

PALLY NEWS

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Issue 2



Ms P's UPDATE

Congratulations to our representative swimmer, Lilly-Anne who attended the Zone Swimming Carnival at Narrabri. It is always a pleasure to see Lilly-Anne represent our school with such pride and give it her all. We wish you all the very best as you head off to Armidale to compete in the North West Swimming Trials on Monday 10th.

High Expectations

As we settle into school routines, it is important time to reinforce our high expectations around upholding our Core Values and striving to be upstanders in the face of bullying behaviours. For our students, this means we need to explicitly teach what it looks like to be respectful, take responsibility for our words and actions, develop success in the face of challenge to achieve our personal best.

Above all, be inclusive of all members of our school community.



Student Behaviour and Support Plan

The Student Behaviour and Support Plan has been published to our website.

<https://pallamallawa-p.schools.nsw.gov.au/about-our-school/rules-and-policies.html>

Please take the time to view the Behaviour and Support Plan for Pallamallawa Public School.

I look forward to seeing you all at the School Assembly this Friday 2.30pm.

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RESPECT

RESPONSIBILITY

SUCCESS

NAPLAN 2025

The National Assessment Program-Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a point in time assessment of literacy and numeracy skills. Each year students in Years 3,5,7 and 9 participate in tests for writing, reading, conventions of language (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. NAPLAN this year will take place from Wednesday 12 March to Monday 24 March. The Writing assessment will be held on 12 March. NAPLAN tests are just one part of our school learning assessment program and questions are primarily based on knowledge, understanding and skills gained from the prior year of schooling. In preparation for NAPLAN 2025, our school will undertake activities to help students to become familiar with the format and functionality of the online tests. These activities are not an assessment of student ability and will not be marked. Students and parents can access the public demonstration site(<https://www.nap.edu.au/onlineassessment/publicdemonstration-site>) to familiarise themselves with NAPLAN and the types of questions and tools available. Excessive preparation for NAPLAN is not required nor recommended. If you have any questions about NAPLAN, please contact your child's teacher.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

There will be a whole school assembly this Friday 7th March, commencing at 2.30pm. Parents, grand parents and community members are welcome and encouraged to come along.



LIBRARY

Library for both classes is on a Friday for 2025. Please make sure your child's library books are in their bag ready to be returned and exchanged for a new book. The borrowing time has been extended to two weeks.



STEM DAY

Pallamallawa Students will be joining with Gravesend and Croppa Creek Schools for a STEM Day on Tuesday 18th March. They will be looking at Natural Disasters



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CONTACT DETAILS

Parents in order to keep update to date please make sure your contact details to the school: phone numbers and email address are current etc. When the Newsletter was sent out last week, some bounced back.



UNE DISCOVERY INTERSCHOOL VISIT

Pallamallawa Public School has been invited to participate in an interschool UNE Discovery visit to St Josephs School on Friday 14th March.

This will be a great chance for students to participate and network in different group activities during the day. The activities will be : Crime Scene Investigations, The Magic of Physics and Creative Chemistry.

Students always have a fantastic day when the UNE Discovery Van visits.

In order to arrive for the first group activity at 9am, the bus will have to **leave by 8.15am sharp.**

Could parents please make sure their child/children are at school by 8.10am on Friday 14th.

Permission notes have been sent home today with students. Please complete them and return to the school office.



P & C AGM MEETING

The P & C will be holding the AGM Meeting and a normal meeting on Friday 7th March at 3pm. Please come along and have a say in agendas that involve your child's schooling and the fundraising events that support your child at PPS. All welcome to attend.



CALENDAR 2025



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Fri 7th Assembly @ 2.30pm

Fri 7th P & C AGM and Normal Meeting at 3pm

Wed 12th Breakfast Club 8.30am

FRI 14th UNE Discovery St Joseph's School

Tues 18th STEM

Wed 19th Breakfast Club 8.30am

Wed 26th Breakfast Club 8.30am

Wed 26th NRL Preston Campbell Cup, Warialda 3-6 Class

Fri 28th Assembly @2.30pm

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Wed 2nd Breakfast Club 8.30am

Wed 9th Breakfast Club 8.30am

Wed 9th Easter Hat Parade

Fri 11th Last Day of Term