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*Thursday, 31 July 2025*

*Term 3, Week 2*

### Dates to remember:

#### **Term 3, 2025**

Monday 4 – Friday 8 August

Thursday 7 August

Friday 8 August

Tuesday 12 August

Wednesday 13 August

Friday 15 August

Friday 15 August

Education Week

Open Day

PSSA Gala Day No.3

School Tour 9.30am open to all prospective families

Yrs 3-6 Assembly SRC Induction

Yrs K-2 Assembly SRC Induction

PSSA Gala Day No.4



### Principal's News

#### **Exciting Update: New Bubbler Drinking and Bottle Refilling Stations!**

We are thrilled to announce that during the recent school holidays, our school has installed four new water drinking and bottle refilling stations. These modern bubbler stations not only provide easy access to clean, fresh drinking water but also feature both drinking fountains and convenient bottle refilling spouts.

What makes these new units even more special is their beautiful indigenous artwork, which was thoughtfully selected by our Student Representative Council (SRC) after conducting a survey among students. The vibrant designs enhance our school environment while celebrating our cultural heritage.

Among the new installations, two bubbler units now dispense filtered water, one each located in the K-2 playground and the primary playground areas. The remaining four units will provide clean tap water. Each filtered water station will be labelled for easy identification.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our school's P&C for their generous funding towards the supply and installation of these new bubbler units. They are a fantastic addition to our school grounds, ensuring that our students have ample opportunities to stay hydrated and refill their water bottles throughout the day.



### **ANZAC Day Creative Art Competition Winner**

Earlier this year, many of our talented students participated in the ANZAC School Initiatives Creative Art Competition, where they had the opportunity to design a 'sticker and slogan' that captures the essence of ANZAC Day, its significance, and the spirit of our community. This year, an impressive total of 45,796 entries were submitted from primary schools across the state, showcasing the creativity and dedication of our young artists.

We are thrilled to announce that one of our own students, Emily B, has been awarded the title of 'winner' in her category (Year 4) for the entire state! Emily's design stood out among thousands of entries, impressing the judges with its quality, meaningful representation, and creativity.

Congratulations, Emily! This is a remarkable achievement, and we are incredibly proud of your hard work and talent. Your contribution not only honours the ANZAC spirit but also inspires your peers and our community.



### **NAIDOC Week - "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy"**

Last week, our school proudly celebrated NAIDOC Week with an exciting indigenous activity for students in K-6, hosted by Garwoeidhamin. Taylor and Erica from Garwoeidhamin delivered an engaging program that immersed the children in various aspects of their culture through language, storytelling, and dance.

The interactive nature of the program allowed students to actively participate and engage in rich cultural learning and discussions. This experience not only deepened their knowledge and understanding of indigenous culture but also fostered a sense of appreciation for the heritage and traditions of our First Nations people.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to Mrs. Kingston, Ms. Carew, and Ms. Smith for coordinating this wonderful opportunity for our students. Their efforts ensured that our NAIDOC Week celebrations were meaningful and impactful, leaving a lasting impression on our young learners.

### **State Cross Country Competition**

Last week, our talented athletes, Kenneth H and Marlow G, represented the North Sydney Area at the State Cross Country Competition, held at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre in Horsley Park.

Kenneth took part in the junior event, while Marlow competed in the under 11s race. Both athletes demonstrated remarkable determination and sportsmanship, putting forth their best efforts in a highly competitive environment.

We are delighted to announce that Kenneth and Marlow finished strong in their respective races, showcasing their hard work and dedication throughout the season.

Congratulations, Kenneth and Marlow! Your commitment to excellence and teamwork is truly inspiring, and we are proud to have you representing our community.

### **State Band Camp**

Last week, eight of our Year 6 band students had the incredible opportunity to attend the 6-day NSW State Band Camp at the Narrabeen Sport and Recreational Centre. This camp brought together over 240 Year 5 to 8 students from public schools across NSW, creating a vibrant community of young musicians.

The State Band Camp offers an extensive and intensive music program experience, allowing students to immerse themselves in a variety of musical activities. Throughout the week, our students participated in daily singing groups, ensemble band rehearsals, instrument tutorials, and a range of sporting recreational activities. The camp was not just about music; students enjoyed fun night activities, including a lively dance party, fostering friendships and camaraderie among peers.

