

## Thursday, 6 November 2025

Term 4, Week 4

#### **Dates to remember:**

Term 4, 2025

Friday 7 November

Monday 10 November

Thursday 13 November

Friday 14 November

Friday 14 November

Friday 21 November

Sunday 7 December

Friday 19 December

PSSA Gala Day #1 wet weather make up Stage 2 History Excursion 3V, 3K, 3H 2026 Kindy Orientation

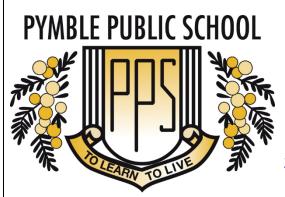
PSSA Gala Day #2

Class Artwork Showcase

SRC Wear Your Own Hat Day (Gold coin donation)

PPS End of Year Picnic

Last day of Term 4



#### **Enrolments are now open**

#### Kindergarten 2026

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

www.pymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au



**Principal's News** 

#### Festival of Children's Music

Recently, some of our primary students had the wonderful opportunity to perform at the annual Festival of Children's Music held at The Concourse Concert Hall in Chatswood. Our students joined the Combined Primary Choir, performing alongside more than 300 children from eight other primary schools. The event was a vibrant celebration of music and community spirit.

Our school's Pymble Singers Choir also shone with a beautiful rendition of 'Hear the Bells.' Additionally, our Performance Ensemble not only played before the concert began but also delivered an individual performance of 'I Still Call Australia Home.' Throughout the evening, our students demonstrated outstanding talent, singing and playing with enthusiasm and a high level of skill.

It was truly heartwarming to witness our children enjoying the experience of performing on a big stage in front of a packed auditorium. Opportunities like these are invaluable in extending our students' educational experiences beyond the classroom.

I would like to sincerely thank Mrs Herbert, one of the festival's Musical Directors, for coordinating this wonderful opportunity and dedicating countless hours to rehearsing with the children. My gratitude also goes to Mrs Vera and Ms Berman for their invaluable support and for volunteering their time on the night to ensure the children were well cared for.

We are incredibly proud of our talented young performers and look forward to many more musical experiences ahead!

#### Schools Spectacular Rehearsals

Last week and this week, over two days, our Stage 3 students who will be performing at this year's Schools Spectacular have been busily rehearsing as part of a 3,000-strong combined schools' choir. The Schools Spectacular is an annual event coordinated by the NSW Department of Education's Arts Unit and is a highly anticipated celebration of student talent.

Since its inception in 1984, the Schools Spectacular has grown into much more than just a showcase of the incredible talents of NSW public school students. It has become an iconic cultural event that brings together students from diverse backgrounds and communities from across the state. This world-class arena production is one of the largest annual events of its calibre in Australia and arguably the world.

The Schools Spectacular has a rich history of producing national and international stars while promoting inclusiveness and reconciliation throughout its performances. It truly has no peer.

Being part of this event is a wonderful experience for our students and our school community. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to Mrs Herbert for providing this opportunity and for her dedication and commitment to making this event possible for our students.

#### World Teachers Day - 'Recasting Teaching as a Collaborative Profession'

Last Friday, our school proudly celebrated World Teachers Day to recognise the outstanding teachers at Pymble Public School. Every day, our teachers provide exceptional care, quality teaching and learning, engaging extra-curricular activities, and invaluable support to our students and families.

Our dedicated staff ensure that every child at PPS is known, valued, and cared for within a vibrant and high-quality educational environment. The strong connection between students, their teachers, and home is essential for achieving successful outcomes. The work teachers do deeply matters and has a lasting impact on the lives of the young people entrusted to their care. Teaching is truly a noble profession, one that holds great respect and value within our communities.

In celebration, our school's P&C generously treated our teachers to coffee last week and prepared a delicious morning tea on Friday. We sincerely appreciate the parent community's recognition and support for our brilliant teaching staff. I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our P&C for their thoughtful contributions that made the day so special for our teachers.

#### Stage 2 Excursion to Hyde Park Barracks and the Australian Museum

Over 2 days this week and next, our Years 3 and 4 students will be visiting the Hyde Park Barracks and The Museum of Sydney as part of their history unit this term. One group has already participated on Monday on this excursion and the children had a fantastic experience.

#### Road Safety

A reminder to all our school parents, carers, and grandparents about the importance of road safety, especially during school drop-off and pick-up times. Our school zones are in effect between 8:00 am to 9:30 am and 2:30 pm to 4:00 pm on school days. During these times, additional road rules apply, and double demerit points are enforced to help keep our students safe as they travel to and from school.

