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3 September 2021

Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am sure you are aware by now of the exciting news released by the Department of Education. Students will commence the staggered return to school on 25 October with Kindergarten and Year 1. This will be followed on 1 November by Years 2 and 6 and then on 8 November by all other years. Until that time remote learning continues and you must keep your children at home. WPPS teachers and support staff will continue as we have been since the start of this term with the provision of one unit of work, wellbeing check ins and Zooms. A skeleton staff will be maintained at school for the children of essential workers.

Kindergarten orientation Taste of Kindy sessions are scheduled for Weeks 4, 5 and 6. We have had no word on these activities as yet so we are hopeful that they can continue as planned but we will keep you informed.

SASS Week

Next week is School Administrative Support Staff (SASS) Recognition Week. I am sure you will all agree that our SASS staff are an amazing team and without them our school could not function. Mrs Eyre (SAM), Mrs Brain (SAO), Mrs Hill (SAO), Mrs Funda (SAO) in the office, Mrs Annabel (SAO) in the Library, Mr Stewart (GA), SLSOs Mrs Fleming, Mrs Hickman, Mr Byers and Mrs Vince all deserve a special shout out! We will be celebrating their many contributions as a staff but I am sure you would also like to let them know of your appreciation of the work they do.

Disco

Thank you to our wonderful P&C for providing the disco on Wednesday. I know that we thoroughly enjoyed it at school as I am sure did all the students at home.

The Power of Play

I have included a presentation on Play that was delivered to our Kindergarten/22 parents as part of the Parent Information Zoom. It is particularly relevant for everyone, regardless of age, in these times of staying at home, of remote learning and the pandemic when we are unable to live our normal lives.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2483/ the_power_of_play_2_3821.pdf

Stay safe, stay positive and support each other.

Bronwyn Wilson

Principal

PBEL

PBEL: Learning From Home

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

| | LEARNING FROM HOME |
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| Be Responsible | ✓We schedule regular break times ✓We set up a quiet and organised learning space ✓We keep devices charged |
| Be Respectful | We communicate appropriately with teachers and peers We complete our personal best work online We think before we hit 'send' |
| Be Safe | ✓ We keep our passwords secure ✓ We follow teacher instructions ✓ We only access relevant files and websites |

West Pymble Merit List 27 August 2021

| KG | Chloe F | Eden F | Joshua K |
|------|-------------|------------|----------|
| KSB | Hugo W | Kayla M | Lily L |
| 1E | Mackenzie L | Riyansh S | Saskia H |
| 1K | Isabel O | Noah K | Otto W |
| 2F | Anika L | Edward R | Lennex L |
| 2W | Jack H | Jyotsna I | Olivia S |
| 3B | Felix C | Heidi H | Loton S |
| 3N | Barney T | Maddison E | Maya P |
| 4OH | Annabelle S | Gerard B | Markus B |
| 4J | James H | Lily R | Oscar B |
| 5/6B | Dimitry H | Hugo D | Maxine M |
| 5/6C | Elijah C | Maanya I | Ruby B |
| 5/6G | Alistair R | Paige S | Sarah P |

Deputy Principal

Mindfulness Colouring in Competition

We are launching a West Pymble Colouring in competition to allow students to feel a continued connection to the school as we head into the ninth week of remote learning. Colouring in is fantastic for wellbeing and a great calming activity for both children and adults alike.

To make the competition a bit more interesting, there will be 7 prizes (one from each year group) up for grabs. These will be a \$5 canteen voucher that can be redeemed when the canteen reopens.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2492/ wpps_colouring_in_competition_030821.pdf

Competition Rules:

Colouring in competition open from Friday 3 September until Friday 17 September. To be eligible you will need to download and print the PDF image below or request a copy from the school to be collected from Tristania Place.

Completed entries can be scanned and emailed to westpymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or dropped in the school letterbox in Apollo Ave.

Mr Simpson and his daughters will be the judges.

Winners will be announced in the first newsletter of Term 4.

Good luck and happy colouring.

Tim Simpson

School News

| West Pymble Merit List |
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| 3 September 2021 |

| KG | Hugo L | Lily C | Rohaan K |
|------|------------|------------|-------------|
| KSB | Benjamin V | Grace P | Lillian L |
| 1E | Aiden A | Caleb K | Meeka N |
| 1K | Amy C | Sienna G | Tyler W |
| 2F | Charlie M | Grace C | Remy L |
| 2W | Abigail M | Liam B | Thomas W |
| 3B | Charlie H | Sophie C | Sienna S |
| 3N | Lucas M | Matthew A | Tyler F |
| 4OH | Abigail G | Bethany R | Ethan C |
| 4J | Flynn C | Harry T | Stephanie E |
| 5/6B | Harry M | Katerina J | Tanishka S |
| 5/6C | Chaya B | Luke A | Miriam D |
| 5/6G | Frances S | Jazim S | Wolf V |

From the Office

ENROL NOW FOR 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for sending us your lovely photos, please keep them coming.

