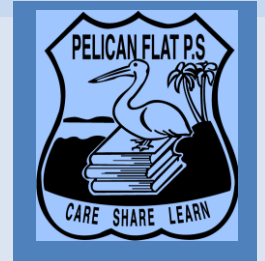


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Issue 2 – Term 1 – Week 4

Wednesday 19th February, 2014

STUDENT DAILY PROGRAM

Classes begin: 9.00 am and finish 3.00pm

Tuesday: Scripture

Wednesday: Library

Friday: Sport

Canteen: Monday-Wednesday- Friday

Term 1 Upcoming Dates

Fri: 21st Feb. Community Disco 6.30 til 8.30pm

Mon: 24th Feb. Zone Swim Carnival ½ day

Wed: 26th Feb. Zone swim carnival full day

Tues: 4th Mar. Healthy Harold

Yesterday Mrs Heath and I interviewed for the position that was advertised for the school as Learning and Support Teacher, RFF, Library and Principal Release. The applicant chosen was Mrs Samantha MacDonald. She is a very experienced teacher from Sydney who has recently moved to the area. Samantha will be starting at Pelican Flat Public School next Monday but will be attending our disco on Friday night to meet everyone. We look forward to having Samantha on our team.

I'd like to say a special thank you to Miss Reed and Miss Nesbitt for the dedication that you have shown the school over the past few years. We all really value and appreciate everything you have done for our school and wish you all the very best in your future endeavours. We look forward to seeing you both from time to time throughout the year.

Parent Helpers

If there are any parents or grandparents who wish to volunteer sometime in the Primary and Infants classrooms please let Julie or I know. Any help would be greatly appreciated.

Swimming Carnival

I'm so proud of each and every one of our students who attended our swimming carnival last week. The sportsmanship and perfect behaviour that all students showed was admirable, something that was noticed by all.

Thank you to Mrs Heath and Mrs Hoogwerf for organising the swimming carnival at our end and thank you to Mr Westcott from Nords Warf Public School for running the carnival. Events like this take many hours to organise and we are all very appreciative of your efforts. Thank you to **Mrs Vanderzee** and **Ms Nesbitt** for volunteering your time to help out at the carnival as well.



Happy Birthday to the following students who are celebrating this fortnight.

Eddie Wilson 3rd March

Tayah Wolfenden 4th March

PRINCIPAL

Community Disco – Friday 6.30pm

We're all getting very excited about our Community Disco this Friday night! Invite all your friends and family so we can make it a night to remember. Make sure you get your tickets by Wednesday so we can organise the food. Hope to see you there!



A special thank you to Mr Robertson and Mr Barnes for volunteering your time to be our timekeepers. It is always wonderful to see so many parents and grandparents at our events and it was lovely to be able to stop and have a chat.



Zone Carnival

Our zone swimming carnivals will be held on Monday 24th February, starting at 11.00am and Wednesday 26th February, starting at 8.30am. Mrs Heath will be attending the carnival on both days and will be in charge of supervising students from Pelican Flat and Nords Wharf. Please find Mrs Heath when arriving at the pool. Congratulations to the following people for qualifying to represent the school in the zone swimming carnival.

Freestyle

Girls 100m Open:	Bella Hooey –	1:25:44
	Chelsea Robertson –	1:35:00
10yr Girls 50m:	Gemma Duffin -	52.32
10yr Boy 50m:	Rory Barnes -	47:44
11yr Girl 50m:	Bella Hooey -	40:25
12yr Girl 50m:	Chelsea Robertson -	41:50
	Bellah Aubin -	49.60
	Clare Wyld -	49.60

Breaststroke

12yr Girl 50m:	Chelsea Robertson -	53.91
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Backstroke

11yr Girl 50m:	Bella Hooey -	52.59
12yr Girl 50m:	Chelsea Robertson -	53.91

Medley

Open Girls Medley:	Bella Hooey -	3:49:45
	Chelsea Robertson -	3:49:56

Relay

Jnr Mixed Relay:	Rory Barnes, Ryan Foster, Ryley Rothwell-Parkes and Jade Wyld
Snr Mixed Relay:	Chelsea Robertson, Bellah Aubin, Clare Wyld and Bella Hooey

School Website

Remember to look take a look at the website for all the latest information and photos. We will be putting the school notes on the site if you ever need another copy.

