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6 November 2020

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PBEL

PBEL Assembly

AT ASSEMBLY	
Be Responsible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We go to the toilet before assembly begins ✓ We bring necessary equipment and put away other items
Be Respectful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We line up and enter hall appropriately ✓ We show listening manners ✓ We participate in a polite and appropriate manner
Be Safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We sit appropriately in correct lines ✓ We move sensibly in, out and around the hall

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

Kindergarten 2021

Kindergarten 2021 Information

Our 'Taste of Kinder' sessions will be held on Tuesday 10, 17 and 24 November for children only.

If you have not enrolled your child or you know of any families who will be attending WPPS in 2021 now is the time to get your enrolment to us.

Please click on the link below for an enrolment form.

Principal

Friday 6 November

Dear Parents and Carers,

World Teachers' Day

Thank you to our lovely non-teaching staff and community for helping us celebrate our teaching profession and its bright future. Your thank you messages, gifts and morning tea were very much appreciated by all. There certainly was a festive feel in the air last Friday.



Colour Run

The countdown is on with the Crazy Colour Run only seven days away. We are all keeping our fingers crossed for brilliant sunshine and a warm day to enjoy this spectacular event. Thank you to everyone who has donated. A SZapp was sent

out last week, on 28 October detailing how the funds will be split between our sponsor child, Shirley, Stewart House and the playground upgrade, 30% going to prizes for the children and 10% to administration costs. Should you wish to donate directly to the school, you may do so but unfortunately your child will not be eligible for any of the prizes as these are funded through the company. Our total raised is almost \$20,000. Great work everyone!

Book Week Activities

A big thank you to Mrs Matkovich for arranging a wonderful book week. Over the last two weeks WPPS has celebrated Book Week 2020, "Curious Creatures, Wild Minds" with a number of activities. We invited adventurer, film maker and author, Tim Cope, to present interactive incursions to the children on Tuesday 27 October, which was not only thoroughly enjoyed by all but gave us great insights into leading an enriching and fulfilling life. Tuesday 3 November saw the curious creatures and wild minds come to life, with a number of activities presented by the Library throughout the day, including a costume parade, treasure trawl and reading under the trees. The costumes created by students and staff were wild as the day became curiouser and curiouser!

New Student Orientation and Transition

Next Tuesday will see the first of our Taste of Kindergarten sessions. Please come to the Apollo Avenue gates between 9:00am and 9:30am, where you will be met by staff. Your children will be escorted in to the Kindergarten rooms where they will participate in a number of typical Kindergarten class activities with the current Kindergarten teachers. All they need to bring is a labelled drink bottle and a labelled hat. At the end of the session, please wait at the Apollo Avenue gates and we will dismiss the children there. On Tuesday 17 November, the next session, you will have the opportunity to purchase both new and second-hand uniforms. More details to follow. We are looking forward to meeting our new Kinder 2021 cohort this coming Tuesday.

Band Information Afternoon

On Thursday 12 November, Year 2 will have an opportunity to learn all about the Band program, which they will be eligible to join in 2021. Matt Dalziel will hold a general information session in the Hall immediately after Afternoon recess for about 15 minutes and then visit each of the Year 2 classes where he will distribute notes and further information to bring home to you. The Band program is an invaluable part of our school and I do hope that many of our Year 2 students take this opportunity.

Remembrance Day

Ku-Ring-Gai Council is holding a Remembrance Day Memorial at Bicentennial Park on Wednesday 11 November at 11:00am. The two school captains, Lola and Lachlan and I will be attending to lay a wreath. Members of the community are also invited to attend. At school, the students and staff will

be observing one minute's silence at 11:00am to mark this important day.

School Development Days (SDDs)

The NSW Department of Education has made a change to the delivery of SDDs commencing in 2021. There will be two SDDs at the start of the year, Wednesday 27 and Thursday 28 January, with students in Years 1-6 returning on Friday 29 January. Kindergarten students will be engaged in Best Start interviews from Friday 29 January till Tuesday 2 February, with their enrolment day being Wednesday 3 February. The Best Start interviews are by appointment and you will soon receive information on how to book your appointment.

The SDDs for Terms 2 and 3 remain unchanged with the first day of each term designated a professional learning and planning day. There will only be one SDD at the end of Term 4.

