



PALLAMALLAWA PUBLIC SCHOOL

Newsletter Thursday 6th February 2014

Principal: Julie Schwartz

The Calendar

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February

Wed 12th Assembly

2.30pm

Wed 19th Active After-school Program 3-4pm

Thur 20th P & C AGM

7pm

Fri 21st Moree Zone Swim Carnival – McKechnie Shield.

Wed 26th Active After-school Program 3-4pm

March

Wed 5th Active After-school Program 3-4pm

Wed 12th Active After-school Program 3-4pm

Wed 19th Active After-school Program 3-4pm

Wed 26th Active After-school Program 3-4pm

Welcome back to the 2014 School Year

Classes and Staff for 2014

Senior Administration Manager – Mrs Hodge

Kindergarten / Year 1 / Year 2 – Miss Amy Gordon

Year 3/4/5/6 – Mrs Schwartz

ESES Teacher – Mrs Sullivan

Release from Face to Face & Library – Mrs Barwick

Rural Area Relief Teacher – Mrs Pidgeon

Tempo Cleaning – Mrs Tracy Bartram

General Assistant – Mr Craig Haley

2014 Kinda Students with K-2 Teacher Miss Gordon.



We extend a big welcome to our new Kinda students and their families.

Canteen starts

Monday, 10th February.

School Fees - \$50 each student

This amount covers the cost of textbooks used by students. This needs to be paid by Friday, 28th February. The School subsidises the cost of text books, exercise books and classroom consumables for each child.

Voluntary Contribution

Parents can make a Voluntary Contribution to the school. \$10

Ipad/Laptop Fee: \$10 per student a term. This fee covers education programs the school purchases each year to support learning. e.g. Athletics computer program for students to access at school and home.

Homework

Homework for K-6 will commence next week for both classes.

K-2 students will receive readers that need to be returned each week.

Please assist your child by making sure their homework is returned each week.

This is an important part of assisting students with the daily learning activities. It is the policy of our school for all students to complete homework during the week. This will vary from time to time. We encourage all students to borrow regularly from our library for personal reading. This will be part of your child's homework.

Parents are reminded that if you have any concerns please organise an appointment time with the School office to come and discuss the matter with the class teacher or the Principal.

Don't forget Mrs Sullivan our learning support teacher is available to talk to parents about learning issues as well. Mrs Sullivan's will continue to work with students on Tuesday. Please contact the office to organise an appointment time to speak to the class teacher or Mrs Sullivan.

P & C AGM

Thursday,

20th February, 7pm

All Welcome

Active After-School Community Program

Last year the school successfully applied to participate in the Active After-School Community Program. The AASC Program is a free Australian Government initiative that provides primary school children with access to sport and structured physical activity programs after school.

The Staff Development Day saw all staff trained to deliver this program. Our Program will commence on Wednesday, 19th February and will run from 3-4pm for 7 weeks every Wednesday. A permission / information note will be sent home tomorrow. All students are encouraged to participate. Afternoon tea will be provided.

Before School

Teacher supervision is provided from 8.40am. Students should not be arriving before this time unless previously arranged.

Attendance

Parents are reminded that all absences need to be explained in writing within 7 days of absence. Partial Attendance (late arrival) to school also will be documented and will need an explanation.

Assembly

Our Major Assemblies will be held on Wednesday this term. 3 major assemblies will be held each term. The first major afternoon assembly will be Wednesday, 12th February, 2.30pm.

At our Wednesday morning Assembly awards will be presented each week.

Library for 2014

Both classes will have library on Thursday this year.

Media / Walking Permission Note*

These need to be completed and returned to school. The walking note covers all activities your child will be involved in during 2014 when moving around the village. Students will be supervised at all times.

Update of Family Contact Information.*

Please complete the update and return to school as soon as possible. We need to make sure information for family contacts is up to date. It is extremely important for the school to have up to date contact information especially if the school needs to contact parents quickly.

The Medical note is a Department of Education requirement and must be completed before your child can attend any excursions.

*These notes will be sent home on Friday for those students requiring updated information.

Student Banking

Starts next Monday, 10th February. Students need to give their bank books to Mrs Hodge on arrival at school.

School Newsletters - Thursdays

At this stage the School newsletter will be sent home on Thursday. Parents are reminded the newsletter can be delivered through email.

Sport

The morning program will commence next week. Three mornings a week students will be involved in activities for fundamental movement skills, skipping and dance. Friday Sport for K-2 will be during the mornings and 3-6 during the afternoon session.

