

Pentland Primary School

Newsletter

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PRINCIPALS DESK 18/08/2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all members of the Pentland Community for your support during our recent lock down. We have made a smooth transition back to on site learning. All of our normal programs are up and running. Our students have settled back into the school routine quickly.

We are very aware of our connection to community and appreciate that things are not completely back to normal for visitors on site. Unfortunately at this stage we are only permitted to invite essential visitors to Pentland Primary School. So at this stage we cannot allow parent helpers into our classroom. We cannot conduct any working bees. We cannot conduct any enrolment tours. At this stage children will have to walk into school without their parents. As soon as the restrictions on schools are lifted we will review the schools operations guide and advise families of any changes. Thank you for your support and patience. The Department of Education reviews and updates the Operations Guide for schools regularly.

Despite the COVID landscape we are trying to present a sense of normal school activities and routine. We continue to plan camps, excursions and other events. If future lockdowns impact on planned events we will simply rescheduled those events. We are currently finding another date for Education Week.

Overall students at Pentland are progressing well. All the data and student records indicate that the vast majority of students at Pentland are making steady and strong growth. This is supported by regular student attendance and a high level of student engagement during lockdowns. Let's keep up the great work.

This week our Grade 5/6 students head off to school camp at Harrierville. We are really pleased to have sailed around the challenges to ensure the camp could go ahead. Thank you to our staff who are attending the camp.

We have been informed by the Victorian School Building Authority that we will receive additional student toilets. We have a site meeting this week to determine the location. The relocatable toilet block should be in place and ready for use by the end of this term.

We would like to remind families that students should be in full school uniform now that we have returned to onsite learning. Thanks for your support with this.

Last term we acknowledged Prada Willi Day. Students wore orange and made a gold coin donation. This was a wonderful success. Our students raised \$773.15. Thank you to all who participated.

Families are still able to enrol students commencing this year and in 2022. Our Prep/Foundation enrolments for 2022 are steadily increasing. If you have a child due to start at Pentland in 2022 our advice is to enrol now. Once restrictions are lifted we will be conducting some school tours. If you have any queries or concerns regarding student enrolment please contact our office.

I would like to remind families that the procedures remain in place in relation to late arrival to school, early dismissal of students. The sign in books are located in the office. All visitors must sign in at the office. Students arriving late must sign in at the office and collect a late pass. Parents collecting their children early must sign the early dismissal book in the office.

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As part of our COVID management visitors on site must scan the QR code and complete that sign in process. Thanks for your support with this.

School assemblies and year level assemblies are currently not able to be conducted under the current restrictions.

Please find a moment to check the list of important dates. We have a wide range of events planned already for this year.

We continue to experience a lot of interest for Foundation (Prep) enrolments for 2022. Families are most welcome to complete the enrolment process now. This will assist with our planning for 2022 and secure a place in Foundation for 2022. The schools within the Bacchus Marsh Cluster and within the South Western Region have agreed to a common enrolment date of the 31st of August 2021.

Have a great week

Andrew & Sky.



Jeans for Genes®

Thank you for supporting our Jeans for Genes Day — we raised an amazing \$348.00.

Key Dates for Term 3 2021

Wednesday 18/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5/6 Camp—Harrietville
Thursday 19/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5/6 Camp—Harrietville
Friday 20/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5/6 Camp—Harrietville Assembly 8.40am
Tuesday 24/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-Committee Meetings: Education 3.30pm, Finance 5pm, Buildings and Grounds 6pm
Thursday 26/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents Club Meeting 2.10pm
Friday 27/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 8.40am
Monday 30/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life Ed
Tuesday 31/08/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life Ed
Wednesday 01/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life Ed
Thursday 02/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Life Ed
Friday 03/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 8.40am Summer Sports (Grades 5-6 only)
Monday 06/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teeth on Wheels
Tuesday 07/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teeth on Wheels
Wednesday 08/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 3/4 Excursion—Scienceworks*TBC
Thursday 09/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Teeth on Wheels Division Athletics (selected students only)
Friday 10/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Footy Day Teeth on Wheels Back up Summer Sports Assembly including Choir Performance 8.40am
Wednesday 15/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Council Meeting 6pm
Thursday 16/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> School Disco
Friday 17/09/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> LAST DAY OF TERM 3: Final Assembly 1.50pm, Student Dismissal 2.30pm

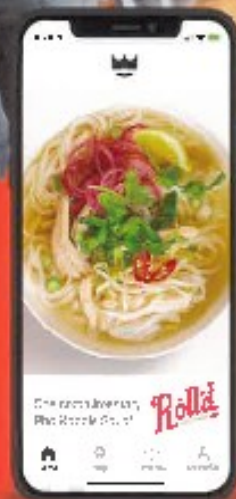
Key Dates for Term 4 2021

Tuesday 5/10/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5/6 Sex Ed
Friday 08/10/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Assembly 8.40am
Tuesday 12/10/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grade 5/6 Sex Ed Sub Committee Meetings—Education 3.30pm, Finance 5pm, Building and Grounds 6pm
Thursday 14/10/21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parents Club Meeting

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