

Edition Three for 2023

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It has been a fantastic start to Term 2! Our Grade 6s have been on camp and we have celebrated Mother's Day with a wonderful breakfast and the Mother's Day stall.

It is great to be able to report on the building progress. The new classroom building is beginning to take shape. The new HOP shed should have its steel delivered next week. The builders are looking at a handover of the new classrooms in August. I thank everyone for their patience during these works as staff often have to park out on the street. I ask again that you do not call children across the road in the afternoon. It is very scary to watch how many of our children are almost hit by cars.

Teachers are busy writing student's midyear reports at the moment. These will be released via Compass on the 19th of June. Please keep an eye out for them as interviews are being held the following day.

If you know of a student who would like to attend PCS in 2024, please ask them to get in touch with our office to collect an enrolment form. Our transition will begin early next term.

During this weather, please make sure you have a change of clothes in your child's bag as the grounds are quite sodden. We like to allow the children out to play if it isn't raining but the ground takes a long time to dry out.

It is important that everyone regularly checks Compass. We have had some children miss out on events lately because they missed the cut off. We really need to stick to cut off dates as there many tasks that we need to complete after we have final numbers. Facebook is sometimes used as an event reminder but the permission dates are already passed by the time it makes Facebook.

**Katrina Stewart
Principal**

dates to Remember

A decorative banner featuring a string of colorful bunting flags in yellow, green, and red with white polka dots, tied with purple bows at each end.

June

1st June - Year 5 & 6 Old Gipps town Excursion

2nd June - Year 5 & 6 Interschool Sports

7th June— Year 1 Old Gipps town Excursion

9th June - Year 5 & 6 Interschool Sports

12th June - King's Birthday Public Holiday - **School is closed**

16th June - Lightning Prem

18th June - Aerobics Competition

19th June - Foundation Old Gipps town Excursion

20th June - Parent/Teacher Interviews

22nd June - Year 2 Arts Centre Excursion

23rd June - Last Day of Term 2 - **Students finish at 2:30pm**

dates to Remember



July

10th July - First Day of Term Three

12th July - Foundation to Year 4 Swimming Program

14th July - Girls AFL

19th July - Foundation to Year 4 Swimming Program

26th July - Foundation to Year 4 Swimming Program

27th July - Aerobics Competition

28th July - House Meetings **Students can wear their house colours!!!!**

31st July - Foundation 100 Days of School Celebration

**Please remember to check Compass
regularly for upcoming events!**

FOUNDATION *newsletter*



In the Classroom!

What an awesome start to Term 2 we have had!

Foundation students have begun learning the letters B, F, L, J, W, V, Q, X, Y and Z. We have been focusing on the sounds these letters make.

In Writing, we have been looking at Information Reports. The Foundation students have had so much fun learning about different animals.

In Reading, we have been focusing on the three different ways we can read by looking at the pictures, reading a book we already know and by reading the words!

In Maths sessions we have been learning about subitising, the days of the week, and collecting data!

Reminders

- Practice reading every night with your child's take-home book. Your child's reader needs to be brought back to school everyday.
- Practice High-Frequency Words
- Please check Compass regarding our upcoming excursion to Old Gipps town.
- Label your child's jumpers and property to ensure it can be returned correctly.

FOUNDATION *newsletter*



Stars of the Week!

FA: Edward, Mitch, Padwa & Tobias

FB: Zoe, Axel, Melodie & Raven

FC: Khloe P, Kobe, Ruben & Ariella

FD: Scarlett, Declan, Vinish & Bisma



Bucket Fillers!

FA: Hadyn

FB: Rorey

FC: Chloe B

FD: Lylah



YEAR ONE NEWS



1A Mrs Keller
1B Miss Ovari
1C Miss Papworth/Mrs Scott
1D Mrs Westwood

Past, Present, Future!

The Year Ones are investigating the concept of History by studying changes in

- Schools
- Toys
- Communication
- Time pieces

We are looking forward to experiencing a town of the 1800s by visiting Old Gipps town in Moe.

