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PBEL

PBEL At Classroom Expectation

CLASSROOM EXPECTATIONS

Be Responsible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We put in lots of effort to improve ✓ Challenges and mistakes are part of learning. We reflect on them to help us learn.
Be Respectful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We listen to one another. ✓ We show empathy and kindness towards others.
Be Safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Walk safely around the classroom. ✓ Tell a trusted adult if someone is hurting your or others.

Thank you for supporting the students and teachers in implementing our PBEL fortnightly focus. This is an example of one class' expectations. Each class will have their own unique expectations. These will change throughout the year.

Principal

Dear Parents and Carers,

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS

We all want our students to achieve the very best outcomes possible. If they are to have the best chance at success, they need to be taught organisational skills from a very early age so that these skills can become embedded in their behaviours as automatic responses. Punctuality is a very big part of this preparation for success.

It is of great concern, the significant number of students who arrive after the 9:10am bell each morning. Our school day starts promptly at 9:10am and continues through to 3:10pm when the children are dismissed. Should students regularly miss any part of that time, it places them at a distinct disadvantage. In the morning, they will have missed essential information relating to the day ahead as well as organisational time. Often, these students spend the day "chasing their tails" or trying to catch up. Students who miss the end of the day, will be missing information relating to the following day or important information to take home. It is also very disruptive to teachers who have started their teaching and to fellow students when interrupted by students arriving late or departing early. Of course, there are always extenuating circumstances, the students referred to here are those who make it a habit.

Students who are punctual to school, always appear calm and in control and are well organised to make the most of their day, that is, to achieve success.

Success comes in small steps – and so does failure. Failure is not a single event. We don't fail overnight or on a single test day. For most of us, failure is nothing more than a few errors in judgment, a few poor choices, repeated every day.

Now why would anyone be so foolish as to repeat a poor choice every day? The answer is because we don't think it matters.

On their own, our daily acts don't seem very important. One more TV program, an extra hour or two at the computer, sleeping in for another hour, hanging out with friends, skimping on chores – these don't usually result in an instant and measurable impact. More often than not, we escape from any immediate consequences of our deeds, until we find ourselves ill prepared for an important test or having wasted so much time, trying to catch up with our peers seems impossible.

Take just a few minutes every day to look further down the road. Consider the future consequences of your present choices.

Then make new choices for success. By looking towards the future, we can change our thinking, improve our choices and develop new habits.

One of the exciting things about the small steps formula for success is that the results are almost immediate. As we change our daily habits, we experience positive results in a very short period of time. When we cut 100 calories a day, our health and waist measurement improve noticeably in just a few weeks. When we start exercising regularly, we feel a new vitality almost immediately. When we begin studying, we experience a growing confidence and a new level of understanding in class.

Success breeds success and once we taste the pleasures of succeeding, it becomes too difficult to slip back into our old habits of failure.

The Department of Education and Communities policy "Enrolment of Students in NSW Government Schools: A Summary and Consolidation of Policy" states the following:

'The government school system in New South Wales exists to provide high quality

education for all students. The education for all students. The Education Reform

Act 1990 outlines the objects of education and the legal requirements for

compulsory schooling. In brief, the legislation requires students between the

ages of six and seventeen to be enrolled at a government or registered

non-government school, and to attend school on each day that instruction is provided

or to be registered for home schooling. It is the duty of the parent or carer of the

student to ensure that these obligations are fulfilled.'

This implies full day attendance, not partial daily attendance. The class roll, which is a legal document, is marked with a partial attendance for any child in any class, who is not in attendance at school for any part of that school day, whether it be for five minutes or two hours. Students whose behavior is of concern are referred to the DoE Home School Liaison Officer.

From now on, I look forward to seeing all our students arriving punctually to school, enjoying time in the playground before the bell, socialising with their friends and ready to seize the day!

Creative Outdoor Learning Space

The next phase of our playground upgrade, the Kindergarten space, has commenced and weather permitting, this will be completed in approximately four weeks. I have included a copy of the concept map which will be very similar to the final product. A few elements have changed in order to keep the cost under our \$50K cap from the Department of Education, such as the tepee, but any omissions this time round can be caught up at a later stage.

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Road Safety in the Early Years of School

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Starting school means lots of changes for you and your child. It is crucial to plan and talk about safe travel to and from school with your child.

Starting school probably means your child will see themselves as a "big kid". They may even want to travel to school by themselves, with friends or siblings. However, your young child is still developing many of the skills they need to be safe in a road traffic environment.

Until your child is **at least 8 years old**, hold their hand:

- on the footpath
- in the car park
- when crossing the road

Up until **at least 10 years old**, supervise your child very closely, holding their hand when crossing the road. If a hand isn't available they should hold an arm, bag, clothes or the pram.

In the early years of your child's schooling, there are many road safety considerations for you to think about.

The route to and from school may be unfamiliar

Plan a safe route together and practise walking it on weekends or school holidays. As you walk together, talk about all the things you are doing to keep you both safe.

