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Thursday, 25 September 2025

Term 3, Week 10

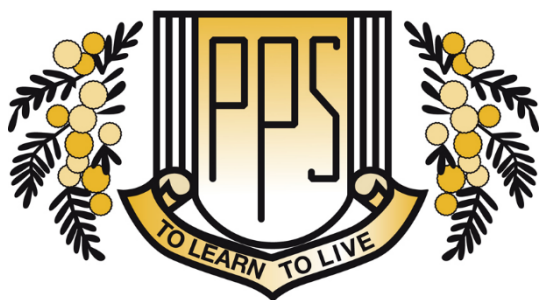
Dates to remember:

Term 3/4, 2025

Friday 26 September
Tuesday 14 October
Tuesday 14 October
Friday 17 October
Tuesday 21 October
Thursday 23 October
Friday 31 October

Last day of Term 3
First day back for students for Term 4
2K & 2S Gibberagong Excursion
Band Tour – Performance Ensemble & Jazz Band
School Tour – 9.30am
Festival of Children's Music Concert
Summer PSSA Gala Day # 3

PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL



Enrolments are now open

Kindergarten 2026

Online applications are now being accepted. Please visit the school website for further details:

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Principal's News

End of Term Reflections and Looking Ahead

We have reached the end of another productive and jam-packed school term here at Pymble Public School.

As always, our continued commitment and focus on ensuring that every child at PPS is valued, known, and cared for has shone through. The safety and wellbeing of our students is prioritised in every decision made at the school. Our teaching and learning programs continue to be based on evidence-informed best practice and current educational research. Across all classrooms, we provide explicit teaching and learning, implementing the new curriculum alongside student wellbeing programs to support our students' academic, emotional, and social growth.

This term, we have offered a broad range of extra-curricular sporting, creative, and performing arts opportunities. Our four school bands performed exceptionally at the recent ASBOF band competition held at NSW University, with each band awarded Gold – a truly remarkable achievement. Our stage 3 choir also performed at the Festival of Choral Music at the

Sydney Opera House earlier this term. Last week, our Year 6 student leaders had an amazing experience participating in the CCAS Student Leadership Mungo week-long camp in far western NSW. Alongside these highlights, there have been many excursions, incursions, and activities too numerous to list. Over the past two weeks, we have also run our annual Amazing Pymble Brain Race, another fantastic opportunity for our students to engage and shine.

I would like to wish all our students and their families a safe and enjoyable Spring school holiday period. This is a wonderful time for children to rest, catch up with family and friends, spend time outdoors, or enjoy some good books. I look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term 4, the final term of the school year. The first day back for students will be Tuesday, 14 October.

Please note, that I will be taking a week of personal leave in the first week of Term 4, from Monday 13 to Friday 17 October 2025. During my absence, our Deputy Principal, Mrs Graham, will be relieving principal.

Thank you for your ongoing support and engagement with our school community.

Inaugural Pymble Fun Run a Fantastic Community Success

On Sunday, our P&C, together with the school, proudly hosted the inaugural Pymble Fun Run — a great school and broader community event that truly brought everyone together. With over 1,300 registered participants across the 2km and 5km events, the turnout far exceeded the 1,000 participants the fundraising committee had hoped for in its first year. The weather was superb, with a sunny and warm spring day setting the perfect scene in Pymble.

It was lovely to see so many children, teachers, parents, carers, grandparents, and other residents join in, including former PPS students and their families. The event was honoured by the presence of our local state member, Alister Henskens, our Mayor, Christine Kay, and the member for Davidson, Matt Cross, who all came out to support the occasion.

A festive atmosphere and wonderful school community spirit filled the morning as the two races ran smoothly and were extremely professionally organised. An enormous amount of planning and hard work went into ensuring the success of this inaugural event. Our P&C President, Amy Olson, Jill Paul, and the P&C fundraising committee commenced preparations early last year, demonstrating exceptional dedication and commitment.

We would also like to acknowledge the support of our local Council and the many sponsors whose contributions were vital to the event's success.

A huge thank you goes to Amy Olson, Jill Paul, and the entire P&C fundraising committee for their tireless work over more than a year in planning, promoting, organising, and running the Pymble Fun Run. Not only was this a fantastic community event, but it also raised over \$30,000 for our school, which will go towards funding the new 3-6 play equipment project.

Special thanks also to the many parent volunteers who assisted on the day, providing excellent support; Mrs Graham for her planning assistance; Mrs Shields for her enthusiastic promotion of the event within the school; and our general assistant, Mr Burke, for his hard work in helping prepare, set up, and pack up on the day.

It was an all-round amazing day, and a wonderful celebration of community spirit and collaboration!





Sydney North Area Athletics Carnival

On Monday, four of our students—Chloe M, Marlow G, Kenneth H, and Liam G—represented our school as part of the Sydney North Area Athletics Zone team. The students competed with great determination and demonstrated excellent sportsmanship throughout the carnival.

