

# NEWSLETTER

## TERM ONE WEEK 6 2021

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### School Term Dates 2021

Term 1 Wednesday 27 January - Thursday 1 April (Students return Friday 29 January)  
Term 2 Monday 19 April - Friday 25 July (Students return Tuesday 20 April)  
Term 3 Monday 12 July - Friday 17 September (Students return Tuesday 13 July)  
Term 4 Tuesday 5 October - Friday 17 December (Students finish Thursday 16 December)

### SCHOOL CALENDAR - UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Partnership Meetings
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> March	SSW Swimming
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Partnership Meetings
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	Family Partnership Meetings
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	School Cross Country
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Cross Country Back Up



### Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now past the halfway point in the term and students have maintained positive learning habits and behaviour across the school. We are looking forward to the second half of the term, with many exciting events planned for our students.

#### Student Leader Induction

Yesterday at our first Combined Assembly for 2021, our new Student Leadership Team and House Captains were formally inducted into their leadership roles. Each of them received their badges, which was pinned on by a family member, and recited and signed a leadership pledge, committing to upholding the standard of effort, behaviour, citizenship and leadership in which saw them elected into their positions. I have every confidence that our 2021 Student Leaders will continue to be fantastic role

models for our wider student body, and set the tone across the school. A few weeks ago, Mrs Gower, Mrs Wilson and I met with the student leaders to discuss plans and ideas for the year. I was very impressed with their ideas and look forward to seeing plans come into action throughout the year. Many of our Student Leaders are coordinating Playground Clubs for our younger students. Please find attached later in the newsletter a timetable of clubs that you may like to encourage your child to consider attending. Congratulations once again to our 2021 Student Leaders.



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 this week:

<b>KM:</b> Daniel Connor	<b>KC:</b> Jasmin Baldock
<b>K/1W:</b> Imogen Cavanagh	<b>1/2K:</b> Brae Davies
<b>1/2M:</b> Pearson Collins	<b>2/3M:</b> William Connor
<b>3/4J:</b> Walker Thomson	<b>3/4W:</b> Capri Brown
<b>3/4S:</b> Noah Hood	<b>5/6C:</b> William Millen
<b>5/6L:</b> Yalannah Tulolo	<b>5/6W:</b> Reagan Bateson
<b>5/6W:</b> Will Goodwin	<b>SCU:</b> Chelsea Pevitt

Please also be reminded that any student who receives an SRL Badge or Banner during 2021, will participate in a Principal's Reward Day at the end of the year!

### Family Partnership Meetings

By now, all families should have received a note about our upcoming Family Partnership Meetings. This year, we are again running the updated 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 if you are unable to locate your paper copy. If you have any problems making a booking, please call the office and leave a message for your child's class teacher. These will be face-to-face meetings, with a Covid-19 Safety Plan in place. All parents will be required to sign on at their child's classroom using a sign on sheet and QR Code.

### School Photos

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by *Advancedlife* on Monday March 29. Whilst an envelope and flyer has been sent home, 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](http://www.advancedlife.com.au) using our school's unique 9-digit Advancedorder code - **RH6 EV6 ZV8**. 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 contact Advanced Life Photography at [www.advancedlife.com.au/contact](http://www.advancedlife.com.au/contact).

### Congratulations, Sam!

Yesterday, Sam Merchant trialled for Sydney South West PSSA Tennis Team. Competing for a spot in the team against players from all over South-West Sydney, Sam was successful in securing a place in the team! Sam will represent Sydney South West at the State Championships in late April, which will be held in Newcastle. Congratulations on this outstanding achievement, Sam! We look forward to seeing how you progress in the championships!



### P&C

This is a reminder that our second P&C Meeting for 2021 will be taking place next Tuesday at 7:00pm. We are still hoping to fill the important position of President at this meeting. I encourage all families to consider coming along and joining our wonderful P&C. Although this position 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 2021. Also at next week's P&C meeting, I will be presenting our new Strategic Improvement Plan 2021-2024, and providing information about how this plan was devised and what this plan will look like on the ground for the next four years. This will be a great opportunity for you to ask questions and provide some feedback on our new directions. I look forward to seeing many new (and exisiting) faces there!

