

TERM 1, WEEK 3 UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers

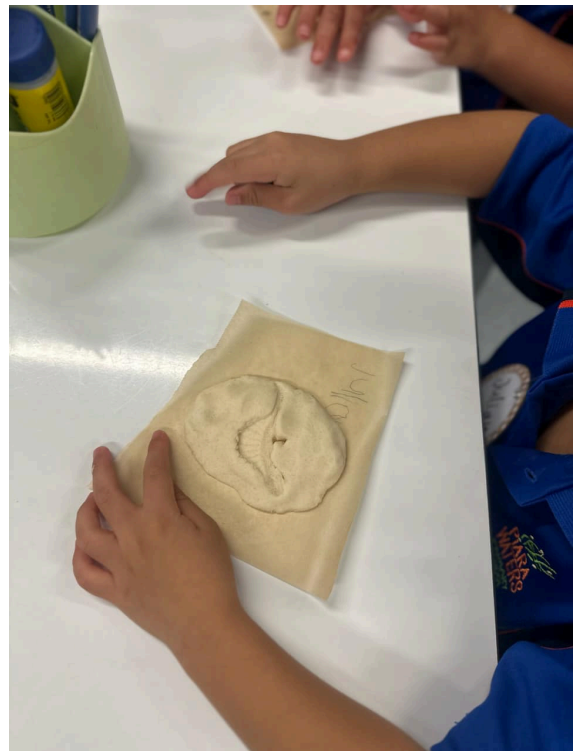
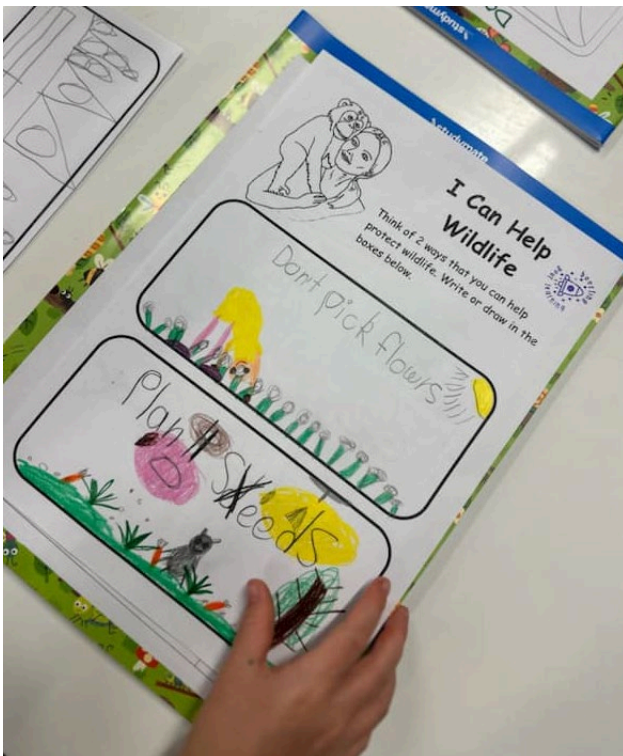
We had a fabulous first full week at school, with lots of fantastic learning taking place. It's been great to see how easily our students are settling into their new routines and timetables.

On Friday, some Year 2 students used Valentine's Day to develop the new friendships they are making in class. They worked together on a range of learning tasks.



This week in Science, as part of International Women and Girls in Science day, pre primary classes learnt about Palaeontologist, Mary Anning and dinosaur fossils.

Year 1 classes learnt about Zoologist, Jane Goodall and the ways we can help wildlife.



STUDENT UPDATE FORMS (All students)

It is important that we have up-to-date student contact and medical records so that we can contact families when required.

On Monday, February 17, students will be sent home with a printout of the information in our system for parents to review and edit as needed.

Please return all forms to the class teacher by **Friday, 21 February**.

ON-ENTRY ASSESSMENT (PRE-PRIMARY)

Over the next four weeks, Pre-primary students will be participating in the state-wide On-entry Assessment Program. It is a requirement that all Pre-primary students undertake the assessment.



During this time, Pre-primary teachers will spend one-on-one time with each student in their class to find out about their literacy and numeracy skills and understandings. The teacher will use this information to plan and target teaching programs to suit each child's learning needs. During the assessment, a relief teacher will teach the class.

The literacy assessment tasks for Pre-primary students include:

- Speaking and listening – engage in conversation
- Reading – recognise rhyming words, identify the sounds in letters and words, listen and respond to questions about stories read to them.
- Writing – draw a picture and attempt to write their name and words about their picture.

The numeracy tasks for Pre-primary students include:

- Number – identify, count, and match small quantities and numbers.
- Measurement – compare length and weight by observing and touching the objects.
- Geometry – identify shapes and simple 'position' words.

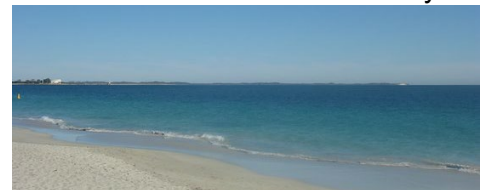
Parents will be given a summary of their child's results towards the end of the term. These summaries provide an overview of your child's responses to questions and tasks completed during the assessment and include some ideas about how you can help your child at home.

