will be attending a full-dress rehearsal this Friday. They will then perform their dances this Saturday and next Tuesday as part of the festival.

I'd like to congratulate the children from both dance groups on being selected to be part of the Sydney North Dance Festival and wish them best of luck for their upcoming performances. I'd like to thank Ms Sharp, Ms Longfield and Mrs Holbrook for preparing our dancers and for their dedication in providing this opportunity to the students.

2025 NAPLAN Update

Printed 2025 NAPLAN individual student reports will be dispatched to schools at the start of Term 3 for schools to distribute to parents and carers. Summary NAPLAN results data has been made available to schools this week. The school will begin analysing that data together with school-based data in order to make valid judgements about areas for school improvement.

AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT - Children's Online Privacy Code

The Office of the Australian Information Commissioner (OAIC), the Australian Government's privacy regulator, is seeking input from parents and carers to assist them in its development of the Children's Online Privacy Code (the Code). The Code will put children at the centre of privacy protections in Australia. By the time a child turns 13, it's estimated that 72 million pieces of data will have been collected about them. The aim of the Code is to strengthen privacy protections for the handling of children's personal information. Your insights as a parent or carer are important. To have your say, please take a few minutes to complete the parent discussion paper here:

<https://www.oaic.gov.au/engage-with-us/consultations/childrens-online-privacy-code-consultation-for-children-and-parents>.

Your support is also important in helping your child or young person to take part too. Please assist them in filling out the appropriate worksheet, provided in the link above. This consultation will be open until the 30 June 2025. You can read more about the Code here:

[Children's Online Privacy Code | OAIC](#)

Advice for Families

COVID-smart school settings reflect NSW Health's latest COVID-19 guidelines and the department's management of COVID-19 within educational settings. COVID-19 is still active in the community. While COVID-19 remains an unpredictable virus, NSW Health advise it will continue to present a health risk to the community.

Schools continue to implement baseline COVID-smart measures to help reduce the risk of transmission for students and staff members. These key COVID-smart measures include:

- staying home until you are well
- following NSW Health [Advice for people exposed to COVID-19](#)
- strongly encouraging staff, students and families stay up to date with vaccinations (including COVID-19 boosters, when eligible)
- practicing good hygiene including regular hand washing
- maintaining natural ventilation
- recommending staff and visitors wear a mask when working with students at greater risk of serious illness should they contract COVID-19, regardless of school type, particularly indoors and when physical distancing is not possible
- assessing risk and applying appropriate safeguards across activities and events.

Students, staff and visitors should only attend school when feeling well and symptom-free. Follow NSW Health advice on [Testing and what to do if you have COVID-19](#)

Parents and carers of children with persistent or ongoing [COVID-19 symptoms](#) should discuss these with their local health care professional. These symptoms may be related to other illnesses (such as allergies or hay fever) and benefit from treatment and management by a doctor.

From the start of 2024, rapid antigen tests (RAT) are no longer available free of charge to schools. NSW Health recommend [testing for COVID-19](#) if you have symptoms and are at higher risk of serious illness. **Please note that, parents and carers are still required to inform the school if their child tests positive to Covid-19.**

For further information please refer to the Department's 'Advice for Families' at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/schooling/covid-19/advice-for-families.html?deliveryName=DM22323#Term2>.

Road Safety

As we continue to prioritise the safety of our students, we would like to remind everyone of some important road safety practices when dropping off and picking up your children.

Safe Vehicle Entry and Exit

To ensure the safety of all students, please remind your children to enter and exit vehicles from the rear passenger door only. This practice minimises the risk of accidents occurring as they get in and out of the car. Additionally, we ask that school bags are stored inside the vehicle, rather than in the boot, to prevent any unnecessary delays during drop-off and pick-up times and maintain student safety.

Kiss 'n' Ride Rules

Our 'Kiss 'n' Ride' area is designed to keep traffic flowing smoothly while ensuring the safety of our students. Please adhere to the following rules:

- Pull up as far forward as possible in the designated area.
- Stay in your vehicle while your child enters or exits.
- Do not leave your vehicle unattended in the Kiss 'n' Ride zone.
- Standing in this area is only permitted for up to 2 minutes and the driver is only permitted to leave the vehicle for up to 3 metres.

Parking Considerations

To maintain safety and accessibility for all, please refrain from parking across residential driveways or double parking while in the carline. These actions can obstruct traffic flow and pose a risk to pedestrians and other vehicles.

We appreciate your cooperation in making our school a safe environment for everyone. Let's work together to keep our children 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.



KISS & RIDE
PICK UP/DROP OFF AREA
8AM - 9.30AM
2.30PM - 4.00PM
SCHOOL DAYS

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!



