



PAGEWOOD PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



TERM 3 WEEK 5
Monday 17 August 2020



CALENDAR TERM 3

AUGUST		
WEEK 5		
Wed 19	Uniform Shop Open	9.15am
Thur 20	Kindergarten 2021 Open Day - CANCELLED	
SEPTEMBER		
WEEK 8		
Mon 7	Virtual P&C meeting Note - change of date	7.00pm
WEEK 9		
Mon 14	Photo Day	
Wed 16	OC test date	

CALENDAR TERM 4

NOVEMBER		
WEEK 4		
Wed 4	Kindergarten 2021 Transition - TBC	
WEEK 5		
Wed 11	Kindergarten 2021 Transition - TBC	

RAINBOW AWARDS

Isabella KB	Ruben KB	Emelia KB
Tongxi 1/2M	Archer 1/2M	Ayaan 1H
Grace KB	Samuel 2/3C	

SILVER AWARD

Emily 6C	Pippa KB	Jamie KY
Tom 2/3C	Kimily 2/3C	Christina 1H
Jomi 2/3C	Spencer KY	

GOLD AWARD

Erin 1/2M	Christiano 1/2M	Kate 2/3C
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MERIT AWARDS for last week

K Blue	Hannah	Mateo
K Red	Camelia	Hebron
K Yellow	Gianna	Paul
1H	Anau	Cameron
1B	Teneale	Thomas
1/2M	Gabriel S	Lilly
2H	Holi	John
2/3C	Max C	Rachel
3/4G	Pearly	Isaac
4L	Annabelle	Sean
4J	Erin	James
5M	Jonathan	Olive
5/6W	Ciana	Blayd
6C	Filip	Emma

PRINCIPAL'S NEWS



Many thanks to the SRC for organising and the teachers and students for participating in last week's pyjama day. We raised a generous donation of \$426.50 for the Exodus Foundation, which provides meals and support to the homeless. We have posted some fabulous photos on page 3 for your enjoyment.

I hope parents have enjoyed reading about their child/ren's progress in their reports. Reports give a snapshot of your child/ren's educational journey at a point in time. This year student reports reflect the change to online learning during the learning from home period.

There are some important changes as of **today** regarding school operations. **Students and staff with flu-like symptoms will need to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school.** Pagewood Public School families should send a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result via email by 9:00am the day their child will return to school after a COVID test. The school email address is pagewood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Schools are not required to conduct widespread temperature screening or mandate the wearing of a mask.

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. We really appreciate your ongoing cooperation with the drop-off and pick-up systems currently in place. **No parent or carer should be entering the school gates before school.**

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

At this stage school photos will be going ahead. Please have a look for the original order form that was sent home in Term 1. I understand not everyone will be able to find it, so new blank order forms will be distributed to students in Week 6 if needed. You will need to pay online **direct to The School Photographer** before photo day and your child to bring the completed payment envelope to school on Monday 14 September. Please DO NOT pay via the school payments system. Thank you.

Nicole Mayhew
Principal

SCHOOL SYSTEMS IN PLACE TO KEEP US SAFE

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:

- Students and staff with flu-like symptoms to provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result before being permitted to return to school. Parents/Carers should email test result to school email at pagewood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au
- No birthday cakes, 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
- No parent or carer should be entering the school gates before school
- Parents/carers to drop late students to the office and leave. Please do not walk your child to class.
- From Wednesday there will be no more wind instrument lessons until further notice
- Please drop and collect your child/ren at Kiss n Go where possible
- Canteen is only open Wednesday to Friday

BAND

There has been a directive from the NSW Department of Education restricting the playing of and lessons in wind instruments, these include saxophone, flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone and French Horn. There will be no small group lessons from this Wednesday 19 August. **Ensemble band before school will not go ahead this week.** There will be further advice from Directions in Music as soon as possible.

ABSENCES – NOTIFYING THE SCHOOL

It is important to advise the school if your child has to be absent from school and to provide a reason for the absence. To explain an absence, please send a note or email to your class teacher or email the school at pagewood-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au. A written note must be provided to your child's teacher upon returning from an absence due to illness explaining the absence. You do NOT need to email the school if your child will be arriving late.