A highlight of the camp was the opportunity for students to perform in small nightly concerts in front of their fellow campers, gaining valuable performance experience and confidence. The week culminated in a spectacular concert for parents on Friday evening, showcasing the remarkable talent of our students alongside those from other public schools across the state.

This event was a wonderful opportunity for our students, and the skills and experiences they gained will significantly benefit their musical development. We are incredibly proud of their achievements and look forward to seeing how they continue to grow as musicians.

### **3-6 Athletics Carnival - A Day of Fun and Competition!**

Last Thursday, our school held its annual 3-6 Athletics Carnival at Bannockburn Oval, and what a fantastic day it was! We were blessed with beautiful sunny weather, which set the perfect backdrop for an exciting day of athletic competition.

The carnival ran smoothly, with high participation across all events. It was heartwarming to see students not only competing fiercely but also cheering for their peers, regardless of their sports house team. This spirit of camaraderie truly showcased the sportsmanship and community values we strive to instil in our students.

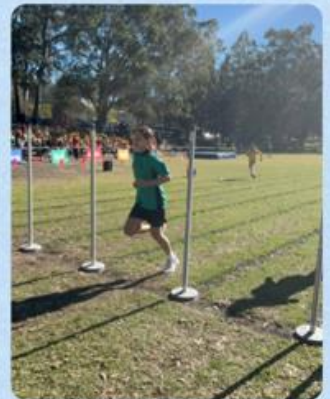
We would also like to extend our gratitude to the parents and grandparents who attended, adding to the vibrant atmosphere of support and encouragement. A huge well done to all the children who participated in races and field events, and congratulations to those who placed in heats and finals!

A special thank you goes to Mrs. Holbrook for her exceptional organisation and coordination of the athletics carnival, as well as to Mr. Burke for his assistance with the setup and pack-up. We also appreciate all the teachers who contributed their time and effort to help run the carnival smoothly.

It was a memorable day that highlighted the talents and teamwork of our students. We look forward to more events like this in the future!

Thank you, everyone, for making the day a success!

***\*\* A reminder to please not post or share any photos or video of children other than your own that you may have taken at the carnival, with others or on social media platforms.***



### **Ryde Primary Principals' Council Student Leadership Camp – Collaroy Centre**

This Monday and Tuesday, our Year 6 Student Representative Council (SRC) members attended the Ryde Primary Principals' Council (PPC) Student Leadership Camp at the Collaroy Centre. This annual event is a fantastic opportunity for student leaders from various local schools to come together and engage in a range of enriching leadership experiences.

The students participated in an intensive program focused on the development of leadership skills, public speaking, and team building. The camp was expertly facilitated by youth leaders at the Collaroy Centre, alongside dedicated teachers from various participating schools. A key goal of the camp is to encourage students to meet new peers and forge lasting friendships, and our Year 6 SRC members excelled in this aspect, interacting positively with students from other schools and establishing meaningful connections.

In addition to leadership activities, the students enjoyed a variety of sports and recreational challenges, including:

- Giant Swing
- Ropes Course
- Flying Fox
- Laser Tag
- Archery
- Rock Climbing
- Abseiling

Our students demonstrated remarkable leadership skills and represented our school with pride throughout the camp. A special thank you to Mr. Rogan for accompanying the students and to the Ryde PPC for organising such a valuable opportunity for our Year 6 SRC members. We look forward to seeing how they will implement the new ideas and initiatives discussed during this experience!

***Bruno Diodati***  
***Principal***



### **Deputy Principal's News**

### **Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD)**

Every year, all schools in Australia participate in the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD). The NCCD process requires schools to identify information already available in the school about supports provided to students with disability. These relate to legislative requirements under the Disability Discrimination Act 1992 and the Disability Standards for Education 2005, in line with the NCCD guidelines (2019).

Information provided about students to the Australian Government for the NCCD includes:

- year of schooling
- category of disability: physical, cognitive, sensory or social/emotional
- level of adjustment provided: support provided within quality differentiated teaching practice, supplementary, substantial or extensive.

This information assists schools to:

- formally recognise the supports and adjustments provided to students with disability in schools
- consider how they can strengthen the support of students with disability in schools
- develop shared practices so that they can review their learning programs in order to improve educational outcomes for students with disability.

The NCCD provides state and federal governments with the information they need to plan more broadly for the support of students with disability.