FINES AND DEMERITS APPLY

**NO
STOPPING
= AT ANY
TIME**




 City of Ryde



FINES AND DEMERITS APPLY

**Drop-off / Pick-up Zone
2 minutes ONLY
= Stay within 3m of
your vehicle
* NO WAITING ***



 City of Ryde



Deputy Principal's News

Be in line by 5 to 9

Thank you to all those parents who have made a positive impact by arriving on time. There has been a large reduction in students who are arriving late over the last few weeks which has been wonderful to see.

Arriving at school on time is essential for setting a positive tone for the day. It allows students to settle into their classrooms, engage with their teachers, and connect with their peers before lessons begin.

We understand that mornings can be hectic, with busy schedules and various responsibilities. However, your efforts to ensure your child arrives at school on time do not go unnoticed. Whether it's setting an earlier alarm, preparing lunches the night before, or encouraging your child to be ready on time, every little bit helps!

Catching the school bus

Many of our students rely on public transport to get home after school, and the Opal card is essential for this travel. The bus drivers in the afternoon have many students wanting to catch the bus but do not have an OPAL card with them. They need to tap on and off every time they catch the bus.

Introducing the School Opal card

The School Opal card gives eligible students free or discounted travel between home and school using the train, bus, ferry and light rail services you nominate in your application.

Who can apply?

To be eligible for a School Opal card, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

Years K-2 (Infants)

There's no minimum distance.

Years 3-6 (Primary)

More than 1.6km straight line distance or at least 2.3km walking.

Years 7-12 (Secondary)

More than 2.0km straight line distance or at least 2.9km walking.

Who needs to apply

A new application is only required if the student has not had a School Opal card before.

If the student already has a School Opal card and is changing schools, campuses or home address, you will need to update their Opal card for the new school year before mid-December at apps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts

How to apply

Applications for next year open at the start of Term 4 this year.

Step 1

Once the new school has confirmed your child's enrolment, complete the application at transportnsw.info/school-students

Step 2

The school endorses your application.

Step 3

Once Transport for NSW has approved the application, a School Opal card will be sent to the address provided on the application.



Better together

The School Opal card is only for travel to and from school. So it's a good idea to get a Child/Youth Opal card for travel after hours, on weekends or during school holidays.

Child/Youth Opal card benefits

- Concession fares across the Opal network
- Half-price travel after eight paid journeys each week*
- \$1 transfer discount for every transfer between modes (train, ferry, bus or light rail) as part of one journey within 60 minutes from the last tap off†
- The Opal Transfer Discount doesn't apply when transferring between light rail and Sydney Ferries.
- Set auto top up and link it to your credit or debit card so there's always enough value on the card to travel.

Find out more and apply at opal.com.au or pick one up from an Opal retailer. To find one in your area visit retailers.opal.com.au



If you live too close to be eligible for free travel, you may still qualify for a School Term Bus Pass, which offers travel on buses between home and school at a discounted rate for the whole school term.



A parent or guardian must apply for students 15 years and under. Students 16 years and over must apply for themselves.



Secondary students aged 16 and over can travel with a Child/Youth Opal card when carrying a NSW/ACT Senior Secondary Student Concession Card, available from school and TAFE offices.

* Excluding Sydney Airport station access fee.

† The Opal Transfer Discount doesn't apply when transferring between light rail and Sydney Ferries.

Student Reports Parent Information Session

There have been some changes to students' reports that have been made by the Department of Education. As a result, Semester One reports will be different to past years' reports. We will be holding a short parent information session in the school hall to outline this change on Wednesday 2 July at 9.15am. There will also be information provided during this session on reporting requirements for EAL/D students at our school. All parents and carers are invited to attend

K-2 Athletics Carnival

A reminder that the K-2 Athletics carnival will be next Thursday 26 June (Term 2, Week 9) at Bannockburn Oval.

(Backup date is the following week – Thursday 3 July).

All children are to come to school as normal by 8:55am. At the end of the carnival, students will walk back to school with their teachers and be dismissed from school at 2:55pm.

Students should bring their morning tea, lunch and a drink bottle in a small backpack. There is no need for crunch and sip. We will be eating lunch at the oval. The canteen will not be available on this day so please ensure you have cancelled any recurring orders.

Children are to wear their sports uniforms. Students are reminded to bring warm clothing, wear their school hat and sunscreen and bring a raincoat. Please ensure all items are clearly labelled.

Please note that Year 2 students who are 8 or turning 8 this year will also have the option to **compete at the PPS Primary Athletics Carnival on Thursday 24 July (early Term 3)**. The results from the 100 metre race at this primary carnival will determine which students qualify for the Zone carnival.

Parents are welcome. If you are planning to attend the carnival, please be mindful of the Department's COVID safe requirements.

Please ensure you have completed your child's general permission form to walk to Bannockburn Oval (this was part of your online permissions that were distributed at the beginning of the year).