We are thinking of all our WPPS families and can't wait until we are all back together - we miss you.

Stay safe and healthy,

Michelle, Amanda, Dawn and Emma

Library

BookClub

School Merits

SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB - ISSUE 6



******We are running BOOK CLUB Issue 6 ONLINE !*****

Thank you parents for your ongoing support of Book Club.

Due to the Extended Lockdown the great news is Scholastic can provide <u>families with the temporary option to have books delivered to your</u> <u>home.</u>

https://www.scholastic.com.au/media/6421/bc621web.pdf

The home delivery option can be selected by parents at the time of ordering for \$7.50 Or you can have them delivered to school as usual.

ORDERS CLOSE WEDNESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER



Reading 10 minutes a day not only benefits children academically, but it also allows children the time to quieten their minds and provides perfect screenfree entertainment!

Borrowing From The Library

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2420/ library_access_t3.pdf

P&C

P&C

We hope everyone enjoyed both the recent Movie & Pizza night and the Spring Fling virtual disco. Thank you for the ongoing support and involvement in the school community.

With the news last week that remote learning will continue until at least October 25, we hope everyone enjoyed Maggie Dent's webinar on Wednesday and found it both informative and reassuring. A big thanks goes to the school for organising this.

Don't forget the special broadcast "Our Students Our Teachers" next Tuesday September 7 at 7pm – a parent forum aimed at providing some insight into the current challenges and future direction within our schools. Registration is essential at https://www.nswtf.org.au/september-broadcast

Father's Day

We wish all the wonderful WPPS Dads a very happy Father's Day on Sunday. Please see offer below thanks to the Daily Grind.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2482/ father_s_day_deal_1_03082021.pdf

Second-hand uniforms

Can now be purchased via contactless collection.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2466/ second_hand_uniforms_20082021.pdf

Save the Date

The next P&C General Meeting will be this Monday 6th September, from 7.30pm. The meeting will be via Zoom, and 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.

Big plans are underway for our online Trivia Night next term – Saturday 23rd October. This will be such a fun night as well as our major fundraiser this year so please save the date!!

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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Canteen

The Canteen is currently closed as the majority of students are learning from home. We look forward to re-opening once students return to face to face learning and restrictions allow it.

Wendela, Nada & Paulina

After School Care



Community News

LifeLine

We are delighted to announce our new Lifeline online bookshop. It is incredibly important that children do not stop reading while learning from home so we are offering parents the chance to access our massive collection of high quality, pre-loved books at affordable prices. We also have plenty of fiction available for Mum and Dad as well as older siblings.

We update the available books regularly so keep an eye on the website for new books.



Eckersley Creative Kids

https://www.eckersleys.com.au/creative-kids

Art Supplies

We are based in North Nowra, NSW and are a micro, family run business.

We have created 4 high quality art kits aimed at older primary aged and high school Creative Kids.

As an approved Creative Kids Voucher provider we are able to accept the \$100 vouchers for these fantastic, quality kits.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2484/ bpg_art_kits_info_schools_3_.pdf

Narrabeen Beach Nippers 2021/22 Registrations are Open

NARRABEEN BEACH NIPPERS Narrabeen Beach Nippers is open for season 2021/22 registrations. Please visit our website for more information and instructions: www.narrabeach.org.au/nippers/registration-for-nippers/ Or email: Nippers@narrabeach.org.au



SRE Online

Cameron's Tennis

Catholic Lessons

Learning from home lessons have been developed for the children should you choose to access these materials.

Catholic Learning from Home Lessons

Learning from Home SRE Lessons - CCRESS - Catholic Conference of Religious Educators in State Schools in NSW-ACT

Best wishes from Mel & the Catholic SRE Teachers.

Christian lessons

Dear parents/caregivers and students.

We are so thinking and praying for you all at this difficult time. We would like to send your children a card in the post to let them we know we care about them. If you would like us to send a card to your child, please can you email me, Fiona van Horen at vanhorencf@bigpond.com and give me your home address, so I can send a letter to your child. Your details will be in complete confidence and only go to me and I will not keep a record of it whatsoever and will only send this card and no further correspondence. We just want to reach out to you and your precious children.

With love Fiona and all the SRE teachers and St Matts church West Pymble

There are now Scripture lessons available online.