3-6 Excursion

This year 3-6 will be going to Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Camp for the Major Excursion. The Camp dates are in Term 3 - 15th to 19th September. An information/permission note will be sent home later this term.

Holiday Reading Packs.

Mrs Sullivan has requested for holiday reading packs to be returned.

Canteen

Canteen will commence on Monday 10th February. Kerry Munn is the Canteen coordinator. Kerry is organising a roster for canteen duties for all families. At this stage families will be allocated to do Friday canteen. The Friday fruit program will continue and parents will be placed on a roster to supply fruit. Mrs Kerrie McNamara will **continue to assist** with Canteen every Monday. Please contact Kerry Munn on Mobile No: 0458 250 458 and let her know if you require a special day to assist.

Canteen price list will remain the same as last year. This will be updated during the term.

2014 Canteen Roster Term 1

Monday Canteen		Friday Canteen		Friday Fruit Roster
10 th Feb	Kerrie McNamara	14 th Feb	Kay Grant	Kylie Kumar
17 th Feb	Kerrie McNamara	21 st Feb	Jill Walker	Danni Smith
24 th Feb	Kerrie McNamara	28 th Feb	Donna Stevens	Amy Hayley
3 rd Mar	Kerrie McNamara	7 th Mar	Jodi Rigby	Katreana Byers
10 th Mar	Kerrie McNamara	14 th Mar	Kerry Munn	Casey Schneider
17 th Mar	Kerrie McNamara	21 st Mar	Tracey Baker	Kathy Crouch
24 th Mar	Kerrie McNamara	28 th Mar	Heidi Johnstone	Rennae Hancock
31 st Mar	Kerrie McNamara	4 th April	Belinda Schoupp	Kerry Munn
7 th April	Kerrie McNamara	11 th April	Bec Emery	Jill Walker

2014 Fruit Roster Term 1

Thank you to the parents who assisted with supplying fruit last year.

All families are placed on the fruit roster. It is understood some families cannot assist with canteen due to work commitments but ALL families are asked to be involved by supplying fruit for the canteen helpers to prepare. All our students have access to fruit and enjoy the opportunity each Friday at recess.

Community News

Warialda Junior League Sign on Days

Sign on days will be held on Saturday the 8th and 15th February at the Warialda Town pool. Both days will run from 11am and finish at 2pm.

Allan Austin, president of the Warialda Club encourages all interested players to attend the sign on days at the Warialda Town pool. In particular, any under 16's players interested in playing this year are urged to attend to ensure required numbers are met prior to the season commencing. Anyone interested in coaching a team this season is also encouraged to attend the sign on sessions.

PCYC MOREE

The Moree PCYC has some exciting new activities in 2014 for school aged children and there has been some changes to the previous timetable;

Laser Tag - The 1st, 2nd & 3rd Fridays each month from 6pm - 9pm. The cost is \$5 per game which runs for 15 minutes of adrenaline pumping action packed fun or 3 games for \$12. Laser tag is also available for hire on Saturday & Sundays for Birthday parties, Team Bonding sessions, Businesses and Youth Groups. Ages 5+

Blue Light Disco - The last Friday each month and the cost is \$5. Junior Disco runs from 6pm - 7:30pm and the Seniors from 8pm - 10pm

Gymnastics - Thursdays 3:30pm - 5:15pm. Please note a change to costing due to affiliation now with Gymnastics NSW and they are as follows; \$40 term fee and \$35 affiliation fee with Gymnastics NSW (Please note affiliation fee is for 12 months). Ages 5+

Brazilian Jui Jitsu - Has now moved to Tuesday Night at 6pm and cost is \$5. Ages 5+

Archery - Has now moved to Tuesday at 6pm and cost is \$5. Ages 5+

Physical Culture - An exciting move for the Moree PCYC as it is now called home for the Moree Physical Culture club for 2014. If you wish to participate please contact club for more information.

Junior Futsal - We are requesting interested parents to come along on Wednesday at 4pm to the Moree PCYC to hopefully generate enough interest to continue Futsal at our club. We hope to operate a competition with a minimum of four teams and need parental guidance and confirmation of children attendances before futsal will operate.

Junior Netball - We are looking to run a Junior Indoor Netball competition of a Tuesday afternoon. We are asking all parents/ friends that are interested and willing to help to contact the Moree PCYC.

Please note to participate in the above you must be a current member of the Moree PCYC. Junior Membership for 12 months is \$10. Please find our updated timetable for 2014 at

www.pcychnsw.org.au/moree

For all other information please contact the club on 02 67523741