

Pallamallawa Public School

Newsletter 10th February 2022

Principal: Ms Sharyn Pidgeon

Calendar 2022

FEB

Fri 18th Assembly-Virtual

@ 2.30pm

MAR

Fri 11th Assembly-Virtual

@ 2.30pm

APR

Fri 1st Assembly-Virtual

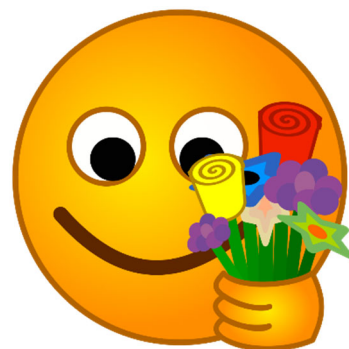
@ 2.30pm

Welcome to Week 2

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome Back

I would like to congratulate the children of Pallamallawa PS on the seamless way they have settled into their new classes. As I walked around the school, I saw a sea of smiles and teachers engaged in the task of settling their class.



The early weeks of a school year are an important time for teachers to get to know their students, their interests, and how they learn. So too is it a great time for parents to get to know the teachers, and to pass on any concerns, aims or focus areas. Unfortunately, we do not have any indication of when parents will be allowed back onto the school grounds, as drop off and pick up are always a great way to have that informal conversation with teachers. If there is information you would like to share with your child's classroom teacher, please email/ ring the school with the subject heading of the classroom teachers name requesting a return phone call and the teacher will call you back at their earliest convenience. It is also important as parents to know what is happening in the classroom. If throughout the year you have any concerns, please remember you should always contact the classroom teacher first, and then if not satisfied, the Principal.

Kindergarten

It is always an exciting time of year having Kindergarten students start their first full day of school, and Tuesday was no exception. There were excited and nervous children, parents, along with a few teachers. However, everything went very smoothly, and I thank everyone involved for their understanding of the restrictions we have had to put in place.

Mobile Phones/Smart Watches

If children are to bring a mobile phone or a smart watch to school, it should be placed on the principals desk and collected at the end of the school day.

Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) Kits

We will be sending home with each child next Friday a further 4 RAT kits. They will be given to the children to place in their bag on Friday afternoon and we ask parents to check bags once the children come home. (If parents prefer to collect the kits themselves please notify the office and we will hold them for you to collect). We will send a reminder via the school app. It is not compulsory for children to utilise the kits, but strongly encouraged. As a school we ask that parents complete the tests on Monday and Wednesday mornings and notify the school of any positive tests. I will notify the school community of positive tests and what classes could be impacted. If there is no notification, that means we have not been informed

of any cases within our student cohort.

There has been several COVID cases within our school community in the holidays which has not affected any student or class since returning to school.

Uniforms

I would like to thank all parents and students of Pallamallawa PS for wearing the correct uniform and hats.

Sharyn Pidgeon

Principal

Staffing for 2021

Principal - Learning and Support Teacher: Sharyn Pidgeon

3-6 Classroom Teacher: Justine Hazell

Kinder/Year 1 & Year 2 Classroom Teacher: Alanah Radka-Wager

School Administration Manager: Desley Hodge

Casual GA: Dean Caccianiga

JOSS Cleaner: Robert Ovington (Temporary)

Canteen Coordinator: ???

Uniform Coordinator: Nicole Rigby

Kindergarten

Welcome to our five new kinder students:

Mason, Lincoln, Isla, Georgie(Absent) &

Ebony.

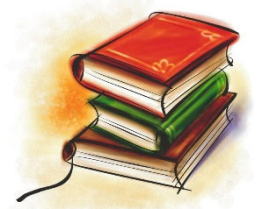


Commonwealth Student Banking

Student Banking has been withdrawn from all schools. Students who banked on a regular basis last year will receive the remaining rewards to take home on Friday. The school thanks parents for supporting this program over the last few years.

Library

Library will be held on a Friday this term. Parents please send your child with their library bag and books on this day. Any library books at home need to be returned to school.



P & C Canteen

There will be No canteen until further notice.

Assembly

Due to COVID-19 restrictions we will be holding virtual assemblies for term 1. The first assembly will be on Friday 18th February, commencing at 2.30pm, on the schools Facebook page.

Transport NSW

Primary students in NSW could be entitled to free or concession travel to and from school. Free or subsidised travel is available for eligible students through: School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) and or School Drive Subsidy.

Parents are encouraged to go onto the Transport NSW website to check and apply online:

<https://transportnsw.info/tickets-opal/ticket-eligibility-concessions/child-student-concessions/primary-secondary-school>

Permission Notes

To assist with school organisation we will be sending home this Friday, the following notes for completion and return to the school office.

- Variation of School Routine - Walking Note
- Authority to publish - Media
- Updated Family Information**
- Technology Hire*

The school will only be asking parents to pay a *technology hire fee this year of \$50 per student. This fee will help with the cost of updating and repairing our school laptops, iPads and other technology items.

Please complete the **Updated family information note-as a lot of people update phones, change email addresses or move over the Christmas holidays and we need the correct information for our emergency contacts.

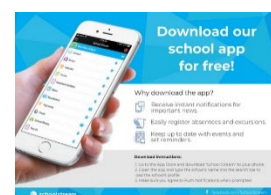
We appreciate your cooperation in the prompt completion and return of these notes to the school office.

Sport

Sport will be held on a Friday.

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>

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INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMERS

Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Friday, 18 February 2022

9 am to 4 pm

Near the Golden Grain Hotel, Bingera Street

PALLAMALLAWA

For more information, go to servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice



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Australian Government Mobile Service Centres



If you live in a rural area, you may need to travel greater distances to access government payments and services. To make it easier for you to access these services, we're bringing them to you and your community.

Mobile Service Centres travel extensively throughout rural and regional Australia and also to disaster affected areas to provide help and support.

Staff from Services Australia travel with the Mobile Service Centres and can help you with Centrelink and Medicare payments and services. Our Mobile Service Centres also have disabled access.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Wi-Fi is available for visitors to the Mobile Service Centre and staff will be able to help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

Our staff will provide you with friendly face-to-face service, information and support. From time to time, representatives from other government agencies also travel with the Mobile Service Centres.

Information and help you can access on board the Mobile Service Centres

We provide information, help and support to rural and regional communities, including:

- families
- older Australians
- students
- job seekers
- people with disability
- carers
- farmers
- self-employed people.

We can assist you with:

- registering and using the agency's online services
- new claims for Centrelink payments
- updating and confirming Centrelink and Medicare information
- information on how financial matters may impact on payments
- assistance with payment and service options
- rural payment entitlements for eligible farmers
- non-cash Medicare transactions
- enrolling for and issuing new Medicare cards
- updating and re-issuing Medicare cards
- social work support and referrals.

More information

To view the latest itineraries for the Australian Government Mobile Service Centres, visit servicesaustralia.gov.au/mobileoffice

The stopping locations for Mobile Service Centres are promoted in each town and on social media before each visit.



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CLEANERS REQUIRED

JOSS Facility Management are looking for cleaning staff to work at local Government sites across regional NSW.

PPE, Training and Uniforms provided.

Applicants need to provide a valid Working With Children Check upon application and successful applicants will be required to undertake a pre-employment medical prior to commencement.

Please contact JOSS Facility Management via email on careers@jossgroup.com.au



Check us out on Facebook [JOSS Cleaning](#)

Or visit our webpage
www.jossgroup.com.au

JOSS Facility Management Group is constantly looking for permanent/casual and temporary employees. If you are interested in employment, please email the contact listed.