

PYMBLE PUBLIC SCHOOL



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*Wednesday, 21 October 2020*

*Term 4, Week 2*

### Dates to remember

23 October	Jump Rope for Heart – Jump Off Day
26 October	Brain Race commences
30 October	World Teacher's Day
3 November	Kindergarten excursion
4-6 November	Stage 3 Camp
5 November	Kindy Orientation Session 1



**Enrolments are now open**

**Kindergarten 2021**

Please contact the school office

Telephone: 9144 4136

Email: [Pymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:Pymble-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au)

Application forms can be downloaded from our school website.

### Kindergarten 2021 Key Dates

**Parent Information Zoom Session**

Monday 9th November 2020, 10.00am

Zoom link for enrolled 2021 students has been emailed with Kindy Welcome letter

**Parent Information**

The parent information and school tour videos can now be viewed on our website.

**Kindergarten Orientations**

Thursday 5th November 2020

Thursday 19th November 2020

Tuesday 1st December 2020

1:30pm-2:30pm

Due to COVID-19 restrictions these face to face sessions will only take place subject to approval by NSW Dept of Education



## Principal's News

Welcome back for the start of Term 4, being our last term of the 2020 school year. I hope that you and your children had an enjoyable and relaxing school holiday. The students seem refreshed and have already settled back into school and are engaged in their learning. While we continue to operate this term under specific COVID guidelines based on NSW Health and Department of Education advice, many school activities are operating and many end of year events will go ahead; albeit it, with restrictions. The Term 4 'Advice for Parents' guidelines were sent to parents and carers at the end of last term and can be viewed at:

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/advice-for-families>

We have a busy term ahead and have already this week celebrated Book Week. We have school excursions, PSSA sport, Stage 3 camp, end of year presentations, Kindergarten orientations and other activities back on the school calendar for this term. I look forward to an exciting term ahead.

Please note that, unfortunately parents and carers are still not permitted on school grounds or at school events. We will endeavour to either live stream or post video of major events like our end of year presentation assemblies and Year 6 graduation assembly for parents and carers. Current school drop off and pick up arrangements, whereby students are to be dropped off and picked up outside the school gates remain the same. Only essential adults are permitted on the school site. Parents are encouraged to contact the office via email or phone and only attend the school office in person if necessary. We greatly appreciated your continued support in these matters.

### **Book Week**

Today we celebrated Book Week 2020 with students coming to school dressed as a character from their favourite book. Book Week celebrates Australian literature and our wonderfully talented Australian authors and illustrators. Our students looked amazing and were very excited to be part of our Book Week celebrations. Students K-6 participated in their grade only book week parade. Everyone looked fantastic and enjoyed displaying their character costumes. It was evident that children and parents had gone to a lot of effort to prepare their character costumes; thank you. I'd like to also thank our teacher librarian, Ms Harris for promoting a love of literature during library lessons and to our Book Week organising teacher committee for coordinating this event.

***Bruno Diodati***  
***Principal***



## Deputy Principal's News

### **Selective High School – 2022 Change of Dates**

All students in Year 5 received an "Intention to Apply" form at the end of last term which is required to be filled out and returned to school if the student is wishing to apply for entry into Selective High School in 2022. This form is not an application.

Applications for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in 2022 opened on 6th October and will close on 9th November.

Parents must apply online through the following link

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes>

All applicants are required to sit the Selective High School Placement Test to be held on Thursday 11 March 2021.

### **School Tour Video**

If you haven't had a chance, please take the time to look at our new school tour video on our school website. I would like to thank Zannie and Jason from Reel Story, and our students, for showcasing the fabulous opportunities provided at PPS.

### **Book Week 2020 – Curious Creatures, Wild Minds**

It was lovely to see our students come dressed as a character from their favourite Australian book. The students had a fabulous time parading their costumes in their grade groups.









**Nicole Doig**  
**Deputy Principal**



### STEWART HOUSE DONATION DRIVE

The Stewart House Donation Drive is currently underway. Due to COVID-19, it was put on hold. As a result, you will notice that the information on the envelope is inaccurate. Please see below the correct information.

