



POOWONG CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL



NEWSLETTER
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Principal's Report

Dear parents and carers,

This Friday 23rd June is the last day of term 2. Lunch will be at 12:30pm, assembly at 1.45pm and students will be dismissed at 2:30pm. Holidays are a good opportunity for some quality family time. I know many of our parents may still be working, this provides its own challenges. We hope you will be able to find some time to take a break with your children.

Home Learning and Holidays

Occasionally we have students embark on holidays with their families outside school holiday breaks. Whilst we prefer travel takes place during holiday periods, on these occasions, we encourage students to continue their learning in the form of keeping a diary of their adventures, taking a book or two to engage in daily reading, and do some real-life Maths. This may include distances travelled, cost of food, accommodation or venue entry. These are all fun activities and allow students to stay connected with learning.

Student Feedback

This fortnight our students across Years 4-6 have been working with members of our leadership team to give their feedback on how our school is tracking, and how they are travelling as a learner. The Attitudes to School Survey is delivered in all schools this month, and the results we receive help us to reflect on what is going well at PCS, and to also identify the areas where we can continue to improve. I will share how we are performing against like and State schools when we receive our results.

Chaplaincy

Julie Tyson is our Chaplain at PCS, providing pastoral care and wellbeing support for students, teachers and the broader school community. Julie has experience supporting youth in the community and has a passion to assist students in need.

Julie works as part of our Wellbeing team on a Monday and some Tuesdays. She provides one to one support, as well as running group activities to support students with their social, emotional and wellbeing development. If you would like your child/ren to see Julie, please contact the office.

Uniform

The weather is cold and quite wet and we are noticing some of our students still wearing shorts and often without a jumper or jacket. We appreciate your support in ensuring your child is wearing their school uniform and is appropriately dressed for the weather conditions. We encourage you to send your child with a waterproof coat and a school beanie to school. When it is raining heavily, we have a wet day timetable and the children stay inside at playtimes, however on all other days even when it's drizzling the children go outside in the fresh air to run around which is so important. If you are having any concerns or need assistance with uniform, please see the office and we may be able to assist you. Our school uniform is compulsory at PCS and the School Council, with consultation with the community, developed a uniform policy. That policy was reviewed in 2023 and will be due for review again in 2026.

You can find our uniform at Uniform items that can be purchased from Beleza. Parents may order it directly from <https://www.beleza.au/103-poowong-consolidated-school>

We strongly recommend that you name all uniform. Check our lost property rack in the office. All named uniforms are returned to the student. School beanies can be purchased through the office for \$20.00. Only school beanies are to be worn at school.

Student-free days for the remainder of 2023

- Term 4 - Monday 6th November
- Term 4 - Monday 18 December
- Term 4 - Tuesday 19 December

Enrollments

The school has commenced our prep enrolments for 2024. If you have any neighbours, friends or family interested in a tour of our beautiful school, please give them the school number to book a tour on 03 5659 2356.

Regards

Michael Smethurst

Principal

michael.smethurst@education.vic.gov.au



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IMPORTANT DATES

JULY

13th July

State Cross Country

14th July

Grade 3/4 Camp payments due

26th July

Grade 5 KSC Activity Day

31st July– 2nd Aug

Grade 3/4 Camp

AUGUST

31st July– 2nd Aug

Grade 3/4 Camp

14th–18th Aug

Scholastic Book Fair

18th August

Book Week Dress up Day

SEPTEMBER

1st Sept

District Athletics

3rd Sept

Father's Day

14th Sept

Divisional Athletics

15th Sept

Footy Colour's Day

15th Sept

Last Day Term 3

(2.30pm finish)



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Lightning Premiership



Last week, our Lightning Prem teams headed to Mary McKillop to face-off against other schools in Football and Netball. All of our students showed fantastic resilience and great sportsmanship. A great day was had by all!

A huge thankyou to Andy Wallace and Desirae Hancock who kindly volunteered their time to coach our teams. Without the assistance of volunteers, some events cannot proceed.





World Environmental Day

First, we got shown all the environmental activities, then Jordy and I chose the natural paint brushes-using what nature gives us. You had to get a bamboo stick and then put leaves, gumnuts or other things on it then tie it with string. The grade threes came first, then the twos and ones. Then we when to art and grade five took over running the activity.

