

Pilliga Public School Newsletter

The little school that's BIG on learning

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New Air-Conditioner

The term hasn't quite started with the heat that we had last year (we aren't complaining!), but it won't be long. In the meantime, we are enjoying spending fruit break and lunch and recess out in the sun.

One of our concerns for term 4 was the air-conditioner in the classroom that we had a lot of trouble with last year. On Tuesday we finally had our air-conditioning unit replaced and are now ready for the Summer heat. A crane was brought in to change the units over, and we all enjoyed watching it happen.











COMING UP:

- 31/10-2/11 Mr Lord @ EA4S Meeting
- 2/11 Transition Hearing and Vision checks
- 3-4/11 Mr Lord @ Western Plains Principal Meeting
- 7/11 CWA Luncheon
- 21/11 Swim School Starts
- 8/12 Presentation Night

At Pilliga Public, the focus of our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) is Respect, Integrity and Participation. PBL is a whole school approach to behaviour management used in schools across the world. Rules and expectations for behaviour are explicitly taught and are reinforced through posters and discussions on a regular basis.

Our PBL reward system allows students to receive points for when they are displaying attitudes of respect, integrity and participation in the classroom, the playground and on excursions. The points are tallied through Class Dojo, an online student tracker that is displayed (and continually added to) on the Interactive White Board each day. At the end of term 4 the students with the highest points for our three focus areas, and the overall highest point scorer will enjoy a special lunch in Narrabri as a reward for their consistent positive behaviour

Early Action For Success

Early Action for Success (EAFS) is the NSW Department of Education's strategy for implementing the NSW government's State Literacy and Numeracy Plan. It aims to improve students' literacy and numeracy skills through a targeted approach in the early years of schooling. The key features of EAFS include instructional leadership, personalised learning, assessment for learning, targeted interventions and high quality professional learning.

Pilliga Public School has been part of Early Action for Success over the last few years with very positive results. With the support of our instructional leader Nikki Mudge who visits the school each fortnight, our infants students (particularly those who have benefited from the program over the past 2 years) are engaging deeply with rich texts to inform their writing, are learning that numbers can be deconstructed and re-constructed in order to efficiently solve a problem, and are reading on or above their stage level.

Mrs Mudge has brought infants teachers from her cluster of small schools near Dubbo, to Pilliga to watch how we run our sessions so that they can try to implement something similar in their own school. This is a reflection of the hard work and programming that Mrs Lord puts into Literacy and Numeracy to ensure that all lessons are differentiated, engaging and are targeting specific learning goals for each student.

Transition Hearing and Vision Screening

The hearing and vision screening that had to be rescheduled due to the rain at the end of last term will now be on **Wednesday.**

November 2nd. This is a day that transition students are already at school, however, parents should plan on being present at around 9am.



Asthma Training

On Thursday this week, Chloe Orman from Narrabri Health is coming to the school to talk to our students about Asthma, and what to do if someone is having an attack, Asthma affects I in 10 kids with most children knowing someone in their own family, or a friend, who suffers. Education is always a good thing, and we know that the training will be valuable.



NARRABRI JUNIOR TOUCH

On Line Individual Player Registrations

Nominations close October, 2016

Enquiries: 0457 402528

Email: narrabritouch@yahoo.com.au

\$35.00 1st child & \$5.00 disc for other family members registering at same time

Comp Monday nights 5.00-5.45pm at Cooma Oval

Starts: 7th November

www.narrabri.mytouchfooty.com

Kindy to Year 6

Canteen Roster

The Canteen Roster for Term 4 will be:

26/10	Kim Moore
2/11	Casey Smith
9/11	Reen McElhinney
16/11	Tash Knowles
23/11	Sheryl Barnes
30/11	Jasmine Pagett
7/12	Kim Moore
14/12	Casey Smith

If you are unable to make your day, please let Jasmine know the week before.

Jasmine Pagett - 0411 383 531

<u>Menu</u>

Pies	\$3.00
Chicken Nuggets x 3	\$2.00
Nachos	\$3.00
Sausage Rolls	\$2.00
Pizzas	\$2.00
Garlic Bread	\$1.50
Рорра	\$1.50
Bottle of Water	50 c
Nestle Milo	\$1.50
Icy Pole	50c
Frozen Yoghurt	\$1.50



Wee Waa Chamber of Commerce

Christmas Mardi Gras!

Rose Street, on <u>Tuesday I3 December @6pm</u>



Shop locally and win Ist Prize - 1,000 dollars 2nd Prize - 500 dollars



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Will be drawn - 7.15pm

(You need to be at the Christmas Mardi Gras to be eligible to win)

7pm - Santa Claus

Street Stalls (Bookings- Ammi - Wee Waa Newsagency)
Lions Chocolate Wheel, Rotary BBQ, Raffles, Jumping Castle (tbc)
MC and Max FM Music plus many more attractions and Prizes

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