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TTFM

The results are in and while the participation rates at first looked quite poor, this was due to an overestimate of the numbers of potential participants. When recalibrated, the Staff participation rate was 84% and the parent participation rate was 39%. Results will be published soon after they have been analysed by school staff for the new School Improvement Plan.

Selective High School Applications

Just a reminder that Selective High School Applications for entry into Year 7 2022 will be accepted from Tuesday, 13 October 2020 to Monday, 16 November 2020.

Updated COVID-19 Advice

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1832/updated_covid_19_advice.docx

Leaving at the end of 2020?

Is your family leaving us next year? It would be greatly appreciated, if you haven't already done so, to please notify the office in writing of your intentions, in order for us to accurately plan for next year. Our staffing allocation is based on our total student enrolment.

Have a safe and happy fortnight,

Bronwyn Wilson

Up Coming Events

Tuesday 10 November - "Taste of Kinder - 1"
 Wednesday 11 November - Remembrance Day
 Thursday 12 November - Year 2 Band Information Sessions
 Friday 13 November - Crazy Colour Run
 Tuesday 17 November - "Taste of Kinder - 2"
 Tuesday 24 November - "Taste of Kinder - 3"

School News

Crazy Colour Run

ONLY ONE WEEK TO GO! We have raised almost \$20,000 so far from our Crazy Colour Run fundraising! What an amazing effort! Congratulations to Isra (3/4F), Sophie (5/6Y) and Yushaa (3/4B), who are our current top 3 fundraisers in the school. Our top class is currently 3/4B, who have raised over \$1,900 as a combined effort across the class, well done!

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!

Information and permission notes have been sent home with an option to Get Wet or Stay Dry. Please ensure the notes are returned to your child's teacher by Monday 9 November.

Happy fundraising,
 The SRC



Terrific Tuesday Flyer

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS!

We would like to advise all Students, Parents and Staff that Terrific Tuesdays will be launching in week 2 of Term 4.

Terrific Tuesdays will involve the sale of yummy frozen treats from the canteen in the second half of lunch.

Terrific Tuesdays will be run by Year 6 to raise money towards the end of year gift to the school.

Frozen treats will be priced between
\$1.00 - \$2.50

Dairy Free options will be available



We look forward to keeping you cool on Tuesdays!

Thank you for your support!

West Pymble Merit List

6 November 2020

Term 4, Week 4

KG	Lachlan S	Meeka N	Stella L
KSB	Michael D	Olivia M	Otto W
K1/E	Chloe H	Isabel O	Isadora S
1K	Lucian R	Georgii B	Riley W
1/2F	Charlie H	Knox M	Ryan N
1/2W	Annabelle C	Charlie H	Solomon R
2B	Antonia G	Indiana S	Lotan S
3/4B	Ezzy D	Howie Z	Oscar G
3/4F	Ryan W	Aashi C	Veda R
3/4N	Ethan K	Harrison B	Kingsley P
3/4OH	Dylan T	Marshal S	Zoya G
5/6H	Henry M	Hugo D	Micah W
5/6SL	Lillyanna H	Madelyn G	Stephanie C
5/6Y	Edward W	George C	Lena O

Specialist Teacher	Stella L	Lucas M	Stephanie E
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HOUSE OF THE WEEK: Bangal/Wyuna

MERIT AWARD: William C 5/6H

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT : Dylan Y 3/4F, Matthew J K1/E, Lincoln W 1K, William C5/6H, Ryan N1/2F, Holly M 5/6H, Leroy H KSB, Felix C 2B, Chloe H K1/E

It is with great pleasure we are able to write to you about the extra-curricular achievements of the below student over the past few months which took place during weekend events with their family and school holiday activities:

Kids Giving Back is a charity that provides meaningful, hands on experiences for children and young people to give back to others. Through our charity partners we arrange opportunities for them to provide assistance and support via preparation of meals for the homeless, packing of care packs and creating resources, as well as packing and delivering hampers for people experiencing food scarcity.