Liam G ran the 100m race and achieved a personal best (PB) time. Kenneth H competed in both the 100m and 800m events, recording a personal best in the 800m. Chloe M ran in the 800m and 1500m races, achieving personal bests in both. Congratulations to these children on their achievements at the area carnival.

Marlow G ran in the 800m and 1500m events and placed 2nd and 3rd respectively. This is an outstanding individual achievement, congratulations Marlow! Marlow will now go on to represent the Sydney North Area in both the 800m and 1500m events at the State Athletics Championships in October. We wish Marlow all the best at the State carnival.

Throughout the day, the students not only supported each other but also encouraged competitors from other zone teams, exemplifying true camaraderie and respect. The students had a fantastic day and thoroughly enjoyed the carnival experience.

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks to the parents who transported the students and attended the event to support our athletes. Your involvement made a big difference!

Year 1 & 2 NSW Art Gallery Excursion

Last week, our Year 1 and 2 students enjoyed an exciting excursion to the NSW Art Gallery. During their visit, the children took part in a guided tour of the gallery, exploring a diverse range of artworks. They also engaged in a hands-on art activity where they created their own painted artworks, which they proudly brought back to school.

This excursion is a new addition to the Stage One program at PPS and has already proven to be a valuable and enriching experience for our students. We extend our sincere thanks to our Stage One teachers for organising and running this wonderful outing.

The children had a fantastic day out filled with creativity and inspiration!

CCAS Student Leadership Mungo Camp

Last week, our Year 6 student leaders, accompanied by Mrs Graham, Ms Fryer, and Ms Gillis, attended the week-long CCAS Student Leaders Mungo Camp in far south-western NSW. The students flew in and out of Mildura and stayed at the beautiful Rivergardens Holiday Park in Gol Gol.

During the camp, the students explored a range of incredible sites including the Gol Gol Cultural Immersion Centre, Gol Gol Public School, Mungo National Park (Lake Mungo), Trail of Lights, Botanical Gardens, Perry Sandhills, the Darling and Murray River Junction, and Orange World. They also participated in an Environmental Endangered Species incursion. Throughout their time away, the students journalled their experiences using iPads, capturing photos and writing detailed notes. An exciting highlight was their well-prepared presentation about our school, PPS, delivered to children at Gol Gol Public School.

This student leadership camp offers a unique opportunity for our student leaders to develop intercultural understanding and deepen their knowledge of Indigenous culture. You can read more about the camp in Mrs Graham's detailed report following this item.

We extend sincere thanks to Mrs Graham for assisting with planning and coordination, and to Mrs Graham, Ms Fryer, and Ms Gillis for dedicating their personal time to accompany the students and provide exceptional care throughout the week.

Primary Proms

Last Tuesday evening, 40 students from our Year 4 Choir had the wonderful opportunity to perform at the Primary Proms held at Sydney Town Hall. Joining a combined choir of 450 students from public schools across the state, our students sang beautifully and behaved with outstanding manners throughout the event.

The choir represented our school with pride and enthusiasm, thoroughly enjoying the experience. The audience, filled with proud parents and grandparents, were thrilled by the performance and the joy the students brought to the stage.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs Herbert and Ms Gillis for making this incredible opportunity possible and for generously giving their time to support and accompany the students at the concert.

Warringah Mall Performance

Last Friday, our Performance Ensemble and Jazz Band took to the stage at Warringah Mall, delighting an audience of excited and impressed shoppers. The students played beautifully and expertly entertained everyone with their music.

This performance was a fantastic showcase of the wonderful opportunities available to students at PPS and highlighted the exceptional quality of our band program.

We extend our sincere thanks to Mrs Herbert, Bec Morris (conductor), and the band committee for coordinating this fantastic opportunity for our students.

Bruno Diodati
Principal







Deputy Principal's News

Mungo Camp

Last week, I attended the 5-day 2025 Year 6 student leaders camp to the Gol Gol and Mungo National Park. I was accompanied by Miss Fryer and Miss Gillis. This camp provided an opportunity for student leaders to develop a deeper understanding of the significance of Mungo as well as indigenous culture. This experience aims to deepen student and staff knowledge of Mungo along with Aboriginal history, culture, and achievements.

After flying to Mildura, we spent our first day at the Gol Gol Cultural Immersion Centre set on the Murray River, participating in art and archaeological dig activities along with learning about aboriginal history and culture.



We then spent a full day out in Mungo National Park with local Barkandji elder Uncle Warren.



The following day we visited Orange World, the botanical gardens and Gol Gol Public School. Our leaders presented a fabulous presentation about PPS and then joined in lunchtime games and a music and sport lesson after lunch.



Our final day started with an environmental education presentation where the students learnt about protecting our native animals along with meeting some fantastic animals. We then visited Wentworth, where the Murray River meets the Darling River, with our trip concluding with a visit to the Perry Sand Hills.