- ❖ The prize draw will take place on 27th November.
- ❖ The prize is now a gift voucher instead of a travel voucher.

Please still use the envelope, complete with name, name of school, phone number and email address if you wish to participate in the draw. If you wish to simply donate, you do not need to complete this information.

Please return the envelope to your classroom teacher by Friday 30th October.

Kind regards,

**Ariane Newell**  
**SRC Coordinator**



We are delighted all the bands and group tutorials are back with face to face rehearsals at school. Thank you to the conductors, tutors, teachers, students and parents for all the work everyone has done to keep our kids' music going during this really trying year. The band all sound amazing and the kids should be really proud of themselves!

## Joining Band in 2021

Year 2s it is time to get excited! It's your chance to join the Award Winning PPS Band Program next year. We will send out details via email soon about how you can join the brilliant band program including an introduction to the instruments available and what to expect. In the meantime, check out this series of videos from the NSW Police Band introducing the instruments and the Band. Pymble Public School Band has most of the instruments demonstrated in the videos.

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## Band Committee

We have a couple of key positions available on the PPS Band Committee for 2021 including Instrument Coordinator and Treasurer. If you would like to give back to the Band program we would love to hear from you if you are interested in either of these positions. They are both mostly administrative roles. Please get in touch for more information.

Zannie Abbott and the Band Committee  
pymbleband@gmail.com



## WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR SCHOOL?

The P&C is having their Annual General Meeting and we would love for everyone to come and join us. We will be discussing the direction of the P&C for the coming years and what events can be held to get us there. Come and be a part of the school community. We need people with all different skill sets and there are lots of different positions you can help with.



The P&C is holding its AGM on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm  
Everyone is encouraged to attend and nominations for all positions are very welcome.

The meeting will be held via Zoom:  
<https://au01web.zoom.us/j/62519382318?pwd=U2xTWm9WVG5xS3RCMXRpUG04dDVIQT09>  
Meeting ID: 625 1938 2318 Passcode: 057180

Please RSVP for an agenda to [vicepresident.ppspc@gmail.com](mailto:vicepresident.ppspc@gmail.com)

To review positions and download nomination forms: <https://ppspandc.org/roles-and-responsibilities>

We hope to see you there.

## Upcoming dates for 2020

Term 4  
Wednesday November 11, 2020  
Wednesday November 11, 2020 AGM

We look forward to welcoming all parents and citizens.



Have you downloaded the School Stream app? You can download the app for free onto as many devices as you wish. All parents are strongly encouraged to download our new PPS School Stream app. Should you have any questions regarding the app or trouble downloading the app please visit the school website for easy to follow instructions.



## Lost Property

Due to COVID-19 restrictions, parents are not permitted to access the Lost Property room. The room will be checked regularly by staff and items with names will be returned to the owner. Items with NO NAME will be sent to the 2nd Hand Uniform shop and proceeds from these sales will be used to fund school improvements.



## Uniform Shop

Please find below the opening hours for the Uniform Shop.

- Tuesdays 1.30pm – 4pm
- Thursdays 8.15am – 10.30am

To abide by social distancing regulations, we require any customers that wish to attend the shop for a fitting or to try on more than two garments to book an appointment. Appointments can be made by contacting the shop.

### Contact details:

Phone: (02) 9144 3459

Email: [pymblepublic@alinta.com.au](mailto:pymblepublic@alinta.com.au)

### Contact Free Ordering

- Order Online - [www.alintaapparel.com.au](http://www.alintaapparel.com.au)
- Phone Order - call the shop or call our call centre on 02 4321 0433

**Postage and Order Collections:** for contact free collections, customers are recommended to select home delivery on all orders which will be dispatched twice weekly. If you prefer to collect your order from the Uniform Shop please collect during the opening hours.



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Hand Uniform Shop

NOW OPEN!

