

Pilliga Public School Newsletter

The little school that's BIG on learning

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Week 7, Term 1

Congratulations Regional Swim Team!

A HUGE congratulations are in order for Pilliga Public School's mixed relay team who represented us at the Regional Swimming Carnival in Armidale last week.

We missed out on heading to Sydney for the State Championships by 0.23 of a second - Less time than it takes to blink!

A big thankyou to Mrs Wilkins, who stepped up as the Team Coach and spent several afternoons at Narrabri Pool fine-tuning shallow dives and swimming stamina. Thanks also to Wooly and Mrs Moore for assisting Mrs Wilkins.

We are so proud of Jordan, lesha, Bridie and Kira for the hard work they put in to train for the event

and their fantastic result!



COMING UP:

- I4/3 WHS @ School
- I5/3 Mr Lord @ PPA in Sydney
- 16/3 Mr Lord @ LDI in Sydney
- 17/3 Mr Lord @ LDI in Sydney Rugby League Trials
- 3/4 Rugby Union Trials
- Wk I0 Cross Country







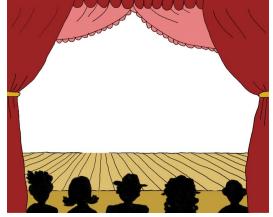
Cross Country

We are planning on having our Cross Country in the last week of school this term. It will be held in Pilliga this year, with the course running along the lagoon. In the coming weeks, we will be practicing the course in the mornings to help build up our stamina. Please ensure your child wears (or brings) their running shoes to school each day, and has a bottle of water to bring with them.

There will be a sausage sizzle on the day, and parent assistance would be appreciated. More information will sent home closer to the day.



Eisteddfod



Next term, we will be performing at Narrabri Eisteddfod. In the past, Pilliga Public has focused solely on the group speech, in which we recite two contrasting poems in the small school category. This year, in addition to our whole school poems, several students will be performing a poem solo or in a pair, and other students will do a mime. It is great that our students are confident to get up on a big stage in front of an audience and we look forward to cheering them on.

Poems will be sent home for students to practice. This is a <u>must</u>, and will now be included as part of their homework.

I encourage all parents to plan on attending the Eisteddfod this year. It is a huge achievement for your child and I am sure you will be very proud of them!

Canteen

The school canteen is back up and running on Wednesday each week.

Jasmine has decided that we will continue to use up the current stock and plan on making an order next term.

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Leadership Assembly

Our School Leader badges have arrived and will be handed out at our Leadership Assembly on Tuesday this week at 10am.

The parents of the School Leaders have been notified and each student will need to have a family representative at the Assembly to assist in the pinning of the badge. If this is not possible, please let the school know as soon as possible so other arrangements can be made.

School Work

We have had an excellent start to the school year with students all working very hard to achieve their own personal goals in Literacy and Numeracy. One of the biggest shifts we have seen in student learning over the past three years at Pilliga Public School is the self motivation that our students are coming to school with.

We have had some great results in infants writing and reading this week, and we look forward to seeing this success continue.

Merit Awards

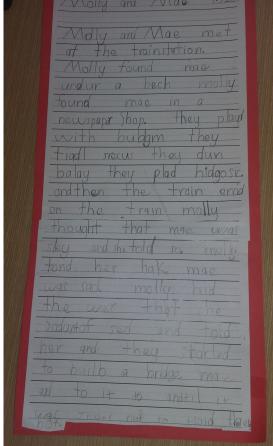
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This fortnight at school...























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