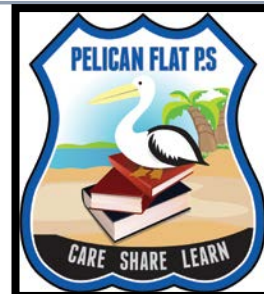


IMPORTANT DATES

Term 2 Week 2

- 2/5 Netball Starts
- 2/5 K-2 The Ultimate Beat program
- 5/5 Guitar and Drum Lessons Resume
- 7/5 Starstruck Rehearsal
- 9/5 Mothers' Day Stall and Gradparents' Day
- 9/5 Regional Cross Country
- 13/14/15 May – NAPLAN
- 29/5 Starstruck Rehearsal



REMINDER MONEY DUE

- **ASAP Netball \$20.00**
- **ASAP The Ultimate Beat \$25.00**
- **Book Packs are now overdue \$40.00**
- **Guitar/Drum lessons \$64.00**



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PRINCIPALS MESSAGE WEEK 2

Grandparents Day

It was wonderful to see so many of our grandparents at school on Friday, thank you to everyone who was able to attend. It was great to see our students show some of their favourite people what they have been doing at school.

Students in the Primary class loved making a movie with their grandparents while our Infants students read books and played a game with theirs.

A few of our grandparents have expressed that they would like to come in from time to time to help out in our classes and we encourage you to do so. If there are any grandparents who would like to volunteer some of their time to help out at school please see Kelli in the office to organise this, all help is valued and appreciated.

Mother's Day Stall

Thank you to Sharon Lunn and the P&C for organising the Mother's Day Stall on Friday. The stall was a huge success and all students enjoyed purchasing something special for their wonderful mums and grandmothers. We hope all of the special ladies in our lives had a wonderful Mother's Day yesterday.

Cross Country

Congratulations to Chelsea and Bella for being selected to represent the school at the Zone cross Country Carnival on Friday May 2. Chelsea and Bella had a fantastic time and both achieved great results. Chelsea came 2nd and was selected to represent the school at the Regional Cross Country Carnival last Friday. I'm really proud to announce that Chelsea came third and will be representing the school at State Cross Country later in the year.

Star Struck

Thank you to Bob Chambers, Lynne Wolsey and Mrs Heath for transporting our students to the Star Struck Rehearsal last Wednesday. Thank you to the Pelican RSL Club for allowing us to use the bus, your support of our school is always greatly appreciated.

Netball

The Lake Macquarie Cup has started and we are enjoying being involved in the competition. Each Friday we travel to Charlestown to participate in the junior and senior competition. Students have displayed outstanding sportsmanship and I've been impressed how students who have never played before have developed their skills so much already. It is wonderful to see our experienced players support our less experience players to develop their skills. Thank you to Jo Duffin who is organising and transporting students on the Pelican RSL bus as well as umpiring many of our games and thank you to Simone Foster and Lynne Wolsey for transporting our students to and from the netball courts. Thank you parents and grandparents who have been able to come and watch our games.

NAPLAN

The National Assessment Program—Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual assessment for students in years 3,5,7 and 9. This week students in Years 3 and 5 will undertake the 2014 NAPLAN tests. NAPLAN is made up of tests in the four domains of Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. NAPLAN is not a pass or fail type test, but rather shows how individual students are progressing in numeracy and literacy skills against national standards for all Australian children. An individual student NAPLAN report will be issued by the school later this year. More information is available at www.naplan.edu.au.

Taster Afternoon – Swansea High

This Wednesday students in Year 6 have been invited to the Swansea High Taster afternoon from 1-50pm to 3pm. Parents will need to organise transport for students.



Canteen

Due to the wonderful support of our parents, grandparents and carers our canteen is open for lunch orders every day of the week. Thank you to Simone and Natalie for making up some new things for students to test taste last Friday, the fruity wraps and nachos were a hit!

Public Speaking

This term students have been asked to prepare a speech to present to their class in week 6. Speeches are a part of students' home learning however if there are any students who are having difficulty please come and see me for some assistance.

No Hat, No Play

Staff have been concerned with the number of students who aren't wearing their hats in the playground. This term staff are insisting that students who don't have a school hat to wear sit under the covered walkway. Due to the recent outbreak in head lice we cannot have spare hats for students to use if they forget theirs.

Skoolbag

Remember to install our Skoolbag App. You can search for our Skoolbag App by typing the school name "Pelican Flat Public School Skoolbag" in either the Apple App Store, or Google Play Store.

Helmets

Please ensure students are leaving in the morning with their helmets on. Student safety is paramount and if I see students arriving at school without their helmets on I will look after students' bike, scooter or skateboard until the student remembers to bring their helmet.

Leave

I will be on personal leave from Thursday 22 May until Monday 26 May. I will return to school on Tuesday 27 May.

I'd like to take this opportunity to inform parents and community members that whenever I am out of the school on school business or leave that Mrs Heath is the staff member left with the responsibility of making critical decisions in my absence.

National Walk Safely to School Day

The annual National Walk Safely to School day, when all primary school children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school, will be held throughout Australia on Friday, 23 May. The main objectives of this campaign are to encourage parents and carers to walk to school with their children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour and to promote the health benefits of walking.

OFFICE NEWS

Welcome back to Term 2. Please remember when making payments at the office to use the RED BOX and please place the correct amount of money in the envelope.

Thank you

Mrs Bell



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

As it has been a big year for Eraring PS this year with our 90th Celebrations, we would like to invite the students, staff and parents from our fellow small schools to a family Dance to be held here at Eraring PS on Thursday 26th of June.

Tickets will be \$5 per student and they will receive a sausage sandwich and a drink along with games and music. Parents and pre-schoolers will be free but will need to purchase their own food which will be available from our newly refurbished kitchen.

The night will run from 5pm to 7pm.

More information will be sent out in the next few weeks.

Leanda Guy

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NAPLAN TIMETABLE 2014

	Tuesday 13 May 2014	Wednesday 14 May 2014	Thursday 15 May 2014
Year 3	Language Conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>45 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>45 minutes</i>
Year 5	Language Conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>50 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>50 minutes</i>

