

Newsletter

TERM 3 WEEK 8, 6th September, 2017



There has been extremely significant sickness, especially over the last month at our school with both students and many staff and parents. Last week was a critical time for staff. At times we have been unable to obtain casual relief for our classes and this has continued to be an ongoing challenge. Thank you also for your support as we have had large numbers of students ill in some classes. Our thoughts also go out to families who have had family members hospitalised. Please take extra care at this challenging time with illnesses.

Lyn Fraser
Principal



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Talented Students: Congratulations to Chloe & Charlotte Faulkner for competing in the All Star Cheer and Dance State Championships. They both did extremely well and Chloe got into the National Championships and will be competing in Melbourne. Well done girls.



Schacobii, Ruby-Lee, Lalita, Riley, Ella and Ryan with their gold mining work through reading groups.

Parent Workshop

Congratulations to our parents for their excellent participation. Thank you!!



Note from the Office

Please disregard any invoices that have been sent home as there has been a fault with the Department's invoicing system. We are waiting for the Department to rectify this and will get new invoices out as soon as possible. Sorry for any inconvenience this has caused and we appreciate your support.

Christine O'Gradey

School Admin Manager

School Band

A reminder to parents to please pay all overdue band fees immediately as we need to pay the tutor. New notes are coming home. Thank you.

Regards

Bronwynne Maher
School Band Coordinator



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Term 3

Week 9

Monday 11 September

- Year 5 Berry Camp leaving @8.00am
- Life Education

Tuesday 12 September

- Year 5 Berry Camp
- Life Education
- SCU @ RDA
- Kinder Belgenny Excursion

Wednesday 13 September

- Year 5 Berry Camp returns @4.00pm
- Life Education
- SSW Athletics @Campbelltown
- Combined Assembly @ 12.10pm
- BAND

Thursday 14 September

SCHOOL PHOTOS

- Life Education

Friday 15 September

- P & C Disco/Mufti Day

Week 10

Monday 18 September

- P & C Christmas Raffle sent home

Wednesday 20 September

- School Parent Helper Morning Tea 11.15—12.15, staffroom

Term 4

Week 1

Friday 13 October

- Kindergarten Rangers on the run Incursion 9.30 to 11.30

Week 2

Monday 16 October

- Year 6 Overnight Canberra Excursion

Tuesday 17 October

- Year 6 Overnight Canberra Excursion

Wednesday 18 October

- Normanhurst West Band visiting our school

Thursday 19 October

- PSSA State Athletics

Saturday 21 October

- P & C Plant Sale Fundraiser 9am—2pm School Carpark

Term 3 Week 5 2017

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Awards

Kinder Red	Ashton, Lavinia
Kinder Yellow	Carys, Walker
1 Pink	Lawson, Ava
1 Violet	Zane, Maddie
2 Green	Chloe, Ellyce
2 Indigo	Levi, Meagan
Sport	Levi, Daniel, Alice, Molly, Mason



Term 3 Week 6 2017

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Awards

Kinder Yellow	James, Aoife
1 Pink	Crichelle, Ethan
1 Violet	Levi, Natalia
2 Green	Billie, Levi
K/1 Lime	Logan
Sport	Mason

Canteen Raffle Winners

Sophie Connor—
Basketball

Brydie Grover—Football



Term 3 Week 7 2017

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Awards

Kinder Red	Alleyah, Jessica
Kinder Yellow	Thomas, Imogen
1 Pink	Simaar, Maddison, Lily
1 Violet	Charli, Anna
2 Green	Samuel, Erin
2 Indigo	Ariah, Ewan, Emma, Jessica
Sport	Clare, Jorga

Term 3 Week 7 2017

Stage 2 and Stage 3 Awards

3 Silver	Benjamin, Georgia, Eden, Nathan, Jordan, Jude
3 Copper	Max, Rhiannon, Molly, Chalcedony, Logan, Harry
3/4 Jade	Savannah, Rhiannon, Alexander, Madeline, Ash, Liam
4 Bronze	Lucas, Isaac, Cody, Euan, Austin, Georgia
5 Opal	Aiden, Loren, Samantha, Kate, Liam, Lilly
5 Teal	Ted, Danny, Eve, Alexis, Hayley, Riley
6 Sapphire	Grace, Shayla, Sarah, Brodie, Jake, Joel
6 Turquoise	Rose, Oisin, Taylor, Olivia, Calvin, Hannah
2/6 Cream	Alex, Charlotte

UNIFORM SHOP

Tuesday

9.00–10.00am

If you are unable to attend during the opening hours, please leave your form in the office to be filled on the next opening day.