## Welcome Miss Capaldi to the office

I would like to officially welcome Miss Ellie Capaldi to our team here at Picton Public School. Many of you may have already met or spoken with Ellie over the phone. Ellie is fulfilling the role of School Administration Officer on Mondays and Fridays, and will be working from our front counter, taking parent enquiries, helping students in sick bay and being our first point of communication for visitors to our school. I know you will join me in warmly welcoming Ellie to our team.

## New Office Signage

We have recently had new signage installed to our front office foyer. This includes a new Welcome Sign above our office window, and a large sign highlighting a new School Vision. I am sure you will agree that they are fantastic additions to our office.



## SRL Token Winners

Congratulations to the following students, who have been our SRL Token Winners for the past fortnight.

*Week 5: Madison and Callum*

*Week 6: Alice and Shanina*



Wishing everyone a wonderful fortnight ahead!

Mr Nathan Neilson  
Proud Principal

## Razorback Zone Swimming

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 23 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.

Amelia Rottenbury 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 years 50m Freestyle

Levi Hamilton 3<sup>rd</sup> 11 years 50m Breaststroke  
2<sup>nd</sup> 11 years 50m Butterfly

Addison Barnes 1<sup>st</sup> Junior 50m Breaststroke  
3<sup>rd</sup> Junior 50m Backstroke  
3<sup>rd</sup> Junior 50m Butterfly  
2<sup>nd</sup> Junior 200m Individual Medley

Clancy Maitz 3<sup>rd</sup> 10 years 50m Freestyle  
2<sup>nd</sup> Junior 50m Breaststroke  
2<sup>nd</sup> Junior 50m Backstroke  
1<sup>st</sup> Junior 50m Butterfly  
2<sup>nd</sup> Junior 200m Individual Medley

Finlay Terry, Walker Thomson, Harrison Crawhall and Clancy Maitz 2<sup>nd</sup> Junior 4 x 50m Relay

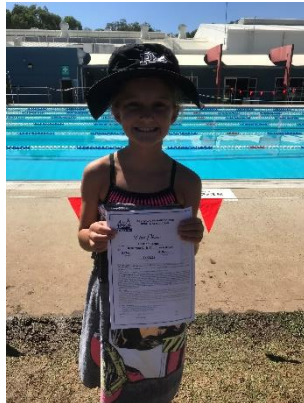
A special thank you to Mrs Webster for managing the Picton Team and Mr Neilson for timekeeping.

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

*Addison Barnes, Levi Barnes, Ryley Brown, Emma Cotton, Harrison Crawhall, Lachlan Crawhall, William Crawhall, Maddison Dawkins, Taylor Feeney, Cooper Ferry, Mia Ferry, Levi Hamilton, Leo Heinrich, Clancy Maitz, Madeline Maitz, Connor MacDonald-Brown, Sam Merchant, Kayla Millard, Lilly Rogers, Amelia Rottenbury, Levi Schwartz, Finlay Terry and Walker Thomson.*






**Miss Barnes**

# Zone Swimming



# Playground Clubs

## Term 1 Student Leader Playground Clubs

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunch				<b>Art</b> with Megan, Monet, Reagan, Ryley and Lily in 5/6C (Mrs Williams) 	
Afternoon Tea		<b>Kindy Games</b> with Ellyce, Naomi, Alexis, Dayna, Ariaah, Emma, Billie, Kaylee and Taylor on the COLA grass 	<b>Origami</b> with Chloe and Mia in the Library (Mrs Gower) 	<b>Drama</b> with Luca and Scott in K/1W (Mrs Wilson) 	<b>Ninja Course</b> with Ewan, Angus and Cameron on the COLA grass (duty teacher) 

# P & C Newsletter - Week 6

The P&C are so excited for 2021! Have you thought about joining....? We welcome all parent and carers to join, there is no pressure to attend meetings or volunteer. It's a great way to meet fellow parents within your child's school and to really get involved!

