

NEWSLETTER

TERM ONE WEEK SIX 2020

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School Term Dates 2020

Term 1 Tuesday 29 January - Thursday 9 April (Students return Wednesday 30 January)
Term 2 Monday 27 April - Friday 3 July (Students return Tuesday 28 April)
Term 3 Monday 20 July - Friday 25 September (Students return Tuesday 21 July)
Term 4 Monday 12 October - Friday 18 December (Students finish Wednesday 16 December)

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Monday 9 th March	Family Partnership Meeting
Tuesday 10 th March	Sydney South West Swimming
	7.00pm P & C Meeting: School Curriculum Programs
Tuesday 17 th March	Anti Bullying Program K-6
Monday 30 th March	School Photos
Wednesday 1 st April	2.15pm Combined Assembly
Monday 6 th April	State Swimming
Tuesday 7 th April	State Swimming
Thursday 9 th April	LAST DAY OF TERM



Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe we are already half way through the first term of 2020. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome a number of new students and families who have joined our wonderful school community over the last few weeks. It has been great to see our students warmly welcome their new peers and help them to settle in.

Combined Assembly

Last Wednesday, we held our first combined assembly for 2020. It was fantastic to see our Kindergarten students at one of these special assemblies for the first time and I would like to congratulate them on being so settled and attentive throughout. At this assembly, we had the opportunity to formally induct our House Captains

into their leadership positions. Thank you to family members who were able to attend and join their children on stage to pin on their badge. Congratulations to Ruby, Alex, Sophia, Luke, Mikyla, Jude, Mia and Ruben!



At each combined assembly, we award one student from each class with a Class Citizenship Award. Each class teacher selects one student from their class who displays exemplary citizenship qualities to receive this award. Class teachers look for students who are safe, respectful learners, who come to school prepared to learn, who are positive role models, good friends and try their best. Congratulations to the following students who received a Class Citizenship Award last week:

KM: Morgan Rigby KC: Chase Mackenzie
 1/2M: Evie Reed 1/2L: Noah Volcic
 1/2CM: Ruby Bare 1/2H: Amelia Jenkins
 3/4E: Cameron Spiteri 3/4J: James Heming
 3/4S: Lilly Rogers 4/5D: Amelia Reed
 5W: Chloe Carroll 6B: Ella Davis
 6W: Cassidy Cranfield SCU: Alexandra Rooney

Zone Swimming

Last Thursday and Friday, approximately 25 students participated in the Razorback Zone Swimming Carnival. On Thursday, students participated in freestyle and relay events, and on Friday students participated in stroke and medley events. Congratulations to all students who proudly represented our school and put forth their best effort in the pool. It was wonderful to see students and families cheering on our swimmers and they are to be commended on not just their swimming efforts, but also their team spirit and sportsmanship. Congratulations to the students progressing to the Regional Carnival next week - further information is included later in the newsletter. My thanks goes to Miss Barnes, Mrs Bywater and Miss Edwards for accompanying the students to the carnival.



Razorback Girls Soccer and Razorback Boys AFL

Congratulations to Sophia Tutt who was recently selected in the Razorback Girls Soccer Team and Nathan Bzadough who was selected in the Zone AFL team. Sophia and Nathan will represent our school and the Razorback Zone when competing against other zones from across South-West Sydney. Good luck!

GRIP Student Leadership Conference

Yesterday, Mrs Davis accompanied our student leaders into Quaycentre at Sydney Olympic Park for the Annual GRIP Student Leadership Conference. They met at Picton Train Station for a very early start, and spent the day learning about the qualities that make up a successful leader and explored ways they can positively contribute to their school community. We can't wait to see how our student leaders will put their learning into action throughout the year. Thank you to Mrs Davis For providing this wonderful learning experience for our leaders, and congratulations to our students on being exemplary role models and representatives of our school.



Clean Up Day

Last Friday, our school participated in Clean up Australia Day. It was great to see all our students out in our school grounds, collectively contributing to cleaning up our school. We also asked students to contribute a gold coin donation or bring in their plastic bottles to help raise money for our school vege garden. We raised approximately \$320, which will go directly towards purchasing equipment and resources for our garden. Thank you to Mrs Smith for organising this event.

