

PCS NEWS

Friday 25th February 2022



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A Message from Mrs McKenzie...

District Swimming Sports Update

Congratulations to Pallas, Ruby, Kye, Bridget, James and Kurt for their efforts and amazing representation of our school, and the Karmai Cluster at Korumburra last Friday. I was so impressed by how much they encouraged each other and showed their team spirit. Pallas has moved on to the Division round today at Korumburra after gaining 3 x 1st places and receiving age-group champ. Best of luck for today, Pallas.

School Council Nominations

Ever wanted to have an input in to our school but work, or have so much on your plate during the day that it makes it almost impossible?? Now is the time to sign up for School Council as there are only two meetings a term from 7.30-9.00pm on a Wednesday night. Nomination forms can be printed from Sentral or collected in hard copy from the office. Nominations close 4pm on Monday next week.

Long hair to be tied up - boys and girls

As per our uniform policy, and DET policy, if your child hair touches their shoulders, it must be tied up at school. This includes those children with mullets!

Toilet damage/Playground damage

Since coming back to school this year, we have had a tap broken, 3 cistern's broken in the boys toilets, damage to the sandpit and gaga pit and much more. We have spoken to the children about responsible use of the toilets, not climbing on the wash troughs, not kicking the toilets or taps and that the toilets are not a play area. If you can please do a home reminder about this, that would be wonderful too.

Farewell to our Student Teachers

We have had Belle and Corinne as student teachers in Prep and Grade 2 over the past 3 weeks. They have been such a great short term addition to our school and we wish them both luck on finishing their final year.

Tutu Day Recap

A massive thank you to all the kids (and parents and dogs) who wore tutu's on Twos-Day for 22.2.22! We had such a fun day with lots of 2-based activities. We all love a dress up opportunity!

PCS Beanies

Our new PCS Beanies are now available for purchase from the school office. They are so warm and will be great for the wind up here during winter. Payment can be made in cash or via EFTPOS.

Instrumental lessons - Tristen

Tristen has started instrumental lessons for our students this week with loads of enthusiasm and excitement (from him and the kids!). If you are interested in instrumental lessons for your child, please feel free to phone or email Tristen (or find him in Before or After School Care.)

Have a great weekend. Cate

COMING UP...

TERM ONE

- Mar 1 - Shrove Tuesday
(Pancake Day)
- Mar 2 - Preps begin Wednesdays
- Mar 11 - Curriculum Day
(No Students at School)
- Mar 14 - Labour Day Public Holiday
(No Students at School)
- Mar 16 - School Photos
- School Council
- Mar 17 - St. Patricks Day
- Mar 21 - Harmony Day
- Apr 5 - House Athletics Sports
- Apr 8 - End of Term - 2:30pm finish

OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

- Gr 5/6 Marysville Camp
August 17th -19th
- Gr 3/4 Mill Valley Camp
August 24th - 26th

REMINDERS

- Hats are to be worn Term 1 and Term 4
- Lunch orders are on Friday
- Icy Poles each Tuesday and Thursday - .50c each

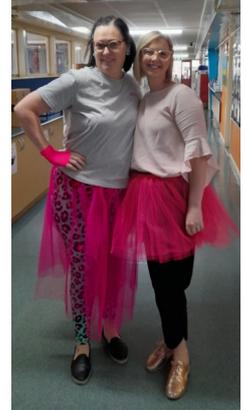
PCS BEANIES



Available from the Office

TUTU DAY 22/02/2022

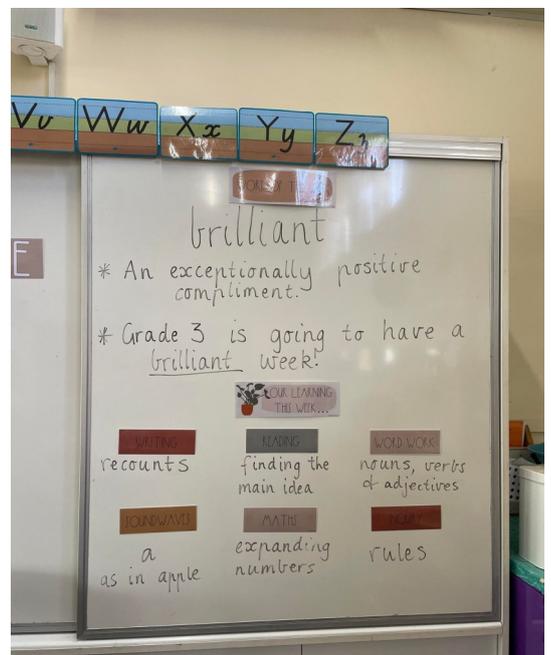
On Tuesday, 22nd of February PCS celebrated with a Tutu Day! Our staff and students dressed up in bright colours and wore tutus to commemorate this once in a lifetime date. Activities were planned by teachers around the number two, twenty two and two thousand and twenty two. Students were given the opportunity to write stories of their choice using “Choseday” (Tuesday) visual prompts. The Preps did some chalk drawings of two objects. The Grade Fours did some fun challenges such as timing themselves to see how many push ups or sit ups they could do in 22 seconds. The Grade Twos played a modified game of Bingo, adding 2 more to the number drawn out to try and reach five in a row. We also had journalists from the South Gippsland Sentinel Times and The Warragul Gazette visit and take some photos. Look out for those features in the coming weeks!