The 2nd Hand Uniform shop is back! To align with COVID safety measures customers are strictly by 10 minute appointment only on Friday 23rd Oct and Friday 30th Oct 8am-9.30am. Upon arrival please go directly to the shop where you will need to sign in before purchasing your items. NO CASH, we can only accept card payment.

Book your appointment at:

<https://secondhanduniform.setmore.com/>

Thanks and regards,

*Lisa*

0424 462 820

**POOSH Annual General Meeting  
Monday the 2nd of November 2020  
6:30pm via Zoom**

**POOSH NEEDS YOU TO JOIN THE 2020 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE!**

The current management committee has done a spectacular job of growing and developing POOSH since the last AGM in November 2020. We have worked hard to set the foundations for a high-quality service for all POOSH families now and into the future. POOSH is a critical part of the PPS community and is rated as Exceeding the National Quality Standards for the care it provides.

At the AGM on the 2nd of November, the current committee will stand down, but the great work needs to continue through 2020 and beyond. Nominations are now being sought for all executive and committee member positions.

With our sensational staff led by Cara and Igor managing day-to-day operations, being on the POOSH management committee has never been easier. Committee meetings are held three times a year. Any additional activity is handled via e-mail.

**Please support POOSH so POOSH can continue supporting you!  
NOMINATE TODAY FOR A COMMITTEE POSITION!**

For more information or nomination forms, please see Cara Oates or Igor De Andrade at POOSH. The zoom link will be sent to those individuals interested in joining the committee.

Regards

POOSH Management Committee and Staff



**Level 1 30A George St, Burwood 2134**  
Office: (02) 9745 1170

## **CHESS!!**

Learn to be a chess champion! Coaching for students at Pymble Public School is held on Years 3-6: Wednesdays from 12:30pm to 1:15pm, starting on 14 October 2020.

Learning and playing chess helps children develop their logical thinking and problem solving skills, improves their concentration and focus, while also being a great source of enjoyment. Activities include group lessons on a demonstration chess board or interactive whiteboard, puzzle solving and fun practice games.

Students earn merit awards by making checkmates, or by displaying skills and positive qualities, which all good chess players strive to develop.

If your child is interested in taking part, you can collect an enrolment form from the school office, or email [enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au](mailto:enrol@sydneyacademyofchess.com.au) for a copy. For all enquiries, please contact Sydney Academy of Chess on (02) 9745 1170.]





**Neighbourhood  
watch.**

AREA 24 (South of Park Av) COORD: Julia Eagles	9499 7412
AREA 12 (North of Park Av) COORD: Bruce Edwards	9449 3018
AREA 24/12 TREASURER: Patrick Winsbury	0421520329
AREA 25/26 (E. Killara) COORDINATOR: Wal Knowles	9498 4736
-----> Email us: <a href="mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com">NHWGordon@gmail.com</a> <-----	
HORNSBY POLICE STATION (Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command)	9476 9799
CRIME STOPPERS (Suspicious behaviour)	1 800 333 000
POLICE ASSISTANCE LINE (PAL) (non-emergency reporting)	131 444
NSW GRAFFITI HOTLINE	1 800 707 125

## Gordon/Killara/E Killara Areas 24/12/25/26 Newsletter OCT 2020

Our first attempt at an online meeting – please give it a try?

*Julia, Bruce, Wal + Patrick*



Bridge Mediation



### 6:45pm for a 7pm prompt start Tuesday 24 November 2020 Online meeting via Zoom

Join in and get...

#### **AN UPDATE ON CRIME IN THE AREA & THE BEST ADVICE!**

Crime Prevention Officer at Hornsby Police Station  
**Senior Constable COLIN MITCHELL,**  
Ku-ring-gai Police Area Command

Find out about...

#### **NEIGHBOURHOOD DISPUTES: 'Finding Solutions'**

Chris Pitts, Arbitrator/Mediator/Dispute Avoidance Advisor

**Have you got a problem to bring to Chris? A warm invitation** is extended to everyone, whether you live, play, work, or have family in the area. This is an informal meeting & AGM and we welcome new faces. Join in with us from the comfort of your own home. Please think of your question(s) for Colin and Chris.

