



POOWONG CS NEWS

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Mr Smethurst's Report

Car Park Safety

For the safety of ALL children you are requested to leave and pick up your child/ren from the parent car park. The school car park is for the SOLE use of the Primary School Staff. If you require additional support, please contact Michael Smethurst (Principal).

Foundation Enrolments for 2023

Our Foundation teacher, Jen Hallyburton is doing a fabulous job with our 2023 Foundation transition sessions. We have had consistent attendees and I know that each child will transition into our school smoothly in 2023. We still have a few spots available for 2023, so if you know any families who are looking to enrol their child in Foundation for next year, encourage them to call the school on 03 5659 2356 - I'd be happy to take them on a tour of our great school!

School attendance - "Every day counts":

At PCS we know that student engagement and wellbeing is essential to a great education. At its most foundational level, this must start with consistent attendance - Coming to school each and every day. Every day that a student is absent from school results in them missing key teaching and learning impacting their educational outcomes, as well as impacting their relationships with peers and sense of belonging. Even the seemingly low absence rate of 1 day per fortnight equates to 20 days per year, or a whopping 260 days over their Foundation-Year 12 schooling (more than an entire school year!).

We are here to support you, so if there are any barriers or challenges getting in the way of your child's attendance at school please reach out.

Of course, there are a wide number of reasons children may be absent from school - A key one being sickness. Please continue following the advice from relevant government departments regarding COVID-symptoms, managing confirmed cases and close contacts, as well as ensuring children stay home if they're unwell with other illnesses such as the flu.

Regards Michael

NOVEMBER 2022

DECEMBER 2022

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Bike Ed

Mon 7th P-2

Tues 8th 3-6

Mon 14th P-2

Tues 15th 3-6

Mon 21st P-2

Tues 22nd 3-6

Tues 29th 3-6

Remembrance Day

11th November

Pet Education Program

Fri 18th Nov (Prep-2)

Poowong Little Market

Sun 20th Nov

Election Day

Sat 26th Nov

School Curriculum Swimming

Mon 28th Nov

Wed 30th Nov

Mon 12th Dec

Wed 7th Dec

St Pauls Year 7 Orientation

Wed 30th Nov-Fri 2nd Dec

KSC & MaryMac Orientation Day

Tue 6th Dec

Swim Sports

Fri 9th Dec

Grade 6 Big Day Out

Mon 12th Dec

TBC: Grade 6 Graduation

Tues 13th December

Dental Van

Mon 12th—Fri 16th Dec

State-wide Transition

Tues 13th December

Drouin SC Orientation

Tues 13th Dec

Bush Dance

Fri 16th December

Last Day of School

Tues 20th Dec (1:30pm finish)



Following 'World Teachers Day', we asked our teachers what their favourite thing about being a teacher is..

Mrs Mandemaker: *giving kids a place to feel safe, valued and curious.....
and the holidays...*

Abbey: *I love that I am able to observe student's growth.*

Ms Maykan: *watching the students go from "this is hard" to "I can do this!"*

Mr Hill: *inspiring young minds, influencing the future and celebrating the 'aha' moments*