The NCCD will have no direct impact on your child and your child will not be involved in any testing process. The school will provide data to the Australian Government in such a way that no individual student will be able to be identified – the privacy and confidentiality of all students is ensured. All information is protected by privacy laws that regulate the collection, storage and disclosure of personal information. To find out more about these matters, please refer to the Australian Government's Privacy Policy (<https://www.education.gov.au/privacy-policy>).

Further information about the NCCD can be found on the NCCD Portal (<https://www.nccd.edu.au>).

If you have any questions about the NCCD, please contact the school.

### **Japanese Teachers Visiting PPS**

On Wednesday we welcomed a group of four Japanese teachers to PPS. The tour was organised through the Department of Education Study Tours Program. This program provides opportunities for primary and secondary schools to welcome groups of overseas students or education professionals. The teachers visited some of our classrooms to see Kindergarten phonics and phonemic awareness, a Yr 2 writing lesson, Year 4 Science and a 5/6 choir lesson in the hall. The teachers then met with our school executive staff to learn more about the Australian Education system, while we were able to find out more about education in Japan. The visit concluded with an Australian morning tea. Thank you to the teachers and the students who made the tour group feel very welcome.





## 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](mailto: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***



## Public Education Week 2025- Ignite your potential

We are proud to celebrate **Public Education Week** from 4–8 August (Week 3, Term 3).

This year's theme, ***Ignite your potential***, recognises the strength, diversity and achievements of NSW public education — where every student is supported to learn, grow and thrive.

At Pymble Public School, we invite families to join us in celebrating this important week on Thursday 7 August. Please see further information and details via the attachment.

We look forward to welcoming you to our school and sharing the learning journey with you.

**PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL**



**EDUCATION WEEK 2025  
OPEN DAY**

8:35am - 8:50am  
Performance ensemble playing in the top playground

9:15am - 10:15am  
Performances on the netball court  
(K-6 choirs + jnr & snr dance groups)

10:15am - 11:00am  
Open classrooms

11:00am - 11:30am  
Parents & carers invited to spend recess with their  
children

*Thursday 7 August*



*If there is poor / wet weather on the day, there may be changes to performances.*



## Premier's Spelling Bee News

Last term, many students from years 3-6 opted to participate in the 2025 Premier's Spelling Bee. All students should be congratulated for their keen participation and efforts. Below are the names of the winners for each grade. These students will be receiving an award at presentation day at the end of the year. The Stage 2 and 3 finalists will compete against other students from a variety of schools around NSW. This will be held on 15 August.

We wish them all the best!

Grade	Winner	Class
3	Ophelia H	3V
4	Ellie W	4H
5	Murphy Y	5/6T
6	Melody L	5/6R
Stage 2	Ellie W	
Stage 3	Melody L	

**Lucinda Holbrook**  
**Spelling Bee Coordinator**



## NAIDOC Week

In Week 1 of Term 3, we honoured NAIDOC Week 2025, themed "The Next Generation: Strength, Vision & Legacy". Our classrooms were alive with meaningful conversations and learning experiences that recognise and celebrate the histories, cultures and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. We also had a valuable incursion with Taylor and Erica from Garwoeidhamin, who immersed us in their culture through language, storytelling and dance. The incursion deepened the students' understanding and appreciation of indigenous culture.

Thank you for your support in making NAIDOC Week a memorable and impactful experience for our students.

**Jane Carew, Paige Kingston & Kerrie Smith**  
**Aboriginal Education Committee**





**Berry Street Educational Model**

### **BRAIN BREAKS**

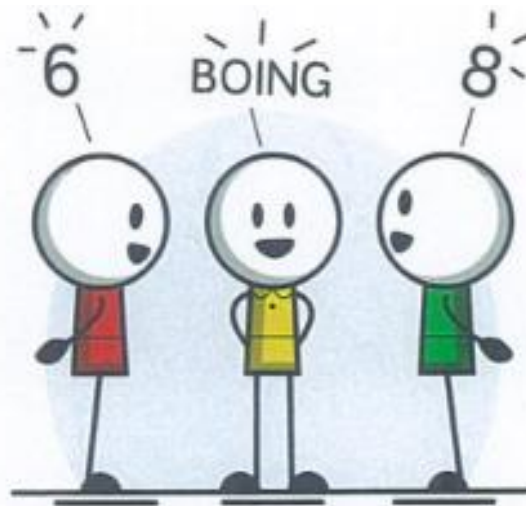
At school we acknowledge that we all need regular breaks in order to make our work time more productive. We use Brain Breaks which are short activities that help us to refocus. Some are physical and some are mindful. This week we would like to share some links to brain breaks that are Mindful. We encourage you to try these with your child at home.



