

TERM 1, WEEK 5 UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers

On Friday morning, our Year 2 students in Rooms 50 and 52 treated us to a wonderful Junior Assembly. Through song and dance, they reminded us of life in the 'olden days'. We heard how people got around in a carriage pulled by a horse, lit up their houses with candles, and that children didn't have TVs or iPads.

Thank you to the students and their teachers for a delightful, catchy assembly.



NAPLAN TESTING UPDATE

Due to the crossover of swimming lessons and NAPLAN for our Year 5 students, we have changed the NAPLAN testing date for the Conventions and Numeracy tests. Year 5 students will now take their Conventions test on Monday, 17 March, and their Numeracy test on Tuesday, 18 March.

There is no change to the previously advised dates for year 3 NAPLAN.

Below is a table showing the test dates for our PWPS Year 3 and 5 students.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10/3	11/3	12/3 NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5 – Writing test	13/3 NAPLAN Yr 3 and 5 – Reading Test	14/3 NAPLAN Yr 3 – Conventions Test
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All tests are conducted at 8:30 a.m., so it is essential that **all** Year 3 and 5 students be in their classrooms by 8:15 a.m.

Where students are unwell during these scheduled test dates, there will be catch-up testing, as per the NAPLAN schedule until Monday, 24th March.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB CATALOGUES

During the week, students will bring home a copy of the [Scholastic Book Club](#), issue 2 catalogue. Orders are placed via the [Loop](#) app or website and will close on Friday, April 11.

PUPPET THEATRE

Our students enjoyed playing with the brand new puppets at recess and lunch this week. If you can help give our puppet theatre a face lift by making a new curtain, it would be much appreciated! Please see the front office staff or Mrs Weir if you can assist!



COMPASS LOGIN AND STUDENT ATTENDANCE PROCESS

Last Tuesday, all parents should have received an email with login details to Compass.

Compass is our preferred method for notifying the school of upcoming student absences or advising the school of why your child was away.

- You can find more information on our [school webpage](#).
- A quick use guide for the Desktop version is [here](#), or the App version is [here](#).

YEAR 6 CAMP NOTES

On Friday, the Year 6 students should have brought home the information and permission notes about their upcoming camp. Camp will take place during the last week of this term, from Wednesday, 9 April, to Friday, 11 April. The permission notes must be returned by the 17th of March, and payment must be made by the end of term 2.

WEEK 5 EVENTS

MONDAY 3 MARCH

Remember that school is closed today, due to the Labour Day long weekend.



TUESDAY 4 MARCH

YEAR 5 AND 6 SWIMMING LESSONS (Weeks 5 and 6)

Swimming lessons start for Year 5 and 6 students. Students will need goggles for their lessons and a towel or dressing gown (or large shirt) to wear on the journey back from the beach.

Students are welcome to wear their bathers to school underneath their school uniforms. They will get changed and ready to swim before boarding the bus.

The swimming instructors have asked students to be Sunsmart and wear a rashie or bathers with sleeves. Goggles are encouraged.

Some resources to support students at swimming lessons can be found here:

- [Year 5/6 Swimming Lessons – session 1/2](#)
- [Year 5/6 Swimming Lessons – session 3](#)
- [My swimming things checklist](#)
- [What to take to swimming list](#)

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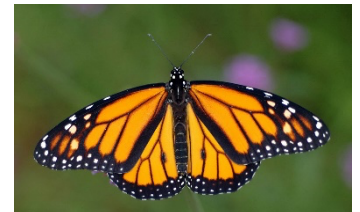
Session	Rooms	Students must be lined up ready	Bus must depart PWPS	Lesson time	Bus Returns PWPS (approx.)
1	Year 6 Rooms, 19, 24, 26	9:55am	10:00am	10:50 – 11:30am	12:10pm
2	Year 5/6 Rooms 11, 22, 25	11:10am	11:15am	12:00 – 12:40pm	1:25pm
3	Year 5 Rooms 10, 20, 21	11:55am	12:00pm	12:45 – 1:25pm	2:10pm

MONARCH CATERPILLARS (JUNIOR SCIENCE ROOM)

Today, Monarch caterpillars will be delivered to our Junior Science room. Pre-primary and Year 1 students will closely observe these caterpillars and their metamorphosis from caterpillar into pupae (chrysalises) before finally emerging as butterflies.

Observing a caterpillar's life cycle is part of the Biology Science strand of the Science curriculum.

Once the butterflies have emerged, they will be released into our gardens.



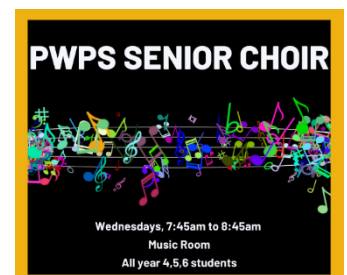
WEDNESDAY 5 MARCH

SENIOR CHOIR (YEARS 4 to 6) ON TODAY

Year 4/5/6 (Senior) Choir is on today. Interested students need to meet in the music room and be ready for 7:45am.

All year, 4/5/6 students are welcome.

The school will participate in the [WA Government Schools Music Society Concert](#) (WAGSMS) on the 24th of June. Year 4-6 choir students will be eligible to join our school performance.



NAPLAN PRACTICE TEST YEAR 3 AND 5 STUDENTS

The students in years 3 and 5 will participate in a NAPLAN practice on Wednesday. This is so that students can experience the NAPLAN test environment and we can check the load on our network.