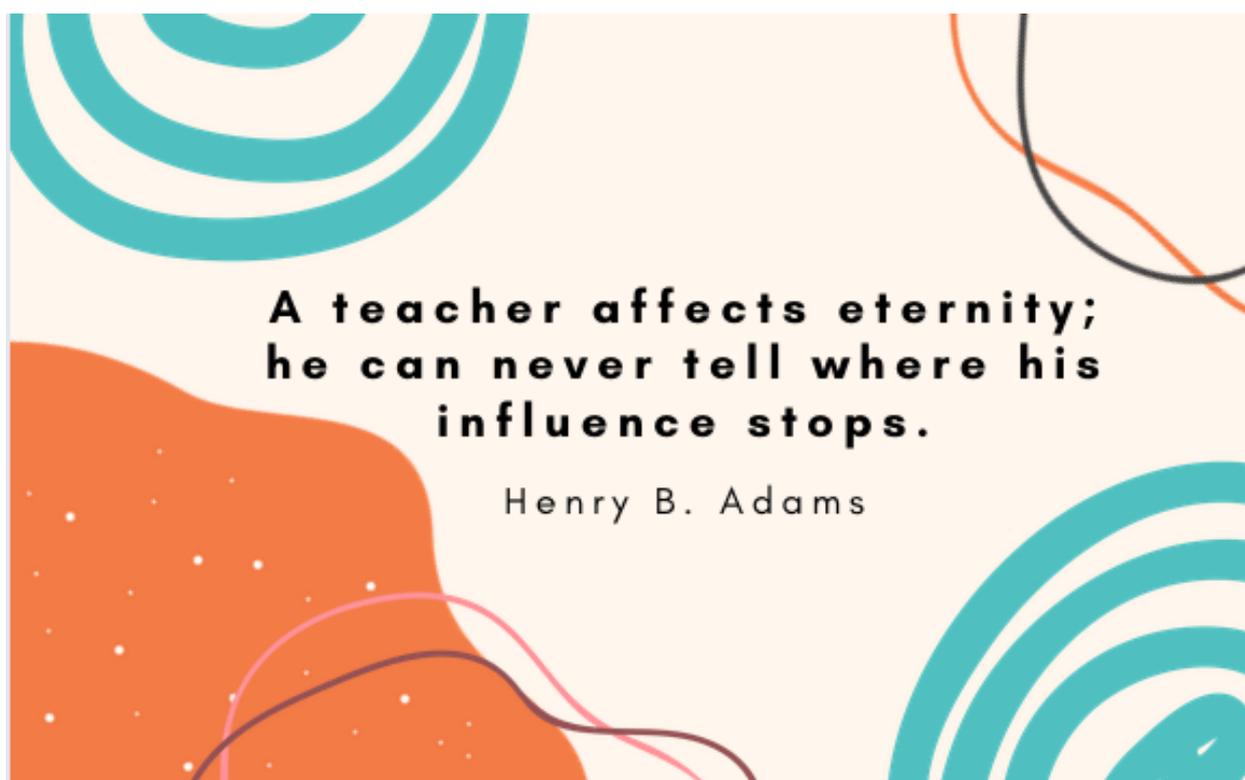
Libby: *I love that I'm able to work with amazing kids every day.*

Miss Edwards: *building relationships with children and getting to be a part of their growth. I feel very lucky.*

Mr Smethurst: *watching children's faces when they achieve and begin to believe in themselves*

Mrs Wilson: *seeing the satisfaction in a student's face when they realise they have learnt something new.*

Ms B: *I love that I am able to instil and promote self belief every day.*





Teacher Review

Name: Mrs Larmour

“because she gives us lollies”

“because she helps us make balloon animals”

“because she helps young people with lots of stuff”

Rating:



Name: Mr Hill

“he teaches us hard work and he helps us when its hard

“Every single time we are work out he lets us have a break by getting a drink and going to the toilet

He helps is learn new things and when things are hard he doesn't give us the answer, he gives us a clue.”

Rating:



Name: Ms B

“She helps me with my writing. She is kind and tells me the best stories.”

“She is very nice. She always says please and thankyou. She is very helpful. “

Rating: ★★★★★



Name: Mrs Wilson

“she is funny and nice. She is very helpful in class. She is a good teacher.

“She helps me a lot when I am struggling. She is kind, very supportive and respectful. “

“she helps us with reading rotations, writing and when we go to the computers. She is just amazing.

Rating:



Name: Abbey

“she's lovely. She is so nice and helpful. She is always helping me with my spelling when it is wrong and helps me when I'm stuck with something.”

“She is kind and helps. If you're feeling sad she comes and says 'what's wrong?' She's really cool.