<https://www.youtube.com/embed/RiMb2Bw4Ae8>



<https://www.youtube.com/embed/IIbBI-BT9c4>



## 6. Boi-ing 7

**Energy:** Low

**Equipment:** None

**Duration:** 4 minutes

Students stand in a circle facing inwards. A nominated student begins by saying 'one'. The student to the left of the first one says 'two' and so on around the circle, calling out numbers in numerical order.

Every time a number comes along that contains a '7' or is a multiple of 7, students must call out 'boi-ing' (a jumping sound because '7' is being jumped) in place of the actual number. Counting then continues as normal until the next '7'...

...be careful!!



## 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](mailto:info@alinta.com)





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## OUR LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOL NEEDS VOLUNTEER ETHICS TEACHERS!



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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](mailto:office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com) for an enrolment form. For all enquiries, please contact  
Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.



## P&C News

### Note from the President

*Amy Olson, P&C President*

I'd like to take a moment to thank **Fash Nejad**, who is stepping down from his role on the **Grounds Committee**. Fash has been a dedicated and passionate contributor to the work of the P&C, particularly through his involvement in the **Cricket Net project** and more recently, the installation of **new bubbler units** across the school. His commitment to improving our school grounds has made a meaningful difference, and we're very grateful for his time, effort and expertise.

Speaking of bubblers — we're excited to announce that **new bubbler units have now been installed** around the school! These were fully **funded by the P&C**, and they're a fantastic example of how our community's fundraising directly benefits the students. Clean, accessible water fountains are something we know makes a real difference to our kids every day.

Thank you again to everyone who supports the P&C — through donations, volunteering or simply showing up to events. Together, we're building something really special at PPS.

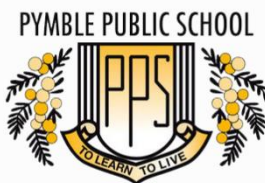
## Connect with the P&C



**P&C Website**  
ppspandc.org



**P&C Website for Kindergarten**  
ppspandc.org/kindy2024



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



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

## 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](mailto: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. This position can only be held for a maximum of four consecutive years and as such, the P&C is seeking someone as awesome as Glenn 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](mailto:president.ppspc@gmail.com)

## 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!



The poster has a light green background. In the top right corner is a circular logo for 'PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENTS & CITIZENS ASSOCIATION' featuring a stylized tree. The main title 'Seeking Grounds Committee Lead' is in large, bold, green text. Below it, a paragraph describes the role. A bulleted list follows. Another paragraph describes the ideal candidate. At the bottom, a call to action is provided. The bottom of the poster is decorated with a colorful illustration of various flowers and green foliage.



# 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](mailto:president.ppspc@gmail.com) if you're interested**

## Band Program

We're back for Term 3 and it's going to be a big one! Plenty of amazing performance opportunities taking place for all our bands and ensembles. I know I'm excited and cannot wait to see all our band kids in action. Band parents please keep your eyes open for emails and whatsapp comms during this time as we communicate details for all the events happening.

### **Performance Ensemble**

In Week 3 PPS will be holding an Open Day and our amazing Performance Ensemble will be performing on Thursday 7 August. Feel free to come and hear them play from 8.30am till 8.50am.

### **Jazz Band**

Our fabulous Jazz Band will be performing at the upcoming Handley Fete on August 17th. More details to come but this will be a wonderful opportunity to showcase the PPS Band program to future PPS students, their parents and the wider local community.

### **Strings Ensemble - Acacia Concert Monday 25th August, Sydney Opera House**

Our Strings Ensemble will be taking part in the Festival of Instrumental Music in the Acacia Concert. Our ensemble will join forces with other students from Year 3-6 across Metro and Metropolitan South areas. They have already attended a full day rehearsal and are sounding amazing.

Strings parents - more details will be shared with you directly very soon for this.

### **ASBOF : Sunday 31st August - Clancy Auditorium Uni NSW, Kensington**

Emails have gone out to you all this week with full details for each band/ensemble taking part from PPS this year. These will also be shared in the Whatsapp Groups.



