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25 September 2020

Recognition Ceremony

Kindergarten 2021

Kindergarten 2021 Information

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

Please click on the link below for an enrolment form.

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

Last Friday we filmed our first Recognition Ceremony for the year. Normally, we would hold these special Assemblies once per term, but with the advent of COVID, we haven't been able to proceed until now.

The Medallion recipients all looked as 'proud as punch' as we celebrated their special achievement, as did our Swimming and Cross Country champions. We also recognised the achievements of our very talented teachers, three of who were awarded their Certificates of Accreditation having undergone a very rigorous process to achieve the accreditation level of Proficient Teacher with the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) and 26 of our teachers who were awarded with Certificate of Gifted Education. Congratulations to all, a magnificent effort and result.

PBEL

PBEL Transitions

 DURING TRANSITION	
Be Responsible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We are prepared for the next activity ✓ We look where we are going
Be Respectful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We remember that other classes are learning ✓ We keep to the left ✓ We stand aside for others
Be Safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We stay with our class ✓ We walk sensibly ✓ We wait sensibly in the correct place

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

Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Athletics Carnival

Today we held our School Athletics Carnival, a fitting time to also celebrate the 20th Anniversary of the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games. I wonder if we have any budding Olympic stars in our midst? Thank you to Miss Hall and Mr Graham for organising this great event and thank you also to the canteen for supplying the sausage sizzle lunch. A great day was had by all!

Tell Them From Me Parent Survey.

Time is running out for you to have your say. The survey will not be open for much longer and hopes to capture the thoughts of as many people as possible. It must, however, close off early in Term 4 to comply with the Department's deadline. We value all comments and suggestions, particularly at this time when we are starting to look at the strategic directions for our new four year School Improvement Plan 2021-2024. The link to complete the survey was sent to you as a SZapp on 4 September and has been included again, for your information:

New Student Orientation Program

With all the changes this year because of COVID, our Orientation has seen a complete change. At the beginning of this term, the team produced a Virtual Information session. This was distributed to all incoming Kindergarten parents. If you missed it or have any questions, please contact us. On the first day of Term 4, we have a production crew from AdvancedLife, our school photographer, coming to film all of the amazing opportunities for learning we have here at West Pymble. A number of students were issued with information notes with a permission slip to be returned to school by this week. If you haven't returned yours, please do so as a matter of urgency. Those students should arrive at school on the first day back, looking spectacular in full Winter school uniform. They should bring their sports uniforms, including shoes, to change into if required. They will also need their instrument if they are in the Band Program. Should the weather prove to be warm, students can bring their Summer uniform to change into after the photoshoot. Fingers crossed for a beautiful sunny day!

Administering Medications at School

When a medical practitioner has prescribed medication that needs to be administered during the school day, parents/carers must:

- notify the school
- complete the appropriate form to provide up to date information as required
- supply the medication and any 'consumables' necessary for its administration in a timely way.

The administration of such medication forms part of the Department's common law duty of care to take reasonable steps to keep students safe while they attend school. The administration of prescribed medication in schools is carried out by staff who volunteer and who are trained. Except in an emergency, only individual staff members who have volunteered and been trained will administer prescribed medication to students.

Parents/carers of children who require prescribed medication to be administered at school must complete a "Request to Administer Prescribed Medications" form. With the exception of asthma medications, students must not carry medications unless there is a written agreement between the school and the student's parents/carers.

Summer Uniform

The changeover to Summer uniform commences on Day 1 of Term 4. The choice of uniform for the first two weeks is flexible and weather dependent. All students must be in full Summer uniform by Week 3 of next term. Please check that uniforms still fit and that they are clean and pressed ready for the start of next term. If the Summer uniforms are now too small, the Uniform Shop is open on Tuesday afternoons and Thursday mornings during term time and you can order online. Can I also take this opportunity to remind all students and their parents about the

correct uniform and the correct wearing of the uniform. School hats are a mandatory part of the uniform. We hope the new girls' skort will be available in the Uniform Shop by then. The skort is to be worn with a short sleeve version of the senior girls' shirt. This is for all students K-6. All boys' shirts are to be tucked in at all times. Leggings, coloured jumpers and non-school hats are not allowed. Runners are only to be worn with the sports uniform and below ankle sports socks are prohibited. Please encourage your children to wear their uniforms with pride which then also reflects their pride in their school.