Rating:



Name: Miss Edwards

“she is the best teacher in the world because she is kind, nice, helpful and respectful.”

“she always helps someone who is struggling in the class, she helps them stay focused on the task and she is very helpful.”

“She is so nice. She makes peoples day. She always has a smile on her face and she is the funniest teacher in the world. She is Poowong's overall best teacher.”

Rating:



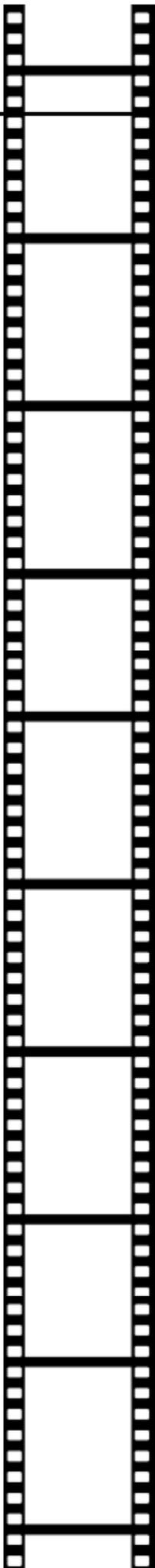
Name: Heather

“she is awesome and she helps everyone.”

“She's kind, she helps me with reading, maths and writing.”

“She gives me really good compliments and she's fun.”

Rating:





Teacher Review

Name: Mrs Hallyburton

“she’s always encouraging of us. She’ll help out as much as she can.”

“She gives you a brain break/game .”

“If you’re doing the wrong thing, she will give you a fair amount of warning... she’s fair.”

“Mrs Hallyburton is always supportive and helps me when I’m stuck. She always gives me feedback too.”

Rating: ★★★★★

Name: Miss Wrigley

“she is always there when we need her. She makes learning fun and she is still strict enough for our class.”

“She recognises everyone’s needs making everyone feel welcome and safe in the classroom.”

Rating: ★★★★★

Name: Lisa W

“she helps whenever you need any help.”

“she is always caring and respectful.”

“she is firm, with consequences and I like that.”

Rating: ★★★★★

Name: Mrs Brew

“she is someone who cares about people and their feelings.”

She is fun, but when you have to knuckle down or work she is helpful;.”

She is kind, and we know she cares about us all. She is also brilliant at teaching maths.”

Rating: ★★★★★

Name: Ms Maykan

“she is funny. When someone gets in trouble, she doesn’t get furious at them, as she knows they can do better.”

“she lets us play lots of games, and she gives us good advice.”

“once we have finished our work, she gives us extra tasks to keep us busy.”

Rating: ★★★★★

Name: Mrs Mandemaker

Prep: “she is a great art person. We get to play games in PE.”

Grade 3: “she runs around after us. She has to teach art, music and PE which makes her an athlete”

Grade 4: she is fun. She is helpful and caring. She is such a good organiser with our events like diversity dash and basketball.

Grade 6: She has a big heart. She cares for students and is very polite.”

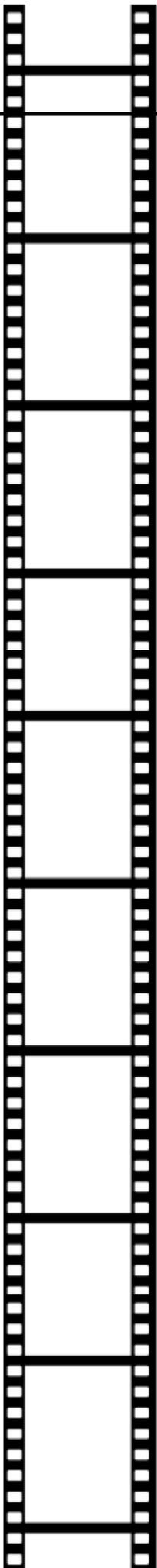
Rating: ★★★★★

Name: Libby

“she is nice when I read with her. She is kind to me and helpful.”