Information Reports

For reading and writing Year Ones have looked at non-fiction texts and in particular information reports. They have learnt how to use text features such as

Title, heading, text

Table of Contents

Image, caption

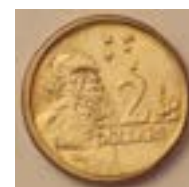
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Diagram, label

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Money and Graphs

Year ones learned about Australian coins, their physical appearance and value. The students also looked at some historical coins.



Word Work

Year One has been studying how some words have double consonant letters. Students investigated where double letters occur in words and what happens when a suffix (ed and ing) is added to some words.

hop, hopped, hopping

pat, patted, patting

Grade 2

Terrific Twos!

Throughout this year all grade two classes have been joining once a week to participate in terrific twos. These one hour Friday afternoon sessions allow for students to strengthen their connection with one another through games and challenges!

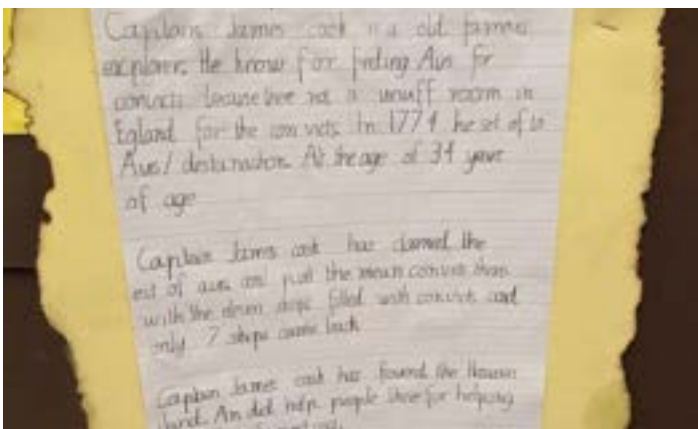
We also celebrate each classes star of the week, positive phone calls and bucketfiller awards!



Grade 2 corridor display inspired by their informative texts.

AMAZING YEAR 3

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WHATS NEW?

MATHS

In Numeracy we have been looking at Australian money and counting simple coin transactions. We have recently moved onto looking at measurement and how to use a ruler correctly. We have been enjoying measuring a range of items as well as designing an area robot!

READING

In Reading we have been exploring how to make an inference correctly. We have explored what the word Schema means and how we can use prior knowledge to make an educated guess or inference correctly.

WRITING

In writing we have been exploring how to research, draft and publish an information report. We have been looking at a range of topics including native Australian animals and famous explorers from around the world.

Fantastic Fours

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May Edition, 2023



WELCOME TO TERM 2!

It has been an exciting start to Term 2. Students have continued to challenge themselves to grow as learners and continue to be bucket fillers!

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

King's Birthday: Monday June 12th

Parent/Teacher Interviews: June 20th



READING

In Reading, the Grade 4's have been focusing on text connections and summarising. Students have explored how texts connect to other texts, themselves and the world around them, also how to pinpoint the important parts of a text.

WRITING

Students have focused on Information Reports and Poetry. We have looked at structure, word choice and setting, amongst other writing devices to continue to grow in skills related to creative and informative writing.



MATHEMATICS

The Grade 4 cohort has been exploring chance, time and patterns. The difference between skill and luck, time fundamentals, and real life application of these ideas have all been investigated.



Awards!

Well done to our May Stars of the Week and Bucket Fillers!

Ruby. C, Tyler. C, Ryder. W, Oliver. D,
Chelsea, Indee, Isabella, Amelia



TOPICAL STUDIES

Throughout Term 2, students are learning about Australian History. This includes looking at our past from the perspectives of Indigenous Australians and the First Settlers, in order to better understand what has made our wonderful country what it is today.

Fantastic Fours

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Fun Times!



Some happy snaps from April and May including our excursion to the Cranbourne Botanical Gardens, Topical Study projects, and some amazing work from our classrooms!

What's news in Grade 5?

Welcome to the May edition of Grade 5 News! We have well and truly settled into Term 2 and lots of wonderful learning experiences are taking place in our classrooms. Outside the classroom we have seen lots of our students participating in interschool sport, VSSS and Aerobics teams and look forward to hearing about their successes in the coming months.