If you would like further information, contact your child's teacher or visit [the On-entry assessment website](#).

SWIMMING LESSON PERMISSION AND ENROLMENT NOTES (Years 5 and 6)

Swimming information, permission notes, and forms went home to all Year 5 and 6 students on Friday.

Permission forms and payment are due back to your child's classroom teacher by **Friday, 28 February**. This is a firm deadline, as we need to confirm student numbers with the Department of Education to ensure that sufficient Swimming Instructors are employed.



Students who were away and had not taken their forms home will do so when they return to school.

**Please note, Pre-Primary to year 4 swimming lessons are held at the Swimming Pool in term 3.

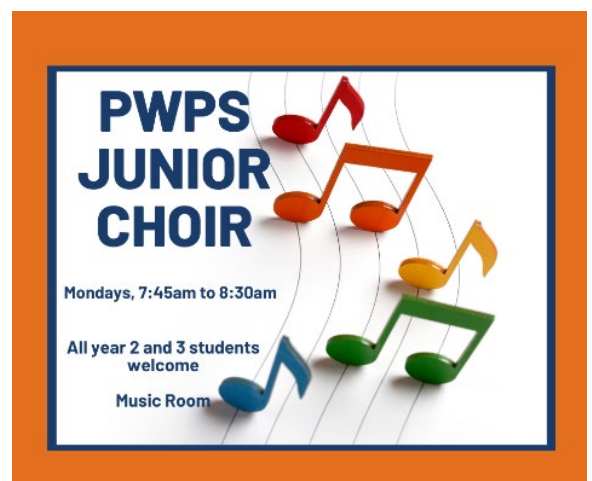
WEEK 3 EVENTS

MONDAY 17 FEBRUARY

JUNIOR CHOIR (YEAR 2/3) ON TODAY

Junior Choir (Years 2 and 3) is on today. Interested students need to meet in the music room and be ready at 7:45am. They should bring their school bags to choir. The session finishes at 8:30 am when students will make their way to class.

All Year 2 and 3 students are welcome. After a few weeks, we will ask students to decide if they want to remain in the choir. Auditions are not required.



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PARENT & CITIZENS (P&C) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our [Parents and Citizens Association](#) is an important parent group at our school.

The functions of P&Cs are covered by legislation. P&Cs promote the interests of the school. They do this through:

- cooperation between parents, teachers, students and members of the community
- assisting in providing resources, facilities and amenities for the school
- fostering community interest in educational matters.

They coordinate fundraising, which improves our school environment. They also run our second-hand uniform online shop, sell school bags and library bags, and run service events for our school community.

The AGM is this evening, commencing at 6:30 p.m., in the school library. At this meeting, the 2025 committee will be elected.

You don't need to take a job to attend the meeting. Come and see how the P&C works. "Many hands make light work," and the more people who assist, the less an individual has to do.

It is also a great way to meet other parents and learn more about our school.

Queries: pwpsfamilies@hotmail.com



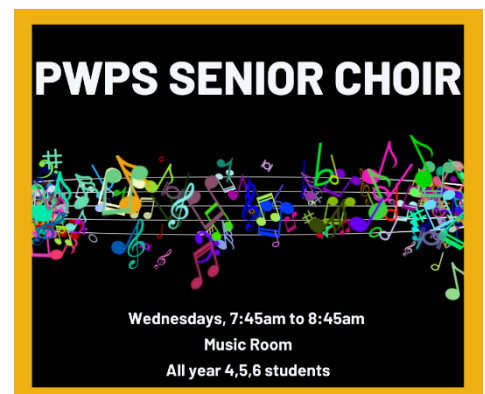
TUESDAY 18 FEBRUARY

WEDNESDAY 19 FEBRUARY

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. Students should bring their school bags to choir. The session finishes at 8:45 am, when students will make their way to class. Students are on time and do not need to go to the office for a late pass.

All year, 4/5/6 students are welcome. After a few weeks, we will ask students to decide if they want to remain in the choir.



THURSDAY 20 FEBRUARY FRIDAY 21 FEBRUARY

SENIOR ASSEMBLY (YR 3-6)

Our first senior assembly for the year is this morning and the Year 6 students in rooms 19 and 24 will host it. The Assembly begins at 8:35 a.m. in the Undercover Area.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend, or you can view the assembly at this [Webex link](#).

Meeting password: PWPS

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 from the sale of icy poles will go towards the Year 6 Camp.

Miss Alison Ramm

Principal

15 February 2025



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 4	24/2	25/2	26/2 Kindy B	27/2	28/2 Junior assembly 8:30am Yr 2 Rm 50 & 52
Week 5	3/3 Labour Day Public Holiday	4/3 Year 5 / 6 Coogee Beach Swimming Lessons 10:55 – 2:30 Monarch Caterpillars Arrive Junior Science	5/3 Kindy A	6/3	7/3
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 3,5 – Conventions Test
Week 7	17/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – Numeracy test Chickens arrive Junior Science	18/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing	19/3 Kindy A NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing Harmony Day (Kindy A)	20/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing	21/3 NAPLAN Yr 3,5 – catch up testing Harmony Day
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	10/4 Year 6 Camp	11/4 Year 6 Camp Goldie Draw Faction Reward