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14 August 2020

Kindergarten 2021

It is time to enrol for next year. Please click on the link below for an enrolment form.

Kindergarten 2021 Information

Due to the current COVID-19 guidelines we will be delivering our Kindergarten 2021 information in a virtual format.

We invite all 2021 Kindergarten families to access our 2021 Kindergarten Information via a link. The link will be launched on Thursday 27 August via our website and SZapp. All children who are enrolled will be able to collect an Information pack on Friday 21 August from the Tristania Place gate. Please call the office on arrival - 9144 7584.

Collection times have been split into two groups to comply with social distancing:

Surnames starting with A - L 9:30am to 10:00am

Surnames starting with M - Z 10:00am to 10:30am





If you have any questions regarding your child's transition to school, please contact the school office.

Emma Smales
 Assistant Principal
 West Pymble Public School
 T: 9144 7584

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1526/enrolment_form.pdf

PBEL

End of Day

 <h2>END OF DAY</h2>	
Be Responsible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We leave the classroom on time ✓ We take our belongings ✓ We watch for our parents' cars
Be Respectful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We leave class quietly ✓ We listen to teacher instructions ✓ We respect our neighbours and their property
Be Safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We walk on the footpaths ✓ We use Kiss and Drop correctly ✓ We walk bikes until we leave school grounds

Thank you for supporting the students and teachers in implementing our PBEL and fortnightly focus.

Principal

12 August 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

I was treated to the most wonderful surprise last Friday when staff and students showered me with messages of gratitude

and a lovely afternoon tea for National Principals' Day. In its inaugural year, I had been informed about the day from my principals' association but purposely did not tell anyone, not wanting to cause a fuss, but my plans were thwarted and staff found out anyway! My gorgeous Exec team organised the surprise afternoon tea and mobilised the staff and the students who sent beautiful messages and delightful letters and cards. I felt very spoilt and want to say a huge THANK YOU to all my staff and students. You made me feel very special!!

Creative Outdoor Learning Space Update

The latest phase of the creative outdoor learning area has been completed and the children love it! I have included some photos for your enjoyment.



The sand pit was unfortunately too wet to play in earlier this week after the fences came down on Tuesday morning, but with the recent arrival of the new cover and a little bit of sunshine, all should be good to go in this area very soon. The forts are proving very popular as are the big rocks and new seating platforms. I have just received a new concept map for the next phase (I think we are up to Phase 5) and will share these plans with the community when I have the quote. We are looking at the Kindergarten area for the next phase as this will not interfere with the plans for the sustainability grant that will see the veggie garden irrigation system being installed. The top area, while being in a bit of a sad state at the moment and in dire need of some TLC is planned for Phase 6. It will incorporate Maddy's Garden, the ANZAC Terrace (flagpole area), a bush tucker garden, pergolas and some synthetic grass. We will have to start exploring new grant opportunities very soon. Phase 5 funding is already secured with a substantial grant from the NSW State Government through Alister Hensken's office (many thanks to the P&C for submitting this application) and school funding making up the remainder.

Spell-a-thon

I hope everyone is very active in sourcing sponsorship for the P&C Spell-a-thon which was held earlier in the week. This is the major fundraiser for the P&C this year and I urge everyone to get behind it and support your school through the P&C.

Tell Them From Me (TTFM) Surveys

Each year the Department makes available a suite of surveys to measure student, teacher and parent satisfaction. We are preparing for the student surveys to open for those in Years 4, 5, and 6. These will be run by teachers at school. Information on the student surveys is contained further in this newsletter for you. The parent survey window will be opening shortly and you will be provided with further information from the WPPS

Wellbeing Team very soon. At the same time the teacher window opens and we will all be completing the survey here at school. Obviously the greater the participation rate, the more valid the information for all sectors. I would encourage everyone to complete the survey as it provides valuable information to guide our directions for the school.

WPPS Enrolment 2021

Thank you to all those parents who responded so promptly to our survey on students returning to WPPS in 2021 and new enrolments for 2021. We had 109 families out of 237 respond, which is an excellent 46% response rate.

Even though our snap survey regarding enrolment plans for next year has closed, if your situation changes regarding returning to WPPS in 2021 or the enrolment of a new student at WPPS in 2021, please don't hesitate to drop us a line via email or the contact us facility in the newsletter.

COVID-19 Update

Our school continues to be a safe place for students. Not much has changed since the start of this term, however, we continue to remain alert. I receive regular updates from the Department.

