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Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

Congratulations and Welcome

Welcome to beautiful little bundle of joy Riley Michael, who made his very early appearance to this world on Sunday afternoon. A huge congratulations to Mum, Lauren and Dad, Simon.

Farewell also to Ms Bri Weston, who we farewelled in Week 5 to commence her maternity leave. We wish you all much joy and happiness.

We welcome to WPPS Ms Penny Charalambous who will be taking over from Lauren next week and to Mrs Lynda Whittaker who has taken over from Bri. Both teachers have been working with Lauren and Bri in preparation for the handover so children in both classes, 5/6F and 2W are quite familiar with their new teachers.

Charity Fundraiser

Congratulations to three budding entrepreneurs, Ezzy D R, Olivia T and Annabelle S who instigated, organised and successfully ran a fundraiser on Wednesday to raise money to purchase backpack beds for the homeless. They raised a phenomenal \$369, by selling cookies, cupcakes and toys they no longer wanted. The amount raised will enable the purchase of three backpack beds, one from each of the girls. Well done girls, we are very proud of you and thank you to all the other students for supporting their efforts so well.

Fantasy Day

This is always such a good day and this year's Fantasy Day proved no exception. Pistachio entertained us with a

performance, "Fairies and Pirates". Everyone was in their best fantasy costume and we all, K-2, pre-schoolers, teachers, parents and carers, had a great time. Thank you to our P&C for providing morning tea for our visitors and Kindergarten students.

New Student Orientation

Please ensure that you have enrolled if your child will be coming into Kindergarten in 2022. Many parents with older siblings often leave it until much later in the year, assuming we know your child will be coming, but we do need the enrolment process to be completed as early as possible. This way we can prepare fully for the year ahead to be able to give both you and your child the smoothest possible transition to school. If you know of anyone else who is yet to enrol please ask them to do so as a priority.

NAPLAN

These assessments are now complete for 2021, with almost all running smoothly.

Congratulations to the students who treated this time as it should be, just another day (or two) in school. The last thing we want to see is stressed children or stressed parents. While these assessments do have relevance to the achievement of our targets, they are not the only indicator of student growth and attainment, but rather one instrument in a comprehensive series of instruments that we use to gather and analyse data on each child.

Band Camp

Once again, we are heading up to Galston for our annual band camp. Unfortunately it was not able to proceed last year, so I know that our young musicians are keen and eager for this weekend to hurry up and arrive.

Thanks to the Band Committee for the enormous amount of work already put in to ensuring this year's camp goes ahead

and also to the army of parents that will keep everything running on track over the weekend, just like a well-oiled machine. I will be keeping my fingers crossed for fine weather, although I hear the forecast is not so positive. Band Camp provides an opportunity for the students to really come together as a band, to practice playing to an audience and to receive some intensive tutoring on their instruments. I am looking forward to seeing and hearing the growth and improvement over the weekend.

Athletics Carnival

Great job Mr Graham and Mr Noble! WPPS students from Year 2 to Year 6 enjoyed a wonderful day at Bannockburn last Monday. With the help of many parents, our WPPS staff and two ex-students, Georgia W and Georgia S who are with us this week for Work Experience, the day flowed like clockwork. We have had at least one record broken, if not more. The high jump is yet to come. This will be held back at school. When all is finalised, a complete report will be prepared for the next issue of the newsletter.

Uniform

A quick reminder to everyone that we are a "Uniform School". The parent community voted in favour of uniforms many years ago. It is an expectation that everyone wears the correct uniform, wears it correctly and with pride. I am seeing many variations creeping in that are not part of our uniform. Boys are reminded that shirts are to be tucked in at all times. This does not apply to sports polo shirts. Runners only to be worn with the sports uniform and black shoes with the formal uniform. Hats are to be worn all year round. Girls, long green socks are a part of your uniform and are being sourced for sale through the uniform shop. Many girls prefer the green socks to tights in the Winter months. Please don't mix and match items of Summer and Winter uniform. Girls, your navy Winter pants have now arrived.