If you have any ideas, suggestions or would even like to chat about joining the P&C, please feel free to email [pictonpandc@gmail.com](mailto:pictonpandc@gmail.com)

We have some exciting fundraisers coming up! The Egg-citing Easter raffle will be held at the end of Term 1 along with our Cross Country Cake Stall. The Mothers Day Stall / Raffle will also take place at the start of Term 2. Notes will be sent home so make sure you check those school bags! You can also follow the P&C Facebook page for reminders and details on upcoming events by searching 'Picton Public School P&C'.

We appreciate the school community and the support shown by all parents and carers, we know 2021 is going to be a really positive year for all!

## **P&C MEETING**

The next P&C meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th March at 7pm in the school staff room. Entry via Lumsdaine Street. We hope to see you there!

## **2020 PAVER FUNDRAISER**

As mentioned by Mr Neilson in the last school newsletter, our Paver Fundraiser has had some significant delays due to COVID. We are happy to say that things are moving along. We will keep you updated in the progress.



## Parents and Citizens' Association

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It's almost here, our egg-citing Easter Egg raffle is only a few weeks away!! This is such an exciting event for students, parents and teachers! As usual, our Easter Egg raffle prizes will be made up of your generous donations, we appreciate your support!

### TICKETS

Raffle tickets will be sent home this week. One booklet is given to each family with extra booklets available from the school office. Tickets are \$1 each or booklets are \$10. Please remember to write your child's name and class (in the space provided) on the front page of the raffle booklets when returning them. Tickets can be returned in an envelope to the Magpie box with correct money.

**TICKETS DUE MONDAY 29<sup>th</sup> March**

**PLEASE REMEMBER**

**EGG DONATIONS**

Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March – **MUFTI DAY**

**TICKETS DUE BACK**

MONDAY 29<sup>th</sup> March

**ASSISTANCE NEEDED (WRAPPING)**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March

**RAFFLE DRAW Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> APRIL**

### EASTER EGG DONATIONS

Easter eggs can be donated on **Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> March from 8.50am-9.30am**. Our volunteers will be collecting these donations at each school gate. We appreciate any and all donations as this exciting raffle would not be possible without our school community's generosity. **Remember, this will be a MUFTI day for students.**



### HELP NEEDED!

If you're available to assist in collecting eggs or wrapping prizes on the dates listed, please call/text Manal on 0403 138 455 / Lauren on 0410 618 705 **OR** if you have any extra baskets or Easter decoration/wrapping you would like to donate, please leave them at the office. Thank you for your support!!

## Second Hand Uniform Shop Update

### Opening hours

**Every Tuesday morning 9am - 9.45am.**

Thank you to those who have generously donated their pre loved uniforms to the office over the past year. So much has been sold over the past month and as a result we are kindly asking for some more donations. I have had lots of requests for polo shirts & winter uniform items in particular. Can you please check that all donations are clean, undamaged and are school uniform items only and drop them to the office at anytime. 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.**



Thank you,

Kristy

Second hand uniform shop coordinator.

# Fresh Start Canteens Menu

## Snacks and Drinks

Homemade Fresh Muffins \$1.50  
Large Homemade Fresh Muffins \$3  
Popcorn \$1  
Noodles **OR** Rice Crackers \$1.50  
Red Rock Deli Chips \$2.50

Quech Stick \$1  
Juice Cup \$1.50  
Snap Stix \$1.50  
Ice Mony \$1.50  
Juicee Tube \$2  
Juicee Ice block \$2.50  
Paddle Pop **OR** Moosie \$2.50

Juice Poppers \$2  
Water 350ml \$1.50  
Water 600ml \$2  
Oak Flavoured Milk \$3  
Chill J \$3  
Large Fresh Juice 100% \$4