Most journeys to and from school are in peak hours

Roads are full of people and vehicles. The roads around schools are busy places and can make the journey to school hazardous. Always closely and actively supervise your child. Hold hands together when walking on the footpath and crossing the road. You should do this until they are **at least ten years old**.

The beginning and end of the school day can be hectic

Entering or leaving the school can be a source of great excitement or even stress! Your child may not be focused on their own safety. Arrange a safe place to meet inside the school grounds or on the school side of the road. Never call your child across the road and please do not come onto the road to call your child from the school gates.

Using and sharing pedestrian road safety messages

At school, your child will learn about road safety as part of Personal Development, Health and Physical Education. Help them learn the pedestrian safety messages by using them and sharing them whenever you are out and about.

Hold a grown-up's hand when you're:

- on the footpath
- in a carpark
- crossing the road

Have a safe and happy fortnight,

Bronwyn Wilson

Principal

Up Coming Events

Monday 15 March - Area Swimming Carnival

Wednesday 17 March - Harmony

Tuesday 23 March - Grip Leadership

Wednesday 24 March - Kindy Welcome Party

Thursday 25 March - National Young Leaders Day

Tuesday 30 March - Cross Country

School News

Congratulations

Congratulations to Sol from 4J for receiving the first place award at the Young ICT Explorers Competition earlier this term. The Young ICT Explorers competition is a non-profit competition which aims to encourage primary and high school students in year 3-12 in Australia and New Zealand to solve real-world problems or showcase their passions using technology. Sol won 1st place in the year 3-4 division in Australia, which he was eligible to join after winning 1st place in N.S.W. competition last year. His project is about developing a reminder system for elderly people to take their daily medication. His 97 year old great grandmother was the motivation for Sol to plan this project. Congratulations, Sol, for your creative and innovative submission in this competition and good luck as you continue to develop "Medibot".

Student Participation in Volunteering

While we were enjoying the holidays two of our wonderful students were participating in community volunteering programs at Kids Giving Back.

Through the contribution of Lillyanna and Charlie H and the other volunteers, over 3700 meals and resources were prepared and distributed during the December /January school holiday period. Eleven Charities were assisted as a result of their work which supports the homeless and vulnerable in the community.

We are so proud of Lilly and Charlie and congratulate them on making a difference in the community.

If you would like to know more about the programs offered or the pedagogical framework we use please feel free to email info@kidsgivingback.org.

Harmony Day

West Pymble Public School will be celebrating Harmony Day on Wednesday 17 March 2021. Harmony Day is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, based on the successful integration of migrants into our community. It is an opportunity for all Australians to embrace cultural diversity and to share what we have in common. With various cultural backgrounds present within our school, we believe it is important and also a privilege to celebrate our cultural diversity.

To mark this occasion, we ask that the students come to school wearing something ORANGE. This could be a t-shirt, a wrist band, a head band, orange socks etc. Students will partake in various cultural activities and discussions in their class during the day. In this way, we hope to develop and foster a sense of inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

School Merit

Cross Country

2021 WEST PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

X COUNTRY




WHEN: TUESDAY 30 MARCH

WHERE: WPPS OVAL

Order your canteen meal deal now via the School24 Website

- Hot dog with a Chill J or water \$5.50
- 2 x hot dogs with a Chill J or water \$8.00
- Vegetarian hot dog with a Chill J or water \$7.00
- 2 x vegetarian hot dogs with a Chill J or water \$9.50



WPOOSC

Casual Places

Do you have an early meeting or need a shopping day?

We have casual morning places available everyday and plenty of spaces on a Friday afternoon at West Pymble Before & After School Care

Call us on **9418 1918** or email coordinator@wpoosc.com.au

P&C

Professional Networking Group Launch

The P&C is looking at an initiative to create a professional networking group, and we'd love for you to be part of it!

The networking group has two main objectives. The first is to promote and support local businesses within the school community. We are looking to create a directory of local businesses that are run by WPPS parents or carers so that other members of the school community are aware of your business and can potentially use your services.

Secondly, we want to look at opportunities where your skills and knowledge can be shared with students to support the learning objectives of their stage, in line with the school curriculum. This may involve coming in to chat to students in a particular stage about your field of work and to share the skills and experiences you have. You don't have to run a local business to participate in this part of the networking group – just a passion for what you do!

Further information about the networking group will be provided soon so keep an eye out in your child's clipfolder for all the details about how to get involved.

Save the Date

P&C General Meeting: The next P&C General Meeting will be on Monday 15 March, from 7.30pm. 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.

Kindy welcome party: The kindy students have done such a great job of settling into school with the help of their wonderful

Enrolments Online

FAQs about the Online Enrolment process.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1944/faqs_enrolments_online.pdf

From the Office

Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder NOT to send children to school if they are unwell, even if they have the mildest flu-like symptoms. Students will need to be tested and provide a copy of a negative COVID-19 test result and be symptom-free before being permitted to return to school.

Students who do not undertake a COVID-19 test will not be permitted to return to school for a 10-day period. Additionally, they must be symptom-free for at least 3 days prior to returning to school.