The latest on Monday 10 August reinforces procedures for various situations:

- The [NSW Government website](#) continuously updates the identified COVID-19 case locations in NSW.

Key changes / announcements

From 7 August, the border restrictions will be tightened further with the Victorian border zone defined to townships along the Murray River including Mildura, Wodonga and Echuca.

- Under the amended Public Health Order, any person who already has a valid day school visitor permit will continue to be able to use this permit for 14 days, until midnight on Friday 21 August. This permit will expire after Friday 21 August and eligible students and staff who reside in the border zone will need to apply for a new permit.
- In accordance with the NSW border changes, all people entering NSW from Victoria who do not reside in the border zone will need to arrive through Sydney Airport. Staff members will be subject to mandatory hotel quarantine. The following requirements will apply to all students who are returning NSW from Victoria:
 - All students that are returning to NSW from outside the border zone are required to enter through Sydney Airport
 - Students must be collected by a parent or guardian at Sydney Airport, and travel directly home to their usual residence in NSW using private transport

- Student must complete a 14 day quarantine period at home
- Students will be subject to regular follow-up and will be required to provide a signed self-isolation declaration and return a negative test result prior to leaving self-isolation.

For further information please visit the [NSW Health website](#).

Please remember that if you are coming to the school, unless you are an authorised visitor, you must not enter the school grounds for any reason. Please go to the Tristiana Avenue gate and call the office who will come to you. This includes the collection of sick children.

Have a safe and happy fortnight,

Bronwyn Wilson

Principal

5/6H	Ethan H	Harry M	Rosy W
5/6SL	Chad K	Daniel S	Giselle O
5/6Y	Ewan S	Holly A	Sophie C

HOUSE OF THE WEEK: Wyuna / Bangal

MERIT AWARD: Tyler W KSB, Alexandra E KSB, Sienna I 3/4F (x2)

School News

Tell Them From Me

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1667/tell_them_from_me_newsletter.pdf

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1668/ttfm_parents.pdf

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1671/ttfm_extra_info.pdf

West Pymble Merit List

14 August 2020

Term 3, Week 4

KG	Doris L	Jude J	Violette C
KSB	Amy C	Dani M	Mason C
K1/E	Connor T	Isabel O	Zachary Z
1K	Angelina S	Olivia S	Remy L
1/2F	Cooper M	Emily B	Eva L
1/2W	Emma M	Lennox L	Lucinda T
2B	Emma L	Sofia K	Teo B
3/4B	Arron T	Ella C	Yushaa K
3/4F	Kate D	Sienna B	William W
3/4N	Boris W	Eliya W	Hannah L
3/4OH	Arabella W	Luke A	Zoya G

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT : Sienna I 3/4F, Siena F 3/4OH, Sydney F3/4N, Charlyse M C 2B, Sofia K 2B, Harrison T 3/4N, Dimitry H 5/6Y, Charles M 1K, Samuel D 5/6SL

From the Office

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you everyone for following our new procedures regarding dropping off and pickup of your child/ren.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions unfortunately we are unable to have homemade treats to celebrate birthdays. If you would like to send something, it will need to be an individually pre-packed treat.

Sports and Co-Curricular Group Photo Discount available until 27/08/2020

ONLINE ORDER CODE: HM7 RCN JRZ (This is a unique 9-digit code which offers the 20% off for three weeks ONLY. This code is NOT the same as your school's 9-digit code)

Online Order link: <https://www.advancedimage.com.au/keycode/keycodefinder.aspx?keycode=HM7RCNJRZ>

Dear Parents,

These school sports and co-curricular groups were photographed on 11/08/2020:

Concert Band, Group Staff, House Captains, Junior Boys' Soccer, Junior Choir, Junior Cricket, Junior Dance, Junior Girls' Soccer, Junior Modball, Junior Netball, Performance Band, School Captains, School Leadership, Senior Boys' Soccer, Senior Choir, Senior Cricket, Senior Dance, Senior Girls' Soccer, Senior Modball, Senior Netball, SRC, Swim Team and Training Band

You can now purchase these group images at a 20% discount up until the 27/08/2020 at your school's [advancedorder](#) site. **PLEASE NOTE THESE IMAGES CANNOT BE VIEWED BEFORE PURCHASE.**

Important Information:

- Sports and co-curricular group photos can only be purchased online, **DO NOT** return payment to your school
 - If your child's group or team has not yet been photographed and is scheduled to be photographed at a later date, you will receive an additional email notification when the images are ready to be ordered
 - Photos will be returned to your school for distribution approximately six weeks after photos are ordered
 - Past years' photographs including sports, co-curricular and representative groups are also available at your school's [advancedorder](#) and your child's [advancedyou](#) photo sites