For detailed information about school zone rules in NSW, please visit: https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/roadsafety/community/schools/school-zones

We also encourage everyone to read the attached flyer, 'Driving and Parking Safely Near Schools,' which offers guidelines for parking legally and safely during busy school times.

Please remember to park respectfully on surrounding streets and be mindful of our neighbours. The school has received increasing reports from residents about drivers parking fully or partially across driveways, which is both illegal and inconsiderate.

Your support is essential in helping us maintain a safe environment for all our children travelling to and from school. Thank you for your cooperation.

# Road safety



# Driving and parking safely near schools

The beginning and end of the school day are busy times around schools. That is why you need to take extra care in 40km/h school zones.

#### Drive safely

- Slow down to 40km/h in the school zone and stay aware of crossings.
- At a supervised crossing, follow the directions of the School Crossing Supervisor. They help manage traffic and assist children to use the crossings on roads near and outside of schools.
- Always give way to pedestrians particularly when entering and leaving driveways.

#### Park legally and safely

- Parking signs are planned with children's safety in mind.
- Park safely and legally, even if it means walking further to the school gate.
- Always park and turn legally around the school. U-turns and three-point turns are dangerous.
- Never double park as it puts children at risk.
- Never park in a bus zone or in the school bus bay.

- Don't park across the school driveway or the entrance to the school car park.
- Make sure your child uses the 'Safety Door' (rear kerb side door) to get in and out of the vehicle.
- Model safe and considerate behaviour for your child – they learn from you.
- It's always a good idea to use the drop off and pick up area suggested by your school. This will help keep all children as safe as possible during the busiest times of the school day.

Children learn safe road user habits from you and will continue them when they are old enough to travel alone.



For more information on keeping children safe in the road environment visit the families section on safetytown.com.au







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

#### School Counsellor/psychologist recognition day

On Friday, 7 November 2025, we come together to celebrate School Counsellor Recognition Day. This day invites us all to reflect on the dedication and compassion shown by our school counsellor/psychologist Miss Coyle and our Senior Psychologist Mrs Shimmen. Their efforts often go unseen but deeply impact the lives of our children and families. Whether helping students with anxiety, supporting social skills, or assisting families in navigating difficult times, our counsellors are a cornerstone of student wellbeing.

Thank you to all our counsellors for your ongoing support and for helping our students grow into confident, resilient, and happy individuals.



#### Kindergarten Orientation 2026

On Tuesday, we welcomed our new 2026 Kindergarten students at our first orientation day, marking the beginning of an exciting journey for our youngest learners. Thank you to Miss Longfield, our Relieving Assistant Principal, for her hard work in organising this event.

We also extend our gratitude to the P&C for providing the fantastic t-shirts for our new Kindies, helping them feel part of our school community. Their support in sharing valuable information during the orientation session was also greatly appreciated by both parents and students.

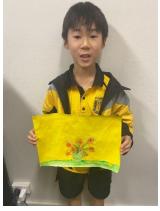
It was lovely to see our Year 6 buddies stepping up to assist the newcomers, demonstrating kindness and leadership. We look forward to welcoming our new families again at the next two orientation sessions and continuing to build strong connections as we prepare for an exciting year ahead! The dates are, Thursday 13 November & Thursday 20 November.

#### **Light Up Learning**

#### 2C Sunflowers Van Gough

Students in 2C created some great art works inspired by Van Gogh









#### Roxy PPS Support Dog









#### **Administration News**

#### Leavers 2025

To assist with determining student numbers and classes for next year, would all parents of K-5 students please indicate if your child will be returning to Pymble Public School in 2026. An email was sent home this week, and you can use the link to indicate.

#### 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 they 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 <u>child's full name</u> <u>and class</u>. Your support with this simple request is greatly appreciated.

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



#### **Garden Club**

In Week 2, K-2 students were invited to our Garden Club. Over the last two weeks, students have explored our school gardens, identified different fruits, vegetables, and herbs we grow, and learned how to care for them. We also planted some seeds for every K-2 class to grow, including cucumbers, beans and lettuce. When they sprout, we will plant them in one of the garden beds. Thank you to Mr Burke, who also took the students on a guided tour of the gardens! If your student is interested in joining the Garden Club, simply come along on Fridays at 8:30am outside KG.

Mrs Mylius and Miss Gillis.

















#### **Pymble Public School**

Wednesday 5 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

#### Selective High School and Opportunity Class Applications for 2027

Selective High School and Opportunity Class applications are **open from 6 November and close 20 February 2026.** 

Selective High School Year 7 entry in 2027: Apply when your child is at the end of Year 5 or the beginning of Year 6.

Opportunity Class Year 5 entry in 2027: Apply when your child is at the end of Year 3 or at the beginning of Year 4.