Colour Run

Now with the holidays on our doorstep, it is time to ramp up the momentum for our Colour Run fundraising campaign. We have reached approximately \$12K, a fantastic achievement so far! Our aim is at least \$80K. Miss Yee, Mrs Kelly and the SRC are doing a great job of keeping us informed, so let's not disappoint.

We still have quite a while to go before the event so let's stay enthused, think of the amazing prizes you could win and think of the great benefits for our school and its studentsYOU!

Spring Holidays

Have a very restful and relaxing holiday. With the craziness of the year so far and the many instantaneous changes required you have all earned it, twice over at least! I hope you take this time to ignore morning routines, have a bit of a sleep in and engage in lots of great family time.

See you all back at school on Monday 12 October, ready for the final countdown to the year. When you look at our calendar, you will notice that there are still many activities that are listed as "To Be Confirmed" or TBC. There is still a whole gamut of restrictions that remain under consideration or on hold until further notice. As always, I will keep you updated with any changes to procedures as they come to hand.

Over the holiday period there should not be any unauthorised persons on the school grounds. I have requested additional security patrols to cover this but should you see any suspicious or unusual activity. Please call school Security 1300 880 021 or Hornsby police (02) 9476 9799 if you have any concerns.

Have a very safe, relaxing and happy holiday,

Bronwyn Wilson

Principal

Up Coming Events

Monday 12 October - Students and Staff Return to school

Monday 19 October - Stage 1 Bank Incursion

Friday 30 October - World Teachers Day

School News



We have raised \$11500 so far from our Crazy Colour Run fundraising! What a wonderful effort! Congratulations to Flynn (3/4B), Emily (1/2F) and Isra (3/4F), who are our current top 3 fundraisers in the school. Our top class is currently still 3/4B, who have raised over \$1600 as a combined effort across the class.

Please head to <https://schoolfundraising.com.au/> if you still need to set up your page. Amazing prizes like an Xbox and BMX bike await! This is our only school fundraiser for the year so we are hoping to raise as much money as possible for Stewart House, our sponsor child, Shirley and of course, for the school!

Our Crazy Colour Run will be on Friday 13 November next term with more information sent home closer to the date.

Happy fundraising,

The SRC

NSW Health

Term 4 NSW Health updated information.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1762/term_4_advice_for_families.pdf

Gifted Parenting Series

Tell Them From Me

Don't forget to have your say, and complete the 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

From the Office

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for all your support and understanding throughout Term 3. We have appreciated all your kind words.

Have a safe and happy holiday and we look forward to seeing you all next term.

Kind regards,

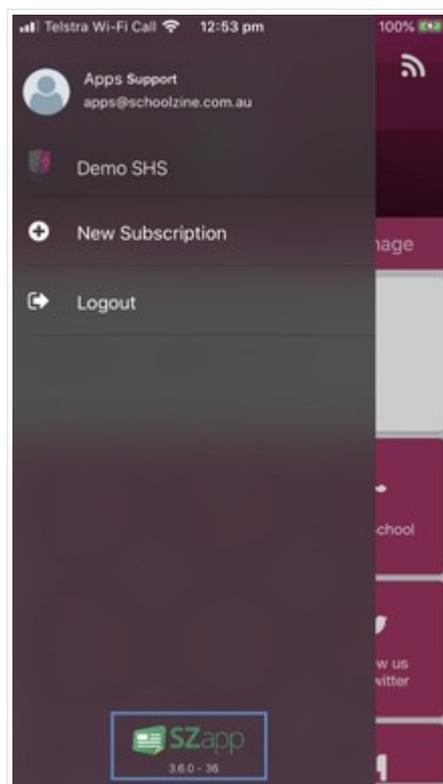
Office Staff

SZAPP For iPhone - Version 3.6.0

An important update for SZapp was released to accommodate for iPhones which have been intermittently receiving push notifications.

SZapp version 3.6.0 is available from the [App Store](#) now and we advise all iPhone users to install this version to ensure notifications are received correctly.