[advancedlife](#) would like to express our appreciation to West Pymble Public School for placing your trust in us. Please remember we offer a 100% money-back guarantee on our products to ensure your peace of mind. We would also love to receive your feedback or resolve any issues you may experience, to ensure your satisfaction. If you have any questions, comments or feedback relating to your [advancedlife](#) experience, please contact us at www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

Kind regards,

Office Staff

Library

Premier's Reading Challenge Update

Only two weeks to go! The last day for students to enter books to their reading challenge records is Friday 31 August 2020. We have been very successful so far, with 216 students finished, but there is still time for everyone to finish.

Congratulations to the following students:

KG	Jude J, Oliver J
KSB	Cielle C, Leroy H
K/1E	Connor T
1K	Thomas W
1/2F	Jake T
2B	Rotem B, Antonia G-J
5/6H	Jack C, William C
5/6SL	Stephanie C
5/6Y	Holly A, George C

Keep reading!

Jane Matkovich

Teacher Librarian

Canteen

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This term the canteen will still only be open on Thursdays and Fridays but the full winter menu is now available for **lunch and afternoon tea**.

For those children participating in PSSA on Fridays, please select the "Process early - PSSA Sport" option when paying so your child receives their lunch on time.

We will not be serving breakfast yet but we are now open for over the counter sales at **lunchtime and afternoon tea**.

Please see menu attached below. You will be able to place your orders via the School24 website.

Looking forward to preparing your children's lunches!

The Canteen Team

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1542/canteen_menu_term_3.pdf

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1574/2020_frozen_treats_menu_term_3.pdf

P&C

Spell-a-thon

Well done to all students who participated in the Spell-a-thon this week. All the test papers should have been handed back to the students so they can see how much they need to collect from sponsors. We require the sponsorship form together with the money to be handed in to the office in an envelope clearly marked with the child's name and class. Last year we received blank envelopes and classes missed out on contributions to their total, so please ensure this information is included. All forms and money are due by **Friday 28th August**. Envelopes arriving after this date unfortunately cannot be counted towards the class total. As mentioned, there are prizes for the classes with the most correctly spelled words and prizes for the classes who raise the most money.

Any questions or queries please send an email to fundraising@wppspnc.com.au

P&C General Meeting - Monday 17th August

There will be a P&C General meeting on Monday 17th August at 7.30pm. This will be a virtual meeting held on zoom. If you would like to attend, please confirm your attendance by sending an email to: secretary@wppspnc.com.au and a meeting invite will be sent to you.

Thankyou

The P&C team

Want to help or have a suggestion? Please contact a member of the P&C:

President: Vanessa Thompson president@wppspnc.com.au

Vice President: Natasha H vicepresident@wppspnc.com.au

Vice President: Lisa Corrigan fundraising@wppspnc.com.au

Secretary: Tamara Leo secretary@wppspnc.com.au

Treasurer: Jen Stokes treasurer@wppspnc.com.au

Communications officer: Anjali Weerakoon communications@wppspnc.com.au

It has been an amazing experience for Charlie, he is now very well known on his street. When he picks up the bags he even gets lovely notes of encouragement attached to them saying "You're doing a great job Charlie, keep up the good work!"

It is planned that Charlie will present a cheque for over \$1,000 dollars to the Starlight Foundation in the next few months and hopefully the neighbours who participated will be there to help celebrate his achievement while enjoying a BBQ and drinks - Covid pending.

Uniform Shop

Until further notice the uniform shop will be open on Thursday 2:30pm to 3:30pm and not open on a Tuesday. If you need to place an order use the online ordering system, if you need to exchange please send the item with your child/ren on a Thursday so it can be exchanged. Thank you for your understanding that no parents are to come to the uniform shop during opening hours.

Email : wpps@exceluniforms.com.au

Online: www.exceluniforms.com.au

(Logon: wpps Password: exceluniforms)

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1659/new_uniform_shop_price_list_august_2019.pdf

Community News

Charlie M, Yr 1 student, raises over \$1,000 this year for Children's Starlight foundation!

In June 2019 in the spirit of community, recycling and to raise money for a good cause, Charlie (with a little help from his Dad) started a bottle recycling business called 'Charlie's Yellow Bag'.

To kick things off Charlie knocked on every residents' door on his street, he introduced himself, passed them a letter about "Charlie's Yellow Bag" (with a packet of Malteses and yellow bag attached) and explained to them what he was planning to do.

