

# Pelican Flat Public School

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Term 4 Week 7



## Pelican Flat Public School Term 4 Planner

Term Four	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
6	10 November <b>Assembly:</b> 2.00pm <b>Bob's Retirement and 2015 Student Leaders Speeches and Voting</b>	11 November <b>Remembrance Day</b> 11am Pelican RSL Club	12 November	13 November	14 November	15 16 Nov
7	17 November	18 November <b>Kindergarten 2015 Transition: 9am – 1.25pm</b>	19 November <b>P&amp;C Meeting: 3pm</b>	20 November	21 November <b>Outstanding Invoices Due</b>	22 23 Nov
8	24 November <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am <b>Assembly</b>	25 November <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am	26 November <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am	27 November <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am	28 November <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am  <b>P&amp;C Christmas Dinner at Pelican RSL Club: 6.30pm</b>	29 30 Nov
9	1 December <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am	2 December <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am  <b>Presentation Day: 11am</b>	3 December <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am	4 December <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am  <b>Hello High School – Year 6 Students</b>	5 December <b>Swim School:</b> 9.30am – 10.15am	6 7 Dec
10	8 December <b>Assembly:</b> 2.30pm	9 December	10 December <b>Year 6 Farewell at Blacksmiths SLSC: 6pm</b>	11 December	12 December	13 14 Dec
11	15 December <b>Talent Quest:</b> 9.15am  <b>PBL Rewards Day</b>	16 December <b>End of Year Party at Springloaded: 9.30am</b>	17 December <b>Last day of school for Students</b>	18 December	19 December	20 21 Dec

### **Remembrance Day**

Last Tuesday all students at Pelican Flat Public School walked to the RSL Club to take part in the Remembrance Day Ceremony. I couldn't be prouder of our student leaders, representing our school beautifully while doing their readings and laying a wreath on behalf of the school. Well done to Chelsea, Bella and Holly. All students should be commended on their beautiful behaviour and manners whilst out of the school; it is always lovely to hear such positive feedback about our students.

Thank you to Lindsay Hall, President of the Pelican Flat RSL Sub-Branch for inviting us to come along and always making our school feel so welcome. A special thank you to the John McDonald and the Pelican RSL Women's Auxiliary for putting on such a wonderful spread of food for our students, it was delicious! We were all so full from the lovely food and drinks that were supplied to our students and everyone was very grateful for all the hard work that had gone on to organise this for us. We would also like to thank Andrew and his staff at the Pelican RSL Club. We are so blessed to have such wonderful community support of our school.

### **Staff Changes**

On the November 10<sup>th</sup> we celebrated Bob's retirement with a lovely staff lunch followed by an assembly. I'm sure you'll join me in congratulating Bob on his retirement and wish him all the best in the future. We look forward to seeing Bob pop in from time to time.

Our new GA, Bruce Corbett started at Pelican yesterday. Bruce is a very experienced GA and is currently working two days per week at Mannering Park Public School. Bruce will be working every Thursday.

Mrs MacDonald has been working at Pelican Flat PS while on leave from her substantive position at Canley Vale Public School and has successfully gained a transfer to Hamilton Public School, which is wonderful news for Mrs MacDonald. We wish Mrs MacDonald the best in her future endeavours and thank her for everything that she has done at Pelican Flat PS this year.

In 2015 we will be running the school as we have this Semester with three classes. An expression of interest will be advertised in Schoolbiz for the third teaching position next Friday. I will announce the Year 2/3/4 teacher before the end of the year.

### **Presentation Day**

Presentation Day will on Tuesday 2nd December and will start at 11am sharp. All students will be performing on the day and we invite our families to join us for a sausage sizzle after the assembly. John from Belmont Lions Club has generously offered to donate the sausages and cook the BBQ for the school. The P&C will also have ice creams for all students and our younger siblings and a cuppa and a cake for our visiting adults. If you are able to make a cake for the day could you please let the school know.

### **Enrolments for 2015**

We will continue to accept enrolments for 2015. If you know of anyone who is considering enrolling their child at Pelican Flat PS next year please encourage them to contact the school.

### **P&C Committee**

On Wednesday afternoon we held the last P&C Meeting for 2014, thank you to everyone who was able to attend. I'd like to extend my thanks to the entire P&C Committee for the support you have shown me this year in my role. You have all made me feel very welcome in my first year at Pelican Flat Public School and I feel we have all been able to work collaboratively to accomplish some big projects over the year.