Thank you to the teachers who attended the camp and to the students for their excellent behaviour and manners during a long week.





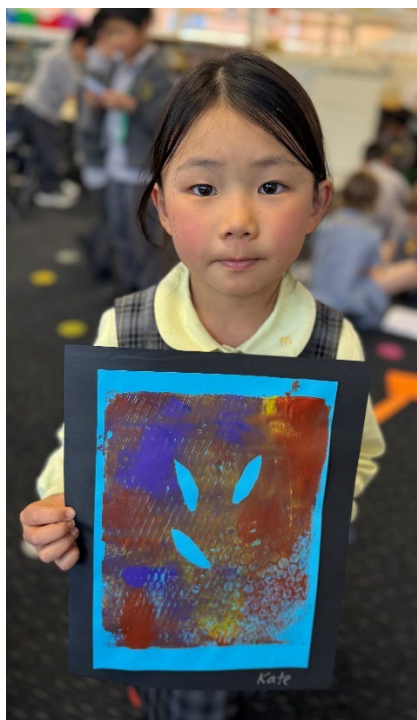
Light Up Learning

Last Wednesday, the Stage One children visited The Art Gallery of New South Wales. A big thank you to Mrs Haley Mylius for coordinating the excursion.

One of the many exciting things the students did was visit their learning studio and create artworks using the screen-printing process. The students designed and cut out shapes, chose textual elements and used jelly pads.

Thank you 1B for sharing your artwork!





Jennifer Graham
Deputy Principal



Administration News

Absences from School (whole day or part day) – SMS's

As part of the school's attendance procedures, parents will now receive an **SMS** if their child is absent from school for the whole or part of the day, and no previous explanation has been provided. Every effort will be made to send SMS's as early as possible each day, once class rolls have been marked and all attendance emails for the day have been addressed.

Please be aware that while we strive for accuracy in our attendance records, occasional errors in roll marking can result in students being marked absent when they are present. If you receive an absence SMS and believe it to be incorrect, please contact the school office so we can promptly review and update the attendance record. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Email Communication

If you are emailing the school office for any reason about your child, please remember to include your **child's full name and class**. Your support with this simple request is greatly appreciated.

Change of Details Form

To ensure we can always keep you informed and respond quickly in case of an emergency, it is important that your contact details are accurate and up to date. If you have recently changed your **phone number, address, email, or emergency contacts**, please fill out a **Change of Details** form as soon as possible. *This form can be accessed via the 'Forms' menu option in the School Bytes Parent Portal.*

Happy Holidays everyone!

From all the staff in the office we would like to wish all students and families a safe and enjoyable school holiday break. We look forward to seeing everyone back at school for Term 4 on Tuesday 14 October.

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



STAGE ONE VISIT THE ART GALLERY OF NSW



On Wednesday 17th September Stage 1 students visited the Art Gallery of NSW. Students participated in a learning tour where they visited the exhibition 'YolŲu power: the art of Yirrkala'. They also collaborated to produce a collage and participated in a print making workshop.

"MY FAVOURITE ACTIVITY WAS WHEN WE WENT ON THE TOUR OF THE YOLŲU POWER ARTWORKS BECAUSE OUR TOUR TEACHER SHOWED US ALL ABOUT THEM..." - LUCAS, YEAR 1

"I REALLY ENJOYED THE EXCURSION. MY FAVOURITE PART WAS THE PAINT PRINTING ACTIVITY BECAUSE IT WAS VERY FUN TO MAKE DIFFERENT ARTWORKS WITH SHAPES OF NATURE."
JAMES, YEAR 2



Uniform Shop – NEW PRICE LIST



Pymble Public School Uniform Price List



Shop Hours

Tuesday 1:30 pm-4:00 pm

Thursday 8:15 am-10:30 am

Contact Details

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pymblepublic@alinta.com.au

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Academic	Size	Price
Blouse S/S (D)	J2 - L12	\$ 24.50
Dress	J2 - L10	\$ 77.00
Blouse L/S	J2 - L12	\$ 41.00
Shirt S/S	J2 - S	\$ 41.00
Shirt L/S	J2 - S	\$ 43.00
Shorts	J2 - L	\$ 50.00
Shorts Slim Fit (D)	J4 - M	\$ 31.50
Unisex Trousers K-6	J2 - S	\$ 55.00
Trousers Slim Fit (D)	J4 - M	\$ 32.90
Tunic	J2 - L12	\$ 80.00
Sportswear	Size	Price
Sport Polo Blue	J2 - S	\$ 47.00
Sport Polo Green	J2 - M	\$ 47.00
Sport Polo Red	J2 - S	\$ 47.00
Sport Polo Yellow	J2 - S	\$ 47.00
Sport Shorts	J2 - S	\$ 44.00
Tracksuit Jacket	J2 - S	\$ 85.00
Tracksuit Pants	J2 - S	\$ 55.00
Outerwear	Size	Price
Jacket	J2 - XS	\$ 65.00
Rain Jacket K-2	J2 - J14	\$ 40.00
Jumper	4 - 14	From \$ 85.00
Bags	Size	Price
Backpack	-	\$ 75.00
Excursion/ Swim Bag	-	\$ 27.00
Homework/Music Bag	-	\$ 25.00
Library Bag	-	\$ 25.00

