



**CALENDAR TERM 4**

<b>OCTOBER</b>	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>BOOK WEEK</b>
Thurs 22	Tristan Bancks Writers Workshop
Fri 23	All students to return PPS Enrolment for 2021 form to teacher by today
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	
<b>WEEK 4</b>	
Mon 2	P&C Meeting via zoom at 7.00pm
Wed 4	Kindergarten 2021 Transition
<b>WEEK 5</b>	
Wed 11	Kindergarten 2021 Transition
<b>WEEK 6</b>	
Mon 16	<b>Applications close today</b> for Year 7 in a selective High School in 2022 – apply online only
Wed 18	Opportunity Class Placement Test Y4

**RAINBOW AWARDS**

Isabella 1B	Toby D 1B	Isla 1B
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**SILVER AWARD**

Tongxi 1/2M	Sebastian 4L	Ageaus 4L
Emelia KBlue	Isabella KBlue	Sesilia KBlue
Talyah KRed	Zahra KRed	

**GOLD AWARD**

Jeremy 2/3C	Sebastian 1/2M	Emily 6C
Rachel 2/3C	Christina 1B	Riley 1B
Russell 1B		

**ENDEAVOUR AWARD**

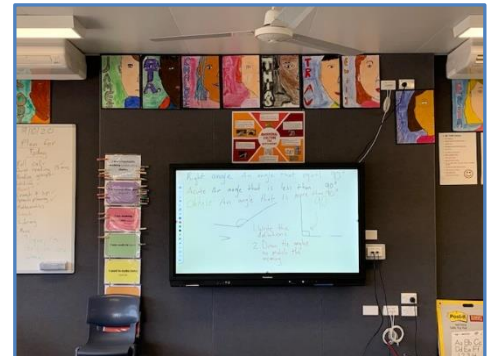
Eva 6C
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**MERIT AWARDS for Term 3 Week 10**

K Blue	Isabella	Cruz
K Red	Talyah	Sesilia
K Yellow	Hunter	Alexander
1H	Oliver	Harrison
1B	Raphael	Eli
1/2M	Tongxi	Lillianna
2H	Quintus	Kylie
2/3C	Reno	Pasha
3/4G	Esther	Darshna
4L	Ella	Xavier
4J	James	Addison
5M	Parsa	Jo
5/6W	Harry	Darren
6C	Martiya	Zack

**PRINCIPAL'S NEWS**

The demountable classroom was handed over last week, interactive whiteboard installed and 4J are really enjoying their brand new classroom and furniture. Here's a sneak peak.....



All parents are asked to return their child's PPS Enrolment for 2021 form to their child's teacher by this Friday. There is an opportunity for you to note any specific needs or considerations you would like considered in forming classes. This informs both our staffing and class organisation for next year.

Last term the school staff participated in professional learning to prepare for the 2021-2024 Strategic Improvement Plan (SIP). The Strategic Improvement Plan:

- is underpinned by the School Excellence Framework (SEF), SEF Self-assessments and the external validation process
- clearly identifies the expected improvement in learning, teaching and leading aligned to specific strategies, initiatives, resources and professional learning
- includes strategic directions and the improvement measures, including references to the school's agreed system-negotiated targets, against which our school's impact will be monitored and evaluated
- clearly reflects the department's strategic plan and Premier's priorities
- demonstrates our school's commitment to excellence and equity as part of NSW public education
- is clearly linked to the school budget, reflecting the resources that will be used to achieve the planned improvements
- is underpinned by high impact teacher professional learning to build the capabilities of teachers and school leaders.

This term the staff will work together to write the situational analysis which will then be shared with our school community (parents and students) for consultation to determine our:

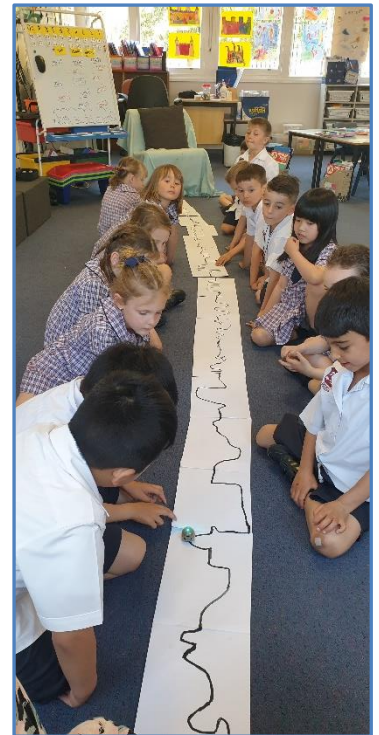
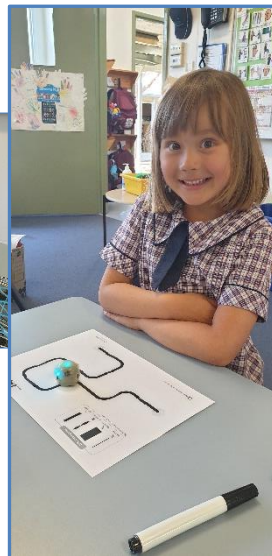
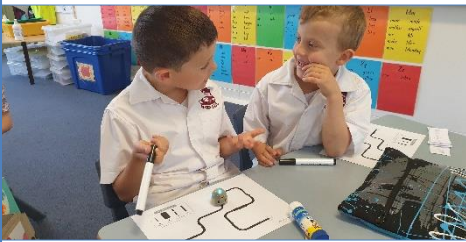
- school vision statement
- school context
- strategic directions

We will then develop our Strategic Improvement Plan and develop our implementation and progress monitoring plan which will be discussed with and then approved by our Director, Educational Leadership. Further information is available at <https://www.education.nsw.gov.au/teaching-and-learning/school-excellence-and-accountability/2021-school-excellence-in-action/strategic-improvement-plan>

Nicole Mayhew  
Principal

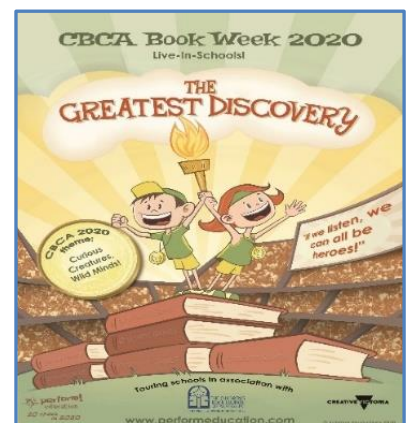
### KINDERGARTEN LEARNING WITH OZOBOTS

Last week Kindergarten classes were introduced to OZOBOTS as part of their Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) learning for this term. They were SO excited to use them!



### BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS

Last Thursday we had a Musical Theatre Group perform “2020: The Greatest Discovery” in our hall. It was wonderful to host such a fun event, given the year we have had, which also has a positive message. Our students thoroughly enjoyed the live performance and have been talking about it in class. The Greatest Discovery is a highly interactive educational incursion where students explore the very best Australian children’s books and the 2020 CBCA Book Week theme: CURIOUS CREATURES, WILD MINDS. Book Week in Schools features a selection of the CBCA 2020 Shortlisted Books, encouraging students to engage with reading in an active and energetic manner and reinforcing the idea of inclusiveness and celebration of endeavour rather than competition outcomes.  
Mrs Kerves



### GYMNASTICS



Years 3-6 students commenced gymnastics last week. The program will run each Friday for 9 weeks. Participation in this program requires full payment before this Friday.

## BIKE RACKS

The school has purchased bike racks, located at the Kiss and Ride gate, for students who would like to store their bike or scooter at school. Students must wear a helmet when riding to and from school and have a combination lock which they can use by themselves.

Bikes and scooters must be walked from the gate to the racks, not ridden inside the school. Parents are responsible for ensuring their child has a helmet and combination lock. We had a trial last week!



## INTENTION TO APPLY FOR YEAR 7 PLACEMENT IN A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL IN 2022

If your child is currently in Year 5 and you intend to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2022, please note that the application website is open and you must apply online before 16 November 2020. Please see more information on pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter.

## UNIFORM SHOP – ONLINE

Students should be in full summer uniform. The uniform shop is closed for “face to face” sales however online orders will still be filled fortnightly on Wednesday mornings. Please clearly label all clothing items to minimise loss. Order forms must be used for all purchases and emailed directly to [ppsuniform@hotmail.com](mailto:ppsuniform@hotmail.com). Please note that we have a new Uniform Order Form which can be found on our website under P&C, at the school office or located here: <https://pagewood-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/supporting-our-students/parents--carers-and-the-community/uniform-shop.html>

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT

Your child’s Statement of Account for Term 4 were sent out last Tuesday for each family. To pay your child’s ‘Statement of Account’, it is helpful to the school if Parents and Carers use the Parent Online Payment (POP) system. This is to reduce the amount of cash being handled at school by students and staff. To pay by POP, please go to the Pagewood Public School website at <http://www.pagewood-p.schools.nsw.edu.au> and select ‘Make a payment’. Parents and Carers are welcome to pay for two or more children in one payment. If you wish to pay by cash, please send cash payments to your child’s teacher on Tuesdays.

## SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN PLACE TO KEEP US SAFE

In accordance with advice from NSW Health, parents and carers are reminded **NOT** to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Schools will make arrangements for students who present as unwell or have flu-like symptoms to be sent home.

NSW Health have requested that schools encourage anyone who is unwell or has even mild flu-like symptoms, to arrange to be tested through their local medical practitioner or one of the COVID-19 clinics.

Students and staff with flu like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be well before being permitted to return to school. This must be emailed to the school email address at [pagewood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:pagewood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au) with the class noted before 9:00am on the day the student is returning to school. Please do not send it to the teacher as Ms Mayhew must sight the message.

The link to the updated COVID-19 information is here: <https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families#<strong>Responding8>



There have been a lot of changes to our school routines in order to keep students, staff and our community safe. We have new systems in place to combat this virus, here is a reminder:

- No parent or carer should be entering the school gates before or after school except to access Before and After School Care
- All school gates (except the main office gate in Dalley Ave) will be locked by 9.15am and opened at 3.15pm
- Parents/carers to drop late students to the office and leave
- Please drop your child/ren off at Kiss n Go where possible
- No birthday cakes, lolly bags, small gifts (for a class) or shared food is to be brought to school
- Students are not permitted to share their food with other students at school
- There will be no PSSA, choir, band, ensembles, lunchtime activities for Term 4
- Canteen is open Wednesday to Friday

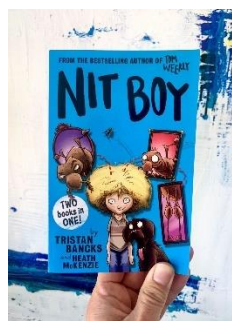
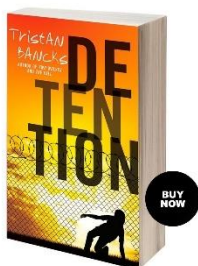
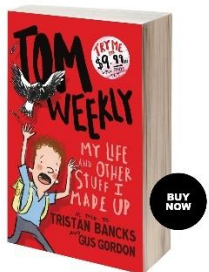
## LIBRARY

### BOOK WEEK THEME- Curious Creatures Wild Minds

Once again we are getting ready for Book Week in the school library. As this year has been very different it has impacted our Book Week plans. Book Week was moved by the Children's Book Council of Australia to run from October 17–23 2020. To keep things exciting here at Pagewood Public School we will be celebrating Book Week with a performance show for K-6 and a writer's workshop presented by Tristan Banks for Stage 3. Both of these activities are linked to literacy programs in our school.



### WEEK 2 Tristan Banks Writers Workshop-Stage 3



Pagewood Public School have been very fortunate to book Tristan Banks for a Stage 3 Writers Workshop. He was originally flying to Sydney to tour a few schools in person but due to current circumstances this will now be done virtually. Pagewood PS is the envy of many schools and teacher librarians in our area.

Stage 3 students have been studying Tristan Banks' novels over the last few years. His books include Tom Weekly, Two Wolves, The Fall and Detention. Some of these are also Premiers Reading Challenge books. For those parents interested I have provided the link to Tristan Banks' website. He is an exceptional author who has a background in film making and brings this area of expertise into his writing planning and creation.

[www.tristanbanks.com](http://www.tristanbanks.com)

### **Tristan Bancks Signed Books offer**

Tristan can also offer signed books for sale to accompany the talk if you would like. Here is the link to his secure online store: <https://www.tristanbancks.com/book-store>

and the coupon code that parents can use on checkout: PAGEWOOD20 which will provide free shipping. He can collate any orders for students or staff after the talks and send off the signed books to the school. The code is useable through to 28 October.

Mrs Kerves

### **RARY 2021 PREFECT LEADERSHIP QUESTLITIES AND STRENGTSH SURVEY**

Just a reminder to Year 5 that this survey is due tomorrow. Interviews with Ms Mayhew will be held this Wednesday.

