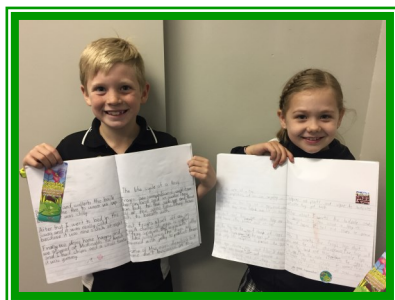


Newsletter

TERM 2 • WEEK 10, 4 July, 2018



Zane & Kloe of 2 Green with their excellent work on the life cycle of a frog. Wonderful learning!



Cassie, Pisey, Molly, Zara and Ellie of 5 Crimson—writing about friendship, manners and giving advice: safe, respectful learners. Well done!



Alexa Beard attended the Multiculturalism Public Speaking Competition at Camden South Public School and was awarded Highly Commended. Great job Alexa!



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TERM 2

Week 10

Thursday 5 July

- P & C Pie Drive Pies delivered

Friday 6 July

- Last Day of Term

TERM 3

Week 1

Monday 23 July

- School Development Day

Tuesday 24 July

- Students Return

Wednesday 25 July

- BAND

Thursday 26 July

- Southern Stars Rehearsals @ Berkley

Friday 27 July

- Athletics Carnival

P & C Fundraiser Cake Stall/BBQ

Week 2

Tuesday 31 July

- ICAS English

- Mr Martin—Science/Health Lesson "Veggie Garden Prep"

Wednesday 25 July

- BAND

- Opportunity Class

Placement Test

Thursday 2 August

- Back up date for Athletics Carnival

Week 3

Tuesday 7 August

- ICAS English

- Southern Stars Rehearsal @ WEC

- 7.30 P & C Meeting

Wednesday 8 August

- BAND

Thursday 9 August

- EDUCATION WEEK—Open Day

11.30 Lunch with Parents

12.00 to 12.45 Open Classrooms

1.10—1.30 COLA Assembly/presentation of creative talent awards/guest speaker

P & C Free Tea and Coffee provided

Farewell Ms Fraser & Mrs Maher



It's time to say farewell to two wonderful educators.

Mrs Maher we thank you for all your contributions to Picton Public School, the students and staff will miss you dearly. We wish you a wonderful retirement.

Ms Fraser you have put many smiles on little faces throughout your years at Picton Public School. You have been an inspiring and wonderful leader, always putting students first. Your accomplishments are many. Thank you for making Picton Public School the best school. We wish you an exciting but restful retirement. It's time to collect life's rewards. We will miss you!

Christine Beard

Picton Public School Students, Parents and Staff

Term 2 Week 8 2018

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Awards

Kinder Red	Amelia, Xavier
Kinder Yellow	Alexander, Sophia
1 Pink	Lachlan, Bonny
1 Violet	Montana, Hamish, Toby
2 Green	Mikayla, Levi
2 Indigo	Mason, Lawson
SPORT	Billy, Lily, Dominique, Sophie, Josaia

Library News



Please check your child/ren bookshelves for overdue Library books

Thanks

Christie Farrell
Librarian

Term 2 Week 8 2018

Stage 2 and Stage 3 Awards

3 Silver	Alexis, Will, Jessica, Will, Reagan, Naomi
3 Copper	Ellyce, Meagan, Angus, Lola, Chloe, Levi
4 Bronze	Ruby, Rhiannon, Oliver, Ashton, Mia, Sebastian, Ben, Samantha, Katie
4 Emerald	Connor, Jade, Sophia, Alex, Mia, Georgia, Ruben, Cooper
4/5 Platinum	Mikayla, Jack, Teleah, Jake, Sharnaye, Kellie
5 Crimson	Molly, Alexis, Sean, Zara, Daniel, Elijah
6 Sapphire	Ava, Samantha, Riley, Charlotte, Indy, Tyle-May, Lalita, Latiya, Harry
6 Turquoise	Ryan, Charlotte, Beau, Chelsea, Jack, Ella

Term 2 Week 9 2018

Early Stage 1 and Stage 1 Awards

Kinder Red	Capri, Nicholas
Kinder Yellow	Sienna, Ohana
1 Pink	Hayden, Jonas
1 Violet	Zackary, Josaia, Alleyah
2 Green	Clancy, Kloe
2 Indigo	Mason, Luke
1/2 Aqua	Aiden
2/5 Magenta	Chloe, Mitchell
SPORT	Cruz, Harry, Andy, Daniel, Patrick, Charlie, Sophie, Carys, Miles



As credit card security is paramount we will no longer be accepting credit details on the bottom of permission notes so we ask parents to complete Parent Online Payment (POP) via the website or skoolbag. We will still be accepting credit card payments either in the office or by phoning the office on 4677 1497. Alternatively you can still pay cash by placing the exact money into the Magpie Box. Thank you for your assistance.