By Brodie



On the 7th of June 2023 at P.C.S we had world environment day. The grade 5&6s made different activities for the younger grades. Lilly and I had decided to do the fairy house painting which was somewhat entertaining. We had begun by setting up the paints which didn't take long. After that the first grade came in the grade 3s weren't that bad. Though we did at one point had to tell them that it was 3 at a time. Which it did get a bit crowed but eventually it died down, then the grade 1&2s came together and we only did half of the time with them but they were a bit messier. And wouldn't listen at times so we had to keep reminding them of the rules and tell them how they couldn't come into the shed where we were. Later on the grade 5s came and we handed it over to them. By Aliyah



Today at Poowong consolidated School we had world Environment day. We got to run some activites 5&6. There was tie die which Byron AND I did, there was paper making which was ran by Catie and Lillianah, home made paint brushes which was ran by Jordyn and brodie, bug city run by Matthew and Rohan, a fairy house ran by Lillan and Aliyah, seed balls ran by ruby and Pallas and a tour to find insects in the forest walked by Jackson. My favourite moment was when we had to stop and go to art and explain what to do to the grade fives, after we stopped explaining we got a huge Crowd to tie die and me and Byron didn't have to deal with them. By Kurt



Good afternoon, its Ruby here, today I will be talking about world environment day, and the activity I did.

So Pallas and I decided we wanted to do seed balls, seed balls are things where it needs dirt, clay and seeds. You may ask why we need all these supplies well I will let you know.

.Why you need dirt, you need the dirt for the seeds to grow and stay alive.

. You needed the clay because, without the clay the dirt/compost won't stick and form the sphere shape, we wanted.

. Why we need the seed, well it was kind of obvious that you need the seeds for the activity to work.

Once we all got set up we had all the grades come down to where we had all our activity's set up.

Pallas and I had the grade 3s come to us first and they were stress full, once they asked us to do this activity, we explained to them what to do.

We said first you grab some of the dirt/compost and hold it in one hand, then you grab a tiny bit of the seeds and put in on top of the dirt, then after you do that you grab some clay and mix all the stuff you grabbed together and turn it into a ball, if it's still not turning into a ball you have to just grab some more clay, which that should do it.

Later that day the grade 5s had come and we handed over to them.





What's happening in Science..



Today in Science we made vegetable tarts, we had so much fun that we were a little loud, some people were on computers and some were cooking. Here are some jobs that we did, cut the vegetables, peel some potatoes and carrots, one person cut the pastry and then all the vegetables were done and the pastry was done. We put the pastry on the trays and then we put pesto basil on it, then vegetables on it, cheese and then we put egg yolk on the sides and then we put it in the oven ready for lunch for grade 4 and 3's to eat.

By Madi, Grade 4 Reporter

By Jett , Grade 4 Photographer



World Environment Day

Even pouring rain can't stop PCS from celebrating World Environment Day in style! The Grade 5's and 6's ran seven fun and entertaining activities that the whole school enjoyed joining in on. From wildflower seed bombs, natural paint brushes and natural dyes to delicious campfire vegetable soup—the perfect celebration.



Poowong Kindergarten children joined in on Forest School with the Preps this week. There was exploring, digging, searching, observing, eating and talking. Time well spent!



Thank you for the amazingly abundant donation of vegetables from our families and Poowong IGA.

Thank you to our wonderful volunteers who helped make the most delicious Vegetable Soup on World Environment Day.

Currently in the garden we are:

Practising for our Hammer Licence and collecting the last of the autumn leaves to apply as mulch.

All students welcome. Wednesday 2nd Half Lunch



Recipe for Veggie Tartlets

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Ingredients:

Pumpkin, Carrot, Potato, Beetroot, Cheese, Salt, Oil, Basil Pesto, Egg and Puff Pastry.

Equipment:

Peeler, knife, mixing spoon, mixing bowl, chopping board, tea spoon, table spoon and a butter knife.



Method:

1. Preheat oven at 220 degrees.
2. Get puff pastry out of the freezer to defrost.
3. Peel the skin off the veggies and then peel veggies into ribbons/strips.
4. Add veggies to the bowl and mix.
5. Add a pinch of salt (if wanted) and a drizzle of oil.
6. Put pesto onto puffed pastry.
7. Top with peeled veggies and then cheese.
8. Brush egg wash around the edges of pastry.
9. Put in the oven and turn degrees down to 200 for half an hour.
10. Finished when turning brown.
11. Take out of oven and enjoy with friends, family or alone.

NOTE: Times may vary.

Recipe by Sophie Bleazby and Amy Nieuwerth
(Grade 5 students of 2023 at P.C.S)





Student of the Week

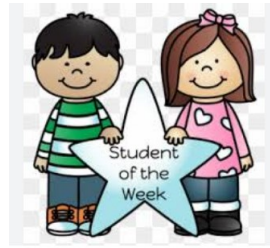


WEEK 6: Back Row L to R): Jackson, Rohan, Pallas and Ms Maykan.

