



# Pomona Public School

## Fortnightly Newsletter

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### Principal's Report

Hello Everyone,

As the term draws to a close I wish to once again thank all students, parents and staff for their commitment during the term. It certainly has been an unusual year so far. The good news is we seem to be heading in the right direction and a lot of the current restrictions are being relaxed. Life is returning to some normality. Enjoy your holidays and I look forward to seeing you all during Term 3.

PRINCIPAL'S  
REPORT



### Covid-19 Update Term 3

As you would have read in the last newsletter, many restrictions that were in place during Term 2 relating to the Covid-19 pandemic are being relaxed. How does this look for our school in Term 3 you may ask? This is what I know so far:

1. The school playground and sandpit will open for use.
2. Kitchen Garden lessons will begin in Week 2.
3. Excursions and incursions are able to take place.
4. School Camps - ie. Canberra (Year 6) and Ballarat (Years 4/5) are still being considered.
5. The Small Schools Athletics Carnival or a modified sports day is still being considered.
6. The school cross country will take place on Friday, July 31. (Unfortunately without spectators.)
7. NAIDOC Day celebrations have been scheduled to take place later in the year.
8. All PSSA sport has been cancelled for the year.
9. Parents and non-essential visitors are still not allowed on the school site unless prior permission is received from the principal.
10. All external visitors on school site must sign a form at the office that they will adhere to AHPPC guidelines and NSW Health Advice.

Please be aware that these restrictions could change at any time depending on advice from the NSW Department of Education and Government Health Experts.



**We May Be Small But We've Got It All**

### **All Essential Visitors to school sites now must sign on at the office.**

We ask parents, volunteers and members of the community not to come onto the school grounds without the prior approval of the Principal.

There is a specific form which must be filled out if you need to be on school site.

### **Last Day of Term**

Students are able to come to school dressed in "Footy Colours" for the last day of term. The Grade 5 and 6 students will be organising a rotational tabloid activity session for all students to participate in as part of the last day of term break up.



### **Drink Bottles**

A reminder that students need to have their own drink bottles at school each day. These drink bottles are able to be filled from the special tap at the bubblers.

### **Student Reports**

Student reports have been sent home today with your child. Please remember that these reports have been modified and take into consideration both the face to face teaching and the online learning that has taken place during Term 1 and Term 2. There are no A-E marks for each curriculum area.



### **Parent Teacher Student Interviews**

A reminder that interviews have been scheduled to take place on Wednesday, July 1. All parents will find their time slots for interviews in their child's report envelope. Parents who requested a face to face interview will be required to sign an 'external visitor to school site' form at the interview as part of the NSW Departments Safety Guidelines.



### **Principal's Leave**

I will be on leave the last two days of Term 2. Mrs Forster will be the acting principal in my absence.

### **Online Learning Feedback**

Thank you to parents who have returned their online learning feedback sheet.

## School Uniforms

Starting from Term 3 the ordering and payment of school uniforms with logo will be online direct from supplier. The P&C and school have been working closely with Laser Signs and Print to make this happen. I will provide you the website address when the site is made live. New uniform prices will be:

Jackets	\$48	Hoodie	\$45
Polo shirts	\$28	Hats	\$12
Vests	\$38		

Other uniform items like shorts, skorts, track pants, beanie, scarf and gloves are to be sourced personally.

Regards



David McDonnell

Principal

## Principal's Award

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'. Congratulations Riley Parker and Theo Crombie.



## **Important Dates For Your Calendar**

### **June**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June - Students Reports Sent Home

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> June - Staff Training - Effective Teaching of Mathematics

### **July**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July - Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Footy Colours Casual Dress and Grade 5/6 Tabloids Activities

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July - Term 2 Ends

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July - Staff Development Day

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> July - Term 3 begins for Students

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July - School Cross Country (Unfortunately no spectators are allowed)

### **August**

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August - School Photos

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> August - Life Education Van Visit

### **K-2 Class:**

What a term it has been! From Online Learning to the resumption of face-to-face teaching, the students of the Junior Class continue to impress me with their growth and development.

We have been focusing strongly on our writing and I have been extremely pleased with the efforts of all students. The students have also greatly enjoyed their STEM lessons where they have coded the 'Bee-Bots' to follow a particular path, and designed boats which could float in water while carrying the weight of coins.

Please find the note confirming your timeslot for parent teacher interviews with the student report cards sent home today. I look forward to seeing you all to discuss your child's progress this semester.

I wish everyone a great last week of term and a safe and restful school holiday break.



### **Year 3-6**

Hello everyone! Well here we are at the end of Term 2, it has gone so fast. All student have worked hard since returning back to school full time. In geography at the moment the students are completing a set assignment reporting on a country of their choice.

For STEM they have been working on coding and they have also started an engineering project where they have to design a building that will survive an earthquake. The structure is made out of marshmallows and match sticks and will be tested for its stability on a layer of jelly.

Student Reports have gone home today. Please find in with the reports an allocated time slot for our Parent/Teacher/Student Interviews. I look forward to meeting with you and discussing your child's progress.





### **School Banking (Covid-19 update)**

The Wentworth and District Community Bank of Bendigo Bank has informed the school that school banking is operating once again. Wednesday is bank day for Pomona students. The P&C receive a donation from the Wentworth and District Community Bank on money banked to your child's account through this service.

### **Basketball Rings Tender**

The school has two portable basketball rings for sale by tender. Tender must be placed in a sealed envelope and handed into the school. Feel free to contact the school on 5027 486 for a closer inspection. Tenders will close on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July.

