



Pilliga Public School Newsletter

The little school that's BIG on learning

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Term 1, Week 1

Welcome Back to all our families, we are all looking forward to sharing 2019 with you, we are excited to introduce some new learning opportunities at Pilliga this year, such as a new investigative maths scheme, a fun wellbeing program, further development of the robotics program with some senior students competing in a national competition and also the creation of a new bush tucker garden with all students involved.



2019 Classes: Miss Wanford will be teaching the Infant class supported by Mrs Phelps and Maddie, Monday to Thursday (whole school Tuesday) with Mrs Stewart teaching the Primary class Monday to Friday (whole school on Friday) supported by Mrs Phelps. Miss Keenan will be teaching STEAM to the Infant class on Wednesday and the Primary class on Thursday and working on specific projects with certain students every second Friday.

iMaths Program: This year we will be teaching maths in a different way. We will still be teaching all the curriculum outcomes but through an investigative approach where students apply their mathematical knowledge to real life problem solving situations.

Life Skills Go: Throughout the year all students will be involved in a new Wellbeing Program. Life Skills Go is a fun and engaging on line learning space to enable all students to develop their social, emotional and physical skills that lead to increased confidence, successful learning positive relationships and wellbeing.

COMING UP:

- 14/2/19 Swimming Carnival –Baradine Pool 9am
- 22/2/19 Sport swimming at Baradine
- 10/4/19 School Photos

Class Disruptions: I understand that there are times when you may need to pick your child up early or may have to pass on some information to them while they are in school. Can you please either go to see Trish in the office or if she is not working, go to Mrs Stewart's class. Please do not go directly to your child's classroom as this disrupts teaching, especially with our younger students. Thank you.

General Permission Notes, and student contact detail updates will be sent home next Monday please can you complete these as soon as possible as this enables all students to take part in excursions.

Swimming: On Friday the 22nd of February students from Pilliga School will join the Gwabegar School students at Baradine Pool for Sport. A permission note and more information will be available soon.

Swimming Carnival: Our swimming carnival will be next Thursday 14/2/2019., at Baradine pool. Entry for everyone will be \$3. Permission notes and further information will be sent home later in the week. Students need to be there at 8:45am for a 9:00am start.

Excursions and Payments: This year there will be a number of excursions, hopefully ending in a term 4 trip to Sydney. This will obviously be more expensive than the Burrendong excursion, To help with payment of this excursion and other smaller ones, we are happy to accept payments throughout the year. Obviously paying a little off each week is often easier than having to find a lot of money in a short space of time. If at any time you are struggling to pay for excursion or outings please come and discuss this with me, unfortunately the school cannot afford to subsidise the full amount of excursions and non-payment will result in students being offered an alternative learning opportunity at school.



Young Leaders: This year Tallen will continue to be our school captain, but will be supported each term by one of our year 4 students. The students names were picked out of a hat and the results are: Term 1-Jai Doolan, Term 2 Bryan Knowles, Term 3 Malakye Gray and term 4 Te'a Robinson. I know they will all be superb vice captains.

Playgroup & Preschool: We will be running a preschool from 9am to 11:45, with playgroup starting at 11:00am and finishing at 12:30pm. If you have any child turning 4 this year then we would love to see them at our preschool. Children aged 0-8 years will be so welcome at Playgroup along with mums and dads, Aunties, Uncles or Grandparents!

Welcome to our new Kindergarten students. Pilliga Public School is very fortunate to have the company of Jeremy Steele, Lachlan Smith, Malieka Ruttley and Malaya Gray, we can't wait for the fantastic things they achieve this year.



Further bookings can be made with Robyn Smith

Upcoming Health Services:

Dr. Viv scheduled to visit Pilliga –20/2/2019

Toy Library:

Wednesday 20th February

Miss Wanford and Mrs Stewart are trialling a new homework platform this year. On Monday please ask your children about a homework linking code for your that will connect to a phone app on your smart phone.

Extra effort is going into new ways to keep the students engaged, please check in on this opportunity as soon as you can!

Next P&C Meeting:

The Annual AGM will be held at Pilliga School on Tuesday 5th March 2019 at 2pm.

Please join us if you can!

**Book club
due back by:
Wednesday
20th February**

Preschool Start times:

9am until 11:45

Every Wednesday from 13th February 2019

Playgroup Start Times:

11am until 12:30

Every Wednesday from 13th February 2019

**Reasons to
enrol your son
at Farrer**

**A broad
curriculum
offering academic,
practical and
creative learning
opportunities,
taught by a
cohesive,
collaborative team**

**Established in 1939
we have a tradition of
pride in our school
with core values of
respect, excellence
and fairness**

Vision Statement
"Proudly committed to
producing thinking,
well-educated, skilled,
flexible and caring
people capable of
confident effective
participation in society."



**This is your opportunity to tour our campus
and see what Farrer can offer your son**

OPEN DAY 2019

**WEDNESDAY 20 FEBRUARY
8.30 – 2.00PM**

We are the only boys' agricultural Government selective school in Australia. Farrer has established an enviable reputation as a centre of excellence in academics, agriculture, welfare and sports programs. Catering to the education of both day and boarding students Farrer is set on 191 hectares of prime agricultural land, 10 kilometres from Tamworth, New South Wales.

Register online at **Farrer**

By Tuesday 19th February 2019

6764-8607 – Kerry Hussey – Enrolments Officer

Wear casual clothing & bring a hat.

Refreshments and a light lunch will be served.



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Our new school jumpers

have arrived in full and are
ready for you to purchase.

Students can choose from
sizes 10 to 3XL. Prices start
from \$60 each.

	Yes	No	Unsure
1. Have you had the flu vaccine in the past?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Have you ever had a severe reaction to any vaccine?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Are you unwell today?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Do you have <u>any</u> allergies? ie. food, medication, latex (please state)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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5. Are you allergic to eggs?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Do you have any disease that lowers the immune system? Or receiving treatment that lowers immunity? ie. leukaemia, cancer, HIV/AIDS, on steroid medication	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Do you have a bleeding disorder?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Do you have any chronic illness? (please state)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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I have answered the above questions to the best of my knowledge and understand that answering these incorrectly could put me at increased risk of side effects from the influenza vaccine.

I have read and understand the above information and I consent to getting the 2018 Influenza vaccine.

Signed: _____ **Date:** _____

For office use only:

Flu vaccine given by: _____
Batch number: _____
Signature: _____
Site: L/R deltoid (circle)
Date: _____