Front Row L to R: Lennon, Joel, Laylah and Paige.



WEEK 7: L to R: Brax, Naomi, Dylan, Paige and Ted.



WEEK 8: Shyla

POOWONG'S LITTLE MARKET
with **Chrome Bumper Cars!**

Sunday 19th November
From 10am till 2pm

A fabulous country market suited to the whole family with fun attractions for the kids, live entertainment and an abundance of stalls!
Gold Coin Entry on Arrival!



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SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN!

AT POOWONG LIBRARY



Air Dry Clay Creations

Thursday June 29th @ 3.30pm



Llama Loom Weaving

Monday July 3rd @ 2.30pm



Art Collage

Wednesday July 5th @ 3.30pm



Planks Building

Thursday 29th June - 1pm-5.30
Thursday 6th July - 1pm-5.30



To book your place call us on 5659-2349, go to www.eventbrite.com.au or scan the QR code.

Poowong Library - 18 Ranceby Road Poowong



SOUTH GIPPSLAND

Kindergarten Central Enrolment



CENTRAL ENROLMENT NOW OPEN



To register your child for three-year-old or four-year-old kindergarten for next year, visit the South Gippsland Shire Council website from 1 May and complete a registration form nominating your kindergarten preferences.

To be included in the first round offers you must register by 30 June.

You can register at:

www.southgippsland.vic.gov.au/centralenrolment

For more information, please phone 5662 9200 or text your contact details to 0447 965 850 and we will call you back.

THE AUSTRALIAN BALLET EDUCATION AND OUTREACH

Warragul 4 – 7th July Holiday Dance Workshops

With The Australian Ballet Education and Outreach team



Join The Australian Ballet's Education and Outreach team to create a new dance work in 4 days!

Open to all levels – no need for prior dance experience

Participants attend across 4 days (Tues-Friday) and will be involved in warm ups, creative games, dance exercises and learning the tools to make a dance.

On the final day (Friday 7th July) participants will present the newly created dance at Warragul Leisure Centre Stadium for an audience of friends and family, and will have the opportunity to watch a professional performance of *The Story of Pomi and Gobba*, choreographed by Ella Havelka and performance by The Australian Ballet dancers.

This program is for you if you want to:

- Learn the tools used to make a dance
- Increase your confidence, critical thinking and teamwork
- Explore dance techniques in a creative way

What to bring:

- Water bottle
- Comfortable clothing for moving
- Bare feet or dance shoes
- BYO Lunch/snack on the Friday

The Story of Pomi and Gobba (by Wiradjuri choreographer Ella Havelka). A story of two young non-binary frogs, who feel like they don't fit in. When they meet, they strike up a friendship and use their own unique strengths to escape a storm.



For any queries, please contact learninfo@australianballet.com.au

With thanks to Warragul Leisure Centre!



GRADES 3 & 4

Tues 4th July – Thurs 6th July
1:00 – 2:30pm - dance workshop

Friday 7th July

1:00 – 4:00pm – includes rehearsal, snack break and performance

GRADES 5 & 6

Tues 4th July – Thurs 6th July
2:45 – 4:15pm – dance workshop

Friday 7th July

1:00 – 4:00pm – includes rehearsal, snack break and performance

PERFORMANCE: Grades 3&4 and 5&6

Friday 7th July, 3:15pm
Friends and family invited to watch

LOCATION:

Warragul Leisure Centre, 21 Burke Street,
Warragul, VIC, 3820

COST = FREE

REGISTER

To register and for more information please visit:

Grade 3 and 4 - <https://bit.ly/WarragulGrades3-4>

Grade 5 and 6 - <https://bit.ly/WarragulGrades5-6>

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SATURDAY JULY 8th

Doors and bar open at 6:00 - Show starts at 7:30
Light supper provided at interval - Tickets \$66
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General enquiries call Fred: 0408 584 633



