PENRITH PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter

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PENRITH PUBLIC SCHOOL’S CORE VALUES

Learning  Environment  Cooperation  Respect

Principal’s Message

Term 2 has all but gone, and so much has happened in the first part of the year. I’d like to thank you all for the help and support you have given Penrith Public School. You are very fortunate to have the dedicated, caring and professional teachers at Penrith who are guiding your children’s education. It has been a term of tremendous achievement, with our students showcasing their talents in the classroom, class items and on the sporting field.

Best wishes to everyone for a well-earned rest and a safe and happy holiday.

Term 3 starts for all students on Tuesday, 15th July at 9.15am.

P&C meeting tonight 24th June at 5.45pm (please note earlier time)

Junior and Senior Discos Tonight

This term’s discos will be held on Tuesday 24th June in the school hall.
Junior (Years K-2) – 4.30pm – 5.30pm cost is $4.00 which includes a bottle of water.
Senior (Years 3-6) – 5.30pm – 7.00pm cost is $5.00 which includes a bottle of water.
This function is to raise money for Stage 3, Year 6 Farewell.
### Pick up time for Years 3-6 students is 7.00pm

Glow sticks will be on sale for $1 each

For parents/carers coffee/tea and cake will be available for sale at the canteen between 4.30 and 5.30pm

SRC Cake Day

On Wednesday, 25th June at recess the SRC will be holding a cake stall to raise money for “Kids with Cancer” and Westmead Children’s Hospital charities. Cakes will cost $1.00
Canteen News

The canteen **will be closed** for lunch orders on the last day of term, Friday, 27\(^{th}\) June. It will be open for snack foods and drinks.

*As a special treat the canteen will be selling lolly bags for $1.00 at recess on the last day of term 2, Friday 27\(^{th}\) June.*

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**Starting School Group (for pre-schoolers)**

**Monday, 21\(^{st}\) July 2014**

Starting next term will be a free “Starting School Playgroup” which will cater for pre-school age children who do not attend pre-school and will be starting school at Penrith Public School next year.

The playgroup will run in the Penrith Public School hall each Monday morning from 9.15 to 11.15am. Families are required to stay with their children for the duration of the playgroup. Siblings are welcome and are encouraged to attend.

A trained Early Childhood teacher will run the group and provide structured instruction for the children. Some activities will also involve the Kindergarten classes.

Please contact the school office for more details and to register your child or just turn up.

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**2015 Kindergarten Enrolments**

Now is the time of year to be enrolling your children for Kindergarten next year.

If your child turns five (5) years of age before 31\(^{st}\) July 2015 then they are able to enrol in Kindergarten. When enrolling your child, a Birth Certificate and Immunisation records must be produced and an Enrolment Form must be completed. Please enquire at the office.

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**Interviews**

Semester One parent/teacher interviews will be held on Tuesday, 22\(^{nd}\) July from 3.30pm to 6.00pm. Parent/teacher interviews are a very important part of your child’s education. Interviews enable parents and teachers to work closely in supporting each child’s learning.

A note will be coming home this week with information about the interviews. Please contact the school office to reserve a time to suit you. If this day/time is not convenient for you please contact the office and organise an alternate interview time. This can either be a face to face or phone interview for your convenience.

Last day to book an interview will be Friday, 18\(^{th}\) July.
Congratulations!
Faitala Moleka
“Player of the day”

NAIDOC Cup

NAIDOC Cup
Photo gallery

On Friday 20th June 2014 students 38 of our students represented our school at the NAIDOC cup in netball and oz-tag. All 4 teams were highly competitive. Congratulations to Faitala Moleka who was awarded ‘Player of the Day’ for the junior oz-tag. As we have come to expect, the behaviour of our students was exceptional on the day and all of our representatives should be proud of themselves.
Silver Awards

Congratulations to the following students who have earned Silver Awards:

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Athletics Carnival (For ALL students K-6) all teachers will be attending the carnival – there will be NO classes at school

The Penrith Public School annual athletics carnival will be held on Thursday 17th July at Parker St Oval Please contact Mr Emmingham if you can help as an official

**All students are to be at school in the morning (17th July) for roll-marking and to catch the bus. Every student must wear their SCHOOL (or House colour) hat.**

**The cost for every student is $6.00; this covers the cost of the ground, equipment hire and transport.**

**All students must travel by bus.**

If students are not travelling back to school on the bus:
- they must have their name marked off by their class teacher before leaving the carnival with their parents/carers or;
- they must have a signed parent/carer note giving permission to walk home – this must be handed to the class teacher and
- they are not permitted to leave the carnival with a friend or relative unless a permission note written by a parent or carer has been given to the class teacher

**Athletics carnival Day**
- The school canteen will NOT be open
- Breakfast club WILL operate
- There WILL be canteen facilities at Parker St Oval – snack foods may be purchased

Vacation Care Centres

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Pedlars’ Fair
Friday, 1st August 2014

To celebrate Education Week, it’s Pedlar’s Fair time again. Proceeds from Pedlars’ Fair will go towards projects at school and to support our programs of reading and talking and listening.

