

Pallamallawa Public School

Newsletter 13th October 2022 Week 1 Term 4

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Calendar 2022

OCT

Wed 19th Healthy Harold
Virtual Visit

Thurs 20th Jumpstart

Thurs 20th Public Speaking
Night at 6.30pm

Mon 24th School Photo Day
from 11.45am

Thurs 27th Jumpstart

NOV

Thurs 3rd Jumpstart

Thurs 10th Jumpstart -
Graduation Assembly

Mon 14th - Tues 15th Learn to
Swim

Mon 21st - Wed 23rd Learn to
Swim

DEC

Thurs 1st Swimming Carnival

Fri 9th Presentation Day 10am

Fri 16th Green Valley Farm
Excursion

Fri 16th Last Day of Term 4

Mon 19th - Tues 20th

Professional Learnings Days

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Ms P's Update

Welcome to Week 1!

We have all hit the ground running, as this will be another very busy term for us all, due to staff shortages and a very full calendar already.

The Department of Education has notified all schools of a date change for the last day of Term 4 classes.

Students will now finish school on Friday 16th December 2022.

This is due to an additional School Development Day announced for staff across NSW public schools.

School Development Days allow our staff to participate in professional learning that was put on hold due to COVID-19 staffing pressures and plan ahead for 2023 to ensure we meet the needs of our students.

With this change, we ask that you arrange care for your child on Monday 19th December 2022.

Sharyn Pidgeon | Principal



Sandra Parsons Public Speaking Night - Change of Date

Due to circumstances beyond our control our Annual Sandra Parsons Public Speaking Award Night will be held on Thursday 20th October commencing at 6.30pm. Doors to the hall will be open from 6pm. Come along and listen to and support your child with their speeches.



School Photo Day

Our school photo day will be held on Monday 24th October. Photo envelopes have been sent home with students last term, these need to be return this week. Details for online ordering is at the bottom of this newsletter. A reminder email was sent out earlier this week, with access to order online.

Melbourne Cup Day

Students are welcome to come dressed up for Melbourne Cup Day on Tuesday 1st November.

Attendance

Our student attendance rate is: 92.3%. Thank you parents.

Congratulations to Annabella who won the Term 3 Attendance Award with 100% attendance. Well Done.



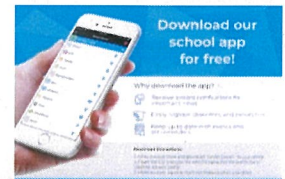
Parent Contact - Changes to Travel Arrangements

Any parent that wishes to contact the principal or teachers please ring the school office phone on 67549 2909 during office hours (8.30am to 3.30pm), or the school mobile :0448 498 346 after hours for emergencies only.

Changes to travel arrangements - Parents are reminded that any changes to afternoon bus or pickups of your child, you as the parent needs to contact the school. Students can be confused, and staff need to be able to support with this.

School App-Reminder

Just a reminder to parents to download the FREE School App to keep up to date with what's going on at school and any emergency notices that we may need to put out.



Thank you for liking and sharing our Facebook page, where you will find exciting things happening in and around our school. <https://www.facebook.com/Pallamallawa-Public-School-109487817952262>

facebook

school photographs are coming up soon

Please note: Traditional or Composite group and the presentation format are chosen by your school. Sitting photos, if available, can also be ordered online and must be placed prior to your photo day. A late fee will apply for photos purchased after entering the school.

how to order

order online
Online payment options include Visa, Mastercard and PayPal. Alternatively, you can phone to pay over 10 weeks using LathomPay.

STEP 1
Go to www.advancedlife.com.au on your computer, phone or tablet.

STEP 2
Enter your school code
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in the 'order and download' box. This will take you to your school's secure online ordering site.

STEP 3
Click on 'Order Photos' and complete your details and procedures. During this process you can place orders for additional children at your school and sitting photos, if available.

cash/envelope ordering
Your school prefers orders to be placed online. However, if you are unable to order online, please complete your order using the order envelope provided.

STEP 1
Complete a separate order envelope for each individual child's package ordered. If ordering for more than one child, payment should be enclosed in the envelope of the eldest child and this should be indicated on the envelope of the other children (the envelope that does not have cash enclosed).

STEP 2
Enclose exact cash payment in one envelope for the package's you are ordering. If payment for more than one child should be in the eldest child's envelope and marked at the bottom of the envelope in the space provided.