Volunteers are needed for the uniform shop if you can please help could you contact the school office or Melissa Whishaw.

Student Educational Needs for 2018

If your child has any specific educational needs for next year's placement that we need to be aware of could you please make contact to discuss. I would appreciate parents doing this immediately because as you are aware, Term 4 is a very busy period which is devoted to development of classes and structures for 2018.

If you have any specific educational concerns for your child for 2018 placement could you please contact your child's class teacher, the Assistant Principals' Early Stage 1 Di Monds, Stage 1 Liz Boyd, Stage 2 Chris Beard, Stage 3 Catherine Wilson – or myself as Principal. With so many students to consider, **any requests need to be in writing as soon as possible to the principal.** Please do not leave your concern to the end of the year or next year. We appreciate your support with this in developing our classes and school structure for 2018 to have the best transition possible for the new year. We strive to do the best possible with educational but please note that no guarantees can be given.

Lyn Fraser and the Executive Team

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Principal's Pen

Southern Stars

Congratulations to Mrs Kylie Ellis and her wonderful team of students who attended Southern Stars. It has been a huge commitment this year, but can I say on Friday evening our students performed in an outstanding manner. What a wonderful opportunity for all of our students to be involved in such a huge production. The professionalism and the level of achievement was absolutely outstanding. I would like to say a big thank you to Kylie Ellis for all of her dedication commitment, and hard work with such an amazing event. I know parents also are very appreciative of Kylie's leadership as well. Congratulations girls and boys. It was just a wonderful 3 hours that went so quickly and there were over 3000 students performing at the WIN Entertainment Centre. Congratulations to everyone involved and thank you to parents for your commitment and support also, because without your terrific support this would not have happened.

AFL Clinic

A big thank you to Tracey McQueen for organising the AFL Clinic after school. Thank you very much Tracey for your leadership in this area and the opportunity for our students at Picton. It has been a very successful afternoon with approximately 60 students participating.

Life Education

Just a reminder Life Education commenced this week and continues for approximately 2 weeks. This is an excellent program that our students participate in. Thank you for your support.

School Parent Helper Morning Tea

On Wednesday 20th September we extend an invitation to all of our community, both parents and the broader community, who have helped out in any way during the year in support of our school. We have so many people that have helped in such a variety of ways. We look forward to catching up with you for our morning tea which commences at 11.15am in the staff room. We hope you can join us so as we can say thank you to everyone.

Parent Survey: School Planning

We are commencing a new cycle of school planning with the Department of Education.

I have included a Parent Survey in our newsletter for you and have sent home a paper copy also.

We would love your feedback, please return via email or in the Magpie Box. Thank you in anticipation!

Kind regards,

Lyn Fraser

Southern Stars

These amazing students performed brilliantly in the Southern Stars production on August 25th and 26th at the WIN Entertainment Centre. What a fantastic display of highly talented public education students. Thank you to the students and the parents involved for all of your dedication and commitment. The students and I had a great experience making memories that will last a lifetime.

Kylie Ellis

Southern Stars Coordinator



Book Character Parade



Zone Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to all competitors who took part in the carnival on Thursday 24th and Friday 25th August. Each student participated to the best of their ability and pushed themselves to achieve personal records. Well done to the team as a group, they demonstrated great sportsmanship and excellent behaviour while representing Picton Public School.

We have some very talented athletes at our school, some who were successful in making it on to the next level, the Sydney South West Regional PSSA Athletics Carnival. They will represent not only Picton Public School but our Razorback Zone in Week 9 at Bankstown. We wish them all the best!

2017 PPS Zone Team:

Corey Lawes, Sean Lawlan, Nadim Hajje, Ruben Toga, Danny Smith, Oisin Chretien, Jake Cotton, Riley Farrell, Joel Knapp, Shelby Somoracz, Brock Statham, Noah Sathiah, Liam Gechevski, Jake Tomlinson, Luke Hawke, Latiya Shankaran-Raju, Jade Dabrowski, Jacqueline Cardwell, Sidney Schols, Shylah Noonan, Cassie Williams, Loren Adamson, Caitlyn Halse, Inah Maria Dabrowski, Shaylah Sanderson, Anessa Rice, Rose North, Shaylah Sanderson, Ella Cranfield

Michelle Friend

Sports Coordinator



Student Leadership Team Update

The student leaders have been running lunchtime activities to raise funds to purchase items to use as part of their playground activities. These fundraising activities have proved very successful and we thank you for your support, especially with the Stewart House Fundraiser.