Users with automatic updates enabled on their device will receive this update automatically.



https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1752/installing_szapp.pdf

Library

Library News

We have some exciting activities planned in the library in Term 4 to celebrate the 2020 rescheduled Book Week. There will be a Book Fair where parents can purchase books for their children, or make a donation to the library. Due to Covid restrictions, it will be online but the same high quality books that we would usually have at book fairs will be available. This would be a great time to do a bit of pre Christmas shopping. More details will

be given at the beginning of Term 4. For the students there will be some competitions as well as a Book Week dress up day to be held in week 4, where the children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character or as a creation using this year's Book Week theme 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds' as their inspiration. Weather permitting, there will be a few more school based activities planned for that day. Again, more information will be sent out at the beginning of the new term. Watch this Space!

Have a great holiday and happy reading!

Jane Matkovich

Teacher Librarian

Canteen

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

Click below for how to order school lunches.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1763/school24.pdf

P&C

P&C meetings Term 4

We will continue to hold P&C General meetings virtually in Term 4:

Week 3 - Monday 26th October

Week 8 - Monday 30th November (AGM)

A reminder will be sent closer to the day.

Canteen Term 4

The canteen will continue to be open on Thursdays and Fridays for lunch, afternoon tea and over the counter sales in Term 4.

Wishing everyone a fun and safe school holidays. See you in Term 4 !!

thankyou

P&C

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

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Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is back to normal opening times and will still operate under online only orders until restrictions are eased. If you need to exchange any items please send them in with your child/ren so it can be exchanged during these times.

2:30pm - 3:30pm Tuesday

8:30am - 9:30am Thursday

All enquires can be made direct to Excel Uniforms Phone 0405 506 383 or

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

Out Of school Care

Dear Parents And Carers,

West Pymble Out of School Care

PLACES FOR 2021

From Friday 11 September 2020 we are accepting enrolments for next year.

Application forms are available on our website at www.wpoosc.com.au

Completed enrolments can be handed to our "gatekeeper" or ask your child to deliver to our office.

WPOOSC SHED

At West Pymble Out of School Care we are thrilled to let our community know that our new shed is in place.

The fit out will be over the next few days and then we'll be able to have organised storage for all our outdoor games and sporting equipment as well as a dedicated gardening table.



Inside our Shed
We will have shelves built for our equipment and a special table and shelves for when we are working with plants.

We'll put a set of tall shelves all along the back wall, and under the windows we'll build an area for hockey sticks, soccer goals and all the new games we're got coming soon.

A special shelf and table for gardening equipment will go at the end of the shed.



Kissing Point Baseball

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1770/kpbc_rego_2020.pdf

Dental Information

Public dental service for Northern Sydney Local Health District has provided primary schools flyers outlining details of our service.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1772/nslhd_dental_care_for_children.pdf

Registration for Touch



HORNSBY JUNIOR Touch

REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

FOXGLOVE OVAL, MT COLAH

JUNIOR COMP
WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON
STARTS 14TH OCT

\$70 per player including playing shirt
All Games at Foxglove Oval, Mt Colah
Family Discounts

BOYS + GIRLS
DIVISIONS
9s | 11s | 13s | 15s | 17s

REGISTER @ HORNSBYTOUCH.COM.AU

Community News

Normanhurst Boys High School Virtual Open Day

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1768/normanhurst_boys_open_day_advertisement_2020.pdf

Sydney Technical High School

Sydney Technical High School is a selective high school for boys in Bexley. We would normally hold an Open Day for Year 5 students who are interested in attending our school during October, however due to COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to hold it this year.