2020 has been a difficult one for many people and the opportunity for children and young people to assist in this way has significant mental and physical health benefits for both the giver and the receiver. I would like to reassure you that all participating students were required to adhere to our COVID-19 Management plan which can be accessed through our website <https://kidsgivingback.org/covid19-management-plan/>

Your student was enthusiastic and keen to not just participate in the activity but to also learn more about the cause they were supporting.

It would be appreciated if you could acknowledge **Lilly's** community service through the school newsletter or assembly and hear **Lilly** share her story of the impact the experience of giving back to others has had on her.

Lilly is a credit to your school community and displayed a high standard of respect and responsibility with the tasks undertaken. We are most appreciative of **Lilly**.



Library News

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Book Week Fun Day



What a wonderful day! After all the rain, we were blessed with perfect weather for Tuesday's Book Parade and Treasure Hunt. Young wizards, Minecraft characters, fairies and unicorns, Dr Seuss characters, a few "Wallys", and an amazing array of storybook characters descended on the West Pymble playground and looked fantastic. The teachers looked pretty good too, with a flock of sheep, Snow White's dwarves, The Mad Hatter, alongside Tweedle Dee and Tweedle Dum among the characters. Even The Queen of Hearts made an appearance. The afternoon session was spent with the students going around the playground and trying to solve a number of clues to take them back to the "treasure". The library naturally. A big Thank You to the staff for their assistance, to the parents for helping with costumes and of course the students, who showed such enthusiasm throughout the day and made it a very memorable one, especially for me.

Message from the Office

Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately the lost property pile has again exploded! Would you please ensure your child/ren look through the pile for their items. Any unlabelled lost property will be donated to charity at the end of this term. Lost property is now located outside the hall.

It is now time to apply for a 2021 bus pass. Please click on the link below for further information.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1794/school_newsletter_item_t4_2020.pdf



Thank you to the families who have already purchased books at our Online Book Fair. The first orders have arrived and will be distributed to the children who ordered them. There is still time to purchase, and new titles are being added. The link is below.

<https://www.thechildrensbookshopspeakersagency.com.au/book-fairs/>

A few parents have asked if they could buy a book to donate to the school on behalf of their child. There are two ways you can do this, either by purchasing the book and advising the library staff that you wish it to be donated back to the library. We will process it, put a sticker acknowledging the donation inside the book and your child will be the first borrower, as in previous years. The other way is that there is a spot for a donation on the website. If you use this option, the bookshop will advise us of the amount donated and the child's name and we will ask the child to choose a book to the value of the donation. The book will be processed as before.

On another note, as the year is drawing to a close, could all families please check at home for any school library books. We will be starting to stocktake soon, and would like to ensure all books are back in the library.

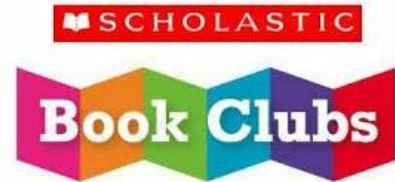
Happy reading.

Jane Matkovich
Teacher Librarian

Book Club News

ISSUE 7

LAST Bookclub brochure for 2020



Every Child Deserves a Good Book

Issue 7 Scholastic Bookclub brochures should go home with your child this week.

Order your gifts for Christmas

Please have orders placed Online ONLY by Monday 26th October.

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

P&C

P&C General Meeting

The minutes from the 17 August P&C General meeting have been approved and are available at: <https://www.wppspnc.com.au/meetingminutes>

World Teachers' Day

To Celebrate World Teacher's Day last Friday, we presented the staff with a delicious morning tea for them to munch on throughout the day.

2020 has been a year of ups and downs but the one thing that has remained constant is our teacher's commitment and the inspiration and love of learning they instill in our children everyday.

Thankyou to the wonderful teaching staff at WPPS for your ongoing patience and support!! We hope you had a lovely day and enjoyed the baked goodies.

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
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Canteen

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This term the canteen will still only be open on Thursdays and Fridays. Online orders and over the counter sales will be available at both lunchtime and afternoon tea.

We are not serving breakfast yet, but we have brought back Up & Go which you can now order online for lunch and afternoon tea.

Our summer menu is now available with fresh fruit salad, caesar salad and a new flavour fruit snack cup: pineapple! You can now also order sushi for afternoon tea.