Simply go here *Connect*-Learning-at-Home to find lesson plans, songs, video links and activity pages.

New lessons will be added weekly. We hope you enjoy them and know how awesome God is. Any questions feel free to contact Fiona van Horen at vanhorencf@bigpond.com

Primary Ethics in Lockdown

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2445/ primary_ethics_in_lockdown_1_.docx.pdf

Our Ethics teachers have been really missing their classes and their students. We don't know when we will be able to teach the children again, so Primary Ethics has provided some at-home learning materials. Primary Ethics will be posting weekly Ethics Bites on their website, primaryethics.com.au/education. Bites is a series of ethical dilemmas designed for children to chew over at home, based on the Primary Ethics curriculum. Each week there is a new ethical dilemma with a video and some accompanying information. There is one Bite for years K-2 and another for 3-6.

These are completely optional but are great for beginning rich family discussions that can include children of different ages. We also welcome the children who are not enrolled in Primary Ethics to give these Bites a go.

https://primaryethics.com.au/education

Volunteer to teach Ethics



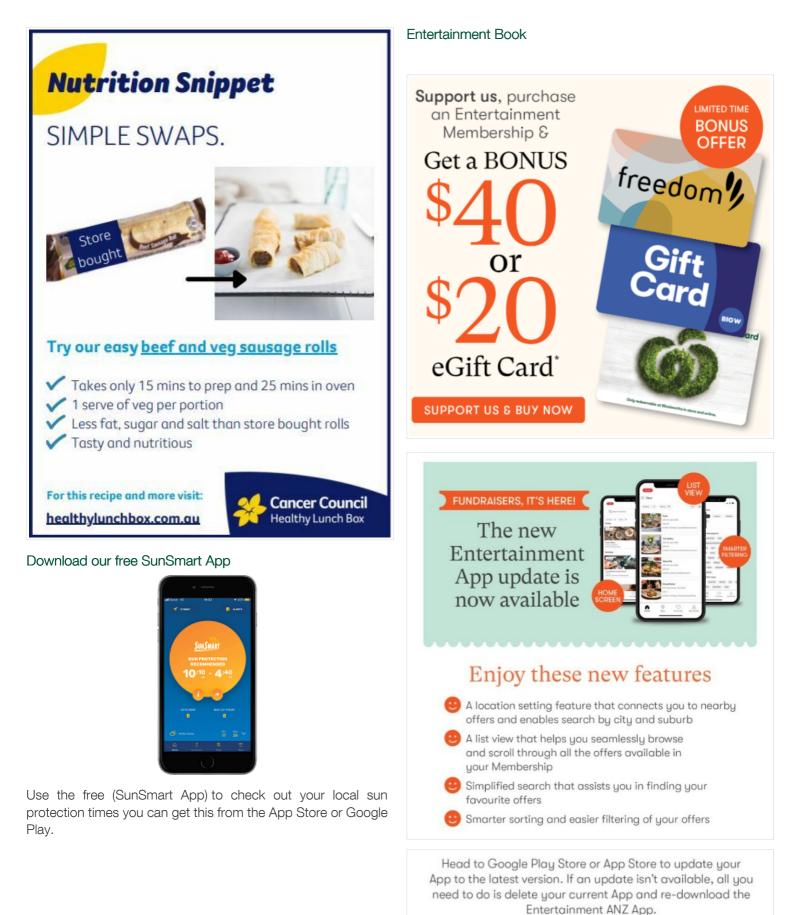
Catholic Special Religious Education

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/2002/ catholic_sre_brochure_5022021.pdf

Healthy Lunch Box

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

The website has lots of fun recipes and informative blogs.



For a limited time only, supporters will receive a BONUS \$40

Woolworths, BIG W or Freedom eGift Card when you purchase a Multi City or Multi Plus Membership or a \$20 Woolworths, BIG W or Freedom eGift Card when you purchase a Single City Membership between 3:00pm, Wednesday 4 August and 11:59pm, Wednesday 1 September 2021 AEST! Also, anyone who purchases a Membership from now till 11.59pm, Wednesday September 15 AEST will receive an extra month free. That's a 13-month Membership!

To help boost your fundraising we're holding a giveaway of incredible prizes for anyone who purchases a Membership. They will automatically go into the draw to WIN:

- A Royal Caribbean cruise for two! 3 nights onboard Quantum of the seas.
- A TFE Hotels 3-night voucher valid at Adina Apartment Hotels, Vibe Hotels, Travelodge Hotels and Rendezvous Hotels.

Plus, the chance to win \$200 dining vouchers to their favourite Entertainment venue will be drawn daily. See website for full T&Cs.

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 purchase your Entertainment Membership

The School App

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