In English we have been focusing on analysing and creating Information Reports, before we begin our unit on poetry for the rest of the term.

In Numeracy we have been focusing on Statistics and Probability by exploring and investigating through hands-on activities. Our next focus will be on developing and extending our understanding of time.

In Topic we have been looking at significant events that have shaped Australian history.

Our Stars:

5A - Alexis, Laurance, Jack, Elle

5B - Bianca, Thomas, Nanditha, Isaac

5C - Sarah, Ashlee, Blake, Hugh

5D - Joel, Levi, Lukos, Ben

5E - Tiara, Dylan, Cooper, Violet

Our Bucket Fillers:

Bonnie
Madi
Lachlan
Cooper L

Reminders:

*Old Gipps town Excursion - Thursday 1st June (except 5B who will attend on Thursday 15th June)

* Keep an eye out for Grade 5 camp info coming very soon!!



Our month in pictures



Re-enacting the
battle at Gallipoli

TOPIC EXPERIENCES



BATTLE OF THE SENIORS



May

Please encourage your grade 6's to keep up their nightly reading!

Literacy



In our Reading sessions, students are analysing and responding to a range of informative texts.

In Writing, students are working towards achieving their personal goals while creating an informative text.

During Word Work we have been looking at identifying when double consonants are needed when spelling.



Maths



During Maths, we have been exploring money and financial maths through hands on experiences where students calculate the total cost, change and discounts in real life settings.

Students are also working hard to show initiative while working on their Maths Masters goals.

Topic

This term we have started investigating Australian History with a focus on Australian Federation. Students have explored concepts such as war, rebellion, colonisation and invasion.

Students have so far had the opportunity to create timelines, models and maps to demonstrate their understanding.



Reminders

- Old Gippsland Excursion on the 15th of June.
- Topic Expo date to come.



STAR OF THE WEEK



6A

Eden
Kiarra
Nate

6B

Rajab
Eleanor
Ava

6C

Lyra
Lachlan
Sienna
Mikayla



BUCKET FILLER

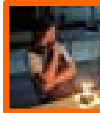
Winston & Harry



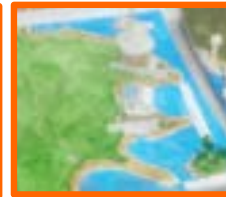
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★ FUN TIMES ★

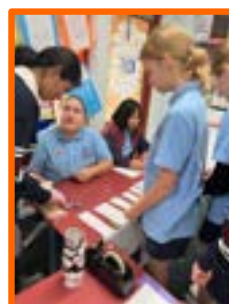
Camp Coolamatong!



First Colony Models



Money and Financial Maths





Sustainability

The Green Team have had lots of fun coming together with Ms Harrington. Together they have come up with so many amazing ways we can be more sustainable at PCS!

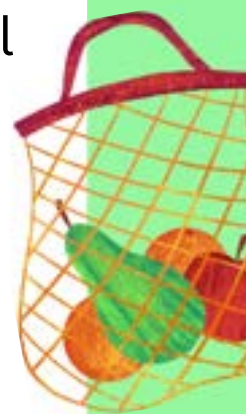
REMEMBER!



Cut down what you throw away. Follow the three "R's" to conserve natural resources and landfill space.

BATTERY RECYCLING

Remember to recycle old batteries here at PCS! The battery recycling box is located at the office.



SNAPSHOT from the ART ROOM



FOUNDATION
Crayon rubbings/ silhouette house



GRADE 1
Horse carousel collage



GRADE 2
Paper plate masks



Weaving mats



GRADE 3
Gel paint prints



GRADE 4
Dragons in Magiclay

Congratulations

to our **VSSS23 Team** for your exemplary behaviour and commitment when representing our school, at the VSSS Hub Rehearsals. We are very proud of you!



Tickets to see our team perform in 'Passport to Fun' at John Cain Arena, Sept 9th

go on sale via Ticketek June 7th We hope to see lots of PCS families in the audience!