Christine O'Gradey
School Administration
Manager

Principal's Pen

Mrs Maher's Retirement

Congratulations to Mrs Maher on her upcoming retirement at the end of the term. Thank you for all your wonderful work as a classroom teacher, you have shown commitment and dedication to your role and your students have loved you! Thank you for all your work with so many students and families to ensure the best learning outcomes for our students. Bronwynne also showed great leadership in the library and her love of her role was infectious to students and staff alike. Her leadership of the band has been outstanding working very closely with our students in building not only their skills but their confidence. We are all very proud of the band and Bronwynne's legacy will also be our new band shirts. Thank you Bronwynne for your wonderful contribution to Public Education and the lives of so many young people! Last week we also presented Mrs Maher with her service medallion in recognition of her contribution to public education.

You will be missed, however we know this is a new and special phase of your life journey and really enjoy with your family.

With best wishes for now and the future.

Farewell and Thank you!

It is with a tinge of sadness that I am writing my last newsletter for Picton Public School! I have been privileged to be Principal of Picton Public and have enjoyed my time immensely. The students at Picton Public School are an absolute joy to work with and are a credit to parents and extended family members. Our students at Picton Public School are quite exceptional for many reasons such as their kind and caring manner, their friendliness and enthusiasm for life, big smiles, balanced approach to life, willingness to give, support of other students both at school and out of our school environment, ability to take risks with their learning across many areas of learning academic, cultural, sport etc. and the high achievement and standard that our students achieve with outstanding parent support also. I am very proud also that our school actively supports the inclusion of all students.

Thank you also to our wonderful community for your support, kind words and generosity of spirit. You also make our school a special place due to the strong relationships, positive problem solving, community ethos and positive partnership with the school and your beautiful children!

I would like to extend a big thank you to my P & C Executive and especially to my President Lauren Manning and Vice President Brenda Cunningham whom I have got to know well. Their leadership of the P & C has been outstanding and I congratulate them on their fine leadership, compassion, equity and their drive to do their very best for all students always. Lauren and Brenda show their leadership in a variety of ways and often behind the scenes in a quiet, ethical manner. We are in such good hands!

I would also like to thank my staff for their ongoing, sustained and professional dedication to Public Education every day. They are a committed and dedicated group of professionals including both teachers, support staff and office staff. I am very proud of my staff and the way that they continually approach new learning, processes and programs with enthusiasm, eagerness and a continued willingness to improve and do the best we can possibly do to ensure the best learning for all of our students. They genuinely care and consider all of our students in our care and always give their very best and go above and beyond to support our students across the school K-6.

As mentioned in the Week 2 newsletter, Mrs Beard will be leading the school as Relieving Principal during this transition period. Mrs Beard's strong educational leadership qualities will lead the school until the position is filled by our new Director, Belinda Wall and staffing. I would like to thank my Executive Team for their wonderful support also and my office team, all of whom I have worked very closely with. I have been very fortunate to work with such a great group of people whose professionalism is outstanding.

Staff Changes/Update

We will welcome Mrs Melinda Byrne at the beginning of next term. Melinda is a permanent staff member who has been appointed to Mrs Maher's position. She brings with her much expertise and will continue in a job share role with Mrs Sloan (a letter to 1 Violet parents was distributed yesterday).

Mrs Julianne Smith will now be teaching 1 Pink full time. Mrs Boyd will now be supporting the school off class in Terms 3 & 4 and supporting Mrs Beard and K-6.

Mrs Simone Fait will continue in her Relieving Assistant Principal Role supervising Stage 2 and Mrs Catherine Wilson will be Relieving Assistant Principal Stage 3. Thank you to these staff for their leadership.

