

28 April 2016



- **Small Schools Cross Country**
Friday 6th May
- **School Photos**
Wednesday 4th May
- **Dress Rehearsal**
Wednesday 4th May
- **NAPLAN**
Monday 9th May
- **Waterwise Assembly**
Wednesday 11th May, at 2pm
- **Netball Gala Grafton**
Wednesday 18th May

School Banking Day is:
Tuesday



TUCK SHOP

Date	Canteen Duty	Cooking Duty
2nd May	Gail Campbell Sue McLeod	Gail Campbell Kylie McIntyre
16th May	Bo McDonald Anjanette Warburton	Val Lacey Bo McDonald

- Third Prize for Collage — Tully Andrzejewski
- Highly Commended for Collage —Liam Croft
- First Prize for Finger Painting— Maddy Elliot
- Second Prize for Finger Painting — Emilie Pugliese
- Second Prize for Finger Painting—Jessica Gimbert
- Third Prize for Finger Painting — Zahra Fantini
- First Prize for Computer Art Work—Arlia Long
- First Prize for Computer Art Work—Chevy McDonald
- Second Prize for Computer Art Work — Jyi Buckley-Schmid
- Highly Commended for Computer Art Work—Jordyn Durrington
- First Prize for School Diorama— Palmers Island Public School Students

It was great to see so many wonderful entries for the show.

Principal News

Welcome back to Term 2. We have a very busy term 2 ahead of us filled with lots of great learning experiences. Term 2 will see Support Learning move from a student withdrawal method to myself working in the 2/3 and 4/5/6 classrooms with students and staff in a collaborative team teaching approach. I am very excited about this. We also welcome Ms Donna back, she will be restarting Multi-Lit and Djehuti Maths programs up again 3 days a week till the end of the year. It will be great to see these programs back up and running. Another new initiative will see the introduction of Maths Groups 1 a week for each class. These groups will be class groups focused on the measurement concept.

School Photos

Next Wednesday is scheduled for school photos. These photos will once again be taken by Carley Grayson. Please have your order forms and payment ready for this day. Students are required to wear full school uniform.

Small Schools Cross Country

Students will represent PIPS at the small schools cross country next Friday. Notes will go home tomorrow. It is our schools turn to cater for this event. Your assistance would be most helpful.

Staffing

Mrs Earle is on leave for the next 2 weeks and will be replaced by Mrs Wright and Ms Pashin. Mr O'Brien will also be on leave for the next 2 weeks and be replaced by Ms Donna.

Kind Regards,
Ellie Wiseman

School News

K/1 Class News

Welcome back everyone. I hope you all had a fantastic break and are all ready for another great term. Readers and sight words went home yesterday. Please return folders on Friday. Library As usual Thursday, so please remember Library bags.

Have a great week.

Kind regards, Ms Davies

2/3 Class News

Welcome back to term 2! We have a busy and exciting couple of months ahead. Some events for the diary at the moment include NAPLAN which will be held in week 3 for year 3 students, and school photos and dance dress rehearsal to be held on Wednesday of week 2. Drumming and Scripture will be held each Tuesday as normal and library will still occur each Wednesday. Homework will be sent home next week.

Kind Regards, Ms Clare and Miss Smith

4/5/6 Class News

Welcome back!! We hope that you had an awesome holiday.

I would like to welcome Miss Eliza Drozdowski to the 4/5/6 class. Miss Drozdowski is in her fourth year at UNE and will be with us for the next four weeks on practicum. I am sure that her experience will be amazing.

This term is already looking extremely busy. We will be preparing our newspapers in Education article this week. Next Friday we will travel to Iluka for the small schools cross country. We will be looking at "Package it Better" in science and our HSIE unit is "Chinese influences on Australia".

On the 24th of May I will be attending a KidsMatter workshop in Ballina. I am able to take 2 or 3 parents, if you are interested in becoming part of our schools action team please see me for more information.

Cheers, Mrs K Hardaker

Dance Troupe

Our dancers have been working hard and have finished their routine. The Grafton Eisteddfod will be in week 6 this term at a date to be advised. A full dress rehearsal will be held on Wednesday 4 May at 12.00 pm (Term 2 Week 2). A separate note was sent home last term with the performers. A reminder that prior to the rehearsal clothes are to be put into a bag and left in the technology room, ready for the rehearsal. Please make sure that all items are labelled!

A performance will be held at 1.00 pm for the remainder of the school and parents and family members are welcome to attend.

If there are any questions please contact Ms Clare before the rehearsal day.

Cross Country Canteen

It is PIPS turn to run the canteen at the Cross Country on Friday May 6th. If you can volunteer home baking to sell or your time on the day to help run the canteen, it would be appreciated. Please bring home baking in on the Thursday or bring it with you to Iluka on Friday.

FREE Computers

SORT—a computer refurbishing company has supplied a number of vouchers to our school. Each voucher entitles you to a desktop computer with Windows 7 and Microsoft Office 2010. All you need is a centrelink CRN and to pick up your computer. Vouchers are valid till July and available from the office.



Mud Pits 101- Great idea to Limit Screen time for younger children

Mud (or sand) play is one of the most amazing open-ended nature play activities that never gets old. There are endless activities in a mud pit for children to incorporate imaginative play into their day.

Imaginative play is essential for child development as it fosters skill development in decision making, behaviour and social skills.