## **PPS P&C (Parents and Citizens) News**

Welcome back to school for Term 4 ☺

You are invited to the next P & C meeting via Zoom **7pm Monday November 2nd 2020**

Please send items for the agenda and apologies to [pagewoodpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au](mailto:pagewoodpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au) by 6pm Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2020

Details for joining the meeting are:

<https://au01web.zoom.us/j/62200529005?pwd=QklrYzlhY0FOS1lHZZwrVDQvNVNGQT09>

Meeting ID: 622 0052 9005

Passcode: 191115

We look forward to seeing you there!

## Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for academically gifted students with high potential who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students to learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods.

Applications for selective high school placement are considered mainly on the basis of the Selective High School Placement Test results and school assessment scores. The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2022, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email address).

Detailed instructions on how to apply online will be available in late September 2020 at <https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>.

The application website opens at that link on 13 October 2020 and closes on 16 November 2020. You must apply before the closing date.

There are no paper application forms. If you do not have internet access, you could apply at a public library. If you have a disability that prevents you from using a computer, you can contact the Team for assistance after 13 October 2020.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

**The tear-off slip below is not an application and the school cannot apply on your behalf.**

Yours sincerely

Principal

Cut along the dotted line and return the completed slip below to this school by \_\_\_\_\_.

**THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL.**

This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY YOU WILL NEED TO REGISTER AND THEN APPLY THROUGH THE HIGH PERFORMING STUDENTS WEBSITE:

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

----- Cut here and return the note below to the school -----

### Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2022

Student's name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I intend to apply for selective high school entry in Year 7 in 2022 through the High Performing Students website between 13 October 2020 and 16 November 2020.

Signature of parent/carers: \_\_\_\_\_

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## Placement in selective high schools for Year 7 entry

# in 2022

### Information for applicants

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 in 2022?

You must apply online at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



### Key Dates

Application website opens:  
**13 October 2020**

Application website closes:  
**16 November 2020**  
You must apply before this date.

Test centre and test authority advice released:  
**25 February 2021**

Selective High School placement test:  
**11 March 2021**

Placement outcome information released:  
**2 July 2021**

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

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**From this year, you will be able to log into your application to send and receive messages and notices.**

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There may be changes to the procedures in this document. Check the website at [education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc](https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc) regularly for updates throughout the application and placement process.

Please check the website for information before you contact the Team.

The Selective High Schools placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Team. It is referred to as 'the Team' in this document.

#### Contact Details:

High Performing Students Team, NSW Department of Education  
Email: [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au)  
Telephone: 1300 880 367  
Postal Address: GPO BOX 33, SYDNEY NSW 2001

Facebook:  
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/>



### Term 4 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday/ Sunday
<b>Week 2</b>	19 OCT	20 OCT	21 OCT	22 OCT Stage 3 Tristan Bancks via Zoom	23 OCT	24/25 OCT
<b>Week 3</b>	26 OCT	27 OCT	28 OCT	29 OCT	30 OCT	31 OCT/1 NOV
<b>Week 4</b>	2 NOV 7:00pm P&C meeting via Zoom	3 NOV	4 NOV	5 NOV	6 NOV	7/8 NOV
<b>Week 5</b>	9 NOV	10 NOV	11 NOV 11:00am Remembrance Day Ceremony Kindergarten 2021 Orientation Day	12 NOV	13 NOV	14/15 NOV
<b>Week 6</b>	16 NOV Applications close for Year 7 2022 Selective High Schools	17 NOV	18 NOV Opportunity Class test to be held at PPS Kindergarten 2021 Orientation Day	19 NOV	20 NOV	21/22 NOV
<b>Week 7</b>	23 NOV	24 NOV	25 NOV Prefect Speeches Zoom Special Assembly	26 NOV	27 NOV	28/29 NOV
<b>Week 8</b>	30 NOV 7:00pm P&C meeting via Zoom TBC	1 DEC	2 DEC	3 DEC	4 DEC	5/6 DEC
<b>Week 9</b>	7 DEC	8 DEC	9 DEC Presentation Day via Zoom TBC	10 DEC	11 DEC Reports home Y6 Farewell online - TBC	12/13 DEC
<b>Week 10</b>	14 DEC Picnic Day TBC	15 DEC	16 DEC Year 6 Assembly via Zoom Students and staff last day of term	17 DEC	18 DEC	19/20 DEC