Log onto the Facebook page to follow our journey! <https://www.facebook.com/performingartsunit>



A BIG THANK YOU

We would like to thank our
amazing parent volunteers
that helped at our
Mother's Day Stall.

A big shout out to Jacqueline,
Jane, Sarah, Sharon, Kyla,
Melissa D, Ami, Sean, Liz and
Melissa J.

We really appreciate your
support!

LUNCH TIME ACTIVITIES



CHALK DRAWINGS





Easter Bonnet Parade





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Children's Mental Health & Well-Being

Presented by Jasbir Suropada

- Why our children's mental health & well-being is important?
- How do we support mental health & well-being?
- Where do I go to get further assistance?

Date: Tuesday, 13 June, 2023

Time: 7:00 - 8:30pm

Where: Online via Zoom

ENQUIRIES:

CFCCardinia@anglicarevic.org.au
or call 0457 825 076

Register at:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DUCOEbzISiGx_tBvh8078g



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See www.dss.gov.au for more information.

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or scan QR code



12 May 2023

Dear Resident / Business Owner

Works notification: 24-hour works from Wednesday 7 June to Thursday 22 June

We are removing the dangerous and congested level crossings at McGregor Road, Main Street and Racecourse Road, Pakenham by building a rail bridge over the roads and delivering new stations at Pakenham and East Pakenham.

Between **7pm Wednesday 7 June and 3am Thursday 22 June**, we will be working 24 hours a day within the rail corridor between Berwick Station and Nar Nar Goon while trains are not running.

Works will include:

- Hardstand installation and removal
- Track and ballast removal and reinstatement
- L-beam delivery and installation
- Architectural screening installation
- Overhead electrical and signalling works
- Drainage works
- East Pakenham Station carpark construction and track works

In East Pakenham, we will be undertaking rail works between Racecourse Road and the Princess Freeway to connect the existing rail line to a temporary track.

What to expect

- Lighting for safe working conditions during night works
- Increased vehicle movements
- Ongoing earthworks and excavation

There will be increased noise, vibration and construction activity while we complete these works.

Residents who are directly impacted by these works will be contacted closer to the time.

CONTACT US

levelcrossings.vic.gov.au
contact@levelcrossings.vic.gov.au
1800 105 105

Level Crossing Removal Project,
GPO Box 2392, Melbourne VIC 3001



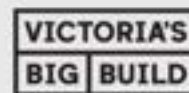
@levelcrossings



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Please contact us if you would like this information in an accessible format.

If you need assistance because of a hearing or speech impairment, please visit relayservice.gov.au



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Changes to the way you travel

At times there will be minor delays at each level crossing to allow construction vehicles safe access to the rail corridor.

The following 24 hour road closures will be in place at the level crossings to allow for architectural screening installation and safe truck movements:

- Racecourse Road will be closed at the level crossing between Thursday 8 June and Thursday 15 June.
- McGregor Road will be closed at the level crossing between Friday 16 June and Sunday 18 June.
- Main Street will be closed at the level crossing between Monday 19 June and Thursday 24 June.

Parking will be removed at times on Henty St and Stockman's Circuit to allow for safe truck movements.

There will be intermittent delays at Savage St, McGregor Rd and Main St pedestrian crossings.

Pedestrian and vehicle access to private homes and businesses will be maintained at all times via traffic management. Please observe detours and signage as you move around the area.

Every effort will be made to complete these works on schedule, however dates are subject to change.

If you have any questions regarding these works, please contact us on 1800 105 105.

Buses replace trains during 24 hour works

Buses replace trains on the **Pakenham Line** between **Berwick and Pakenham** from **Thursday 8 June to last service Wednesday 21 June**.

Please note that buses replace trains on other sections of the Cranbourne and Pakenham lines in May and June.

Please allow extra time for travel. To plan your journey, visit ptv.vic.gov.au/cranpak

More information

If you have any questions or would like more information about the level crossing removal project, call us on **1800 105 105** or email contact@levelcrossings.vic.gov.au 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

For rail disruption information visit ptv.vic.gov.au/cranpak or call **1800 800 007**.

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Kind regards,

The Pakenham Level Crossing Removal Project





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