Accessories	Size	Price
Art Smock	XS - XL	\$ 25.00
Gloves	S - L	\$ 10.00
Tights Cotton	3-4 yrs - 2XTall	From \$ 15.95
Boys Knee High	J9-12 - S8-11	\$ 13.95
Summer Dress Button	-	\$ 2.00
Hat	S - L	\$ 32.00
Headband	Summer - Winter	\$ 15.40
Ponytail Holders 24pk	Black - Gold	\$ 9.50
Ribbon Pony Bows	Black - Red	From \$ 7.50
Scrunchie Summer	M	\$ 7.20
Scrunchie Winter	Small - M	\$ 7.20
Snap Hair Clips 12pk (D)	Black	\$ 7.50
Girls Knee High Sock	J9-12 - S2-8	\$ 12.95
Crew Sock	J9-12 - S8-11	\$ 9.50
Swim Cap	-	\$ 17.00
Tie	-	\$ 24.00
Sport Sock 2pk	J5-8 - S14-17	\$ 15.95
Belt	60cm - 125cm	\$ 22.00
Scarf	-	\$ 18.00
Fold Down Sock	J5-8 - S14-17	\$ 8.95
Laundry Marker	-	\$ 4.00
Shopping Bags	-	\$ 1.20

Prices effective from 15-09-2025 and are subject to change without notice.

- Sizes not carried are available by custom order - enquire within for lead times and additional charges.
- Payment can be made in store (for retail stores) or online.
- Every effort is made to ensure stock is always available, however, occasionally unforeseen circumstances can cause delays in the delivery of some uniform items.
- Visit our website for policies on online order distribution, returns and exchanges.

PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP

School Holiday Trading



Dear Parents and Carers,

The Uniform Shop's final day of trade for Term 3 is
Thursday 25th September

HOLIDAY TRADING HOURS

Tuesday 7th October **1:30pm-4:00pm**

Thursday 9th October **8:00am-10:30am**

The Uniform Shop will resume regular trading from Monday 13th
October



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An hour of your time a week is all it takes to help
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Volunteers come from all walks of life. You don't need
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SYDNEY
ACADEMY OF CHESS

Level 1 30A George St, Burwood 2134

Office: (02) 9745 1170

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 23 July 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.



[P&C News](#)

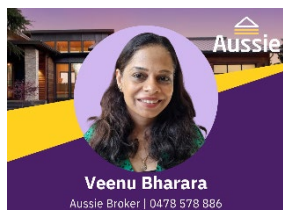
President Report - Pymble Fun Run 21 Sep 2025

By Amy Olson

What a wonderful day! The inaugural Pymble Fun Run was everything we hoped it would be and more. With 1,295 registrations and over \$30,000 raised for the Pymble Public School community, the event was a true celebration of smiles, fun, and community spirit. The funds raised were simply the icing on the cake.

Thank You to Our Sponsors

A heartfelt thank you to our generous sponsors: BFT, My Pilates Studio, MortgageWithVeenu, Pello, Ray White, Bayer, and Pymble Physiotherapy. Your support made this event possible. Thank you also to Ku-ring-gai Council for their support.



Thank You to Our Participants & Volunteers

To every single person who registered and joined us out on the course—you are what makes this event so special.

A special thank you goes to our incredible volunteers, whose time and energy brought this day to life. It was an early morning start and we are so grateful. In particular:

- Richie Paul – Volunteer coordination
- Gayle King – Finish line coordinator
- Nicki Fisher – BBQ organiser
- Neda Zand – Merchandise sales & bib collection
- Lauren Dooley – Cold drinks & Iceblock Coordinator
- Adrian Stark & Nicholas Olson – course set-up

Your hard work was the backbone of this event.

Partner Schools

We were delighted to partner with Bush School, North Turramurra Public, West Pymble, Gordon West, Gordon East, St Ives Public, and Beaumont Road School. These schools promoted the event to their communities and shared in the fundraising. Together, they raised \$2,100 for their P&Cs.

VIP Guests

We were honoured to have our local member Alister Henskens and Ku-ring-gai Mayor Cr. Kay officially open the 5km race. Alister even stayed on to run the 2km event! A special mention also to Matt Cross, Member for Davidson, who participated in the run and spoke about our event in parliament.

Thank You to PPS

Our deepest thanks to Mr. Bruno Diodati—without your support this event would not have been possible—and to Jennifer Graham for her tremendous efforts. A very special thank you to the wonderful Ian Burke, whose dedication, energy and generosity were central to making the day such a success.