In the first few weeks next year we will hold our P&C AGM where all positions will be declared vacant. We ask that you take some time to consider taking on one of the official roles available. Roles can only be held for two years so we will need some new or existing P&C members to take on new roles. If you are unsure about the expectation of roles please feel free

to contact me to discuss it. Our P&C welcomes all parents to come along even if you do not wish to have an official role and give your input decisions being made. It cost \$2 to become a financial member and this gives you the right to vote on decisions being made.

### **Swim School**

On Monday our two week intensive swimming lessons start at Swansea Pool. We still require one more parent driver for each of the days so if you are able to assist please contact the school as soon as possible. Drivers will leave school just after 9.00 am and drop children off at Swansea pool then pick them up at 10.15 am and return to school.

Please ensure students bring their swimmers, towel, goggles, thongs and a pair of underwear to change back into at school every day.

	<b>Bus</b>	<b>Car</b>	<b>Car</b>
<b>Monday</b>	10	Katrina - 4	
<b>Tuesday</b>	10	Katrina - 4	
<b>Wednesday</b>	10	Rickie – 4	
<b>Thursday</b>	10	Rickie - 4	
<b>Friday</b>	10	Rickie - 4	

### **Christmas Raffle**

The P&C rely on donations from families for the Christmas Raffle and are calling for donations to continue coming in now. Thank you to the families who have already sent in donations. We are looking for donations of food and Christmas items, only items that are not perishable. Raffle tickets will be \$0.50 with the raffle being drawn at the Presentation Day, Tuesday 2 December 2014. As an incentive to have as many tickets sold as possible we will have a prize of a \$10 Book Club voucher to the student who sells the most tickets. It's been great to see students coming in to collect extra books.

### **School Assembly – Monday**

Our next assembly will be held next Monday 24 November at 2.30pm. Please feel free to come along and join us.

### **Hello High School**

On Thursday 4 December our Year 6 students will attend Swansea High School for the Hello High School Program. Students will need to be at Swansea High at 9.30 am and it will conclude at 2.45 pm. Swansea High will provide a sausage sizzle for lunch on the day. Invitations from the high school are being sent out in the next week. Parent transport is required for this event.

### **Talent Quest**

Our school talent quest will be held on Monday 15 December at 9am. Students are able to display their talent in whatever way they would like. Family members are welcome to come along and watch the performance.

### **Canteen News**

The canteen will be closed the last week of Term 4 and the first week of Term 1 2015 to ensure adequate time for cleaning and restocking of the canteen.

### **Mobile Phones at School**

Under no circumstances are students to bring mobile phones to school. They will be confiscated if they are and parents will be contacted to collect the phone.

### **P & C Christmas Dinner**

Dear P & C members,

Well the year is coming to an end and its coming fast. Every year we organise a night for member to have a bite to eat and just relax. This year we will have our ***P & C dinner at Pelican RSL on the 28<sup>th</sup> November at 6.30pm.***

We are hoping to be allocated the undercover area near the indoor playroom for this event and will book for 20. Normally we just order what we would like on the night and as this has worked well in the past, we will do this again this year.

Something fun that has been a tradition is a secret Santa mystery game, where each member spends \$10 on a gift, wraps it up and sits the gift in the middle of a big circle, when your turn comes around, you can choose to open a new gift, which then becomes yours. Or you can steal a gift that someone else has claimed. This is a little cheeky game that brings a lot of laughter at the end of a stressful year.

On behalf of Brett and myself, we thank each and every member for their efforts this year and look forward to sharing a fun filled night with you all.

Please RSVP to the office as soon as possible so we can organise our tables.

Rebecca Harvey

P&C Vice President.

### **K/1 News**

Next week we begin swimming lessons , you can wear your swimmers under your uniform because our lessons are first thing in the morning BUT don't forget your dry clothes and towels.(I am looking forward to seeing how clever you all are in the water. For those children in Year One who are not attending swimming lessons you will have your folder work to complete.

This Friday every student in K/1 will participate in a reward afternoon to celebrate all the fabulous progress they have made so far this term. I am so proud of every students progress , you are all amazing learners

Mrs Heath

K/1 Teacher.

Regards,

*Louise Dunn*

Principal