

Pomona Public School

Fortnightly Newsletter

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Principal's Report

Welcome back. I hope everyone has had an enjoyable break and looking forward to another productive and busy term. I look forward to working with you all.

Connecting Country Schools

Pomona School is currently receiving upgraded wireless connectivity and internet access as part of the Connecting Country Schools (CCS) project. This project will improve wireless access in our learning spaces and outside grounds, assisting teachers to deliver future focused learning to prepare our students for digital age jobs. Improved wireless and internet services will also give students more chances to connect and collaborate with and greater access to online knowledge databases, streaming media, educational institutions and experts.

NAPLAN Tests

In week 3, May 14th to 17th students in Grades 3 and 5 will participate in the NAPLAN online tests.

Hearing Tests

All students will have their hearing tested at school on Monday 13th May.

Sporting Schools

Pomona school has received funding in Term 2 as part of the Sporting School's program for \$1500. We will be having 5 lessons of Golf held at the school.

Kent Road Visit

Ten students from our City Country Alliance School Kent Road will be visiting Pomona School on Monday 6th. Kent Road will spend a couple of hours working with our students in the classroom from 11:30 - 1:00pm.

We May Be Small But We've Got It All

Grade 6 Leadership River Cruise

On Monday 6th May our Grade 6 students will be involved in a river excursion on board the "Wentworth". Our students will assist with showing the Kent Road students our lovely Sunraysia District. The excursion will go from 4:30-6pm.

Disco

A very big thank you to the P & C and to Mrs Forster for running a disco for our students last term. The Easter theme was well chosen and our students had an enjoyable time.

ANZAC Day March

Thank you to all our students who represented Pomona School at this year's ANZAC Day March in Wentworth. We are very thankful for those that have made sacrifices in the past for the lucky country we live in.



Mother's Day

All the very best to our mums for Mother's Day on Sunday May 12th. We hope you have a wonderful and relaxing day. There will be a Mother's Day Stall at school for students to purchase gifts for their mum next Thursday and Friday from 8:30-9:00am. All items will be \$2 each. Thank you P & C for organising this.



Hot Lunches

A reminder that students are able to order hot lunches for Friday from Tiggy's in Wentworth. Lunch orders need to be handed in at school by the prior Wednesday 3pm. Orders and correct money need to be placed into a sealed envelope and put in the tub in the tub on the verandah.

School Grounds

Please be aware of your surroundings when in the school grounds as there has been reports of inappropriate language being used by our parents.

Regards



David McDonnell

Principal

Important Dates For Your Calendar

May

Monday 6th May - Kent Road School Visit. Grade 6 Wentworth River Cruise 4:30pm

Friday 17th May - Walk Safley to School Day

Tuesday 14th May - NAPLAN testing starts for Grades 3 and 5

Friday 24th May - Western Landcare Excursion to Fort Courage

Wednesday 29th May - Grade 5/6 Grip Leadership Conference - Mildura

Friday 31st May - School Cross Country

June

Monday 10th June - Queen's Birthday Holiday

Friday 14th June - Barrier/Murray Darling Cross Country at Botanical Gardens
Buronga

Tuesday 18th June - Child Protection workshops with Palinyewah

Monday 24th June - Mildura Eisteddfod Choir

Friday 28th June - NAIDOC Day with Palinyewah and Pooncarie

July

Mon 1st - Wed 3rd July - Parent / Teacher Interviews

K-2 Class:

Hello everyone,

Welcome back to what will be a very busy Term 2.

This term we will be covering a Geography topic called 'What are Different Features of Places' and a Science unit called 'Living Things and their Homes'.

Also a reminder that reading folders should be returned to school daily so students can change their readers and homework is due on Fridays.

Have a great weekend.

Year 3-6:

Welcome back to Term 2, I hope you all have had an enjoyable break. This term will once again be a busy one with our school and Murray Darling cross countries, NAIDOC day, NAPLAN for Grades 3 and 5, Grip Leadership Conference in Mildura for Grades 5 and 6, the Mildura Eisteddfod and a visit from Kent Road Public School. Finally, a reminder that reading logs need to be returned each Monday for correction. Spelling words need to be practiced during the week for a test each Friday.

Playground Equipment Shade Sail

The second phase for completing the shade over the playground is well underway. Posts were concreted in last Tuesday with the shade structure to be completed in the near future.



Walk Safely to School Day

Friday 17th May is Walk Safely to School Day. I encourage those in walking distance to take this opportunity and walk safely to school.

Kitchen Garden

The students have asked if we could put the recipes from the Kitchen Garden lessons in the newsletter. Please find attached this week's recipe of Pumpkin Soup.

P&C News

Pomona P&C is holding a Pie Drive Fundraiser this Term. Order forms are attached to this newsletter.

PBL News

Each Friday during our whole school assembly Mr Mac announces a Principal's Award for a student that has been following our 3 school values 'Respect', 'Learning' and 'Safety'. This week the principal's award went to Chad. You can see Chad pictured here next to our new sign.



TransGrid Workshops & Information

Community members are invited to drop-in sessions in Wentworth and Buronga being held by TransGrid in May 2019. The sessions aim to provide information about Project EnergyConnect and get local feedback on project opportunities and constraints.

The team would love to meet you and hear your views.

<http://projectenergyconnect.com.au/upcomingEvents.php>

Wentworth

Date: Tuesday 7 May 2019

Time: 12.30pm-6pm

Venue: Wentworth Town Hall, 24 Adelaide Street, Wentworth

Buronga

Date: Wednesday 8 May 2019

Time: 12.30pm-6pm

Venue: Meeting Room 1, Midway Centre, Midway Drive, Buronga.