It was also wonderful to see so many PPS staff out on the day. Mrs. Kylie Booth even took Pymbie the bear around the course! A very special thank you to Mrs. Jane Shields, whose support has been incredible. Jane and her daughter were at the school at 5am helping to set up the marshalling area—your dedication is truly appreciated.

Co-Director Recognition - Jill Paul

Finally, it is my great pleasure to thank and congratulate the incredible Jill Paul, Co-Director of the Fun Run. Jill put in countless hours, went the extra mile to promote the event, and was instrumental in making it such a success.

Interesting Facts About the Fun Run

- It required 65 volunteers on the day
- The biggest expense was traffic management (applications, documentation, road closures) at over \$15,000
- Less than 50% of entries came from the direct PPS community—over 650 people from outside the school joined in!
- Our top (organic) social media post reached 8,500+ views
- 216 PPS students registered to run or walk

- 🏆 The class with the most registrations: **3V with 17 students**
- 🏆 Winning house: **FLINDERS with 67 students entered**

And of course... the winners are:

5KM

Men	Women
<div>1. Will Atkinson - 15:50</div> <div>2. Benjamin Bishop - 16:40</div> <div>3. Zbynek Hanys - 16:46</div>	<div>1. Caitlyn Tan (493)</div> <div>2. Kirsty Flick (444)</div> <div>3. Brooke Jennings (195)</div>
Fastest PPS parent: Matt Gibson	Fastest PPS parent: Caroline Sweeny

Boys	Girls
5-6Y Boy - Heath M 7-8 Boy - Oliver H 9-10 Boy - Jamie A 11-12 Boy - Rowan D 13-15 Boy - Thomas B	5-6Y Girl - Mia Y 7-8Y Girl - Cali J 9-10 Girl - Aria P 11-12 Girl - Zara W 13-15 Girl - Tara T

2KM

Boys	Girls
5-6Y Boy - Camberon B 7-8 Boy - Alexander V(special mention to James D) 9-10 Boy - Kenneth H 11-12 Boy - Jake T 13-15 Boy - Ethan OI	5-6Y Girl - Melissa R 7-8Y Girl - Elena C 9-10 Girl - Emily B 11-12 Girl - Chloe M 13-15 Girl - Evaleigh G

BEST DRESSED: 1st place - Terracini Family

INTERSCHOOL CUP: St Ives North Public School

Follow us on social media for all the photos and memories from race day:



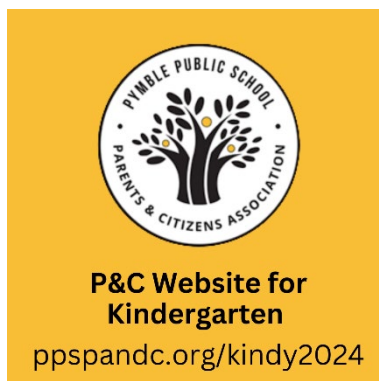








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Upcoming P&C Meetings

The next P&C meeting and AGM is on **Wednesday, 5 November 2025** (Term 4, 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.

Important Announcement

Seeking a new Grounds Committee Lead

With Fash stepping down, we're now recruiting a new Grounds Committee Lead to join the P&C. This is a great role for someone who enjoys being hands-on and helping care for our school environment. Responsibilities include coordinating working bees and liaising with the school on grounds improvement projects. If you're interested or would like to know more, please get in touch — we'd love to hear from you!



Seeking Grounds Committee Lead

The Grounds Committee Lead is a valued role within the P&C, responsible for helping maintain and improve the school's outdoor spaces and facilities. Key responsibilities include:

- Overseeing the use of school buildings, grounds and facilities by the wider community, supporting both engagement and income generation for the school
- Identifying and applying for relevant grants to improve school grounds and infrastructure
- Coordinating working bees and organising selected planting projects in line with approved P&C initiatives

This role is perfect for someone who enjoys being hands-on, working with others, and making a visible difference to the school environment.

Please email president.ppspc@gmail.com if you're interested



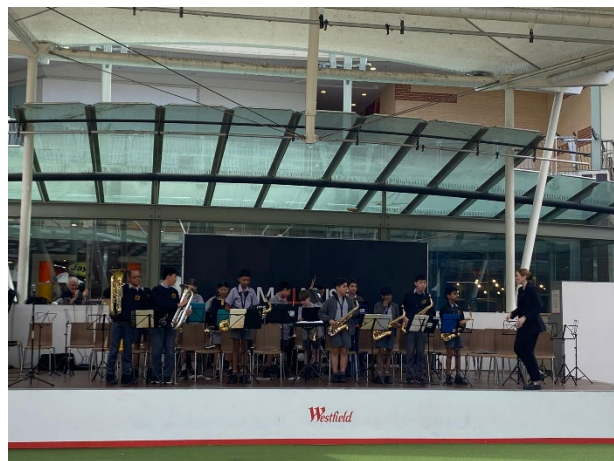
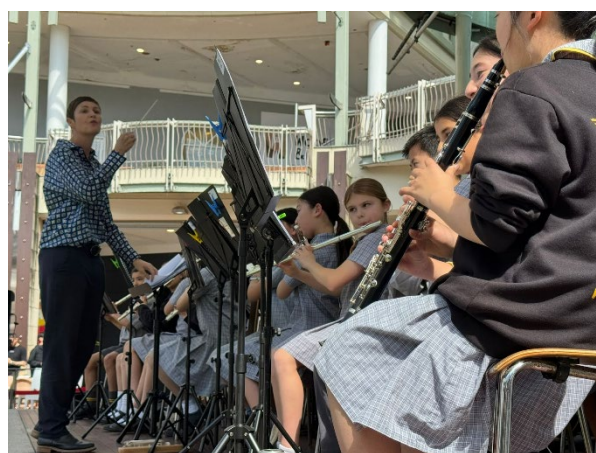
[Band Program](#)