I wish you a lovely and relaxing holiday with your child/ren and all the very best!

Thank you,

Lyn Fraser
Principal

Sport Update

Congratulations to the following students for their selection in representative teams:

Liam: Razorback Rugby League, Razorback AFL

Jack: Razorback AFL

Loren: Razorback Soccer

Caitlyn: Razorback Cricket, Razorback Rugby Union, Razorback Touch, Sydney South West Rugby Union, Sydney South West Touch Football

Liam: Razorback Softball

Hayley: Razorback Netball

Geoff Boniface

Sports Coordinator





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4th July, 2018

Picton Public School Kindergarten Orientation Program (2019 Enrolment)

Dear Parents,

We are very pleased that your child will be attending Kindergarten in 2019 at Picton Public School. You are invited to visit and participate in our open classroom lessons on 15th August and 29th August, 2018. A third session will also be held in Term 4 in Week 3 on Tuesday 30th October 2018.

The first visit will be on Wednesday 15th August 2018, from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Parents and children are to meet in the hall at 12.20pm. The Kindergarten teachers will be covering activities from the English syllabus involving writing, reading and handwriting.

We would appreciate it if you could bring your child's birth certificate, immunisation certificate and proof of residence to this orientation please. You will be given an enrolment form for completion. This documentation is essential for enrolment.

The second visit will be on Wednesday 29th August 2018, from 12.30pm to 1.30pm. Activities will be based on the Early Stage One mathematics curriculum. The lessons within the Kindergarten classrooms will include numeracy, measurement and space.

The final visit will occur in Term 4 on Tuesday 30th October. This will commence at 9.30am and conclude at approximately 11.30am.

Children will complete an activity booklet in the classroom, while parents remain in the hall for an information session presented by school staff.

Parents are invited to stay for morning tea with their children after the session.

The first two visits are an opportunity for parents and children to visit the Kindergarten classrooms, participate in learning activities and meet our present classroom teachers. At each session we will meet in the hall before commencing activities.

These visits are for children who are eligible to attend Picton Public School in 2019. Families waiting for Out of Area Applications to be approved may also attend.

We look forward to a wonderful transition program which we hope you and your child/ children will really enjoy. Our attached sheet is to keep in a safe spot as a quick reference guide.

If you are new to our school we would especially like to welcome you to our Picton Public School Community and look forward to your involvement.

Yours sincerely,

*Liz Boyd
Assistant Principal Early Stage 1*





2018 Sports in Schools Survey

1. Has your child/ren enjoyed the Sports in School Program?

☐ Yes ☐ No

(please give specific reasons including any comments they have made to you)

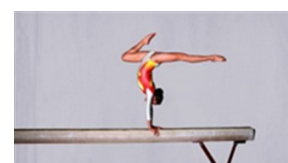
2. Please comment on the cost, is it reasonable for the program offered and for you as a parent? (\$45 for the term)