This test will commence at 8:30 am, so students must be in class at 8:15 am. Year 5 students who attend Senior Choir will return to class at 8:20 am, so that they are ready. This test is not marked. It is only for the students to be prepared for the formal tests that will take place the following week.

THURSDAY 6 MARCH

IMSS MUSIC LESSONS – CANCELLED DUE TO SWIMMING

- **Year 5 and 6 flute** students are advised that there are NO flute lessons today or next Thursday due to swimming lessons.
- **Year 5 brass and clarinet** students are advised that there are NO brass or clarinet lessons today or next Thursday due to swimming lessons.
- Lessons will continue as normal for Year 5 cello students and Year 6 brass and clarinet students.

FRIDAY 7 MARCH

ICY POLES FOR SALE

Year 6 students will be selling Icy Poles at lunchtime for \$1. Icy Poles will be available each Friday this term. All proceeds go towards the Year 6 Camp.

IMSS VIOLIN AND VIOLA LESSONS

- **Year 5 violin and viola** students are advised that their lesson will still occur today (for those students at school). However, they will be held after lunch.
- The violin lesson will be 1:30 – 2:00pm, and the Viola lesson will be 2:00 – 2:30 pm.



SATURDAY 8 MARCH

ELECTION DAY FUNDRAISER – SAUSAGE SIZZLE, CAKE SALE AND ICY POLES

The school undercover area will be a registered polling station for Saturday's State Election.

To help raise funds for additional shade, the School and P&C will be running a Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale between 9am and 2pm (or until sold out) on the flag grass area.

We are looking for volunteers to help with a variety of jobs on Saturday – setting up, cooking sausages on the BBQ, selling the baked goods. If you have some spare time and are able to lend a hand, please sign up [here](#).

Donations of cakes, baked or bought treats are also sought for the cake stall. Donations can be dropped off after school, on Friday 7 March to the school canteen area (located in the Undercover Area) between 2:20 and 2:45pm.

Any questions, please contact pwpsfamilies@hotmail.com

A large poster for the 'Election Day Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale' at Piara Waters PS P&C. The poster has a red and white striped awning at the top. Text includes: 'Piara Waters PS P&C', 'Election Day', 'Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale', 'Support our P&C and year 6 camp students (icypole sales) on Saturday, 8th March when you come to Piara Waters Primary School to vote.', and 'Stall open 8:30am to approximately 2:00pm (until sold out!)'. There are illustrations of a hand putting a ballot into a box, a red BBQ with a flame, and a person behind a stall.

Parent and Community – Term Planner Term 1 (see [here](#) for full-year calendar)

Term 1	MONDAY Junior Choir 7:45-8:30am	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY Senior Choir 7:45-8:45am	THURSDAY	FRIDAY Icy poles for sale lunchtime
Week 6	10/3 Year 5 / 6 Coogee Beach Swimming Lessons 10:55 – 2:30	11/3	12/3 ^{Kindy B} NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – Writing test	13/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – Reading Test	14/3 NAPLAN Yr 3 – Conventions Test
Week 7	17/3 NAPLAN Yr 5 – Conventions Test NAPLAN Yr 3 – Numeracy test Chickens arrive Junior Science Year 6 Camp Permission Forms due	18/3 NAPLAN Yr 5 – Numeracy test	19/3 ^{Kindy A} NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing Harmony Day Dress Up (Kindy A)	20/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing	21/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing Harmony Day Dress Up
Week 8	24/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing	25/3	26/3 ^{Kindy B}	27/3	28/3 Senior assembly 8:30am Yr 5 – Rm 11 & 22 Chickens leave Junior Science
Week 9	31/3	1/4	2/4 ^{Kindy A} Parent / Teacher interview afternoon (school closed from 11:30am)	3/4	4/4 Junior assembly 8:30am PP Rm 5 & 6 Interschool Summer Carnival (Yr5/6)
Week 10	7/4	8/4	9/4 ^{Kindy B} Year 6 Camp Year 3 Spare Parts Puppet Show Excursion "Little Prince"	10/4 Year 6 Camp	11/4 Year 6 Camp Goldie Draw Faction Reward Book Club orders close

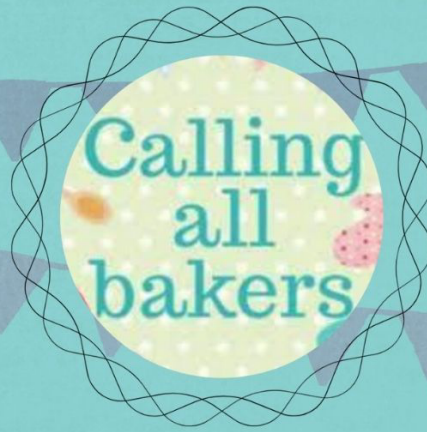
Miss Alison Ramm
Principal
March 2025

P&C Second hand uniform stall

Cash or Eftpos sales

Friday, 14 March
Outside junior science
room (Block 1)
2:15pm - 2:45pm





**BAKE
SALE**

**We're running a baked goods stall at the
State Election on Saturday 8th March 2025
and need your help!**

**If you are able to donate some homemade cookies,
cakes, slices, cupcakes or any baked goods to sell, We
would really appreciate any donations.**

**HELP
WANTED**

**Can you help man the stall? An hour, half an hour, any time
would be welcomed.**

**For more information and to let us know you're able to donate baked
goods, please contact us via pwpsfundraising@outlook.com.au**