Monday 26 th June	Tuesday 27 th June	Wednesday 28 th June	Thursday 29 th June	Friday 30 th June
<p>Bike/scooter day</p> <p>Bring your scooter or bike and your HELMET to vacation care for a ride around the KPS basketball court (weather permitting)</p> 	<p>Jumping castle</p> <p>Today we will have a jump and run around over at KPS to burn off some energy. 10:30am – 12:00pm</p> 	<p>Science and discovery</p> <p>Today we will be exploring and participating in some science experiments.</p> 	<p>Melty beads + construction</p> <p>It's time to get creative as we will be having a go at melty beads and Lego creations.</p> 	<p>Sports day</p> <p>Ready steady go - Basketball Today we will participate in a ready steady go session and in the afternoon, we will play small group games. \$5.00</p> 
Monday 3 rd July	Tuesday 4 th July	Wednesday 5 th July	Thursday 6 th July	Friday 7 th July
<p>Cooking day / culture day</p> <p>Today we will make focas and explore different countries/culture's foods and traditions.</p> 	<p>Sports day</p> <p>Ready steady go – Athletics Today we will participate in athletics in the morning and finish the day off with a movie. \$5.00</p> 	<p>Jumping castle and board games</p> <p>In the morning we will go and have a jump and run around to burn off some energy, then in the afternoon we will go into groups and play some fun board games. 10:30am – 12:00pm</p> 	<p>Smiles for miles.</p> <p>Today we will participate and learn why it is important to look after our teeth and bodies and participate in activities and experiments.</p> 	<p>Pyjama day / movie</p> <p>Today we will relax and come to vacation care in our pyjama's and watch a movie, we may make some popcorn as well.</p> 

JUNE / JULY VACATION CARE PROGRAM 2023

- Based at St Joseph's Primary School, - 4 Guys Road, Korumburra
- Program runs from 8:30am – 6:00pm, care is available from 6:00am, please enquire at Reception at the main Karmai building.
 - o Please call – **0438 551 349** and we will meet you at the gate.
- Please BYO lunch, snacks and water bottle (we will provide nibbles and fruit)
- Ensure your child's belongings are **labelled** and they have a change of clothes, including a raincoat, sun hat and warm/cold weather clothes to accommodate the unpredictable weather.
- All activities are run by qualified and experienced educators.
- Daily fee: \$102 (CCS will come off this price also) "Ready Steady Go" sessions will be an additional \$5 that will be charged to accounts.
- If you are ready to book, you can do so via XPLOR or by calling admin on (03) 5655 2121
- **Note:** please ensure you complete a permission form upon booking



Long Day Care • Kindergarten • Pre-Kindergarten • Out of School Hours Care • Vacation Care

Vacation Care Program Excursion Permission Form

I _____ give permission for my child _____ to attend the planned excursions on behalf of Karmai Vacation Care (Please tick the boxes below for the excursions you wish your child to attend)

- Monday 26th June: Bike/Scooter Day** today we will be riding or scooting on the undercover basketball court over at Korumburra Primary School. Please ensure that your child/ren bring their **helmet**. (weather permitting)
- Tuesday 27th June: jumping Castle** we will be walking from St Joseph's Primary School over to Korumburra Primary School using the school crossing, departing approximately 10:30am, children will be split into groups to play games on the basketball court. We will return to St Joseph's around 12:00pm
- Friday 30th June: Ready Steady Go (incursion)** today we have Emma from Ready Steady Go, to run a 45minute - 1 hour long sport session with the children on the St Joes oval or basketball court depending on the weather.
- Tuesday 4th July: Ready Steady Go (incursion)** today we have Emma from Ready Steady Go, to run a 45minute - 1 hour long sport session with the children on the St Joes oval or basketball court depending on the weather.
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ADDITIONAL PERMISSIONS

Should the children need some down time or indoor time due to the seasonal change and the weather getting cooler, we would love to be able to offer a movie.

I give permission for my child/ren to watch a PG children's movie (Netflix or Disney +)

NOTE: we will always ensure it is age appropriate and that each child has the option for free play, arts and craft or an alternative, should they not wish to participate in watching the movie.

Risk Assessments for all excursions are available at the office for review, all excursions have above ratio of staffing for the age group. This form also works in conjunction with our Regular Outings and Authorisation for Transportation Form. Any questions please ask

My child suffers from the following medical conditions/allergies and / or is in need of the following current medications:

Conditions: _____

Medications: _____

I authorise the excursion coordinator in charge to consent, (where they are able to contact me, or it is otherwise impactful to do so), to:

1. Administer any first Aid that the excursion coordinator may judge to be to be reasonably necessary.
2. My child receiving such medical and or surgical attention that is deemed by a medical practitioner to be required.
3. Furthermore, I agree to meet any costs of such medical/ambulance service so incurred on behalf of my child.

Emergency Contact Details: Please let staff know on the day of the excursion if details have changed.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Medical Details:

Doctors Name: _____ Medical Centre: _____

Phone Number: _____ Ambulance Subscription: YES / NO

Consent:

Signed: _____ Date: _____