3. Any general comments:

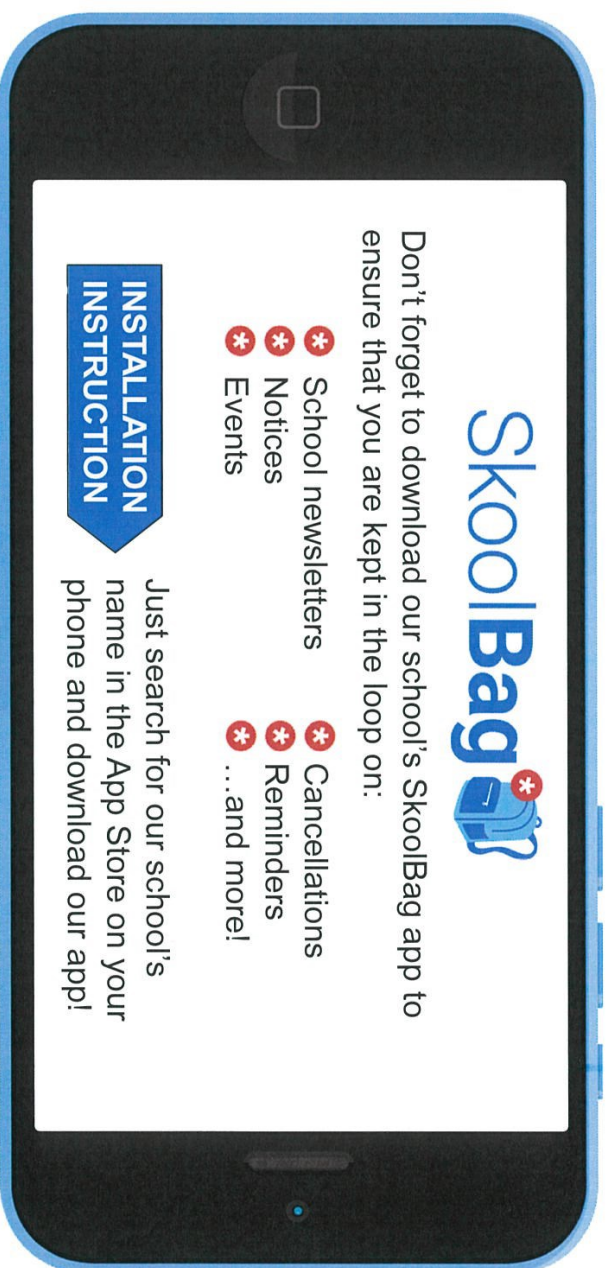
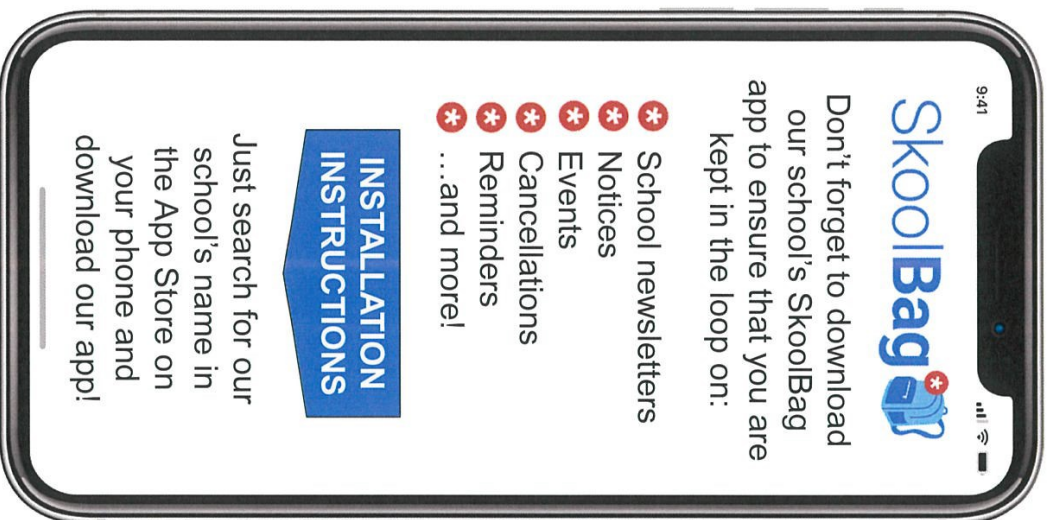
Thank you for your feedback, it is appreciated.

Lyn Fraser
Principal

Catherine Wilson
Coordinator



Please return via email to the schools email address or return to the Magpie Box.





Healthy ME Healthy YOU

Join us for a conference with a difference, featuring expert speakers who understand the role parents and carers play in the lives of people living with a disability and the importance also, of caring for ourselves.

Petrea King

CEO of the Quest for Life Foundation and bestselling author, Petrea King is an inspirational speaker whose journey has led her to become one of the most respected voices in the field of personal growth and wellbeing.

Belinda Russo

Paediatric and Women's Health Dietitian, Exercise Physiologist and Director of Tiny Tummies Nutrition, Belinda is a considered an expert in the field of health and nutrition.

Katrina Langhorn

Katrina Langhorn is a practicing Psychologist and is also a qualified Teacher, specialising in Children and Adolescents with emotional & behavioural disorders, learning difficulties and disabilities.