I would really appreciate seeing all students put that little bit of extra effort into their grooming as well. Hair done, long hair tied up with school scrunchies or ribbons, shoes polished and clean, ironed uniforms at all times!

Thank you so much to the Year 6 Parent Committee for organising the Year 6 jerseys. They look great!

Knives in Schools

The issue of knives in schools has recently been in the media and the Department of Education has drafted a letter to parents to advise that all knives, including those for religious purposes, are banned from schools. The letter has been included in the newsletter for your information. Please take time to read it.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2331/knife_ban_factsheet.pdf

Have a safe and happy fortnight.

Bronwyn Wilson

Principal

Up Coming Events

Monday 9 June - Public Speaking Finals

Thursday 10 June - Stage 2 Excursion

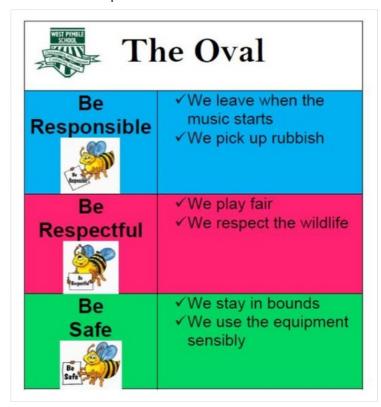
Monday 14 June Queens Birthday (Public Holiday)

Thursday 17 June - K-2 Athletics Carnival

Friday 18 June - Recognition Ceremony

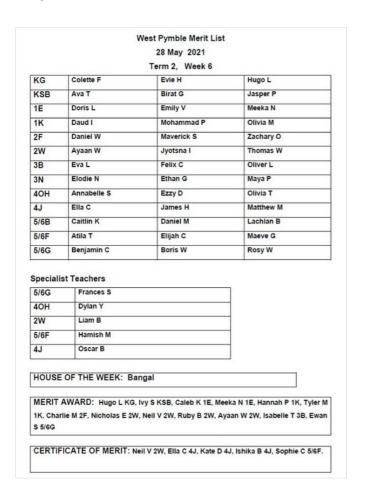
PBEL

PBEL: Oval Expectations



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

School News





Teacher Achievement

Bonjour families,

I just wanted to share a personal achievement with you all. My passion, outside of teaching French, is trail running and I have been training a lot lately for a big goal... running my first 50 km race! On Saturday 15th May I achieved this dream up in the Blue Mountains and have been absolutely elated ever since! Why share this goal with you and your children? Because I believe it is a great life lesson to teach others that, even when something seems really tough, so difficult in fact that we might not even succeed, it is important to believe in yourself, to have a go, and to persist until you reach your goal. That sense of achievement in the end is so satisfying, and that feeling of strength and fulfillment is what will help drive future choices and lead you to flourish! Never loose sight of your dreams! Thanks,

Madame Leddet

Turramurra High School

Sports

PSSA

Listed below are the venues for the next two weeks of the Winter PSSA season. Please check the next newsletter for the following two weeks.

4 June 2021		Grounds	
West Pymble		Norman Griffiths	
11 June 201		Grounds	
II June 201			
West Pymble		NTRA1	
West Pymble	Every Friday	4000000	
	Every Friday	NTRA1 Koola Park	

Student Newsletter Report - By Ewan S

Athletics Carnival

Exciting, ecstatic and encouraging are three words that fit the West Pymble Athletics Carnival. During the thrilling excursion, students took part in races and field events such as the 100m sprint or shot put. From a student perspective watching the quick races is fun and thoroughly enjoyable.

Students were also given an opportunity to buy sausages and other food items from the canteen. To wrap up I'd like to give a shout out to the PNC and the year 6 committee for organising the food and beverages. In conclusion the athletics carnival is a fun, happy and quick paced day.

WPPS Athletics Carnival 2021.

A huge thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped on the day.

Another great day was had by all.

NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge 2021

This year our school has registered to participate in the NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge. The NSW Premier's Sporting Challenge (PSC) encourages all students and staff in public schools to be more active, more often by increasing their participation in sport and physical activity.

The purpose of the Challenge is to encourage students to participate in sport and physical activity to lead a healthy lifestyle.

Over a ten week period our school will be monitoring physical activity levels during class time, at recess and lunch as well as during sport lessons. Physical activity outside school hours will also count towards the Challenge award. The aim is to work towards an average at least 60 minutes of activity a day for ten weeks.

Each student in Years 3-6 will be using an online tracker to record their daily physical activity. Whilst K-2 students will work towards a Gold class award level.

We would like to invite families to support us in encouraging students' healthy use of leisure time and to experience the joy of being active together.

Cheers

Andrew Noble

Green Team

Green Team



After a Covid enforced hiatus the Green Team are back and looking to care for the environment.

We are starting our 10c bottle collection again and the first drop off date is Friday 4 June between 8:30-9:10. Our goal is to help recycle 100,000 bottles over the next few years, raising \$10,000 to invest in further Green Team projects. We have currently recycled 17,000 bottles and need your help to reach the 100,000 mark.

Members of the Green Team at school are currently designing a way to ensure all of the recyclable bottles and poppers from lunches are also added to our tally and don't end up in landfill.

From the Office

ENROL NOW FOR 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's now time to enrol your child/ren for Kindergarten next year. If you know someone considering enrolling please direct them to the website.

Our next Recognition Ceremony will be held Friday 18 June. Please ensure all merits are handed in to the office by Friday 4 June to allow engraving of medallions.

If your child is unwell with any cold/flu like symptoms please ensure you take them for a COVID test and send a copy of the Negative result to westpymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au and ensure they are symptom free before they return to school.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2338/covid_19_27_may_2021.pdf

Last day of Term 2 is Friday 25 June. Students return for Term 3 on Tuesday 13 July.

Please ensure your children's clothing is labelled and encourage them to look after their belongings. We went

through all the lost property last week and the bin is quickly filling again!

Kind regards,

WPPS Office

Library



Scholastic Bookclub

Issue 4 has been handed out to students.
Please have all orders placed online by Sunday 6th June.

P&C

Newsletter Friday 28 May

Spellathon

The Spell-a-thon Quiz was held yesterday and the P&C are busy marking the quiz sheets so that we can return them to students by Tuesday 1 June. Sponsorship money can then be collected and returned to the school office by Thursday 10 June.

The money raised from the spell-a-thon will go towards three great initiatives:

- The Honour Project purchasing blazers for our school captains to wear when representing the school, as well as updating the honour and national anthem boards in the school hall
- Supporting the band program so it continues to deliver an outstanding music program
- Completion of Maddie's Garden a memorial to former student Maddie Gladen and a quiet outdoor space for students to enjoy

We also look forward to announcing the classes who win the awesome lunchtime pizza parties. These will be awarded to the K-2 and 3-6 classes who raise the most money and have the most correct words.

Thank you for supporting this fundraising event!

Professional Networking Group Update

Thank you to everyone who returned the questionnaire for the professional networking group last term. From the responses received we have a number of people who would like to include their business details in our directory, and we are looking to

hold a get together on Thursday 10 June at 7.30pm at the West Pymble Bicentennial Club to discuss next steps. If you didn't receive an email about this but would like to attend, please contact Lonii at president@wppspnc.com.au.

We also had a number of respondents who are willing to share their skills and experiences with students. We are lucky to have a diverse school community with many different interests and skill sets! We plan to share these details with the school so that appropriate opportunities may be identified that support the school curriculum.

Save the Date

P&C General Meeting: The next P&C General Meeting will be on Monday 7 June, from 7.30pm. This will be our first meeting together in person in quite some time! It will be held in the school library and will also be streamed via zoom. All are very welcome! If you are interested in attending, please email Sandeep at secretary@wppspnc.com.au and he will provide you with all the details.

