

Pomona Public School Fortnightly Newsletter

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Principal's Report

End of Year

I would like to thank all students, teachers and parents for their efforts this year. We all need to contribute to the smooth running of the school and I thank each and everyone one of you for your efforts throughout the year. I wish you all a safe and happy holiday period and look forward to working with you all in 2019.

2019 Organisation

Pomona will have two classes again next year. There will be a junior class K-2 (Mrs Forster) and a senior class 3-6 (Mr Mac).

These classes will be supported by following teaching staff during the year pending student numbers and finances.

Mrs Ruth Gebert - Tuesdays

Kitchen / Garden

PD/Health - Grades 3-6

Mrs Jenny Wall - Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays Instructional Leader - Grades K-2

Library Grades - K-6

History/Geography Grades - 3-6

Art - Grades - 3-6

Mrs Tina Rooney - Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Learning Assistance - Grades 3-6

Science - Grades 3-6

Mr Greg Stewart - Wednesdays

Technology - Grades 2-6

We will also have the following SASS staff

Mrs Kate Witte as our (School Administration Manager) SAM for four days a week Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursday and Fridays.

Mr Nathan Fordham as our General Assistant (GA) for one day a week.

Mr John Woods as our Garden Assistant for four hours per week.

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Intensive swimming - Monday

Students have been asked to bring a jumper and pants to swimming on Monday to place over their bathers so they can practice safety techniques if they fall into the water fully clothed. Please also pack a plastic bag to place these items into after swimming.

Whole School Assembly / Last Day Organisation

A BBQ lunch will be cooked for the students by the P&C on the last day. Parents and grandparents are welcome to come along and share a hamburger or sausage with their child(ren) and then enjoy the whole school assembly in the senior room following this. The timetable for the day will be:

Lunch 12:45-1:30pm

Whole School Assembly - 1:30pm

Special Guest Visitor and refreshments - 2:00pm

Students are also able to wear casual dress to school on the last day.

Reports on Student Progress

Student reports will be sent home next Wednesday 19th December with students. I Congratulate each child for their work throughout the year and look forward to further improvement and effort in 2019.

Positive Behaviour Learning (PBL)

Our school will be introducing this program into the school in 2019. It is supported by the Department of Education and Training and helps to make good schools even better. Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) brings together the whole-school community to contribute to developing a positive, safe and supportive learning culture.

PBL assists schools to improve social, emotional, behavioural and academic outcomes for children and young people.

When PBL is implemented well, teachers and students have more time to focus on relationships and classroom instruction. Students and staff benefit from:

- reduced problem behaviour
- increased time focused on instruction
- improved social-emotional wellbeing
- · positive and respectful relationships among students and staff
- support for teachers to teach, model and respond effectively to student need
- a predictable learning environment where staff and students know what is expected to deliver effective practices that can be sustained over time.

All staff will be trained prior to the start of the school year (2 days), implementation will be across the whole school and follow up training will occur after 10 weeks.

Year 6 Farewell

Thank you to everyone who came along to celebrate Jackson and Teneille's special night on Wednesday at the Coomealla Club. We wish both of them a wonderful future and all the best as they start a new chapter in their life at Coomealla High School.

Stewart House

John Robertson and Darcy James have had a very enjoyable couple of weeks at Stewart House. Both boys have said it was a fantastic experience and they really enjoyed it.

Regards

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David McDonnell **Principal**



K-2 Class:



Year 3-6:

I would like to say thanks to the senior class for sharing the second half of the year with me. I have appreciated your efforts and want to wish you all an enjoyable and safe holiday. Please keep practicing your timetables over the holidays and I look forward to teaching you many news things in 2019.

P&C Reminder:

Raffle books <u>sold or not</u> are due back at school on Monday 17 December, with the raffle being drawn Wednesday 19 (last day of school). If you require another book please see Kate in the office.

















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