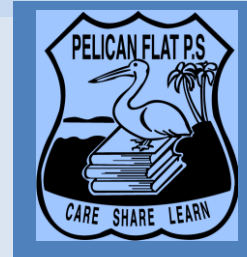


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Issue 4— Term 1 – Week 8

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STUDENT DAILY PROGRAM

Classes begin: 9.00 am and finish 3.00pm

Tuesday: Scripture

Wednesday: Library

Friday: Sport

Canteen: Monday-Wednesday- Friday

Art of Leadership

This week I spent three days in Canberra learning leadership skills with many colleagues across the state. The course was the remaining three days of professional learning that I started last year. It was such a valuable learning experience for me, giving me the tools to lead our school in a positive direction into the future.

SASS

This week Mrs Bell attended the SASS conference in Sydney where she learnt more about the changes to our system, including LMBR. It is also a great opportunity for Mrs Bell to network with other School Administration Managers across the state.

P&C Meeting

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend the P&C meeting last week. The meeting went particularly long as we had many things to discuss, something that we will try and avoid in the future. It is great to have different ideas and perspectives. We look forward to seeing you at our next P&C meeting is next month, date to be sent home soon.

School Canteen



Those who attended the P&C meeting will know that changes to the canteen was a big agenda item. Due to the rising cost of produce and electricity the canteen will be raising the price of most items sold. We will be sending out a new canteen list in the next few weeks.

There will be a canteen meeting at 12pm next Friday. If you would like to come along please feel free to.

Term 1 Upcoming Dates

Tues: 25th Mar. School raffle at Pelican RSL

Wed: 26th Mar. Yr. 6 Transition @ Swansea High 1.50pm

Wed: 2nd Apr. T-Ball Gala

Fri: 4th Apr. X-Country

Tues: 8th Apr. School Photos

Fri: 11th Apr. Easter Hat Parade plus

Easter Sausage Sizzle \$5 each



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

29th March Rory Barnes

PRINCIPAL

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our Star struck students who were successful at making it into the production. Thank you to Mrs Heath for all of your hard work organising the audition and event for our students so far. Mrs Heath is in charge of Star struck and will be attending all Star struck events. When Mrs Heath is away I will be having our Infants students. I'm really looking forward to seeing the production.

A note was sent out regarding the canteen roster was sent out last week. If you are able to help out in the canteen next term can you please let Kelli know and she will pass the information on to Lynne. Looking at the availability of some parents we may have the opportunity to open the canteen on extra days next term. We will discuss this at the meeting next Friday.

As of next week staff will be opening the canteen at recess and lunch for snacks and drinks on Tuesday & Thursdays. Therefore the canteen will open for lunch orders on Monday, Wednesday & Friday plus every other days for snacks & drinks.

Cooking Lessons

Melissa Mills is going to be running a cooking program at school starting in the next few weeks. If there are any parents or grandparents who would like to be involved please contact the school.

Special Lunch Days

Next term we will be holding a number of special lunch days where staff will organise special lunches for students. These days will not be on regular canteen days and we will send notes home as they come up.

New website

Ensure you make time to have a look at our new website. The link to the new website is on our DEC website. We value everyone's feedback so feel free to let us know what you really like or think we could improve.

Thank you!

I met with Mr Lindsay Hall, our RSL sub branch President last week. We discussed the support that the RSL Club and the RSL Sub Branch give our school and the wonderful relationship that the school has with the both organisations. We are truly blessed to have such wonderful support for our school. I especially enjoyed hearing Lindsay reflect on his tours of duty in Vietnam. The RSL is looking forward to see a huge crowd again at the ANZAC Day celebrations again this year.

Skoolbag

Our Skoolbag App has been live for a few weeks now and the feedback we are getting is very positive. During the free 30 day trial the app can only be downloaded onto

Apple devices however when the trial is over it can be downloaded onto Android devices. At last look there had been 34 downloads of the app. Next term we will not be printing the school newsletter unless you request it as the newsletter is available on the school website and on Skoolbag. Please let the school know if you need a newsletter printed.

Appointments with Mrs Dunn

If you require an appointment with me please see Kelli in the office or email me at louise.dunn4@det.nsw.edu.au. To have a successful school environment keeping the lines of communication open is of vital importance, so if you have something to share, of any nature, please come & see me. I will make a mutually suitable time to discuss your topic.

Easter Hat Parade

This year students are going to design and make their Easter hats at school. Over the next few weeks can you please send any recycled materials to school such as egg cartons to school so students can use them on their hats.

Parent Helpers

If there are any parents or grandparents who wish to volunteer sometime in the Library covering our newly acquired books, we would be most appreciative for the help.

Louise Dunn

K/1/2

Our class is beginning to work with Mathletics. Mathletics is a terrific maths site for all our students...happy little mathematicians. Year One and Year Two now have their log on information so they can use this wonderful Internet program at home. Kindergarten will receive their log ins shortly.

A big thank you to Mrs Hoogwerf who organised the funny face biscuits for last Friday's Funky hair day. We loved making them but enjoyed eating them more. Also a big thankyou to Vicki Griffiths who supervised the making of the biscuits, we greatly appreciated your help on the day.

Julie Keath

SPORT**A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS**

To Holly Brown and Chelsea Robertson for making the zone netball team! Well done girls, we are all so proud of you.

Pelican have entered a senior & junior team.

The Macquarie Cup Schools Netball Competition for boys & girls at Charlestown Netball Courts each Friday during Term One & Term Two. Our teams will be announced shortly.

Our school Cross country carnival will be held on Friday April 4th so we will all begin training next week.

Congratulations to our Star struck troupe who were successful in their audition. We will begin rehearsals as soon as possible for this year's show **Magic Happens**.

Good luck to Grace Newman who is auditioning for the junior tap ensemble this Saturday.

Julie Heath

**A BIG CONGRATULATIONS DYLLAN**

For riding 18klms! In the Loop the Lake bike ride for charity.

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