STEP 3
Return your completed envelope/s, with correct cash payment, to our photographers on the day.

Please note: You must enclose exact correct payment, as change is not available. Credit card payments can only be made online and we no longer accept cheques. There is a separate envelope for sitting photo orders, should your school choose to offer sitting photos.

School photographs will be returned to your school 4-6 weeks after the day of photography.

IMPORTANT: "not for publication" students
If you have indicated your school that your child's image is "not for publication" (sometimes called "do not publish" or "not for media release" instructions), the school will ensure that your child is not presented to our photographers on photo day and school photographs will not be available for purchase. If you wish to change your instruction, then you must notify your school, so they change their records and identify your child as able to be photographed for school photography purposes. All students presented to our photographers by your school on photo day will be photographed, their images will appear in school photography packages with their fellow students and these packages will be available to purchase by all families.

Contact us: www.advancedlife.com.au/contact

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school photography in the heart of Australia

P & C Meeting
Monday 17th
October at 3.30pm



School Travel

Term 4 2022

2023 school travel applications are now open

Applications for student travel in 2023 open from **Monday 10 October 2022**.

Students who need a School Opal card or travel pass for 2023 can [apply](#) now. A new application will need to be submitted if they are applying for the first time, or if they are requesting an additional travel entitlement as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation (e.g. joint custody).

Students who change address, school, campus location, have repeated a year or received an expiry notification from Transport for NSW for their school travel entitlement should [renew or update](#) their details before **the end of term 4**. This will ensure that schools can endorse applications, and entitlements remain valid for the start of the 2023 school year. School Opal card holders will have the changes applied to their existing card.

If a student's distance eligibility has changed based on their grade (i.e. grade two to grade three), the system will automatically update their entitlement if they meet the new criteria. If they do not meet the new [eligibility criteria](#), we will send an expiry notification via email.

Students who have an entitlement approved under a medical condition that is due to expire will receive a notification advising them to re-apply.

[Term Bus Pass](#) holders will receive a notification to re-apply.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their Student Opal card at their nominated postal address. Cards will be mailed out from January 2023.

Students living in rural and regional (R&R) areas should receive their travel pass at the start of the new school year from their nominated transport operator. It may come via the school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some R&R operators do not issue travel passes.

Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Travel from Term 1 2023

We ask that parents plan ahead and make sure their child knows which service/s to use and has a valid ticket to travel; either a School Opal card or Child/Youth Opal card (within Greater Sydney) or a School Travel Pass (outside Greater Sydney), from the start of the school year.

Applications for 2023 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel open at the start of Term 4 2022, so parents/students can [apply](#) or [update](#) details early and be ready for the start of the new school year.

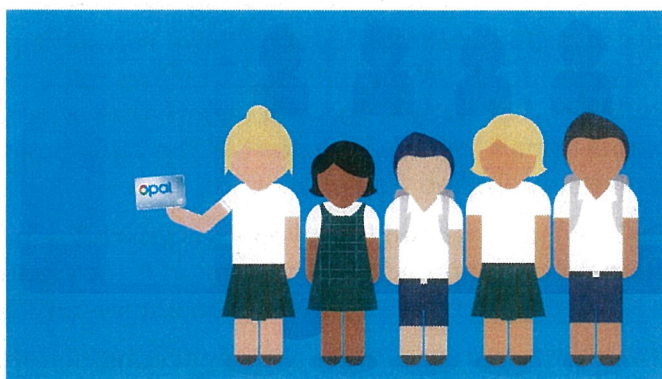
Most students using the Opal network will not need a new Opal card and can continue travelling on their existing card each year.

The start of the year is a busy period for local transport operators, and students travelling without a valid ticket make service planning and operations difficult.

We recognise that for some families last minute changes to school enrolments mean they may not have a School Opal card or Travel Pass for the start of term. In the Opal network, we strongly encourage these families to have their children travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Bus operators are flexible and understanding, particularly at the start of the school year, and will ensure students can travel safely to and from school. But to best support our operators we encourage all students to have a valid ticket, as early as possible, from the start of the school year.

Students using School Opal cards are also reminded that they must tap on and tap off in line with the [Student code of conduct](#) and [Opal terms of use](#).



Further information can be found at transportnsw.info/travel-info/using-public-transport/school-travel

Enquiries can be submitted at transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/passes-concessions-feedback