🎵 PPS Bands – Wrapping Up a Brilliant Term 3! 🎵

As Term 3 draws to a close this Friday, we can look back with huge pride on what has been an amazing term for our PPS Bands. From rehearsals to performances to GOLDS at ASBOF to fundraising, our community spirit has been shining brightly, and the results speak for themselves.

🌟 Warringah Mall Performance – Friday 19th September

Last Friday, our Performance Ensemble and Jazz Band took their music beyond the school gates, filling Warringah Mall with energy, rhythm, and joy. Shoppers stopped in their tracks to listen, and the feedback was glowing – many couldn't believe they were listening to primary school musicians! A massive congratulations to all the students for representing PPS so brilliantly. Their hard work and dedication were on full display, and the pride on their faces was matched only by the smiles in the audience. Thank you to Mrs Herbert for taking them to the performance and to Bec & Meredith for making time in their busy music teaching schedules.



🍷 Pymble Fun Run Mega BBQ – Sunday 21st September

What a day! The Pymble Fun Run brought our community together in true PPS style, and the Band Program was right at the heart of it with our Mega BBQ. From sizzling sausages to bacon-and-egg rolls, the BBQ ran smoothly thanks to our incredible parent and carer volunteers. Your time, effort, and cheerful teamwork made all the difference.

We're thrilled to share that the funds raised go straight back into supporting our Band Program – helping us maintain the quality of music education and opportunities that make PPS so special. A heartfelt thank you to everyone who pitched in, whether behind the BBQ, helping set up, or cheering from the sidelines.



♥ Looking Ahead

A quick reminder that Semester 2 invoices will be hitting inboxes this week – please keep an eye out for them.

And Term 4 promises to be just as exciting, with many things to look forward to – including our upcoming **Performance Ensemble & Jazz Band 1-Day Tour**. More details will be shared soon, but we can already feel the buzz building!

🎵 Thank You & Well Done

To every student, parent, conductor, tutor, and volunteer – thank you for making Term 3 such a standout. Our musicians continue to impress with their progress and passion, and none of it would be possible without the support of our wonderful PPS Band community.

Here's to a well-earned rest over the holidays (but don't forget to keep practicing), and we look forward to hitting the right notes together in Term 4! 🎵

Thanks
Nicki Fischer - Band Coordinator

P&C Events

P&C Fundraising Art Project

The students' art production has now come to an end, and we are thrilled to announce that our school art show will take place in Term Four in the school hall. The official announcement date will be shared soon. This has been an excellent collaboration, teaching the children the value of working together toward a shared goal, while celebrating their individual creativity. We can't wait to showcase their incredible work!

A heartfelt thank you to all the volunteers, our excellent teachers, and the whole school community. The project wouldn't have been possible without the fantastic support of our parents.

Thank you to our amazing volunteers supporting the art project.

Ali Hovey, Alyssa Squance, Abi Thambipillay, Farid Zand, Chloe Steel, Gladys Clark, Cathy Xiao, Lauren Dooley, Emma Warburton, Georgia Ting, Caroline Sweeney, Tegan Chan, Clarissa Sweet, Jackie Tham, Jen Whiteway, Soowan Young, Sacha Martin, Susan Cho, Sarah Cable,

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.
Neda Zand, Fundraising and Event

Second Hand Uniform Shop

CLOTHING DRIVE is this THURSDAY LUNCHTIME...

Please consider donating your uniforms that are too small or that you no longer need! As with previous years, we will be giving children an ice block in exchange for uniforms donated. Please make sure you write a note giving permission for your child to donate the uniform as we won't accept any donations without it!

Weekly Opening Hours

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

END OF TERM CLOTHING DRIVE!




\$1 for an iceblock if you don't have anything to donate!

Donate your uniforms for an ice-block!


WHERE? OUTSIDE 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
WHEN? THURSDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER AT LUNCHTIME
WHAT? ANY PPS UNIFORM (WINTER OR SUMMER) IN GOOD, RE-SELLABLE CONDITION
HOW? PLEASE USE PAPER BAG AND WRITE ON FRONT THAT YOU HAVE GIVEN PERMISSION FOR YOUR CHILD TO DONATE




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.