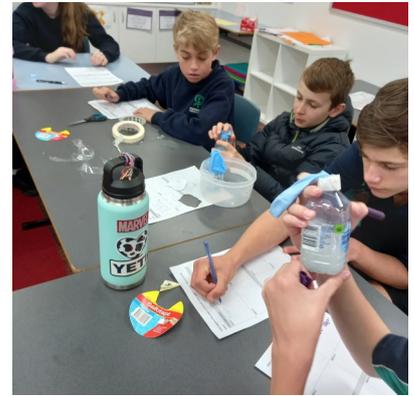
She is nice, she is kind and she helps people out who need help with their reading.

Rating: ★★★★★





Grade 6 Science



Grade 6 have been getting hands on in science,
learning about Marvellous Micro-organisms!



Awards



Congratulations to our award recipients over the last fortnight.

Your hard work has not gone unnoticed!

Pictured: Dakota, Matilda, Willow (Image 1) Joel, Sophie, Nate, Tess, Evie L, Kye, Sophie (Image 2) Byron and Caleb (Image 3)



Thursday Morning Electives



“During electives this term we have been doing games, running, environmental group, Christmas decorations, mindful colouring and more. It has been a fun experience to do activities that are fun and help our school.”

- Nya Kill





Somers Camp Report

By John Parmeter

Around 2 weeks ago, myself and 2 grade 5 students, Pallas and Aliyah, had the amazing opportunity to go to Somers camp. It was a super fun 9 day experience for 120 grade five and sixes. There were so many awesome activities, like the challenge swing, an eighteen metre swing, ab-seiling, high ropes course, rock climbing, flying fox, surfing, and bike riding.

But there were also many educational parts of it, in the form of environmental studies. In environmental studies we got to go on beach walks, see the dolphins, hold lizards and snakes, feed the sugar gliders, and also go on a swamp walk to look at the water birds.

Adding to the activities, the camp facilities were super modern and really high quality. The cinema/hall was awesome, and the dining hall was very nice. And the cabins were one of the highlights. Each cabin had 5 rooms, each with 4 beds. It also had 5 showers, and toilets.

One of the other highlights of the camp was the food. It was so amazing, especially the lasagne and fish and chips. Some of the other meals were roast beef, roast pork, stir fry, hot dogs, pancakes and more.

My time at camp was possibly the best time of my life, and I would do it again in a heartbeat. I had so much fun, and made many new friends. Also, shout out to Mrs. Turner who made this possible for me and others.



POOWONG CAFÉ & TAKEAWAY

LUNCH ORDER MENU

Potato Cake	\$1.00
Fried Dim Sim	\$1.00
Steamed Dim Sim	\$1.00
Chicken Nugget	\$1.00
Party Pie	\$1.20
Sausage Roll	\$1.20
Ham & Pineapple Pizza	\$3.00
Moka Dog (Battered)	\$3.20
Hot Dog	\$3.50
Chicken Wrap (GF)	\$3.50
Chicken Strip Salad (GF)	\$4.50
Super Spud	\$4.50
Cheese & Salad Sandwich	\$4.00
Ham Cheese & Tomato Sandwich	\$4.00
Jam Donut	\$1.20
Tropical Prima	\$1.50
Big M - Chocolate	\$2.00
Big M - Strawberry	\$2.00
Frozen Yogurt	\$2.00

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POOWONG'S LITTLE



Ambulance Victoria and Poowong's CFA will have heaps of fun attractions for the kids!

MARKET



Chrome Bumper Cars

November 20th

10am-2pm

Poowong Football Oval

Gold Coin Entry



Support from Poowong Consolidated School selling SHOWBAGS!



Poowong Football Netball Club will have a BBQ for all!!



Facepainting for the kids!

Live Entertainment

