



Palmwoods Pages



Upcoming Events

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SCHOOL ADMIN NEWS

29 March 2017

BOOK FAIR

27 - 30
March

CROSS COUNTRY

Thursday
30 March

END TERM 1

Friday
31 March

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Easter Monday
17 April

TERM 2

Begins
Tuesday
18 April

ANZAC SERVICE

Monday
24 April
1:45pm

SCHOOL CONTACTS

SCHOOL
5453 2444

ABSENTEE
HOT LINE
5453 2444
OPT 1

KIDS CLUB
5478 9499

TUCKSHOP
5453 2408

Uniform

Thank you to all of those parents who are ensuring their children come to school with black shoes according to our Uniform Policy. It was raised at our P&C Meeting last week that this is not happening with all our students every day.

So to support all our students in demonstrating pride in our wonderful school we are requesting any second hand black shoes in good condition that your child has grown out of are donated to school. This will allow us to provide a loan pair of shoes to those students not in the correct uniform each day and also may be used if families are struggling to purchase black shoes in the short term.

In the implementation of this policy the P&C has already provided a change over period of one year, please support your school and your children by sending them to school in uniform.

Chaplain

Our thanks and best wishes go with Jenny Schluesener as she moves forward with her career, she has been our Chaplain for over four years and in that time has done an enormous amount for our students, staff and parents.

Rebecca West will be working as our Chaplain for two days a week for the rest of the year. Rebecca has taught at Palmwoods about six years ago and we look forward to welcoming her back in this new role.

Anzac Day 2017

Palmwoods State School will be commemorating Anzac Day this year with a service on Monday 24 April commencing at 1.45pm in the hall. All families and community members are invited to attend. The service is conducted by our Year 6 student leaders. This year we are exploring the actions of 5 of our local Palmwoods veterans and how they served in the Australian Defence Forces. We also remember those Palmwoods citizens who lost their lives during World War 1. Students also have the opportunity to participate in the Anzac Day Competitions, proudly sponsored by the Palmwoods Sub-Branch of the RSL.

The competitions and Prizes are:

Prep to Year 3- Colouring In competition - First prize to each grade, a box of colouring sticks/crayons, value \$10. Teachers have been given the particular drawing to be coloured in that depicts some aspect of Anzac Day.

Years 4 & 5- Poster First prize for each grade, a \$20 gift voucher (QBD bookshop or similar). A Persuasive Poster (A3 Size): Topic: "Anzac Day – We Will Always Remember"

Yr 6 Writing – Biographical Recount of a Veteran. First prizes 5 x \$30 gift voucher (QBD bookshop or similar). Students have already interviewed 5 veterans. Students will select one of the veterans and create a Biographical Recount of their service. This will be done as part of the Yr 6 curriculum and will be completed in class.

Entries for the competition need to be given to class teachers by 3:00pm Thursday 20 April. Class Teachers will select a class winner and then a Year level winner is selected to receive the Anzac Day competition prize listed above. These will be given during the service on Monday 24 April. We look forward to seeing many of you at our special Commemorative Service on Monday 24 April at 1:45pm in the School Hall.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish our students and staff a great break and I hope that you as parents are able to enjoy some extra time with your children. A reminder the first day of Term 2 is Tuesday 18 April as Monday is a public holiday.

Peter Wilson
Principal

CURRICULUM CORNER

Mental Strategies for Maths

There are three main strategies we are teaching to help students to calculate one and two digit number equations using mental strategies. These are:

Jump 2. Split 3. Compensate.

We teach the students that it doesn't matter which strategy they use, as different ones work for different people and for different types of sums. The idea is to understand the different strategies and choose the one that works at the time! Last Newsletter I shared the Jump strategy. This time it's the Split Strategy.

2. Split Strategy – numbers are split into their place value parts. The place value parts are added or subtracted.

Addition

$$45 + 38$$

A student might think:
 $(40+30) + (5+8)$
 $70 + 13 = 83$

Subtraction

$$76 - 33$$

A student might think:
 $(70-30) + (6-3)$
 $40 + 3 = 43$

Students' informal recording of the Split strategy may resemble the following:

If the value in the ones place is larger in the number to take away, students can split in non-standard ways eg

How can I help at home?

- Play maths games that involve adding or subtracting eg card or dice games for 1 and 2 digit numbers, add number plates while driving, ask them to calculate amounts at the shops etc.
- Ask your child about the strategy they used to work out the sums and talk to them about the strategy you used. Compare your choices and note that any strategy is appropriate, as long as the answer is the same.

Happy Calculating! If you have any questions about this, come along with your child to the Maths Club, every Friday morning 8:00am-8:30am in the Library. Teachers are on hand to answer questions and model strategies, with your child, so you can see firsthand how they use these strategies.

Kellie Martin

Head of Curriculum

No Maths Club this Friday 31 March.
Maths Club will recommence Week 1 Term 2 on Friday 21 April.

CROSS COUNTRY

Palmwoods State School will be holding our annual Cross Country/Fun Run on Friday 21st April.

Yr 3	12.00pm
Yr 2	12.15pm
Yr 1	12.30pm
Prep	12.40pm
Born 2005	1.45pm
Born 2006	2.00pm
Born 2007	2.15pm
Born 2008	2.30pm

*Please note:
These times are approximate
only*



- The focus of the Junior School races will be on participation
- The Top 3 placegetters will receive place ribbons
- If you have a Year 3 student born in 2008 who wishes to race in the Championship age group rather than their Year level, you will need to get Mr Kearney's (HPE Teacher) permission to do so.
- All Senior School competitors will be scoring points towards their house totals and winners of competitive senior races will be receiving Age Champion medals and place ribbons.

All parents and relatives are invited to attend and help cheer along our students.

The Tuckshop will be running a BBQ with Tea, Coffee & Cake from 12pm for parents and visitors.

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

‘Bookaneer’ Book Fair

The ‘Bookaneer’ Book Fair once again is sailing into our Library. The Book Fair will be held in the Library this week. The Fair began on Monday 27 March and will finish on Thursday 30 of March. We will be open from 8:00am to 9:00am and 3:00pm to 4:00pm.

The Book Fairs are a fantastic way to support your Library and school, while giving your child a fantastic opportunity to own and read some beautiful books.

Book Fairs enable us to add to our collection to ensure we have the latest books to read along with replacing old favourites.

*Vic Mijnarends
Librarian/Teacher*



SCHOOL WATCH

LOOK, LISTEN AND REPORT PHONE 13 17 88

Help look after our school. If you notice any unusual activity on the school grounds or in school buildings in non school hours please report to the above number.

YEAR 5 CAMP



One week ago Year 5 went to Stanley River. It was a great experience and it was very educational. The most fun thing that we did was canoeing to Discovery Island. It was an awesome experience to canoe there and to learn a lot about their jobs back then. We did some of the pioneering work and had a feel of how hard it was for the early settlers. We made damper and ate it and it tasted really good. The whole camp was really amazing and I know everyone enjoyed it. Also at camp we painted boomerangs and sanded them. They look awesome. As an activity at camp we hiked down to an area and made a shelter and we slept under a tarp. Camp was an amazing experience and now I know what camping is like. We went for 3 nights, which is more challenging than other camps we've done. Everyone was resilient all the way through even when times were tough!

By Cameron B and Mia B - Class 5G



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Holiday ART



with Cheryl Pey

Easter - Wed 5 or Thurs 6 April 2017

Time: 9am - 12 noon

Here is your opportunity 9 - 12 yr old's
to paint what you'd like!

Bring a picture or
choose from my selection.

All Materials supplied \$45
(Includes 50x40cm Deep-sided Canvas)

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