Year 6 have donated prizes, certificates, books, glow sticks and bookmarks to support their efforts to raise funds for the playground.

On Friday 22nd September we have our last fundraising activity, "5c Friday". So please start collecting any loose 5c coins you have laying around the house ready to send to school on Friday 22nd September.

Fundraising Total

Thank you for your continued support.

– Mrs Catherine Wilson & The Student Leadership Team





Picton Public School:
2018 – 2020 School Planning

Parent Survey: What's Important About Our School?

6th September 2017



Dear Parents,

To assist us with our new Department of Education School Planning cycle for 2018-2020 we would like your feedback on our school and specific reasons you feel this way. We have 4 key questions for you below. Please return your survey as soon as possible or by **September 22nd** (via the Magpie Box or email picton-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au). We appreciate your time and your feedback and your responses will be considered with future planning.

Thank you,

Lyn Fraser

Principal

Christine Beard
School Planning Leader

NAME: _____

F O C U S Q U E S T I O N S

VALUE

What do you like about our school? What is happening now that you feel is positive and of value?
This could include programs on offer, school culture, school activities

PRIORITY

What is your number 1 school priority? What is most important to you? This could be academic, a particular school program, sport, cultural programs, etc.

IMPROVEMENT and SOLUTIONS

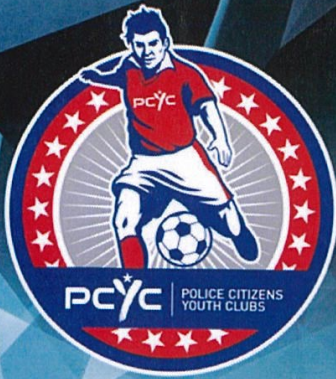
Is there an area that you feel we need to improve in? If so why? What solution can you offer our school to assist us in taking a possible new direction?

INITIATIVE

Dreams for the future? Where would you like to see our school in the next 3 years? Is there a new initiative you would like us to consider?



You might also like to comment on the following just as a suggestion only: teaching & learning, student behaviour, inclusion, communication, parent participation, parent support required, role of P & C.



SUMMER SOCCER

Summer soccer is a great small-sided, outside game that allows everyone to enjoy the sport in the off season. It's fun, social and a perfect opportunity to meet new people and stay active over summer.

REGISTRATION DAYS

4th & 18th September 5:30-7:30pm at Tahmoor Oval

Age Groups

Mixed Teams- Under 7/9/11 & All Age

Boys- 13,15,17 all age and O35s

Girls u12,14,16 and all age

Registration Cost

- \$50 Under 7's
- \$100 Under 9,11,12,13,14,15,16,17
- \$120 for All Age/ Over 35's

Games played Monday Night at Tahmoor Oval. Please bring Team Nominations.

For more information call us on 02 4868 5200 or email us at southernhighlands@pcycnsw.org.au

Please see office staff for more information about fees and any questions you may have.



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Children from 4 to 12 years
Friday 6 October, 10am - 3 pm

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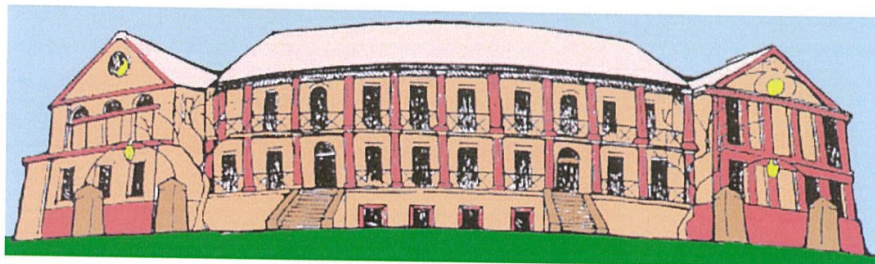
Sausage in a bread roll - \$3.00 per person

Public Café will be open.



FREE EVENT

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10am - 3pm Thursday 14th September
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11am - 3pm: Expo showcasing:

- NDIS Service Providers and technology
- Therapists and early intervention providers
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