Kind regards,

WPPS Office

After School Care

buddies and we think they all deserve a little celebration! We will be having a fun morning on Wednesday 24 March including some treats and a mini disco.

Second hand uniform stall: The next second hand uniform stall is scheduled for Saturday 27 March, at 71 Kendall Street West Pymble. The next stall will focus on Winter and sports uniforms. If you have any pre-loved uniforms to donate to the stall you can leave them in a bag on Brenda's porch (71 Kendall Street, West Pymble). If you have any coathangers in good condition or clothes racks, we would love to take them off your hands.

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:

Lonii Broers: president@wppspnc.com.au

Paula Stokoe: vicepresident@wppspnc.com.au

Sharlene Atkinson: grants@wppspnc.com.au

Sandeep D'Sa: secretary@wppspnc.com.au

Tricia Wright: treasurer@wppspnc.com.au

Amanda Tyler: communications@wppspnc.com.au

Canteen

Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

The Canteen will be open on Thursday and Friday.

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Click below for how to order school lunches.

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

We are very much looking forward to preparing your healthy lunches!

The Canteen Team,

Wendela, Nada & Paulina

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. The girls' skorts and short sleeve blouses have now arrived.

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)

UNIFORM SHOP WEST PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL

Uniform Shop Hours

Regular Opening Time

2:00 pm – 3:30 pm Tuesdays & 8:30 am - 10:00am Thursdays

Opening Hours Term 1 2021

28 Jan 21	Thursday	8:30 am – 10:00 am
29 Jan 21	Friday	8:30 am – 10:00 am
01 Feb 21	Monday	8:30 am – 10:00 am
02 Feb 21	Tuesday	2:00 pm – 3:30 pm
Then Opens		
2:00pm -3:30pm Tuesdays & 8:30am – 10:00am Thursdays		

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www.exceluniforms.com.au

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

WPPS Band

Band program

The band program has had a very successful start to the year with Concert Band and Performance Band starting rehearsals last week. Training Band are settling into their new instruments with the excitement of the first lesson this week. We hope you all enjoy getting started!

For any band questions please contact wppsband@gmail.com.

Please note that rehearsals times:

Performance Band – 7.50am Tuesday and 3.15pm Thursday, commencement date: 9 February

Concert Band – 7.50 am Thursday, commencement date: 11 February

Training Band – 7.50am Monday, commencement date: TBC

Kind Regards

Community News

Squad Sports

3 DAY Multi-Sport Camp for Kids
APRIL 2021 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
 6th, 7th & 8th (Tues-Thurs)

SQUAD SPORTS

JOIN THE SQUAD

3 DAYS of sport + fun with qualified teachers
 9am-3pm (Extended hours available)
Venue: WEST PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL
 All school children in years K-6 welcome
 Limited spots and huge discounts for siblings
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Registrations NOW OPEN
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\$155
for
3 DAYS!

just football academy

APR '21
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP
 Mon Apr 12th - Wed Apr 14th | 9am - 1pm

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EXPIRES MAR 26

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BOYS & GIRLS 4-14 YEARS \$230 (tax est) | New players will receive a complimentary training jersey
 Register at justfootballacademy.com.au/register | Enquiries can be made on 1300 724 189

Kool Kidzz St Ives

West Pymble Football Club

We have places available in our Junior Girls Soccer teams at WPFC - from Girls Under 8yrs to Girls Under 12yrs.

WEST PYMBLE FOOTBALL CLUB

Girls U9
Players
Welcome

Register Today

Girls Under 9

Play with Friends
Fun Team Spirit
Weekly Training
Sunday Morning Games

Register in February
www.wpfc.com.au

Coerver April School Holiday Camps

Volunteer to teach Ethics

Do something life-changing this year

Teach ethics at West Pymble Public School



For around an hour a week, you can teach an ethics class at your local school and help children develop skills for life.

Ethics classes support children to develop the skills they need to voice their opinions, consider the ideas of others and to make decisions based on evidence and reasoning rather than habit or peer pressure.

In ethics classes, children discuss ethical issues using an approved curriculum designed for each age group and include topics such as Laziness, Voting, How can we work out what's true? and Imagining how others feel.

Volunteers are needed now to teach ethics classes at West Pymble PS. Training and support is provided.

Please contact Julie Brown-Gordon: julie.brown@primaryethics.com.au

Only about an hour a week

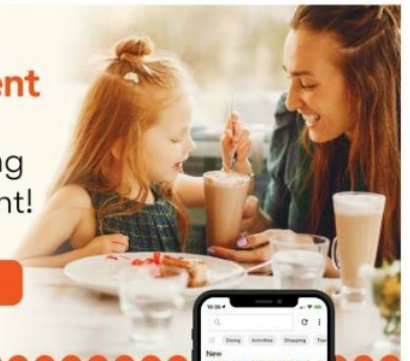
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Catholic Special Religious Education

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Healthy Lunch Box

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

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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.

Art

Art Classes

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Camerons Tennis School

Contact Chris Williams on 0418 688 803