Jennifer Graham
Deputy Principal



Administration News

Absences from School (whole day or part day)

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**.

If your child is late to school for any reason (ie: arriving after 8.55am), please accompany your child to the school office to sign them in. Students who arrive late to school without a parent will be marked 'Late – Unexplained' and parents will be required to provide an explanation via the School Bytes Parent Portal.

Administration of Pain Relief Medication

Please be aware that the school cannot administer pain relief in the form of paracetamol or ibuprofen to students unless this medication has been provided to the school and we have written authority from parents to do so. Should students require pain relief for an injury or illness that has occurred at school, parents will be contacted to collect their child and/or administer medication themselves.

If your child requires pain relief for a recent injury or ailment and you would like school staff to administer this medication at school for a short period of time, please complete the Request for Administering Medication form (*found on the School Bytes Parent Portal under the 'Resources' tab*) and bring the medication to the office.

Please note that students are not permitted to carry medication on themselves or in their school bag at any time.

A Reminder About Manners in our School Community

We have noticed recently that some students are not using their manners when speaking with office staff. Please remind your children of the importance of respectful communication, as it fosters a positive school environment. Thank you for your support in reinforcing good manners at home!



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.

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



BRAIN BREAKS

WHAT are Brain Breaks?

SHORT- less than 4 minutes-
interruption to our study time
that supports renewed focus
and attention.



Brain Breaks help to
build self-awareness
and develop
self-regulation for
learning.



WHY are Brain Breaks Important for Learning?

No matter how young or
old you are, we all need to
take a break from
focussed attention



At school we use Brain Breaks in each session of learning to refocus students on the task at hand. Sometimes the Brain Breaks involve physical activity and sometimes they are more passive. Ask your child what their favourite Brain Break is. In the following weeks I will be sharing some of our favourites. These can be used to focus your child on tasks at home as well as at school.

Robyn Herbert
Assistant Principal



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)



info@alinta.com



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

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.



SRE & SEE News



**OUR LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOL
NEEDS VOLUNTEER ETHICS
TEACHERS!**



“
I started for my
children but
stayed for myself
– it’s so
rewarding.”

An hour of your time a week is all it takes to help
develop a future generation
with strong ethical decision-making skills.

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



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



Frozen



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

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
- Veggie chips (Gluten free) \$ 3.00
- Popcorn Plain \$ 2.50

Everyday

- Frozen orange \$ 0.50
- 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)



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

YBK Weekly Meals

MONDAY OCCASIONAL

- Timbertown beef pie \$ 6.00
- Timbertown sausage roll \$ 5.50
- Timbertown Beef potato pie \$ 6.50
SAUCE SATCHELS 50cents

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 - 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)

Fresh Salads

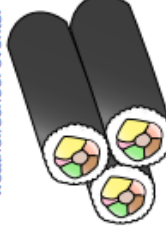
- Garden Salad and dressing \$ 6.70
- Grilled chicken and salad \$ 8.00
- Tuna and salad \$ 8.00
- Greek salad \$ 7.20
- all small salads \$ 5.70

OCCASIONAL

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



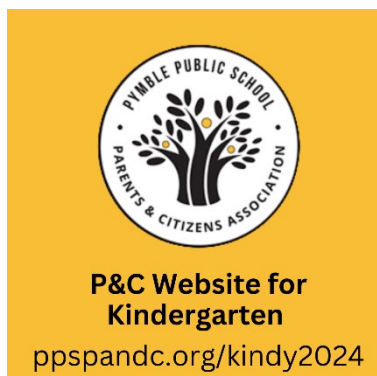
*Daily specials may change according to season,
weather/school events.





[P&C News](#)

[Connect with the P&C](#)



[Upcoming P&C Meetings](#)

The next P&C meeting is on **Wednesday, 13 August 2025** (Term 3, 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

Important Announcement

Treasurer needed for 2026:



The P&C needs a new **Treasurer** to join the P&C Executive Committee in 2026!

Glenn Gao has been the amazing PPS P&C Treasurer for the past 4 years. He can only hold the position for no more than four consecutive years and as such, the P&C is seeking someone as awesome to help oversee the financial side of P&C. Please note that the P&C employs a paid book-keeper to manage the day-to-day finances meaning that the role of the Treasurer is more about oversight and strategy.


Please consider assisting your child's wonderful school and its community by nominating yourself for this position. Glenn will happily assist in the handover and to answer any questions.

Please contact Amy to know more at: president.ppspc@gmail.com

Band Program

Band Workshop – Sunday 22nd June

Looking forward to seeing you all this Sunday for a fun and focused day of music-making, rehearsals, tutorials, and special guest entertainment! Details will be shared via the Band WhatsApp groups. Please check in and make sure your child is ready for a fabulous day.