ROBOT SONG by Arena Theatre Company- Mildura Art Centre

"Miss Cummings, if we're all different, doesn't that kind of make us all the same?" -

Juniper May

When eleven year old Juniper May receives a petition signed by her entire class stating that she is 'the most hated person in the school' her life is thrown into complete meltdown. After exhausting all other avenues her parents resort to the only thing they have left, a giant singing robot.

Based on a true story, *Robot Song* illustrates the profound, transformative nature of creativity that when combined with unconditional love, becomes an unstoppable force. For Juniper, creativity opens doors into places she never knew existed allowing her, for the first time, to be defined on her own terms.

Robot Song is a deeply personal story. It shares an honest, intensely funny and often unconventional window into writer, director Jolyon James' experience parenting a child on the Autism Spectrum. The show poses and attempts to answer the question, how do we support, foster and celebrate difference in our children in the face of an increasingly rigid and homogenised world?

Robot Song is a genuine family show. It is joyful and full of hope. It is for any child who has ever felt isolated or pushed to the margins and any parent desperate for tools to help. The show employs cutting edge digital technology, startling animatronics and a beautiful original musical score.

"Gorgeously told and superbly crafted, a must-see for young people growing up in a world where bullying is widespread but who need to understand that difference should be seen as an asset." Fiona Parker ABC

Mildura Arts Centre

Wednesday 3 July at 5.30pm

Running time is 60 minutes

Tickets: Full \$20 / Concession \$18 / Child under 16 \$10 / group 4 \$12.50pp

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Wentworth Area Skate Park

The Wentworth Area Skate Park Committee are very excited to announce that the park is nearing completion and as such we will be holding an official opening on Tuesday May 21. Please find attached a flyer regarding the official opening.

Walk Wentworth Sing Workshops:

The annual Walk Wentworth Sing will take place on Sunday 19 May at the Wentworth Town Hall.



DAY OF CHOIRS 2019 *Walk Wentworth Sing*
SUNDAY MAY 19TH | 12PM - 6PM
Wentworth Town Hall, Adelaide St, Wentworth

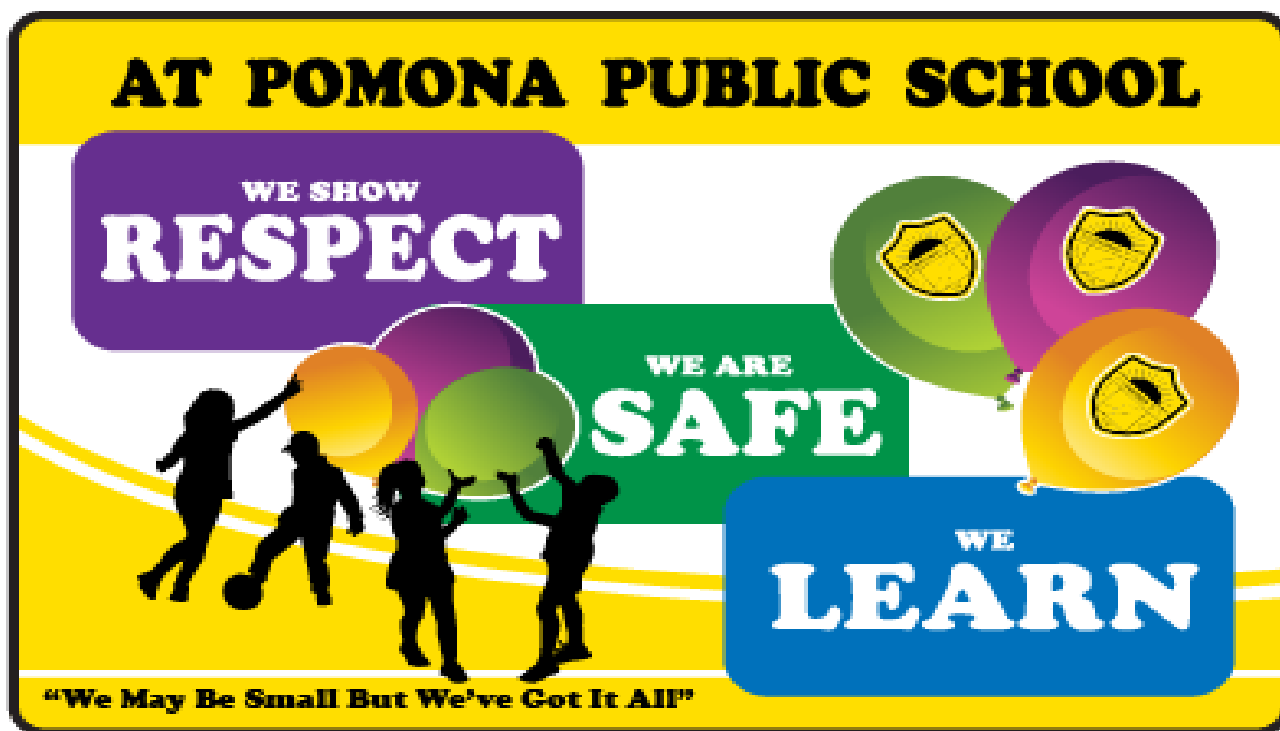
A special community event that will touch and amaze all who share in this wonderful afternoon and evening of music. Individual choral, instrumental and school groups perform their own repertoire, followed by a combined all ages voice and instrumental ensemble, led and rehearsed by Castlemaine singer, musician and choir leader James Rigby.

Further information call Anne Hederics 0407 893 485 or Catherine Threlfall 0420 939 229

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GOL GOL PUBLIC SCHOOL
COUNTRY FAIR
MORE TO DO...
MORE TO SEE...
MORE TO ENJOY...
Sunday May 5th - 10:00am Start



AT POMONA PUBLIC SCHOOL

WE SHOW RESPECT

WE ARE SAFE

WE LEARN

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