Attached is a flyer that includes a link to videos of the school and other useful information.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1766/prospective_year_7_students_at_sths_2022.pdf

Coerver

Football school holiday program.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1767/coerver.png

Children and Youth Library Services

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1769/library_shp_spring_2020_poster.pdf

Nipper Information & Registration Days

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1729/nipper_at_dee_why_registration_flyer_updated_2020.pdf

School Holiday Program

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1730/ku_ring_gai_youth_oct_school_holiday_program.pdf

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1744/little_athletics.pdf

Northern Sydney Local Health District (NSLHD) has partnered with North Sydney Council, Ku-ring-gai Council, North Shore Community Drug & Action Team and Hornsby/ Ku-ring-gai Community Drug Action Team (CDAT) to run a **Photography Competition- *Need a Lift?***

The competition is open to all young people aged 12 – 24 years living in the Northern Sydney area. The theme ***Need a Lift?*** focuses on young people sharing a photo of what gives them ‘a lift’ or makes them feel good. This competition aims to uplift the Northern Sydney community during Mental Health Month (October) with selected entries displayed in public lifts at our local health and council facilities i.e. hospitals, youth centre, community centres.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1746/need_a_lift_poster_final.pdf

R U OK?

In acknowledgement of the difficult year 2020 has been so far, Council is running three R U Ok Day events to raise awareness and understanding of mental illness. The events are all on zoom and are free.

The first event is an online webinar where Simon Gillard, a former police officer and author, will talk to participants about his journey with mental health. Simon has had several suicide attempts but once he reached out for help, he found meaning and purpose again. Simon is now a R U Ok Day ambassador and a very engaging speaker. Join Simon to hear his story and to learn about the signs and symptoms of when people are not coping and how you can reach out and help someone.

Another event Council is running is Are You Ok Seniors? This session is aimed at seniors who may have concerns around a friend or loved one, or for children of seniors who are concerned about their parents. The sessions will be facilitated by Lyn Worsley from the Resilience Centre.

The last session is Are Your Teens Ok? This session will be facilitated by a Ruth Forcye, a psychologist from the Resilience Centre. The session will help parents to understand the signs and symptoms teens may display when they are not coping and help parents to ask their teens if they are ok, and what they can do if they are not ok.

To book, click on the image below and it will take you to the What’s On page where you will see the events, or find the individual links on the flyer.

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 Lilliam Sheridan, ethics.wpps@gmail.com ph.0420204466

Lilliam Sheridan

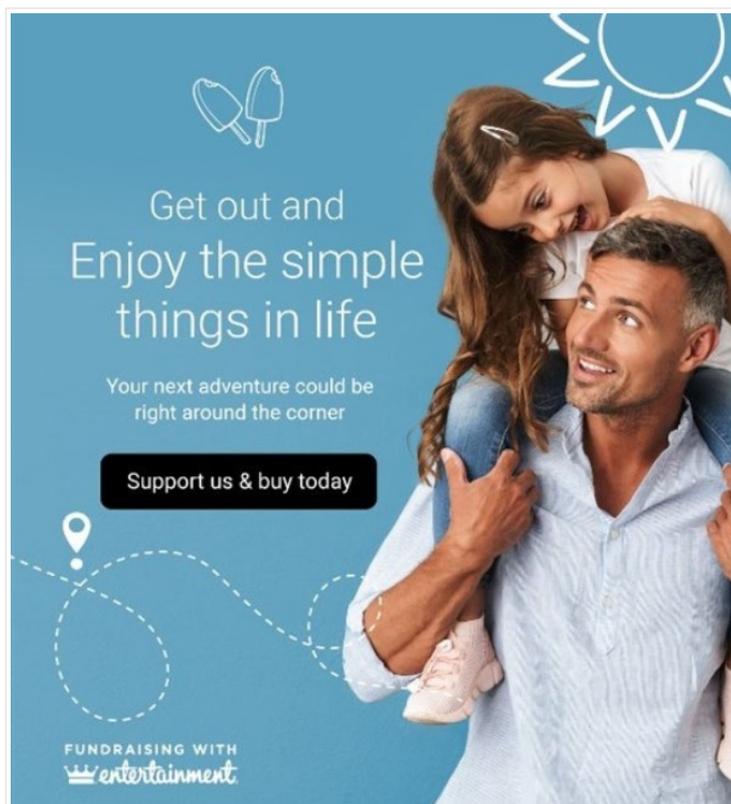
Healthy Lunch Box

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

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1765/sunsmart_snippet_create_good_habits_t3_w6_2020.pdf

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

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

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

Camerons Tennis School

Contact Chris Williams on 0418 688 803

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1699/wp_t4_2020_and_sep_camp.pdf

St Matthews