PPS BAND WORKSHOP DAY


JUNE 22 2025

11:00AM - 4:45PM



PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

A day to unite, inspire, and energise our young musicians!
This special event includes:





-  Full Band Rehearsals
-  Sectional Tutorials
-  Guest Entertainment by the incredible DRUMBEATS!

 **IMPORTANT INFO**



Arrival & Pickup:


-  Enter via the TOP GATE only
-  All students MUST be signed IN and OUT by a parent or carer. (No student will be permitted to leave on their own.)

What to Bring:

-  Your own music stand
-  Bass players: amp & leads
-  Packed lunch & water bottle
-  Afternoon tea will be provided

Dress Code:

-  Casual & Comfortable
-  The most colourful group wins a prize!

 **Why This Day Matters**

We understand weekends are busy, but this workshop is a key part of our band program. It has a massive impact on your child's confidence, musicianship, and sense of achievement. It also sets us up for success as we prepare for ASBOF in August. Let's make it a day to remember!

Parent Volunteers are needed on the day, you can sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4BABA92AA2F4C34-57200612-band>

Strings Ensemble – Acacia Concert Rehearsal

Mrs Herbert is coordinating the details for the upcoming rehearsal on Monday 23rd June. Please keep an eye out in School Bytes for any updated information for this rehearsal.

End of Term Concerts

Parents are warmly invited to attend our end-of-term performances in the final week of term. Dates and times will be confirmed soon via the Band WhatsApp groups.

ASBOF – Save the Date! – Sunday 31st August

Our biggest event of the year is coming up! More details to follow, but for now, please mark this important date in your calendar.



Thank you for supporting your child's musical journey, it truly makes a difference.

[P&C Events](#)

The Pymble Fun Run

The Pymble Fun Run is an exciting new Community Event for 2025.

Check it out and register at pymblefunrun.com.au

Follow us on social media for the latest updates:





For information on **sponsorship opportunities** please e-mail letschat@pymblefunrun.com.au .

We're on the lookout for amazing local businesses or if you know of one who is keen to support this inaugural event, please get in touch.

[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**.

[Pymble Freebies](#)

We're excited to announce **Pymble Freebies**, a WhatsApp group created by the P&C to support sustainability and community connection.

Click here to join - <https://chat.whatsapp.com/CbbqYkeO2FEHWDfYtct2NL>



PYMBLE FREEBIES



A parent-led WhatsApp group created by the P&C to support sustainability and community connection.



Pymble Freebies

This group is a simple way to pass on good-quality items that you no longer need. You can help others while clearing space at home.

Items might include:

- 🍷 Kitchenware (baking trays, utensils, thermoses)
- 🍷 Clothing/sports gear (jackets, goggles, cricket pads)
- 🍷 Kids' items (puzzles, board games, LEGO, books, high chairs)
- 🍷 Household essentials (heaters, vacuum cleaners)
- 🍷 Other useful things (bubble wrap, stationery, keyboards)

Whatever it is, if it's in good condition, someone else might use it!



Join Our Community

Scan to join the Whatsapp group. Reduce waste, support each other and give your stuff a new life!



Group Guidelines



🍷 Free items only

This is a gifting group. Please don't post anything for sale. Please use the existing Facebook page to buy and sell items.

🍷 Good condition only

Only post clean, working items – something you'd pass to a friend.

🍷 No school involvement

Items must not be sent in with children. All swaps happen between adults, off PPS grounds.

🍷 Be kind and respectful

Keep all communication polite.

🍷 One item per post

Post one item (or a set) at a time and include a photo.

🍷 Clear communications

If you want something, comment 'Yes please' and then message privately for arrangements.

🍷 Current families only

If your child is no longer at PPS, please leave the group. Admins may remove members.

🍷 Admins may step in

Admins may remove posts that don't meet these guidelines.

🍷 Read before joining

By joining, you agree to follow these guidelines.





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- 5 Add your student under "Profile" and start ordering online!



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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	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 PYMBLE 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) Bobbin 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



PPS Christian Prayer Group

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 pensioner concession card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

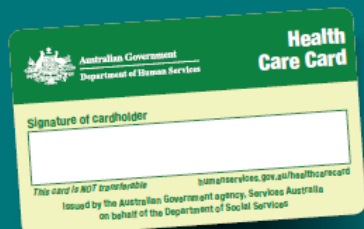
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To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ 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



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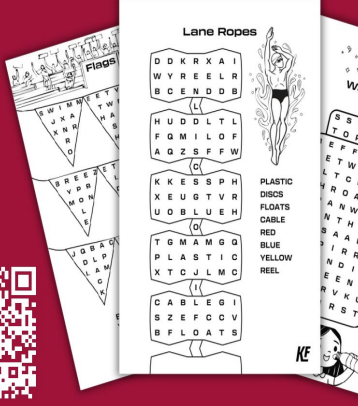

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