WHERE: Picton Valley Motel, Conference Room

WHEN: Friday, 3rd August 2018, 8.30am - 2:30pm

COST: Free, bookings essential, limited availability, lunch provided

HOW TO REGISTER: www.downsyndromensw.org.au or 9841-4444



Down Syndrome
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Supporting families touched by Down Syndrome



THARAWAL
LOCAL ABORIGINAL
LAND COUNCIL

Tharawal LALC NAIDOC Family Fun Day

220 West Parade Couridjah
Friday 13th July 2018
10am – 2pm

**Free Rides, BBQ, Entertainment and
Market Stall**

All Welcome

1st Tahmoor Scout Group

Build resilience
Develop CONFIDENCE

Inspire LEADERSHIP

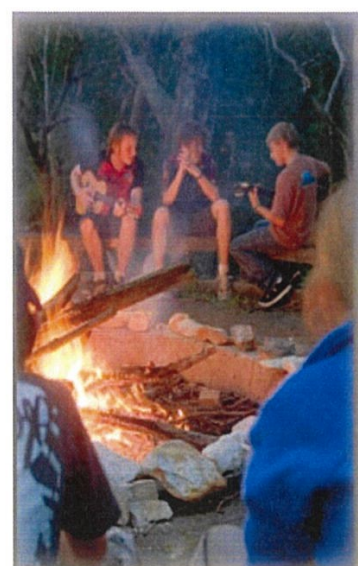
Be prepared for adventure!



For more than 100 years, Scouts have offered a program to young people which helps develop them through teamwork and using their own initiative.

Scouts believe encouraging young people to “**be prepared**” is more important today than ever!

What should you be prepared for? Fun and adventure, team involvement, helping other people, being a leader, making friends, caring for the environment, and being a positive influence in your community.



Come along to our Cub/Scout Group

Scouts on Thursday nights 6:30– 8:30

Cubs on Monday nights 6-7:30

Held at Mason Street Scout Hall

Mason Street, Thirlmere, NSW

For more information call : 0246 818811



Active kids voucher can be used for Scout / Cub fees

Dear family,

We welcome our new assistant educator Hayley to our service. Hayley has transitioned well into the routine here and we are having a blast.

This term the children were introduced to PAWS Pet Therapy every Wednesday afternoon. The children have the opportunity to play with, read to, teach tricks and help train these amazing therapy dogs. The term was well spent playing monopoly deal, engaging in cooking activities, looking after our pet hermit crabs, doing some crazy slime making, outdoor play, dancing, lots of awesome arts and crafts and so much more.

Picton YMCA are donating funds towards the Cancer Council at the end of the year. Donate a gold coin for a hairstyle in the morning before school or in the afternoon. Braids for the girls, spikes for the boys. Get styled!

We currently have vacancies available in before & after school care, please go online to book in for permanent care. Thursday afternoons have very limited spots left.



Donated items for "Hunter Animal Rescue - Picton Pound". Thank you.

We would love your feedback. Fill out our feedback form attached to this newsletter and hand it back in to Jennifer or Hayley. Thank you.



Having a great time playing a game of Twister



The children enjoying their therapy time with PAWS Pet Therapy. Meet Rosebud

Picton YMCA's website..
Here you will find information about our service. Enrol here online
<https://www.ymcansw.org.au/centres/ymca-picton-oshc/>

Picton YMCA's email address
oshc.picton@ymcansw.org.au

The Childcare Team's contact details
childcare@ymcansw.org.au
1300 009 679

YMCA Picton loves helping out the local community. This year we are dedicating our donations to different animal organisations. We would love YOUR help. We have a basket in the centre each term for donations of animal food, toys, blankets, beds and more.

IMPORTANT! Please go onto the MyGov website to do your online assessment before the end of the month to ensure you are ready for the new Childcare Subsidy

Important Reminders:



- Last day of school Term 2: Friday 6th July
- Winter Vacation care: Monday 9th July- 23rd July
- First day of school Term 3: Tuesday 24th July
- Don't forget to go to the "My Family Lounge" app and book in for vacation care as soon as you can, spots are limited
- The Childcare Team is open 6:30am-6:30pm
- Don't forget to bring your hat, bottle and lunch for vacation care

Upcoming Events:



VACATION CARE:

PAWS Pet Therapy

Because Of Her, We Can

Wannabees Play Town

Koori Kinnections

Mad About Science

Winter Wonders Pillows & Scarves

Rainbow Day

Dumaresq Street Cinemas

PJ Party

Bouncy Balls & Slime Making

BYO Wheels