## Breaky and Healthy Snacks

Hash Brown \$1.50  
Hot Chocolate \$1.50  
Cheese **OR** Cheese and Bacon Roll \$2.50  
Pancakes \$2.50  
Cheese Toasted Sandwich \$2.50  
Assorted Seasonal Fruit from \$1.50  
Watermelon Cup \$2  
Fruit Salad Cup \$2.50  
Fruit Salad Bowl \$4.00  
Vanilla Yoghurt Cup \$2.50



## Lunch Pack Combos

**Pack 1:** Spaghetti, Garlic Bread and Water \$7

**Pack 2:** Curry Chicken and Water **OR** Popper \$6.50

**Pack 3:** Salad Wrap, Water and Fruit **OR** Yoghurt \$7

**Pack 4:** Chicken Burger and Water \$6.50

**Pack 5:** Regular Garden Salad, Water and Seasonal Fruit **OR** Yoghurt \$6







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- **ADD CREDIT** to your online wallet before ordering or pay as you go using credit or debit card
- Select **MEAL ORDER** and you're good to go

Orders can be placed up to 28 days in advance. You can view your completed orders via the **Active Orders** or **Transaction History** tabs in your account.

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- ✓ Tired of looking for change every morning before your kids run off to school? With QuickCliq, lunch money is a thing of the past.
- ✓ We're giving control back to you over your children's diets. By ordering their lunch ahead of time, you can ensure they are eating healthy and balanced meals.
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  - Direct Debit - 0.50c transaction fee
  - The surcharge to add credit is 1.5%
  - The surcharge for PayPal is 3.8%
  - When placing an order there is a small booking fee per transaction per student.



## Safe Respectful Learner Awards

Our award system is known as the SRL Award System.

The underlying purpose of the program is to reward Safe, Respectful Learners in an equitable way whilst promoting independence and goal setting. The onus is on students to collect their awards and take responsibility for handing them in to receive a certificate, badge or banner. All awards handed in are tallied by Mrs Brooke Wilson. They will be stamped on the back and returned.

### Awards My Child Can Earn:

- **SRL Tokens** do not feed directly into the trade up system of awards. Students can be given an SRL token at any time including in the classroom, playground or assembly. Students are responsible for writing their name and class on the tokens and placing them into the communal collection point. Two tokens are drawn each Monday morning at assembly for a canteen voucher.
- **The Safe Respectful Learner (SRL) Award** is received during weekly or fortnightly assemblies. When four SRL awards are received, put them in a ziplock plastic bag or envelope clearly labelled with the child's name and class to be placed in the Magpie Box.
- **Bronze, Silver and Gold Awards** are presented at either the weekly or fortnightly assemblies (Bronze) or at Combined Assemblies (Silver and Gold).
- **SRL Badges** are small badges that students can wear everyday celebrating their achievements as Safe, Respectful Learners.
- **SRL Banners** are banners that students strive to achieve at the end of their second cycle of awards.

When 4 SRL Awards (ie a total of 4 awards) have been received, they are handed in to receive a Special Award. Special Awards are received for:

Bronze Certificate received for four SRL Awards – presented at weekly/fortnightly assemblies

Silver Certificate received for eight SRL Awards – presented at Combined Assemblies

Gold Certificate received for twelve SRL Awards – presented at Combined Assemblies

SRL Badge or Banner received for sixteen SRL Awards – presented at Combined Assemblies

Any student who received an SRL Badge or Banner will take part in a Principal's Reward Day at the end of the year.

Please Note: *Only unstamped SRL Awards should be placed in the Magpie Box.*

This is a continuous system. Once a badge has been received the children continue to hand in awards, working through the system again to receive further certificates and a banner.

Yours sincerely,

Brooke Wilson  
Awards Coordinator

Nathan Neilson  
Principal





## the 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.



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

## Magpie Box



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



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

Thank you