<u>Selective high schools and opportunity classes</u> are two of the ways the NSW Department of Education supports high potential and gifted students.

#### What are their benefits?

- Students learn alongside, and form friendships with, other high potential and gifted classmates.
- Special teaching methods allow students to learn at a quicker pace and in more detail.
- Research shows that students benefit both academically and socially when learning with classmates who have similar abilities.

Selective high schools and opportunity classes are not zoned so you can apply to ones outside your local enrolment area.

Here is a link that will take you through the application process. Applications close on 20 February 2026. Application process. Once your application has been submitted and processed, your child will need to sit a computer-based placement test.

Here is the link to apply and register your child/ren: https://shsoc.education.nsw.gov.au/

Yours Sincerely,

Lucinda Holbrook Bruno Diodati

Assistant Principal Principal



## Student access to NSWEduChat

## Information for parents and carers

NSWEduChat is a generative artificial intelligence tool owned and designed by the NSW Department of Education. It is designed to be safe, educational, secure and private.

#### Student access to NSWEduChat

Students in Year 5 to Year 12 will gain access to NSWEduChat in Term 4, 2025.

#### Safety of students using NSWEduChat

NSWEduChat data is secured. All data stays within the department. This means that students can input their work and personal identifying information safely into NSWEduChat.

#### Educational design of NSWEduChat

NSWEduChat does not simply provide the full answers to questions. It responds to students by asking open-ended questions. This encourages students to explore and share their thoughts and reasoning.

NSWEduChat only uses text. This means it cannot produce media such as pictures, video or music.

#### Using NSWEduChat for help with homework and assessment tasks

If schools advise that NSWEduChat can be used for homework or assessments, students should notify their teachers if they have used NSWEduChat in completing tasks. This includes using NSWEduChat for tasks such as, but not limited to, summarising study notes, definition of key terms or structuring text. Schools should communicate the ways in which students can reasonably notify their teachers.

#### Access to NSWEduChat at home

Students can access NSWEduChat at home through:

- the student portal at <a href="https://portal.education.nsw.gov.au/">https://portal.education.nsw.gov.au/</a>
- directly via <u>chat.education.nsw.gov.au</u>

Students will need to log in using their NSW Department of Education login. Only the student who logged in should use NSWEduChat.

If you wish to discuss any aspect of this tool, please contact the principal.



For more information and access to the NSWEduChat parental privacy notice, visit: Student use of NSWEduChat.







#### Pymble Public School Uniform Price List



#### Shop Hours

Tuesday 1:30 pm-4:00 pm Thursday 8:15 am-10:30 am

#### Blouse S/S (D) J2-L12 24.50 77.00 Dress J2-L10 Blouse L/S J2-L12 41.00 Shirt S/S 41.00 J2 - S 43.00 Shirt L/S J2 - S s 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 80.00 J2-L12 Sport Polo Blue 47.00 J2 - S 47.00 Sport Polo Green J2 - M 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 55.00 J2-S Jacket 65.00 Rain Jacket K-2 From \$ 4 - 14 85.00 Backpack 75.00 Excursion/Swim Bag 27.00 Homework/Music Bag 25.00 \$ Library Bag 25.00

#### **Contact Details**

0413087395 pymblepublic@alinta.com.au 40 Crown Road, Pymble NSW 2073

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	s	9.50
Ribbon Pony Bows	Black - Red	From\$	7.50
Scrunchie Summer	M	s	7.20
Scrunchie Winter	Small - M	S	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	\$	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.



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

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



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





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 15 October 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 <a href="mailto:office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com">office.sydneyacademy@gmail.com</a> 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

As we near the end of the year, I'd like to extend a big thank you to all the families hosting the End of Year Drinks. It's so generous to open your homes, and these gatherings are such a lovely opportunity for parents to connect and celebrate another great year together. I encourage everyone to head along to your year's event if you can — they're always a highlight! A special thank you to Lauren Dooley and Tegan Chan, our P&C Liaison, for pulling everything together and helping make these events happen.

As the **P&C AGM approaches** — on **Wednesday, 19 November 2025 (Term 4, Week 6) at 7:30pm** — I'd like to encourage anyone interested in getting involved to come along. The AGM is a great opportunity to reflect on the year and look ahead to what's next. Our subcommittees — Digital, Events, Second Hand Uniform Shop, and Grounds — are always keen for new people, and we'd love to have you involved.

On October 31, NSW celebrated World Teachers' Day, and what a wonderful reminder it was to acknowledge our incredible teachers here at PPS. On behalf of the school community, the P&C organised a week of coffees at Amici Street Café, a beautiful morning tea (pictured below), and a special thank-you video. Huge thanks to Gayle King for organising the morning tea and to Lauren Dooley for her help on the day.