Over 50% of residents on the street agreed to participate.

For the past year, every second Monday, Charlie and his dad collect yellow bags (full of recyclable bottles) from the neighbours and then head to return and earn. Each time they pick up the bags they drop off (at no cost to the residents) a new yellow bag to fill.





Ethics classes at West Pymble Public School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Are you passionate about teaching? Are you looking for something meaningful to do next year?

Could you be an ethics teacher 2020 for WPPS?

We are seeking volunteers so that we can provide ethics classes for all the families who have requested it for their children.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics, the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training consists of a two days workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided. Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills and would need to be available on Wednesday each week during the term time.

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit www.primaryethics.com.au and/or contact Liliam Sheridan, ethics.wpps@gmail.com ph.0420204466

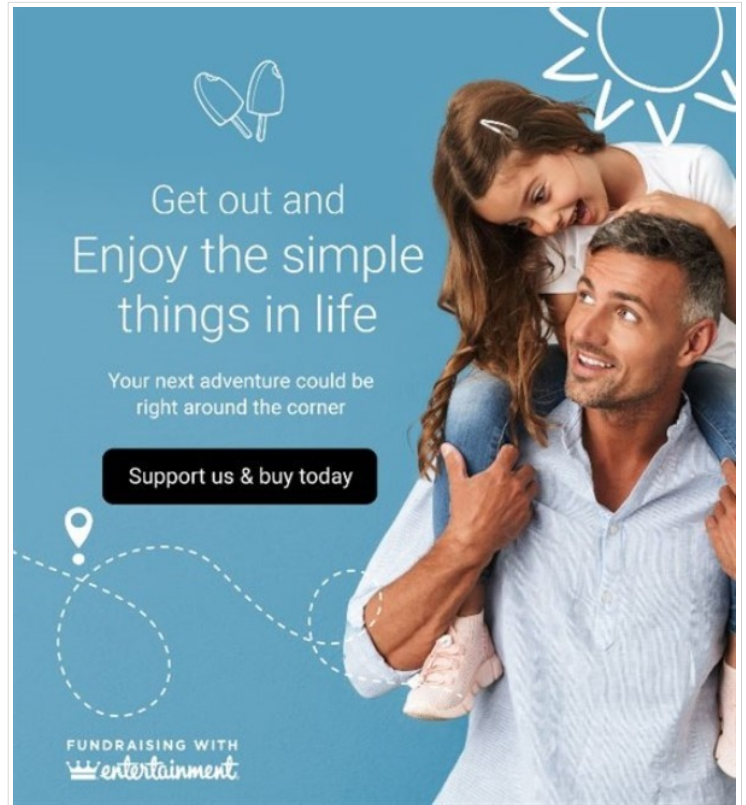
Liliam Sheridan

Healthy Lunch Box

Check out the NEW Healthy Lunch Box website from the Cancer Council

[Click here for Healthy Lunchbox Ideas](#)

Entertainment Book



Entertainment Memberships can start anytime (you have 3 months to activate your new membership) and are packed with thousands of incredible savings on dining, travel, shopping and fun family activities. The digital membership is easy to download and start using instantly. New offers are added weekly for ongoing value all year round.

Support us and buy today. Click below to purchase your Digital Entertainment Membership NOW!

[Click here to order your Entertainment Book](#)

The School App

[Installing_SZAPP.pdf](#)

After School Activities At West Pymble Public School

Active and Creative Kids Program

The NSW Government is helping kids get active with the new Active Kids and Creative Kids program.

Parents, guardians and carers can apply for a voucher valued up to \$100 per calendar year for each student enrolled in school.

The Sports voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and membership costs for sport, fitness and active recreation activities.

The Creative voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and tuition costs for creative arts, speech, drama, dance, digital design, coding, and music lessons and activities.

The voucher can be used at any time during the calendar year it was issued. Apply online through www.service.nsw.gov.au.

Chess

We have Beginner, Basic and Intermediate classes starting.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1099/chess.pdf

Art

Art Classes starting Term 3

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1529/hive_flyer_0306.pdf

Camerons Tennis School

Contact Chris Williams on 0418 688 803

<https://enrol.cameronstennis.com.au/wpps-tennis>

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1528/wp_t3_2020_03072020.pdf

St Matthews

Community Supporter



\$1,000 to WPPS on every sale.

Rob Szosta and Stone Real Estate Turrumurra will donate \$1,000 to WPPS to anybody who mentions this E-newsletter when they list and sell with Rob.

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