

Term 4 Week 11

Monday, 17th December, 2012



Seasons greetings from the staff at PPS to everyone in our community. Keep safe during the holidays. We'll see you again on Wednesday, 30th January, 2013. Best wishes to our Year 6 students as they begin a new phase of their lives at secondary school.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS- TERM 4

Week 11 December

Tue 18 Picnic Day – wear uniform

Wed 19 Last day for students – wear mufti

Everyone is invited to the Year 6 farewell assembly at 2.15pm on Wednesday.

2013

Week 1

Tue 29 Jan Staff return

Wed 30 Jan Years 1-6 return

Wed 30 Jan Uniform Shop open, 2.45pm

Week 2

Mon 4 Feb Kindergarten children start

Tue 5 Feb Text book sale

Thu 7 Feb Swimming carnival

SPEECH DAY

Thanks to everyone who assisted with setting up, serving and cleaning up the morning tea. It was another lovely function.

CHRISTMAS IDEAS

Last year, a parent asked that I publish a few ideas for gifts that may be used at school. Some suggestions are:

- Textas – glitter, fluorescent etc
- Pencil cases – not too big
- Good quality colouring pencils, especially the thick, triangular ones
- Painting aprons
- Lunch boxes or bags

FAREWELL

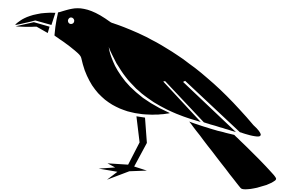
One of our Year 6 students has written a poem to say goodbye to his teachers. They were very impressed and Raymond is proud to share it with our community. Our staff will really miss this year's talented Year 6 group.

The poem to my TEACHERS

The time has come, I know it's sad.
If you put some thought, it's not that bad.
You taught me maths, and English too.
To me and my friends, the time just flew.
Forever young, that's what they say.
But we always will, get old someday.
I still remember, my first day.
I came to school, to learn and play.
I now can sing, and play music well.
My sport is good, it's really swell.
Learning is fun; I like it, but yet.
I can't explain, the feeling I get.
I can't believe, it's finally here.
We'll soon be leaving, and left with a tear.
I know this is long, but keep it together.
It will soon be over, when you see a feather.
I learnt to love, I learnt to hate.
Next thing you know, I'll be out of the state.
I know it's hard, to say good bye.
If I didn't, I'd say a lie.
Pagewood Public, is the greatest school.
You can compare it, with the pool.
This poem is over, I bet you're glad.
You should see the smile, on this lad.
I meant everything, with all my heart.
Every bit, and every part.

BTW (by the way) I did this all by myself. No computers, nothing.

Quite a few people have noted the destruction of the grass between the library and assembly hall and wondered whether I was doing a bad job of aerating it. NO!! We have a murder of crows (the correct collective noun) tearing it up in search of grubs.



PICNIC DAY K-Year 6

Tomorrow, Tuesday, 18th December, parents are invited to join their children for a picnic lunch in the playground, from 12.30 to 2.00pm. "Bring a plate", co-ordinated by the class teacher.

UNIFORM SHOP

Please note that in 2013, the first opening of the Uniform Shop will be at 2.45pm on Wednesday, 30th Jan. Our volunteers are not able to open it before school on the first day.

BUDGETING FOR RETURN TO SCHOOL

Each year, a list of Term 1 expenses is published in the last few weeks of the year as a guide to assist budgeting for the new school year. The list below is not exhaustive and there may be some minor changes, but should assist some families in their planning. Please note that we do not budget to make a profit in any area. Any increases are simply to move closer to covering costs.

The most pressing costs will be the text book charge and the swimming carnival, both of which occur in the second week of school.

All students:

- Text books will be on sale at the school on Tuesday, 5th February. Allow \$45 - \$50 per child.
- Swimming Carnival: (children 8 years and older): about \$10.00 for pool hire and bus fare.
- The General School Contribution (annual school fees) of about \$42 per child will be due in Term 1.
- French: \$50 per year
- Gymnastics: K-2: \$40 (in 2nd or 3rd Term).

Optional programs:

- Choir: \$35 (approximately) participation fee for Opera House Concert, if our choir is accepted.
- Band: \$80 per term or \$270 per year if year's fees paid in full by 30th March. In addition, there is an instrument hire fee of \$10 per term.
- School photos will be taken late in Term 1. A full package of photos is usually about \$30.
- Dance fees will be \$40. In 2013, Dance fees are to be paid in full when the Expression of Interest is returned to school.

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A 2 day camp will be held at Yarra Bay on 21st/22nd January, 8:00am- 12:30pm. Participants must be between the ages of 7 and 15 years and must be proficient swimmers. Cost is \$130.00 per child. Online registration opens Monday 10 December 2012 at www.coogeetriclub.com.au or direct link
Spaces are limited so book early!

For more information about the camp email: admin@226coaching.com or check out the websites at www.coogeetriclub.com.au or www.226coaching.com

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