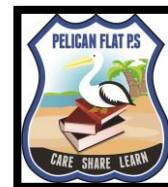


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Term 1, Week 5 2015

Term One	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT SUN
8	16 March Assembly Book Club Orders Due	17 March	18 March Year 6 Taster Day - Swansea High School Library	19 March	20 March Harmony Day Year 7 2016 Expression of Interest forms due	21 22 Mar
9	23 March	24 March	25 March T-Ball Gala Day	26 March	27 March Newsletter Cross Country Carnival 1pm	28 29 Mar
10	30 March Assembly Premier's Sporting Challenge Leadership Day - Swansea High School: Year 5 & 6	31 March	1 April Library	2 April Easter Hat Parade and Morning Tea Pie Drive Deliveries PBL Reward Day	3 April Good Friday School Holidays	4 5 Apr
Hols	6 April Easter Monday School Holidays	7 April School Holidays	8 April School Holidays	9 April School Holidays	10 April School Holidays	11 12 Apr
Hols	13 April School Holidays	14 April School Holidays	15 April School Holidays	16 April School Holidays	17 April School Holidays	18 19 Apr



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Certificate of Excellence

Congratulations to Noah for receiving our Certificate of Excellence for Week 6 and 7. Noah is very deserving of this award as he is always doing the right thing at school and is always trying to achieve his personal best. Noah's growing confidence was displayed this week when he went into the 5/6 room and delivered a speech on his Dad. Well done Noah! We're all very proud of your achievements.



ANZAC Day 2015

This year students from Pelican Flat Public School have been asked to sing at the Pelican RSL Dawn Service. It is a very special privilege that the Pelican RSL Sub Branch have asked us to perform at such a significant event and I hope to see as many students there as possible. Next week an Expression of Interest will go out to all students and I ask that you take time to consider participating as it is such an important event. Our school leaders will be speaking at the event and will be leading the choir as a part of their leadership responsibilities. Full school uniform is to be worn by all students.

Year 6 students moving into Year 7 in 2016

Completed *Expression of Interest* form should be returned to school primary school **no later than Friday 20 March 2015.**

2015 Zone Soccer Trials

Congratulations to Gemma for trying out for the PSSA Girls Soccer Team. Gemma had a wonderful day playing games of soccer and doing various drills. Gemma didn't make the team this year but we're so proud of her for giving it a go.

Term 2 and Term 3 Sports Options

Thank you to everyone who returned their sports option notes for Term 2 and Term 3. All students will be participating in Option 2 which is collaborative team games including t-ball, touch football, Oz tag and cricket and soccer for term 2 at no charge, and then Gymnastic term 3 costing \$30 for the term.

Scholastic Book Club

Book Club went home today and needs to be returned by Monday.

Premier's Reading Challenge

All students began the Premier's Reading Challenge at school last week.

The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) is available for all NSW students in Kindergarten to Year 9, in government, independent, Catholic and home schools.

The Challenge aims to encourage in students a love of reading for leisure and pleasure, and to enable students to experience quality literature. It is not a competition but a challenge to each student to read, to read more and to read more widely.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is an initiative of the NSW State government with Dymocks Children's Charities (principal partner) and Microsoft (technology partner).

For more information: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/faqs.html#about1>

Ukulele/ Guitar Group

Our Ukulele and guitar group and our singing group are both going well. Instruments need to be brought in every Wednesday.

School Assemblies

Our school assemblies are held fortnightly on Monday at 2.30pm. Our next school assembly is on Monday 16th of March.

Cross Country Carnival

The Cross Country Carnival will be held on Friday 27 March at 1pm. The carnival will take place in the school grounds. We invite all parents and family members to come along and watch on the day.

Year 7 2016

Our Year 6 students will start participating in the Swansea High School Transition to High School program next week with their first Taster Day on Wednesday 18 March. A note will be sent home in the coming weeks.

School Uniforms

Our school hats and school shirts have arrived. Please see Kelli in the office next week if you would like to collect your order or purchase a shirt or a hat.

Facts about fractions

If you've forgotten 3/5 of primary school maths and 7/8 of high school maths, what's left? Ah ha! Kids need help learning how to add fractions too. The only thing left is to print these fact sheets.

Find our more: <https://www.det.nsw.edu.au/eppcontent/glossary/app/resource/factsheet/4013.pdf>

Sounding out aloud

Making phonics fun. Help your child learn to read by sounding out their words. Here are some tips to help your child gain confidence reading.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/english/english-tips/phonics-helping-your-child-with-letters-and-sounds>

Canteen News with Rickie

On Wednesday 18 March the canteen will be hosting a Sushi Day. Sushi will be \$3.00 and it will have chicken and rice or chicken avocado and rice.

Please send your orders in by Tuesday 11rd

March for catering purposes.

Monday: Snacks and ice cream – **No Orders**

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Wednesday: Full Canteen

Thursday: Full Canteen

Friday: Full Canteen

P&C News

Pie Drive

This term the P&C are running a Pie Drive.

The orders will be able to be collected on Thursday

2 April at the beginning of the day, at the Easter Hat

Parade or before students go home in the afternoon.

Good for Kids good for life

Why volunteer in the school canteen?

Schools and community organisations are finding it increasingly difficult to find volunteers to help out. With many parents working or busy looking after children there is a real shortage of volunteers in school canteens.

Volunteering in your child's school canteen has a whole range of benefits to you, your child and the school community:

- You may be able to have some input into what food is sold in the canteen
- It gives you an opportunity to meet other parents at the school and gives you another social outlet
- You can support your child in their food choices at the canteen.
- Your child is able to see you at the canteen
- You are supporting the school be able to provide a food service for the students
- **Our school is in need of more volunteers for the canteen so if you are interested please contact our Canteen Supervisor, Rickie.**



Health
Hunter New England
Local Health District

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Easter Raffle

The P&C are holding their annual Easter Raffle and are asking for donations for the raffle to start coming into school. We appreciate anything big or small and thank everyone who has sent in a donation so far. Donations can be delivered to the canteen. If you need more raffle ticket books please collect them from the office.

Regards,

Louise Dunn

Principal