Pallamallawa Public School

Newsletter 6th August 2020

Rel Principal: Ms Sharyn Pidgeon

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome to Week 3

STOP: Staff & Students Only

The important sign on the front gate needs to be adhered to. Parents/Visitors are walking into the school and dropping their child/children off and not signing in at the office. If you need to come onto school grounds for ANY reason, you must go to the office and sign in and complete the mandatory DoE paperwork.

Lake Ainsworth 3-6 Excursion

Unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions and DoE guidelines we have had to cancel the 3-6 Excursion to Lake Ainsworth this year. All money paid, will be refunded, please contact the office to arrange the return of your funds.

HSLO-Attendance

The school is required to contact HSLO (Home School Liaison Officer) about concerns of a student's attendance. It is a requirement that students attend school every day.

Pallamallawa Public School Attendance Policy states after two days absence, Parents are required to contact the school in writing or by phone to explain the absence. We thank you for your support.

GA Position

The GA Position at our school has become available. Anyone interested in applying for this position please contact the Principal for details on conditions of Employment and DoE requirements.

Education Week - Week 3

Monday 3rd August - Friday 7th August we will be celebrating Education Week. Unfortunately due to COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to have visitors on school grounds. However, we will be posting regularly on our School Facebook page of all the exciting things our students have been learning about this year. Please follow us on our Facebook page.



Johnstone Concrete and Quarries

A Very Big Thank you to Mitchell, Heidi and staff at Johnstone Concrete & Quarries for donating to the school a load of gravel for the car park and a load of sand for the play equipment area and long jump pit.





<u>Michael Hazell / Taunton Family -</u>

<u>Golden Grain Hotel</u>

A very Big Thank you must also go to Michael Hazell who kindly spread the gravel and sand where it needed to go. The Taunton family for the use of the equipment to spread it out.



Yoga-Wellbeing Program

Commencing Week 3 in the afternoon, all students will be participating in a session each day, which will involve different activities/themes e.g Respect, Calm, Focus and Self Control.

These sessions will be run by a Specialist Instructor - Miss Taz. Our students will be participating in the Wellbeing Program from Tuesday to Friday for 2 weeks in Weeks 3 & 4.



<u>P & C Meeting</u>

The next P & C Meeting will be held on Monday 7th September 2020, at Rigby Park. Commencing at 3.30pm. All Welcome to attend. Social distancing and NSW Health Guidelines will apply.

DoE - COVID-19 Updated Information

At Present:

- Non-essential adults are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events this includes parents/carers unless specifically approved by the principal.
- All users of school facilities and visitors to the school site need to be aware of the distancing, health and hygiene measures required by the school and receive written confirmation of the understanding. Forms need to be completed by all visitors and are available in the office.
- P & C Meetings Can recommence Term 3. Strong preference for online where possible.
- Parent/carer school pick up and drop off arrangements should continue, remembering adult social distancing.

Has been deferred until further notice:

- Excursions, parent attendance at assemblies and other school events e.g. public speaking, parent volunteers.
- School based activities involving large gathering of adults are not allowedincluding parent functions, working bees, fundraisers, school BBQs, large parent information evenings.
- Cancelled or delayed-large arts and sports events.
- Jumpstart Transition program has been postponed at this stage..

Change of Addresses-Mobile Phone Numbers

Parents need to update all changes with the school. This supports communication with the school, staff and parents, especially in emergency situations.

Afternoon changes to routines

<u>PLEASE</u> changes to transport home. <u>DO NOT TEXT or EMAIL CHANGES</u> after 2pm. Do not assume the text or email will be read. <u>Speak to someone</u>. Desley Hodge is not at school every day. School email account is not checked daily. Staff do not check emails until late in the day.

Parents are reminded that any changes to afternoon bus or pickups of your child, you need to contact the school. Students can be confused and staff need to be able to support with this. This includes if you are running late to pick up your child, **please ring the school to let us know**.

<u>P & C Father's Day Raffle</u>

The P & C are holding an Online Father's Day Raffle. The Prize is a Stihl Ms170 Miniboss Chainsaw, Petrol & Oil Cans from Thomas Lee Motorcycles in Moree.

Head over to the P & C Facebook page to find out how to purchase tickets.



Tickets are selling like Hotcakes, so be quick!

Parents

We appreciate your assistance with the following:

<u>Water Bottles</u>: Please insure your child has a water bottle each day. Bottles may be refilled. At this stage all bubblers are out of use for drinking from. <u>Health Advise</u>: If your child is unwell, please keep them at home.

Drop Off and Pick Up: Please remain in your vehicle when dropping off or picking up your child/children.

<u>Social Distancing</u>: We ask that parents remember social distancing outside the school grounds.

P & C Meeting Monday 7th Sept @ 3.30pm, at Rigby Park.