Family Partnership Meetings

By now, all families should have received a note about our upcoming Family Partnership Meetings. This year, we are introducing a new structure to our regular parent/teacher interviews by including students in these meetings and collaboratively developing goals to work towards throughout the first semester. I encourage all families to book in a time with their child's class teacher using our online booking system. Notes were shared to our Skoolbag account and Facebook page if you are unable to locate your paper copy. If you have any problems making a booking, please see your child's class teacher or pop into the office for assistance.

SRL Token Winners

Congratulations to our SRL Token winners for Weeks 5 and 6, who received a \$2.00 voucher to spend at our canteen.

Week 5: Bonny King-Hill and Evie Reed

Week 6: Logan Beeston and Alaya Lang

Director Visit

This Friday, our Director, Educational Leadership for the Wollondilly Network, Belinda Wall, will be visiting our school for most of the day. During this day, we will be showcasing a number of programs and initiatives our school is currently involved in. Mrs Wall will also have an opportunity to visit a number of classrooms to see the wonderful learning taking place. I know Mrs Wall will be equally as impressed as I am of our wonderful school.

P&C

This is a reminder that our second P&C Meeting for 2020 will be taking place next Tuesday at 7:00pm. There are still two executive positions that need filling; Vice-President and Treasurer. I encourage all families to consider coming along and joining our wonderful P&C. Although these positions need filling, there is no pressure to do so and parents are more than welcome to simply come along, find out about our P&C and hear the wonderful things being planned for 2020. I look forward to seeing many new (and existing) faces there!

Wishing everyone a wonderful fortnight ahead!

Mr Nathan Neilson

Proud Principal



School photos will be held on Monday 30th March 2020. Envelopes to place orders for school photos have been sent home this week and can be ordered by cash (exact money only), cheque or online at www.advancedlife.com.au up until photo day. The envelopes contain the information you need to place photo orders. Sibling photo envelopes are available from the school office. School photos will be a full summer uniform event and a reminder note will be sent home closer to the day. Envelopes need to be returned to school on or before photo day.

Kind Regards,
Kylie Ellis



Congratulations to all of our Picton PS swimmers who competed at the Razorback Zone Swimming Championships held at Wollondilly Leisure Centre last week. It was a two day carnival with the district's best swimmers competing across the four swimming strokes, as well as in relays. Picton had 24 swimmers competing, all doing an amazing job. There were many great swims and personal best times.

A huge congratulations to the following swimmers who placed in the top three in their events, earning them a spot on the Razorback PSSA Team which will compete in the SSW Regional Championships in week 7.

Clancy Maitz – 3rd 9yrs 50m Freestyle

Levi Hamilton – 3rd 10yrs 50m Freestyle

Luke Rainbow, Jude Hamilton, Harry Rogers, Jack Gogarty – 3rd Senior 4x50m Freestyle Relay

Jack Gogarty – 3rd 12yrs 50m Breaststroke, 3rd 12yrs 50m Backstroke, 2nd 12yrs 50m Butterfly

Luke Rainbow – 1st Senior 50m Breaststroke

A special thank you to Mrs Bywater and Miss Edwards for managing the Picton Team, Mr Neilson for timekeeping and to all parents for your help and support over the two days.

Congratulations to all swimmers for your excellent behaviour, team spirit and great swimming!

Lillian Sotek, Addison Barnes, Amelia Rottenbury, Mia Ferry, Evie French, Lilly Rogers, Lily Bzadough, Ryley Brown, Emma Cotton, Mikyla Ryan, Taylor Feeney, Eden McLean, Jack Gogarty, Jude Hamilton, Harrison Crawhall, Leo Heinrich, Clancy Maitz, Finlay Terry, Levi Hamilton, Talon Garard, Harry Rogers, Lachlan Crawhall, Ethan Rigby and Luke Rainbow.

Miss Barnes



Term 1 Week 4 2020

Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 Awards

- KM Benjamin, Imogen
- KC Heath, Nevaeh
- 1/2H Sienna, Dean
- 1/2L Clementine, Capri
- 1/2M Violet, Chase
- Sport Nicholas, Hugh, Ari,
Lucy, Tyson, Aiden,
Chase

Term 1 Week 5 2020

Early Stage 1 & Stage 1 Awards

- KM Lachlan, Lateesha
- KC Ayla, Jack
- 1/2H Jagger, Elise
- 1/2C Ruby, Sophia, Brixton,
Ali Habib
- 1/2L Lucy, Maple
- 1/2M Audrey, Lando
- Sport Ari, Nevaeh, Benjamin,
Luke, Alyssa