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN... GRADE THREE

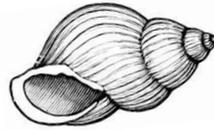
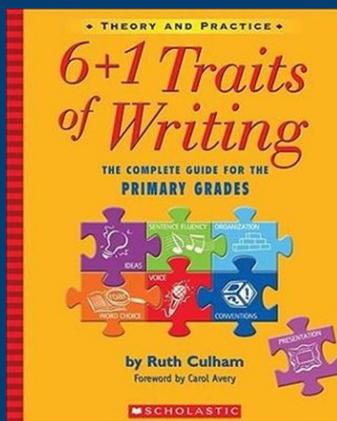
Grade 3 have been learning lots over the past fortnight. They have really gotten back into learning gear! It has been wonderful getting to know one another a little bit better and setting up our classroom for a year of wonderful and challenging learning.

We have had fun learning all about recounts and how to dig deeper to make our writing more interesting. We've also been working a lot with 4-digit place value and learning how to properly set out our maths grid books. In specialist, the Grade 3's have been having an amazing time learning to drum on djembes and travelling to different countries of the world in their learning. Grade 3 is looking forward to spending the rest of the year learning onsite! - Miss Edwards



THE WRITER'S CORNER

Last year we developed our School Strategic Plan and highlighted Writing as a focus for the next four years. This year our staff are working on developing a consistent approach to teaching writing using the “6+1 Traits of Writing.” These traits constitute the basis for constructing a well written text and include ideas, sentence fluency, organisation, word choice, voice, conventions and presentation. Our teachers are attending regular workshops facilitated by our Literacy Leaders; Michelle Turner and Caroline Wilson. Teachers are using the “6+1 Traits of Writing” text as professional reading to unpack these traits and using the activities/lessons in their classrooms. So far this term we have been working on ideas – how can our students come up with some interesting ideas to write about? The student’s have been using their “Writer’s Notebooks” to record their ideas (sometimes referred to as seeds) to refer back to for inspiration. Your child/ren may have been asked to bring along something special to share with the class as a prompt to support their writing. To celebrate our student’s fantastic writing, each newsletter will feature a piece of writing (or two) from a different class. This newsletter features two recounts, one from Grade 2 and one from Grade 3.



My Tathra Shells

Last year my family were on a holiday to Tathra and the first day we went to the Tathra Beach! Then we had something yummy it is fish and chips! When it happened it was 2021. Then when I was at the Tathra Beach I was collecting shells and I also got a little piece of driftwood and I loved going to Tathra. It was a fun time.

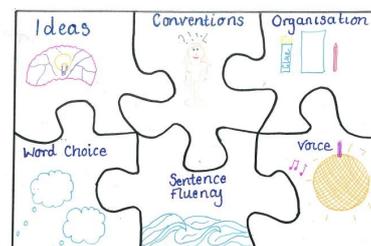
Tessa Walton – Grade 2



My Beach Day

One day my friends suggested to go to the beach and we said why not. So the next day we packed up. We went in the Summer cause it's hot in Summer. It was super far away/hour away/and it was really hot that day and when we got there we grabbed all our stuff and went down to the sandy beach. It was bright and sunny and hot at the beach. Our friends brought boogy-boards and I got to use one. I learned how to use it, it was crazy fun. Then we walked on the big, shiny, weird rockpools. I jumped next to them, it was really fun! Then we came back and had some marvellous healthy sandwiches and fruits. It was so good! It filled me up for a long time. Next we went to a big, large, rough, tall hill and we were going down it. On the boogy-boards when I did it. I went flying and landed in the soft sand it was so fun. Then I went to wash up in the beach water, it felt nice. Then the big, high, tall, strong waves started coming. So I went in the water on the boogy-board. The water kept throwing me on the soft sand and the strong waves were so strong. I went deeper in the sea and the waves kept on pushing me. It was the best beach day I ever had and in the end we went home.

Ryan Forscutt - Grade 3



WEEKLY AWARDS



James, Jarrah, Bella, Raylee,
Lyssa, Blyth and Jack B



Playground Award - Macey



Playground Awards
Lila and Madi



Kai, James, Lincoln
Lily and Ollie



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CASEA PROGRAM

Poowong Consolidated School has been selected to participate in the CYMHS And Schools Early Action (CASEA) Program!

The CASEA Program works with schools, children and parents. We help children to develop skills in making friends, getting along with others, solving problems, and to understand & manage feelings and behaviours with a focus on health and wellbeing. We know that with these skills students will be happier and have better learning outcomes.

We will arrange an information session early term 1 to meet parents over a cuppa to talk about how CASEA can support parents to develop understanding and skills to support their child's development.

(If you would like more information about the CASEA program, please talk with the Principal Cate McKenzie or contact Jessica Walters or Leanne Chancellor on 51280100.

We look forward to better getting to know you and your school community in 2022!

DISTRICT SWIMMING SPORTS



A big congratulations to Kurt, Ruby, Pallas, Bridget, Kye & James who represented our school at the District Swimming Sports last week. Pallas is off to Division Swimming Sports today at Korumburra.

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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