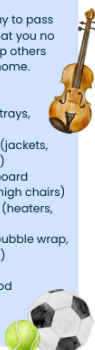
Pymble Freebies

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:

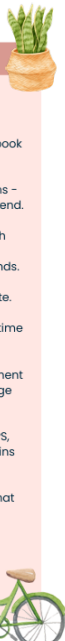
- 🍷 Kitchenware (baking trays, utensils, thermoses)
- 👕 Clothing/sports gear (jackets, goggles, cricket pads)
- 🧸 Kids' items (puzzles, board games, LEGO, books, high chairs)
- 🏠 Household essentials (heaters, vacuum cleaners)
- 📦 Other useful things (bubble wrap, stationery, keyboards)

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





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.



Join Our Community

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



HOW TO REGISTER

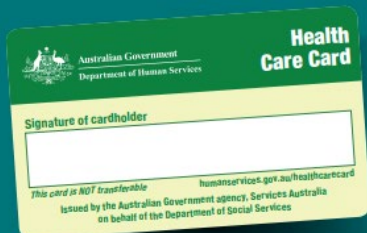
WITH flexischools



- 1 Download the Flexischools app and select "Register".
- 2 Type in your email and submit to create an account.
- 3 Go to your inbox and click the link to verify your email (remember to check your junk).
- 4 Follow the registration process, creating a password and adding your personal details.
- 5 Add your student under "Profile" and start ordering online!



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

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- ✓ 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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Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.

NEW BUS TIMETABLE FROM 21 JULY 2025



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 21/07/2025

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
9039	15:05	TO PYMBLE STATION AND WEST PYMBLE via Crown Rd, (R) Reservoir Rd, (L) Bannockburn Rd, (L) Bannockburn Rd, (R) Selwyn St, (L) Bobbin Head Rd (South Turramurra student transfer to 9015 at Sacred Heart School (15:10), (L) Pacific Hwy, (Pymble Station 15:12), (R) Livingstone Ave, (R) Everton St, (R) Avon Rd, (R) Arilla Rd, (L) Allawah Rd, (R) Linden Ave, (R) Beechworth Rd, (R) Pacific Hwy, (L) Grandview St, (Pymble Station 15:25), Grandview St, (R) Station St, (L) Pacific Hwy, (L) St Johns Ave, Gordon Interchange (15:34) then transfer to route 560
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

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



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



Community News

Manly Warringah Basketball Assoc.

Learn Basketball Skills in a fun learning environment with qualified coaches.

Saturday 18 October – 06 December 2025

www.trybooking.com/DFAXE

Aussie hoops is a fun inclusive, structured introductory basketball program for 5-10 yrs old

Sunday 19 October – 07 December 2025

www.aussiehoops.basketball/program-locator/

Ignite Football

For Kids aged 7-12 at Barker College – Bowman Field

Fun football sessions in a team-based environment.

ignitefootballprogram@gmail.com

St Ives Junior Cricket Club

Come and play cricket this summer 2025/2026

Mixed cricket blast (soft cricket ball) U6-U10. Mixed junior program U9-U17

www.stivesjuniorcricket.com

Ryde Water Polo

Want to play Water Polo? Come to our Summer Trials at Ryde Aquatic Leisure Centre

Junior EOI please go to www.rydewaterpolo.com.au/events/307484

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARTS FESTIVAL
7-14 NOV 2025

OPENING NIGHT 5.30PM FRIDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2024
ADDI ROAD STIRRUP GALLERY, 142 ADDISON RD, MARRICKVILLE

Create a collaborative student artwork to feature in our Addi Road Stirrup Gallery exhibition

AND/OR

Perform at the Opening Night: all bands, ensembles, choirs, dance groups, etc welcome!

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

ADDI ROAD

The Public Schools Arts Festival is an Addi Road initiative created in collaboration with Drawn to Seeing, the Inner City Teachers' Association and public school students and teachers

PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARTS FESTIVAL

BEROWRA MUSICAL SOCIETY PRESENTS:

The Addams Family
A NEW MUSICAL COMEDY

Book by MARSHALL BRICKMAN and RICK ELICE.
Music and lyrics by ANDREW LIPPA.
Based on characters created by CHARLES ADDAMS.

OCTOBER
25TH, 26TH, 31ST

NOVEMBER
1ST AND 2ND

AT BEROWRA COMMUNITY AND CULTURAL FACILITY
Located on The Gully Road, Berowra

JOIN US FOR CREEPY AND KOOKY FUN – ENJOY FACE PAINTING, LUCKY DOOR PRIZES AND BEST DRESSED COMPETITIONS!

SCAN FOR TICKETS & MORE INFORMATION.



HORNSBY GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YEAR 5 STUDENTS TO OUR YEAR 5 OPEN DAY 2025

The morning activities include the Principal's address at 9 am, tour of the school, performances by the school band and information regarding extra-curricular programs.