#### **Connect with the P&C**













#### **Upcoming P&C Meetings**

#### **Apology and Meeting Date Change**

Please note that the Term 4 P&C Meeting and Annual General Meeting (AGM) were previously scheduled for Wednesday, 5 November 2025. To allow sufficient time for the completion and ensure finalisation of end-of-year financial audits, the meeting and AGM have been rescheduled to a later date.

The next P&C Meeting and AGM will now be held on Wednesday, 19 November 2025 (Term 4, Week 6) at 7:30pm.

We apologise for any inconvenience this change may cause and appreciate your understanding.

You don't need to be a P&C member to attend. You may attend in-person or via Zoom.

Please contact <a href="mailto:secretary.ppspc@gmail.com">secretary.ppspc@gmail.com</a> 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!



#### **Band Program**

**★** PPS Band Program

Almost halfway through the term already! Our next big event will be our Band Picnic Day. More details to come.



#### **■** Band Program – End-of-Year Details

- The 2025 Band Program concludes on Sun 7 Dec, except for Performance Ensemble, which continues until Fri 12 Dec.
- School-hired instruments must be returned to the instrument room by Fri 12 Dec.

If you are leaving PPS at the end of 2025 or not continuing in the band program in 2026, please complete this form by Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December (as we don't receive this information directly from the school):

http://tiny.cc/xs0u001

#### New to PPS and interested in joining Band in 2026?

Email us at pymbleband@gmail.com and we'll be in touch with details.

Year 2 Students had their introduction to the Band Program on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> November and an information pack and application form will be sent to all Year 2 parents via School Bytes so please keep an eye out for that.

■ Semester 2 Invoices – reminder

Semester 2 invoices were emailed out over the school holidays. If you haven't received yours, please check your junk or spam folder. Payment reminders are being sent for any outstanding fees. Thank you in advance for your prompt attention.

We're so grateful for our amazing band families, thank you for helping keep the PPS music spirit strong as we head toward the end of another incredible year!

Nicki Fischer
PPS Band Coordinator

#### **P&C Events**

#### 2025 Class Artwork Showcase and Auction

You're invited to our Class Artwork Showcase and Auction! Each class at PPS has collaborated to create a beautiful, one-of-a-kind artwork — that's 20 incredible pieces in total.

You can view the artworks online (watermarked images) and place your bids here: 32auctions.com/PPSart2025

Or come and see them in person at our Art Show:

- Friday, 14 November
- ① 2:30 5:00 pm
- Pymble Public School

Students will also have the chance to enjoy the exhibition with their teachers during school hours on Tuesday, 11 November.

This inspiring "Art for Science" project aims to raise funds for cutting-edge Science and STEM materials for our students — so every bid helps bring more creativity and curiosity into our classrooms!



# 2025 CLASS ARTWORK SHOWCASE









Parents, families and the community are invited to come along to view the collection and bid on your favourite piece.

- Friday, 14 Novemebr 2:30- 5:00pm
- Pymble Public School, Hall

Art for science! This is a fundraiser for cutting-edge Science and STEM materials for our students.



#### Almost halfway through the

Our Event & Fundraising Sub-Committee is looking for enthusiastic new members! It's a great way to support the school, meet other parents, and help create fun, rewarding events. No experience needed – just your time and energy!



#### **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/CbbgYkeO2FEHWDfYtct2NL





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- Follow the registration process, creating a password and adding your personal details.
- 5 Add your student under "<u>Profile</u>" and start ordering



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# 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



300 610 355 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.

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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 Stree
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	1	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) Bobbon Head (R) Highway (L) Kissing Point (L) The Comenarra (L) Ravenhill, Carina (L) Mimosa, Waratah (L) Boronia (L) Kissing Point (R) Canoon to Barwon	
560	15:36	FROM GORDON STATION via St Johns (R) Pacific Hwy (L) Ryde (R) Yanko (L) Kooloona (L) Yanko (L) Congham (R) Wallalong (R) Yanko (L) Yarrara (R) Ward (L) Livingstone (R) Cultowa	

# School Student Travel



#### School student travel information for parents and students

#### **School Travel Passes**

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

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

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

#### Terms of Use

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

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

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

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



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

Enquiries can be submitted at <a href="mailto:transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback">transportnsw.info/passes-concessions-feedback</a>

# 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 (<u>brionyjones 1@hotmail.com</u>)



#### **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



#### 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 <a href="mailto:2ndhand.ppspc@gmail.com">2ndhand.ppspc@gmail.com</a>

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