Term 1 Week 4 2020

Stage 2 and Stage 3 Awards

- 3/4E Laura, Imogen, Logan, Zakary,
Phoenix, Cameron, Luke,
Mikayla
- 3/4S Jonas, Clancy, Mia, Kayla,
Zane, Aoife
- 3/4J Siena, Walker, Talon, Max,
Leoni, Charlie, James Ava
- 4/5D Meagan, Ewan, Bethany,
Harrison, Lily, Dayna, Lilly, Cruz
- 5W Jennaveve, Eden, Jessica, Luca,
Ryley, Alice< Alexis, Samuel
- 6B Jordan, Holly, Fatima, Ruben,
Henry, Teleah, Jake, Ethan
- 6W Cassidy, Tyler, Mikyla, Alexa,
Cooper, Kellie, Jude, Henry
- 1/4H Lucas
- 3/6L Alexandra, Charli

Term 1 Week 5 2020

Stage 2 and Stage 3 Awards

- 3/4E Jamie, Briella, Brooklyn, Carys
- 3/4S Lilly, Jasmine, Jamie, Kayla,
Miles, Thomas, Marley,
Addison
- 3/4J Daniel, Evie, Dhelina, Bonny,
Lawson, Lachlan, Lara, Amelia
- 4/5D Mason, Will, Riley, Amelia
- 5W Monet, Tylan, Aria, Zac
- 6W Sarah-Louise, Rhiannon, Max,
Oliver
- 6B Ella, Harrison, Molly,
Samantha
- 3/6L Chloe, Aiden

When is it OK to stay home?



**Serious illness or infectious
disease**

**Unavoidable medical or dental
appointments
(we encourage appointments
outside school hours, or close
to home time...)**

Religious holiday

**Urgent family situation
(funeral...)**



Shopping

Sleeping in

Minding siblings/ older relatives

Birthdays

Weather. Too Rainy/Windy/ Hot

Frequent transport problems

Visiting relatives

Other member of the family is sick

Hospital Visits to relatives or friends

Head Lice



Picton Public School

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON:

Monday 30 March 2020

**ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code
RH6 EV6 ZV8**

Dear Parents,

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by **advancedlife**. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online at **www.advancedlife.com.au** using our school's unique **9 digit advancedorder code**. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to enquiries@advancedlife.com.au

Second Hand Uniform Shop Update

Now opened some Fridays 3pm - 3.25pm

Thank you to those who have generously donated their pre loved uniforms to the office this year. Our uniform rack is full of mainly summer uniform items & pants. The cooler weather is coming & we have had a few requests for jackets and winter tunics. If you have any school jackets with working zippers, winter tunics or any other school uniform items, please drop them to the office at any time. Can you please check that all donations are clean, undamaged and are school uniform items only. Thank you.

Updated price list - Cash sales only.

Polos, sports shirts, skorts, shorts, hats \$2.50 each.

Jackets, jumpers, summer & winter tunics, pants, skirts \$5 each.

We have quality hair accessories for sale also for \$6 each.

Knitted scrunchies in red, yellow, green, blue, black & white \$3 each.

Opening hours

Every Tuesday morning 9am - 9.45am.

Some Friday afternoons 3pm-3.30pm.

(A message will be sent out via Skoolbag on a Friday afternoon if opening).



Thank you,

Georgie & Kristy

Second hand uniform shop coordinators.



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School Locker

School hats are now available at the uniform shop.
Opening hours are Tuesdays from 8.45am to 11.00am.



The Uniform Shop is still accepting donations of second hand uniforms. Second hand uniforms will be available to purchase for \$2 on Tuesdays from 9am to 10am next to the uniform shop.

We are in need of winter uniforms if you have any please drop them into the box in the Admin Office please.

Magpie Box



Please ensure all money is placed into the **Magpie Box** which is on the wall outside the Admin Building.

SCHOOL BANKING FOR 2020



Please hand your bank books into the office by **Wednesday** as our volunteer Mrs Beverly Roams processes them on a Wednesday morning.

Beverly Roams



Dear Parents,

Please provide any speech, Occupational Therapy or paediatric reports your child may have to their classroom teacher. These reports help build a learning profile of your children and help our school to further provide support for them.

– **Alison Thomson,**
Learning Support Coordinator



If you are paying any fees by EFTPOS in the office, payments need to be made by 3pm.

Thank you