Email [NHWGordon@gmail.com](mailto:NHWGordon@gmail.com) for meeting ID/password & to register your questions.

This online Zoom meeting is made possible with the support of *Neighbourhood Watch NSW.*



**Blurb:** Chris Pitts will talk about inter-personal disputes, how to manage conflict and find solutions to resolve disputes. He has over 10 years' experience resolving community, workplace and commercial disputes through the use of conflict coaching and dispute resolution processes. He is a Nationally Accredited Mediator (NMAS), a graded Arbitrator and is a member of several mediation panels. Contact Chris on: **0419 294 277.**

**KEEP AWARE:** Do you want more timely information about the crime happening in your area? Crime stats, prevention tips, warnings, requests for assistance, etc, can all be found in the command's weekly eNewsletter: [NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au/Subscribe/](http://NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au/Subscribe/). Or follow us on Facebook – see the links at the top of page 2, look for your suburb, or Ku-ring-gai/Hornsby.

**Shredder, Driveway Line-marking Stencil, engraver, or extra NHW stickers & plaques, etc:**  
Available **FREE** to borrow from: [NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au/borrow/](http://NHWKuringgaiHornsby.org.au/borrow/).

**13 14 44 Police Assistance Line (PAL):** Use this number to ask the police a question, or to report a minor crime that has already been committed (eg Break & Enter, Motor Vehicle/Vessel Theft, Lost Property, Malicious Damage, Stealing, Minor Motor Vehicle Crashes). You need to be the property owner or victim to report the criminal incident.





## Community News

### **1st Pymble Scout Group**

Bannockburn Oval, Pymble

Cubs (ages 8-10) [akela@1stpymblescouts.org.au](mailto:akela@1stpymblescouts.org.au)

Scouts (ages 11-14) [scouts@1stpymblescouts.org.au](mailto:scouts@1stpymblescouts.org.au)

### **St Swithuns Anglican Church**

Live Family Church – 10am Sundays

Tricks 'n' Treats – Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> October

For more info contact: 9488 7377 or [office@swiz.org.au](mailto:office@swiz.org.au) or [www.swiz.org.au](http://www.swiz.org.au)

### **Lifeline Pop-Up Book Shop - Roseville**

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Tues – Sat : 10am – 4pm

21 Hill St, Roseville

### **Christian Prayer Group**

Throughout this year, the Christian Prayer Group have been continuing to meet to pray for the PPS community. The group meet each Wednesday morning of term at 9am, either locally or online. If you would like to join us, please contact

Jackie Tham ([jackietham@yahoo.com.au](mailto:jackietham@yahoo.com.au))

### **AWOL PWD Youth Night**

For youth aged 14-30 yrs who have a disability

Halloween themed night: Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October, 5.30pm-7.30pm at Gordon Youth Centre

There will be music, lollies, dinner and games. Come dressed up!

Due to Covid numbers are still limited and we need people to book in via this link

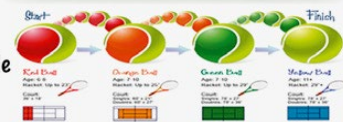
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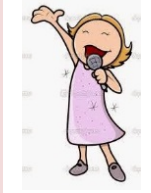


To reserve your spot - Call us or visit [Wppte.com.au](http://Wppte.com.au) M: 0468 455 924

**MCCARTHY STUDIOS**

2020

Classes in the Hall at Pymble School



**Friday**

3:00 to 4:45pm Kindy/Year 1 - Dance/Singing/Drama

**Wednesday**

3.15 to 5:00pm Years 2/3 - Dance/Singing/Drama  
4.00 to 6:15 pm Years 4/5 - Dance/Singing/Drama

For further information, please ring Cheryl on 0412 293 230 or email [info@mccarthystudios.com.au](mailto:info@mccarthystudios.com.au)

**Dr. Kathryn Hill**

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