Hornsby Girls High School is a Selective High School.

Enrolment enquiries should be directed to the Selective Schools Unit:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>



Tuesday 14 October 2025

The program starts at 9 am and
concludes at 11 am

Edgeworth David Avenue

Hornsby NSW 2077

9476 5711



**FREE FAMILY FUN DAY
AT THE PARLIAMENT OF NSW**

Free activities for children up to 12 years at the Parliament of NSW

Friday 10 October 9.30am – 3pm

Visit Australia's oldest Parliament, step inside history and get creative in workshops and role plays.

- Visit our heritage rooms
- Make craft animals and objects
- Play music and draw with Blak Douglas
- Have your say in a committee role play
- Learn how to vote
- Enjoy live music and more...




FREE ENTRY
Activities 9.30am to 3pm

LOCATION
Parliament of New South Wales,
6 Macquarie Street
Opposite Martin Place
The public café will be open.

**BOOKINGS
ESSENTIAL**

P: (02) 9230 2047 or
E: dpw.education@parliament.nsw.gov.au




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29 SEPT – 10 OCT

9AM – 3PM

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Open Day

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Phone: +61 2 94891077 **Fax:** +61 2 94895722

Tuesday 14 October 2025

Registration by 10:00am on
Friday 10 October 2025 is essential!

Register at: <https://events.humanitix.com/normanhurst-boys-hs-open-day-ii-tuesday-14-october-2025>

Web: normanhurstboys.nsw.edu.au
Email: office@normanhurstboys.nsw.edu.au



Children and Youth Library Services

Spring 2025 School holiday activities

Pirate craft workshop

5 to 9 years
\$5 per participant

Shiver ye timbers with various pirate-themed craft activities!



GORDON LIBRARY, Meeting Room 1
Tuesday 30 Sept, 2pm-3.30pm
LINDFIELD LIBRARY - Thursday 2 Oct,
10am-11.15am
ST IVES LIBRARY - Wednesday 8 Oct,
10am-11.15am
TURRAMURRA LIBRARY - Thurs 9 Oct,
10am-11.15am

Eco Festival – Trash to treasures storytime

4 to 8 years
Free

Enjoy stories and craft activities about recycling and the environment!

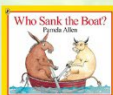


GORDON LIBRARY, Meeting Room 1
Monday 29 Sept, 2.15pm-3.30pm

Science Storytime: *Who Sank the Boat?*

5 to 9 years
\$5 per participant

Join us to read the beloved classic *'Who Sank the Boat?'* by Pamela Allen. Then we'll dive into science activities and craft based on the story!



ST IVES LIBRARY - Wednesday 1 Oct,
10am-11.15am
GORDON LIBRARY - Wednesday 8 Oct,
2pm-3.30pm

Dungeons and Dragons for children

9 to 11 years
Free

Learn how to play Dungeons and Dragons with a one-shot campaign to get you started. Choose from pre-designed characters and join us for a dungeon crawl filled with combat and puzzle encounters.



TURRAMURRA LIBRARY - Tues 30 Sept,
10am-12pm
LINDFIELD LIBRARY - Thursday 9 Oct,
2pm-4pm

Kids' author events at Gordon Library!



Join **Kate and Jol Temple**, bestselling authors of *Frog Squad*, as they introduce their hilarious new illustrated series of books *Mega Rich Guinea Pig\$*.

Friday 26 September
5.30pm to 7.15pm
Gordon Library



With the latest *Funny Kid* book about to hit shelves, popular author **Matt Stanton** (*Funny Kid, Bored*) is coming to share the scoop on his newest instalment, *Seriously Soccer!*



Friday 3 October
5.30pm to 7.15pm
Gordon Library



Enquiries: email younglibrary@krg.nsw.gov.au
or call 9424 0120
Terms and conditions apply.
Bookings are essential - krg.nsw.gov.au/librarykids



Events are free but bookings are required
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krg.nsw.gov.au/librarykids



ST IVES PRESCHOOL KINDERGARTEN
SINCE 1961

Family FUNFAIR

Join us on
SUNDAY 26th OCTOBER
10am-2pm
29 Garrick Road, St Ives
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- FOOD STALLS • PONY RIDES • JUMPING CASTLE & SLIDE • FARM ANIMALS
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A Fundraising concert for Music Therapy
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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025
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Ages 6-13
7 Oct to 10 Oct (4 days), 9am - 3pm
St Thomas Church, Willoughby
 (Free Extended Hours 8am-5.30pm)
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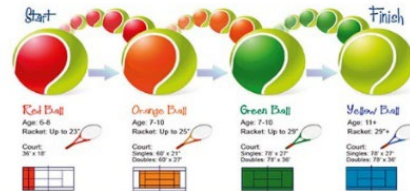
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HOLIDAY PROGRAM

\$80

CODE: 2025H3PB

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