Skoolbag App

We are currently in the process of organising the Skoolbag app for the school. The app will be able to be downloaded for free and will enable the school to send messages directly to your phone. You will be able to view the school newsletter, notes and will be able to send absent notes directly to the school. The app should be ready within the next three weeks.

As we move into an age where technology is so accessible and our environment is so fragile we have to think of small ways where we can make a difference. It has been decided that once the app is finalised we will stop printing the school newsletter as it can be accessed through the school website and through the Skoolbag App. We are aware that there may be a few people who may need to have the newsletter printed so if this is the case please let Kelli know. We will continue printing the newsletter until the app becomes live.



Canteen

Thank you to Lynne and her wonderful helpers who have been providing beautiful lunches for our students. We really appreciate you giving up your time to help out in the canteen.

Music Lessons

Our music lessons started this week and all students involved have had a wonderful time. If your child is interested in starting lessons it's not too late. Contact the school if your child would like to start.

Thank you!

Thank you to Bec Harvey for running our playgroup every Tuesday. It is a wonderful opportunity for parents to bring their children and have a cuppa and a chat while children learn through play and become familiar with the school environment.

Thank you to Jo Duffin and Suzanne Holding for taking time out to run the school raffles at the RSL. The school received \$1528.42 since October 2013, a considerable amount of money that goes directly to our students learning. **Thank you to the Pelican Flat RSL Sub Branch for your continued support of our school.**

P&C News

Thank you to everyone who attended the P&C meeting last night. We held the AGM and elected the following people in positions for 2014.

President:	Brett Harvey
Vice President:	Bec Harvey
Secretary:	Katrina Wyld
Treasurer:	Nat Brown
Uniforms:	Ana Burley
Canteen Manager:	Lynne Wolsey
Canteen Treasurer:	Simone Foster



Primary News

Below is a list of stationery items that primary students will require this year. Please ensure students have their stationery as soon as possible.

1. Packet of coloured pencils – 24
2. Packet of coloured textas
3. 4 x red pens
4. 5 x HB pencils
5. 2 x yellow highlighters
6. 4 x glue sticks – this is to last the year. Students are able to leave at school if they wish.
7. 1 x ruler
8. 1 x sharpener with shavings keeper
9. 1 x scissors
10. 1 x student diary
11. 1 x art smock or old t shirt
12. 1 x A4 Visual Arts Diary

Louise Dunn Principal

K/1/2

What a wonderful two weeks our beautiful class has enjoyed.

All Kindergarten children have settled so quickly into school routines and our Year 1 and Year 2 students are showing patience and care towards their younger fellow classmates.

Thank you to kinder parents for helping your child remember to return their folder every day and Years 1/2 are returning their homework folders every Friday. I am looking forward to catching up with as many parents as possible at the Disco on Friday night.

Sports Organiser/ K,1,2 Teacher

Julie Heath

Book Packs

Book packs are \$40 this year. This will cover exercise books, text books and photocopying throughout the year.

Library

K-2 has settled well into their library lessons, learning about different types of books and looking at the role of authors and illustrators. Students in years 3-6 have been working hard to refine their library inquiry skills, using both fiction and non-fiction collections to participate in research tasks.

Library borrowing commenced last week with many students eagerly borrowing books. Students are reminded that they will need to bring a bag if they wish to borrow.



Volunteers

Thank you to everyone who has been volunteering around the school already this year. It is wonderful to be a part of such a supportive community.

There are a few DEC requirements that I like to remind everyone of at the beginning of every year:

- If you are transporting another child to an event throughout the year it is a requirement that the school has a copy of your licence, registration papers, CTP Greenslip and your comprehensive insurance policy. The documents are a requirement regardless of whether the parental consent has been given to travel with the other parent. In small schools we often rely on parents to transport children so I ask that you provide the school with this information as soon as possible if there is a chance you may transport students throughout the year.
- If you are able to give up some time to work around the school in reading groups, canteen or in the office it is a requirement that you complete a Working with Children Check. It is a simple online form and when it is completed we will be notified. It is a simple online form that can be found at <https://wwccheck.ccyp.nsw.gov.au/Applicants/application#> . Forms are located at the office if you would like to complete it next time you are in

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Netball Registrations for 2014 season

Come and have fun playing netball in 2014. We welcome players of any ability from 5 years to adult.

We are in need of players for under 8's and 9's, under 11's and under 13's to join our Saturday competition held at the Charlestown Netball Courts.

For more details on playing netball please email us at info@unitednetball.com.au or see our website at www.unitednetball.com.au