Contact Us

If you have any questions, comments or ideas to share with the P&C, we'd love to hear from you! Here's how you get in touch:

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Sandeep D'Sa: secretary@wppspnc.com.au
Tricia Wright: treasurer@wppspnc.com.au

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Canteen

<u>Canteen</u>

The Canteen will remain open on Thursdays and Fridays this term AND we are open for Breakfast on these days!

Wednesday freshly cooked lunches

We hope everyone is enjoying their freshly cooked lunches on a Wednesday. Here is the menu for the remainder of term 2. All meals come with a juice or water.

- * 2 June Loaded Jacket Potatoes pork or vegetarian
- * 9 June Nachos beef or vegetarian
- * 16 June Mac n Cheese or Carbonara

To order, go to https://www.school24.net.au and click on 'Events'. Orders will close at 8am on Wednesdays.

Canteen menus and ordering instructions

Please find below the Canteen menu for term 2

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2327/canteen_menu_term_2_2021.pdf

Click below for instructions on how to order school lunches.

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

Happy ordering!

Wendela, Nada & Paulina

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop has a new manager, Gladys Wilkins. Parents are able to come in and pick up uniforms directly, order online or send in order forms and cash to the office via your child's class.

Regular opening times:

2:30pm - 3:30pm Tuesday

8:30am - 9:30am Thursday

All enquires can be made direct to Excel Uniforms by phoning 0405 506 383 or emailing wpps@exceluniforms.com.au

How to order:

Go online to https://exceluniforms.com.au/ west-pymble-ps and create an account to order items (preferred)

Print and complete an order form and send cash to school with vour child

Email an order form to wpps@exceluniforms.com.au

Online: www.exceluniforms.com.au

(Logon: wpps Password: exceluniforms)

Please note: all orders will be fulfilled the next shop opening day, i.e. if you place or send in an order on a Friday, your order will be delivered to your child's class the following Tuesday. If your order is urgent, please contact our Uniform Manager, Gladys on 0403740290.

Current stock updates:

Girls Long Sleeve Blouses in sizes 4,6 and 8 are currently out of stock with an expected 3-4 week wait.

Girls Pants are now available - come and see us in store.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2051/uniform_price_list_19022021.pdf

WPPS Band News

Band Camp - this weekend!

We wish all students a fantastic time at band camp this weekend!

Performances for your Diary

Baby Proms (24 Aug) – A smaller group from the Combined Band will perform at school and the local pre-schools (Matt will advise the students selected)

NSSWE Spring Music Festival (Thurs 9 - Sun 12 Sept) – The Combined Band will perform at the Concourse Chatswood. We'll be allocated a day & timeslot closer to the festival date.

Spring Showcase (2 Sept) - ALL bands will perform at school

Kind regards,

The Parent Band Committee

wppsband@gmail.com

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2227/2021_wpps_band_camp_information_form.pdf

After School Care



Community News

Squadsports





Kool Kidzz

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Volunteer to teach Ethics

Catholic Special Religious Education

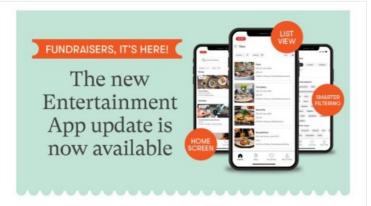
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Healthy Lunch Box

Check out the New Healthy Lunch Box Website from the Cancer Council.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2328/meat_free_monday_nutrition_snippets_t2w6_28052021.pdf

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2329/potato_bake_recipe_snippet_t2w6_28052021.pdf



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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.

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

KDance Company

New to West Pymble this year.

Chess

We have Beginner, Basic and Intermediate classes starting.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2153/fly_for_west_pymble_ps_term_2_2021_a.pdf

Art

Art Classes

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2168/hive_flyer_t1w4_2021.pdf

Camerons Tennis School

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2165/tennis_wp_t2_2021_01042021.pdf

Contact Chris Williams on 0418 688 803