* Students in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 are asked to prepare an activity or game (in groups at school) in which other students can “pay” to participate. Students usually work in small groups to organise their game and materials they need and are supervised by their class teacher. Some past activities have been *sponge toss *guess the jelly beans *face painting *tom bowlo *quoits, etc

* Each student in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 is asked to prepare a pedlar’s tray at home and bring it to school on the day to “sell” their wares. The children can dress up on the day to match their wares e.g. a baker if you have some muffins, a clown if you have some juggling balls, a fairy if you have bags of magic dust!

The Pedlar’s Tray (Years K, 1 & 2)

Your child has to parade with the tray so it should be a manageable size – about the size of a shoe box lid / top of a pizza box. Cover the tray and decorate it.

What goes on it? The items you prepare are your donation to this fundraising event. Help your child to decide on the items – probably 6-12 things – which can be made or assembled at home. Each day leading up to the Pedlar’s Parade we will demonstrate some things the children might like to bring. In previous trays there have been *little bags of home-made play dough *pencils with feathers and jewels *pet rocks *plastic jars of bubble mix *little cakes *beaded friendship pins *bookmarks *pre-loved tiny toys *peg magnets

Your imagination – and visits to the $2 shops – will provide plenty of inspiration!

Before the Pedlars’ Fair! There will be no money exchanged on the day. Students are asked to bring their money to school before the day and exchange it for “Pedlar’s Pennies” which are traded for wares on the trays and turns at the games. As transactions are made, the “pennies” will be destroyed but if the students have some left over, they can write their name on the back and they will go in the draw for a prize.

On the day! K, Yr1 & 2 will parade with their trays and then set them up in “Tray Central” where parents can volunteer to assist with trading. Students are then able to move amongst the games and activities and have some fun with their big buddies.

The day is designed to encourage children to participate in the planning and implementation of activities with their friends and peers. Every child should be able to take part in some aspect of the day. Your assistance is an appreciated and highly valued aspect of your child’s learning. All family members and friends are invited to attend.

Pedlar’s Pennies will be available to pre-purchase in Term 3 Week 1 for 50c each or 5 for $2 (on the day they will be 50c each).
**Parent tips**

**Flu season is here!**

Influenza is spread from person-to-person through the coughing or sneezing of infected people. Remind your child about these good hygiene practices to minimise the spread of infection:

- Anyone who is sick with influenza symptoms should stay home until their symptoms are gone.
- Cover the nose and mouth with a tissue when coughing or sneezing. Throw the tissue in the garbage bin after use.
- Wash hands often with soap and water, especially after coughing or sneezing. Alcohol-based hand cleaners are also effective.
- Avoid touching eyes, nose or mouth. Germs spread that way.

If you or your child develops influenza-like illness, seek the advice of your family doctor as you would with any other illness.

The seasonal influenza vaccine, which protects against the pandemic influenza strain as well as two other influenza strains, is now available free to eligible people. More information about the vaccine is available from the NSW Health Immunisation Unit's [vaccination page](http://bit.ly/1lE8vMw).

Previous vaccination with the pandemic influenza vaccine, Panvax® is not a barrier to also receiving the seasonal influenza vaccine.

**Banish the “I’m bored” complaints these holidays**

It’s harder in winter to keep kids occupied with anything other than a small screen. Here are some websites that have great tips for things your family can do these school holidays, whether you’re staying put or taking off on a holiday across the state:

- [Destination NSW](http://bit.ly/1niJ7sI)
- [Winter school holidays in Sydney](http://bit.ly/1nQsVC6)
- [School holidays in Newcastle](http://bit.ly/1nljlp)
- [Winter school holidays Central Coast](http://bit.ly/1ingSwX)
- [Attractions for kids in regional NSW](http://bit.ly/1I8vMw)
- [Sydney Olympic Park – What’s On](http://bit.ly/1IXUJ7Z)
- [Australian Museum](http://bit.ly/1uEBhxD)
- [Kids Camps – NSW Sport and Recreation](http://bit.ly/1hWxTra)

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Calendar

**Important Dates**

**TERM 2**  
**JUNE**  
24 First Pedlars’ Fair mufti day (cool colours) – bring a can of drink  
P&C Meeting 5.45pm  
Term 2 Discos – glow sticks ($1.00) – coffee/tea available to purchase for parents  
25 SRC Cake day  
Rugby league clinic Stage 2&3  
26 NAIDOC assembly 11.45am  
27 **Canteen - $1 lolly bag day**  
Last day of Term 2

**TERM 3**  
**JULY**  
14 Teachers professional development day  
15 All students return to school  
17 School Athletics Carnival  
22 Semester One Parent/Teacher Interviews  
P&C meeting 6.30pm  
Second Pedlars’ Fair mufti day – bring a can of drink  
23 OC Test  
28 Education Week  
Musica Viva  

**AUGUST**  
1 Pedlars’ Fair  
11-12 Stage 1 excursion to Penrith Lakes  
22 Walkathon  
27 “Brainstorm”  
29 Blue Mountains crossing – in-school performance - Stage 2

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**MEAL DEALS Every Tuesday**

Choose your **Tuesday Meal Deal Special** for just **$3.50!!**  
1. 5 Chicken Crackles or 5 chicken nuggets + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper  
2. 3 Hash browns + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper  
3. A Fresh Ham, Cheese and Tomato Sandwich + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper  
4. A Fresh Chicken, Cheese and Tomato Sandwich + Just Juice Popper + Zooper Dooper

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