PYJAMA DAY FUNDRAISER





Pagewood Public School Parents & Citizens Association

Dear Parents & Carers,

Pagewood Public School P&C always welcomes new and enthusiastic members to join our team. It is a great way to get involved at the school, as well an opportunity to have your say.

The P&C meets on the first Monday of each month during the school term. Each meeting is announced in the school newsletter and we have about 8-10 meetings each year and everyone is welcome. At our P&C meetings, topics that may be discussed as an example are as follows:

- Updates from the Principal
- Fundraising initiatives
- Father's Day/Mother's Day events (and finding volunteers to run them!)
- School programs
- Allocation of P&C funds towards school programs
- Special morning teas or events
- Uniform Shop- run by the P&C onsite at school
- Market Carnival- bi-annual event

The P&C meetings also provide a forum for parents to be able to raise questions and make suggestions about the school for discussion. The agenda for each meeting is available the week prior.

Once a year at the P&C AGM (the second meeting of the year) the office bearers, or executive - the President, Vice Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer are voted in. To be eligible to vote or take up a position on the executive at the AGM, a member must join at a previous meeting. Membership lasts from one AGM to the next and is currently set at \$1 per year. Financial members have voting rights at the AGM, but also for any issues or decisions that come up throughout the year.

An active P&C is at the heart of a every great school, and we strongly encourage parents to get involved at Pagewood Public School. You can be involved by joining the P&C and attending meetings, volunteering for the various fundraisers or events throughout the year, and by supporting the efforts of the P&C.

Pagewood Public School P&C Association
E: pagewoodpublicschool@pandcaffiliate.org.au

In a normal year, the monthly meetings are held in person at the school, however as we know 2020 has turned out to be anything but a normal year. With COVID-19 restrictions in place, we have had to make some changes and have moved our meetings from being in person to now taking place virtually via Zoom, which whilst not our preferred option it now gives you the ability to join from the comfort of your own home so just another reason why we would love to see you get involved.

One thing that is not lost on me with the COVID-19 restrictions is many of the traditional opportunities to get together such as fundraising events, and even running into each other on the school yard during morning drop off or afternoon pick up are not open to us at the moment, however I want to assure everyone that the P&C still very much welcome your ideas and are open to hearing from each and every one of you.

With that in mind, I welcome you to contact me directly at any time should you wish to ask a question regarding the P&C and or make a suggestion and can be contacted at the details provided below.

Kind regards,

Michael Demetrios (Pagewood Public School P&C President)

Email: michaeldemetrios@yahoo.com

Mobile: 0403 66 44 11

When you support the P&C, you support improvements for the school, the teachers and most importantly, your children.

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Term 3 2020

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday/ Sunday
Week 5	17 AUG	18 AUG	19 AUG 9.15am Uniform Shop Open	20 AUG	21 AUG	22/23 AUG
Week 6	24 AUG	25 AUG	26 AUG	27 AUG	28 AUG	29/30 AUG
Week 7	31 AUG Stage 1 Public Speaking Comp	1 SEP Stage 2 Public Speaking Comp	2 SEP Stage 3 Public Speaking Comp 9.15am Uniform Shop Open	3 SEP Early Stage 1 Public Speaking Comp	4 SEP	5/6 SEP
Week 8	7 SEP 7.00pm P&C Meeting (Note – change of date)	8 SEP	9 SEP	10 SEP	11 SEP	12/13 SEP
Week 9	14 SEP School Photos	15 SEP	16 SEP 9.15am Uniform Shop Open	17 SEP	18 SEP	19/20 SEP
Week 10	21 SEP	22 SEP	23 SEP	24 SEP	25 SEP	26/27 SEP



Libraries Open

Welcome back to the Library!

We are excited to welcome everyone back to your library from 1 August with the following opening hours:

Eastgardens and Rockdale: Mon to Fri 8:30am – 4:30pm; Sat 9am – 1pm

Brighton Le Sands: Tue & Thu 10am – 6pm

Arncliffe, Bexley North, Mascot, Sans Souci: Mon to Fri 10am – 6pm

SERVICES AVAILABLE

- ▶ Browse and Borrow
- ▶ Computers
- ▶ Printing
- ▶ Study rooms (max 2 people)

SAFETY GUIDELINES

Safety guidelines will include:

- ▶ Strict physical distancing
- ▶ Safe hygiene practices
- ▶ Max visitor numbers at one time