On Fridays you can order a GREEN Meal Deal which includes sushi of your choice, a salad bag and a juice.

Thankyou

The Canteen Team

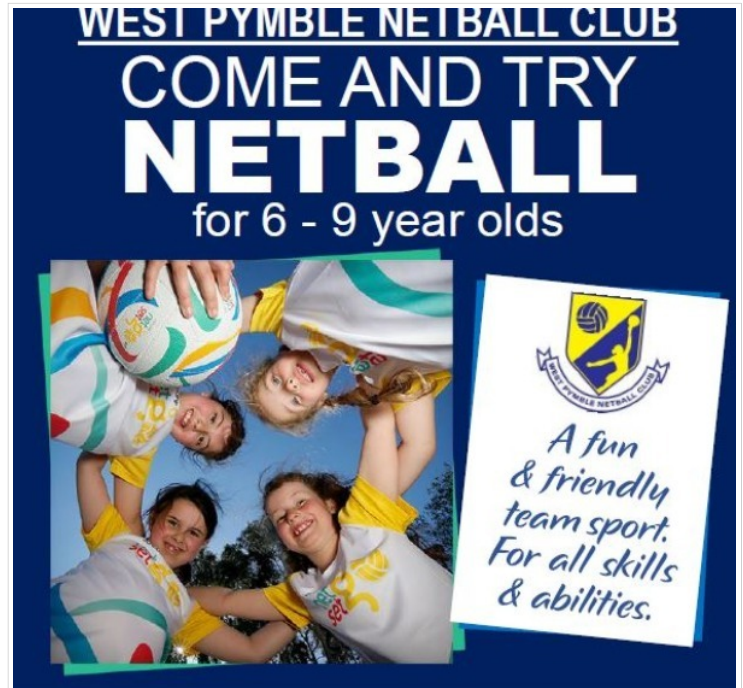
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https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1574/2020_frozen_treats_menu_term_3.pdf

Click below for how to order school lunches.

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

NET SET GO



WHAT:	West Pymble Netball Club is running 2 "come and try" sessions for beginner players to learn basic skills
WHEN:	Friday 13th November 4:00 – 5:00pm Friday 20th November 4:00 – 5:00pm
WHERE:	Lofberg Rd Netball Courts, West Pymble
COST:	\$10.00 (inclusive of either 1 or 2 sessions)
WHO:	Children who have not played club netball but may be interested in joining West Pymble Netball Club next season.
REQUIRED:	No registration needed. Form will need to be completed on the day and a parent or guardian will be required to present.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: netsetgo@westpymblenetball.com.au

Kids Ultimate Frisbee league

We are running our second kids Ultimate Frisbee league at ESL Hall oval starting in a few weeks. We are running a free 4-week league in December, then a paid league in February next year. Ultimate Frisbee is a mixed team sport that focuses on self-umpiring and sportsmanship, and I think it is an ideal sport for kids that feel intimidated by more competitive sports, like soccer, AFL and netball. We are focusing on skills, and fun, and being active.

NSU YOUTH SUMMER LEAGUE
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 8-14

MONDAYS 5:30PM - 6:30PM
ELS HALL 3 (LOWER GRASS FIELDS)

30 NOV - 21 DEC (FREE)
CHRISTMAS BREAK
8 FEB - 29 MAR (PAID)




THIS IS A LEAGUE TO INTRODUCE KIDS WHO ARE NEW TO ULTIMATE FRISBEE AND KIDS WHO HAVE PLAYED BEFORE TO BECOME THE NEXT SUPERSTARS OF THIS GENERATION. THE PROGRAM WILL INCLUDE A MIX OF LESSONS AND GAMES FOR KIDS AGED 8-14.

CONTACT:
NIKKI SHIRES - 0406 995 789
KRISTY FRENEY - 0490 036 004
OR VIA EMAIL:
YOUTH@NSU.COM.AU

WE ENCOURAGE PARENTS TO CONTACT THE ORGANISERS IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS ABOUT THE FORMAT AND THE SUITABILITY OF THE LEAGUE FOR YOUR CHILD

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT WWW.NSU.ORG.AU






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The School App

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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.

Primary ETHICS

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.

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/1785/chess_term_4_2020_flyer_for_west_pymble_ps.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