PPS BAND PROGRAM

**SAVE  
THE  
DATE**



 **ASBOF**  
AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL BAND  
AND ORCHESTRA FESTIVAL

**SUNDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST**

**MORE DETAILS COMING SOON**



## P&C Events

### Upcoming P&C Events


Dust off your scrunchies, leather jackets, neon fits, or double denim, we're heading back to the **80s and 90s** for one epic night of fun and flashbacks at **Club Turramurra**.


 **Ticket \$15 Per Person:** Includes Entry + Trivia

 **Doors Open: 5:30 PM**

 **Food & Drinks:** Available for purchase.

The kitchen will be open from 5:30 PM. Order from the event's menu!

 **Theme:** Back to the 80s & 90s (dress up optional but encouraged!)

 **Trivia:** 80s-themed trivia 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

 **Prizes:** Winning Trivia Team, Best Dressed, Female, Male and Couple.

#### **Event Layout & Seating**

The event will feature tables seating up to **8 guests**. Please indicate your **Class Year/s**.

If you'd like to be seated with a specific friend or group, add their names while buying the ticket.

<https://events.humanitix.com/pps-parents-night>





## Promote Your Business While Supporting Our Event !



This is a fantastic opportunity for local businesses to support our school and connect with the community.

By donating prizes for P&C parents' night, your business will be featured in our promotional materials, the school newsletter, and on social media, and highlighted during the event.

It's a great way to connect with local families and show your community spirit.

Whether you're a restaurant, retailer, service provider, tutoring or extracurricular educator, local artisan, tech consultant, florist, or creative entrepreneur, this is a fantastic way to give back to the community and promote your business.

Contact us soon to be included and make the most of this exciting partnership!

Contact P&C Events & Fundraising: Neda Zand ( 0403 444 997)



## Our Class Masterpiece

### PPS, P&C Proudly Presents

#### The Class Art Masterpiece Showcase

A celebration of creativity, collaboration, and vision, with every student's artistic piece together in a stunning display of teamwork and imagination.

Each of our 20 classes will work together during Term 3, to create a framed collaborative masterpiece of watercolor, painting, mixed media collage, and photography.

Every student will contribute their own creative piece and proudly sign their name as an official contributing artist!

We're excited that the school has fully supported us, and our wonderful teachers are helping guide each class through the creative process. Their support is making this a fun and meaningful experience for the students.

These framed artworks will be auctioned online, with the raised money going toward school projects.

Don't miss the chance to own a one-of-a-kind artwork made by your child's class.

For any questions or if you're interested in helping or contributing, please contact P&C Fundraising: Neda Zand ( 0403 444 997)

## The Pymble Fun Run is just 8 weeks away!

**Sunday 21 September — Save the Date!**



We're so excited for the very first *Pymble Fun Run* — a community event that's all about bringing people together for a great day of fun, fitness and connection. Plus, we're aiming to raise over **\$25,000** for important projects at **Pymble Public School!**

### What You Can Do:

1. [Register your family](#) to run or walk in the **2km** or **5km** event
2. [Sign up to volunteer!](#) We need plenty of helping hands to make the day a success
3. **Spread the word!** This is a true *community* event — we want everyone to be part of it!

### What's Included with Your Race Entry:

- **Professional timing** with a race bib and instant online results showing your walk/run time
- **Finisher medals** for all participants
- **Prizes & awards!**
  - Cash prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place (male & female)
  - A special award for the **fastest PPS parent/carer**
  - Fun prizes for the **best dressed** in the 2km event
- **Access to our full PFR Prep Program**, including:
  - *7-week* Sunday morning Fun Club
  - Custom training plans (walkers & runners)
  - Two special Pilates classes
  - Online pilates strength workout
  - Physio-designed injury prevention tips

Let's make this an unforgettable day for our school and community — get involved, get training, and get excited!    
Follow us on social media for the latest updates:



# PYMBLE FUN RUN

[pymblefunrun.com.au](http://pymblefunrun.com.au)

**21 SEP 25**

**2KM | 5KM**

**COME RUN WITH US**

**REGISTER  
NOW**



## [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!



### 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

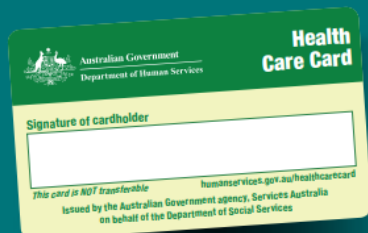


## WITH flexischools

- 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!



