



Pomona Public School

Fortnightly Newsletter

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Principal's Report

A very big thank you to Gol Gol Primary School, Principal Glen Walker and staff for allowing Pomona School to visit last Friday. The students had a fabulous experience being part of a larger school, developing their social skills and seeing how learning takes place in a different environment.

Remembrance Day

A Remembrance Day ceremony was shared with Gol Gol School last Friday. Thank you to Teneille and Jackson for the part they played in the service by reading the poem "In Flanders Fields". I also want to thank the students who laid a wreath for those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our country.

End of Year Presentation Night

A reminder that next Thursday night our End of Year Celebrations are taking place in the Pomona Hall starting at 7:00pm. The students have been working extremely hard on their performance with rehearsals taking place at least twice a week. I encourage you all to come along and help celebrate this with our staff and students.

This year we will be videoing the the End of Year Presentation/Concert. If you would like a copy please let the school know. You can have it put on your own memory stick or purchase one from the school.

- Own stick \$10
- School \$15

Please see the attached note for cleaning duties.

HR Payroll

Pomona School along with the other schools in our district went live with the new HR Payroll system for all staff last Thursday. Thank you to Kate Witte for all the time and effort she has put into helping make this a smooth transition.

Special Visitor

I would like to thank ex-student and current AFL West Coast Eagles footballer Jarrod Brander for spending some time with our students and telling them about his life's journey so far. He was happy to sign many autographs and be a part of many photos. Good luck Jarrod for the coming season.



Year 6 Farewell

The Year 6 Farewell will take place on Wednesday 12th December at the Coomealla Club Auditorium. This night of celebration is for staff, parents and students in Grades 5 and 6 only. The dress code is neat casual, please keep in mind that all outfits be age appropriate.

- No strapless or spaghetti strapped outfits
- Pants for boys and a button up shirt (tie can be worn)
- No sneakers

Information regarding this event is attached to this newsletter.

Early Arrivals

Just a reminder that morning playground supervision starts at 8:30am. Students **should not** be arriving at school before this time unless a prior arrangement has been made. Before 8:30am staff are organising and preparing lessons for the day.

Regards

David McDonnell
Principal

Important Dates For Your Calendar

November

Thursday 22nd November - End of Year Presentation/Concert 7:00pm Start

Friday 23rd November - Kinder Orientation

Monday 26th November to Friday 7th December - Stewart House Visits

Friday 30th November - Kinder Orientation

December

Friday 7th December - Kinder Orientation

Wednesday 12th December -Yr 6 Farewell (Coomealla Club Auditorium)

December 12-18th - Intensive Swimming Program at Mildura Waves

Wednesday 19th December - Last day of school for 2018

2019

Wednesday 6th February - Students start school

Thursday 21st February - Small Schools Swimming Carnival at Wentworth Pool

K-2 Class:

Hello All

What a lovely time we had a Gol Gol last week it was a great opportunity for our students to mix in a new environment and make new friends.

We have also been spending a bit of time at the hall preparing for our end of year concert and presentation night. The students are very excited to perform for their families and friends.

In literacy we have been focusing on writing letters and creating posters; as part of this it is important for students to understand who their targeted audience is and as part of this process they are exposed to using language that conveys the appropriate message and how language can be very powerful if used in different contexts.



Year 3-6:

The senior class enjoyed their visit to Gol Gol School last Friday. All students indicated they had an enjoyable experience and would look forward to a similar experience again. Teneille and Jackson assisted with the Remembrance Day Service by reading the poem "In Flanders Fields". Joanie and Tom laid a wreath on behalf of the senior class. I would also like to thank Darcy and Vincent James for representing Pomona School at the RSL Remembrance Day Service over the weekend.

A reminder that reading logs need to be returned each Monday. At the moment a number of students are forgetting to return these.

Concert - Revised Costume Request

All students need to bring along a singlet to put in their costume bag. This singlet can be plain navy, white, tan or black.

Kinder Orientation

The dates for our Kinder Orientation days are:

- Friday 23 November
- Friday 30 November
- Friday 7 December

If anyone knows of students that are thinking of enrolling at Pomona Public School next year in either Kinder or any other years please ask them to contact the school.

SkoolBag

At Pomona Public School we are trying to stay up to date with technology, we have been using the skoolbag app for reminders and newsletters. If you are not receiving notifications on your skoolbag app you may need to update the app. If this doesn't work try uninstalling and reinstalling the app.

Please find attached instructions on how to do this.

Facebook

As the legal age of having a Facebook account is 13 years, please remind your child/children to please not comment or like photos on the Pomona Public School Facebook page.

Book Club

Issue 8 of Book Club is due back on Friday 23 November so orders can be placed, this will make sure orders will be back by the end of term.

Wentworth Area Skate Park

Please be advised that the Wentworth Shire Council has kindly donated \$200,000 towards the Wentworth Area Skate Park and this now means the skate park will go ahead really soon!!! Yay!

We would like to celebrate and sincerely thank the Wentworth Shire Council, the Wentworth & District Community Bank® and the Coomealla Memorial Sporting Club who have helped to make the construction of the Wentworth Area Skate Park possible by having a photo



shoot at the site of the skate park next to the Wentworth Swimming Pool on **Tuesday 20th November at 4pm**. We would really love as many children and students possible to rejoice in this good news. So get your skate boards, BMX bikes and yourselves down to the skate park site and have your picture taken with our wonderful business men and women that have helped to make this happen.



We May Be Small But We've Got It All