You can use a bit of the yard, or create your own mud/ sand pit by using a large box or old blow-up pool. Let the children be imaginative so incorporate as many natural elements to play with as possible such as water, rocks, sticks, leaves, flowers, shrubs and trees. Also think of other items they could incorporate into their play such as pots, pans, old kitchen utensils, buckets, shovels and toys.

As kids will play for hours in this mud/ sand pit, ensure that the area is in the shade and the children always wear a hat.

Enjoy your creative side and let imagination take over.



MULCH FOR SALE

\$20 a trailer load.

Phone or visit the school office
between 8.30am—3.30pm.

All proceeds will go towards the restoration of the school playground.



P&C News

The **Next P&C Meeting** is on
WED 4th MAY @ 3:00pm.
All Welcome!!

"Facial Fundraiser - an idea for a Facial Fundraiser was brought to the last P&C meeting. Rachel Durrington has offered her expertise and products for skin care to the school community. The idea is a facial/pampering evening for the nominal fee of \$20, with all funds donated to the school. Please contact the office on 6646 0114 or Rachel, if you would be interested in attending this event. We can then set a date."

Community News

Tennis Coaching

Tennis coaching for term 2 commences on Tuesday, 26th April @ 8.30am. Cost is \$80/term. Racquets available for use & purchase if needed. Any queries give Alan a call.

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Alan Jurd (Head Coach LCTA).

FUTSAL 2016 WINTER COMP

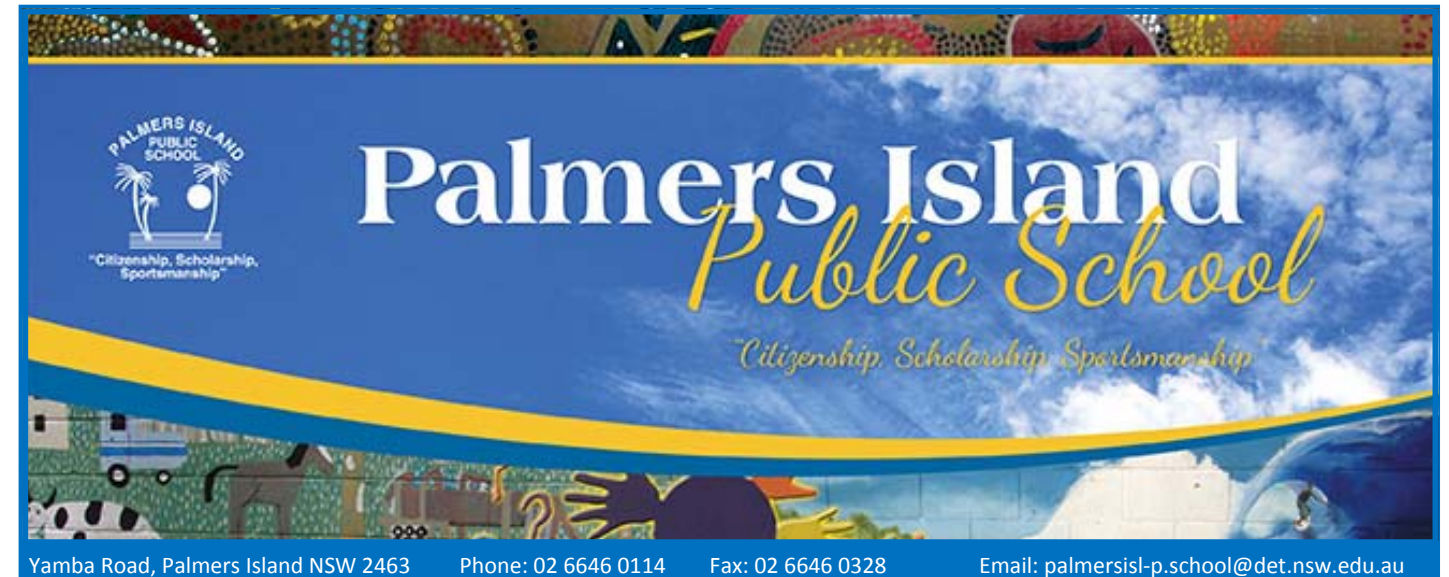
VENUE: Raymond Laurie Indoor Centre

DAY: Tuesdays @ 4pm

COMPETITION STARTS: The 3rd & 10th of May will be trials and team formation days. The competition proper will run from the 17th of May - 13th September

COST: Juniors (U/5's - U/14's) - \$5 for trial days and \$118 early bird special for entire Winter comp. Seniors (U/15's & above) \$135 early bird special

For further information contact competition organiser Rod Menzies (0455147459) or Raymond Laurie Sports Centre (66468822 - rlsc@clarence.nsw.gov.au)



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Awards of the week



The following awards were received for artworks entered into the Maclean Show:

- First Prize for Sculpture—Lucy
- First Prize for Sculpture— Harry Campbell
- Second Prize for Sculpture— Max Hutchinson
- Second Prize for Sculpture—Taneka Randall-Honeysett
- Second Prize for Sculpture— J'Naya Kembrey
- Third Prize for Sculpture— Amelia Johnson
- First Prize for Collage Kindergarten — Jacob Swift
- Most Outstanding School Exhibit—Jacob Swift
- Second Prize for Collage Year 2—Jessie Johnson
- Third Prize for Collage Year 1—Luke McIntyre
- Third Prize for Collage Year 3—Ella Swift



Anzac Day Service Assembly



Maclean Show Award Winners—Congratulations!



Jacob Swift with his 'Most Outstanding School Exhibit' work of art and prize . Well done Jacob!