Download Flexischools app



## 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](http://saverplus.org.au)



## Get up to \$500 for education costs

Achieve a savings goal for 10 months,  
and **ANZ will match it up to \$500.**

To be eligible, you need to meet these requirements:



18 years  
or older



A regular  
income  
(you or your  
partner)



Attend  
free online  
financial  
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workshops



Are studying  
yourself or  
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at school, or  
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Current  
Health Care  
or Pensioner  
Concession  
Card



[Saverplus.org.au](http://Saverplus.org.au)  
1300 610 355



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](http://www.transportnsw.info) or call 131 500.

For current school and route services visit [www.cdcbus.com.au](http://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](http://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 ( <b>South Turramurra student transfer to 9015</b> 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) <b>then transfer to route 560</b>
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](https://transportnsw.info/school-students)

Enquiries can be submitted at [transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback](https://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](mailto: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](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)
- (2) Store phone order – 0413 087 395
- (3) Contact Alinta Call Centre – 4321 0433



## 2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:2ndhand.ppspc@gmail.com)



## Community News

### **Manly Warringah Basketball Assoc.**

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

Saturday 26 July – 20 September 2025

[www.trybooking.com/DCMMD](http://www.trybooking.com/DCMMD)

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

Sunday 03 August – 21 September 2025

[www.aussiehoops.basketball/program-locator/](http://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](mailto:ignitefootballprogram@gmail.com)

### **The Language Company**

Expression of Interest for Spanish classes.

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

[www.thelanguagecompany.com.au](http://www.thelanguagecompany.com.au)

[enquiries@thelanguagecompany.com.au](mailto:enquiries@thelanguagecompany.com.au)



# Go4Fun

Healthy, Active, Happy Kids

## TERM 3 PROGRAMS

Chatswood starting July 23

Dee Why starting July 24



### Register for a FREE 10-week healthy lifestyle program!

Go4Fun is for kids aged 7-13 and their families looking for support with healthy eating, physical activity and overall wellbeing.

Term 3 programs are now open for registrations.

Visit [Go4Fun.com.au](https://www.go4fun.com.au) or call us on 1800 780 900



## Looking to build healthier habits? Go4Fun can help your family to:



Reduce  
screen time



Eat more  
veggies



Build  
confidence



Be more active  
together



Make new  
friends



Drink more  
water

Go4Fun





# POLAR PLUNGE

Sunday 3 August 2025  
DEE WHY BEACH ROCK POOL

*Raising funds for Special Olympics Athletes with intellectual disabilities and/or autism.*



LAW ENFORCEMENT  
**TORCH RUN**  
FOR SPECIAL OLYMPICS  
NEW SOUTH WALES



REGISTER OR  
DONATE HERE



Special  
Olympics  
New South Wales

*"Special Olympics - using the power of sport to build a more inclusive world"*

# 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

# Ku-Ring-Gai Little Athletics





## FAMILY, FUN, FITNESS, FRIENDSHIP

Ages 5 to 16 years.  
Bannockburn Oval, Pymble  
Web: [klac.org.au](http://klac.org.au)  
Phone: 0414 541 867  
Season Starts September.  
Registration opens August.  
Winter Cross Country from April to end July 2025

Little Athletics is the foundation of most sports as it develops an individuals speed, strength and stamina. Little athletics allows children of all abilities to participate in a range of activities including running, jumping and throwing, meet new friends from different schools and have fun doing so! Little Athletics is a community activity run by volunteers, which attracts families throughout Ku Ring Gai



## GIVE US A TRY!

## CREATIVE STARZ HOLIDAY PROGRAM



**Ages 6-13**  
**14-18 Jul (5 Days), 9am - 3pm**  
**St Thomas Church, Willoughby**  
 (Free Extended Hours 8am-5.30pm)  
**creativestarz.com.au**

LOOKING FOR A SUMMER SPORT?

## COME & TRY T-BALL & BASEBALL



**SAT 2 AUGUST**  
**10AM-12PM**

**SUN 3 AUGUST**  
**10AM-12PM**

**SAT 9 AUGUST**  
**10AM-12PM**

**SAT 10 AUGUST**  
**10AM-12PM**

**Golden Jubilee Field, Esk St Wahroonga**

**T-Ball ages 4+ | Baseball ages 8+**

**Boys & Girls Teams**

Register  
your interest



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