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Palmers Island Public School Newsletter



QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

14 JUNE

DENTAL HEALTH
VISIT WEEK

15 JUNE

HIGH SCHOOL
TRANSITION DAY

15 JUNE

FAMILY FUN DAY
LAST DAY OF TERM 2

25 JUNE

STUDENTS RETURN
TERM 3

TUESDAY
13 JULY

Whats On

PRINCIPALS NEWS

Welcome to week 8

Winter is definitely here. The mornings and afternoons have been particularly cool. It is a great time to remind students to keep a jumper in their bag for those days when a cold snap arrives. Along with the cold weather the cold and flu season has arrived. In the classrooms we are maintaining the high level of hygiene we saw in COVID restrictions along with additional cleaning of school grounds and high touch equipment. Please remember if you are sick stay at home.

Family Fun Day

Just a reminder to get your nominations in for our family fun day. If you need another entry form please let your classroom teacher know. It would be great to have these nominations in for catering purposes by Week 9. We hope families can join us for fun.

Tennis coaching starts this week at school with Mr Alan Jurd.

PSSA Soccer

Congratulations to students who travelled to Maclean last Monday for the PSSA soccer knockout competition. Mr Burgess was very impressed with the way our entire team played on the day. Noting Keegan B in his goal scoring and Blake TW for the amazing work he did stopping the many attempts at goal. Congratulations to Harwood who advance through the next stage of competition.



Book your tour today!

Palmers Island Public School

Join our Small School with specialist teachers, caring nurturing environment providing opportunity and to all students.

Our Pre-Kinder Program runs throughout term 3 & 4.

Pre Kinder Program 2021

TAKING ENROLMENTS FOR 2022

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PreKinder and 2022 Enrolments

If you know of any families looking to start their child in 2022 please share this information with them or for further information please get them to contact our office. We are accepting enrolments now.

Our Pre-Kinder transition program is getting ready to start in Term 3. We look forward to welcoming our new enrolments to Wednesday 1/2 day lessons through-out the term. In Term 4, our PreKinder students will participate in full day readiness programs so they are fully integrated and ready to start at day 1 in 2022.

Bi Annual Fete

Our P&C have started planning for our bi-Annual fete to be held in August. If you wish to be a part of the planning please place your name with the office. This is a great fundraising opportunity for our school.

CLASSROOM NEWS - MR LITTLE & K/1/2

WEEK 8 - Term 2

Hello from K, 1, 2,

This week we are learning all about capacity and measurement in Year 1 and 2. In Year 1 our focus will be length and using the metre unit of measurement, while in Year 2 we will be learning about the litre. In Kindergarten we will have our first opportunity to explore the addition concept with the use of story, pictures and numerals. Ms Renate and Ms Lisa have continued to work with the kindies to consolidate tasks with fun activities like 'addition fishing' and painting addition stories.

Students have worked very hard in their literacy with many moving up in their reading levels recently. New digraphs and trigraphs are being taught and we are all working very hard. Ms Ellem's class have been learning all about silent letter and types of verbs with past, present and future tense. I encourage all parents to test our students on the correct verb tense when at home or out and about.

We reserve our news for Fridays, and last Friday we had a special visitor. LJ. the rabbit! Mackenzie and Izzy brought in their Netherlands dwarf rabbit. The kids absolutely loved seeing the rabbit especially when it jumped on Izzy's back or when it was standing up on its legs.

Last week we also had the pre-kindergartners drop by. The future primary students found puzzle pieces, played games and made Little Miss and Mr Men character out of polymer clay and paper plates. Our K, 1, 2 students all hope that they felt special leaving our school and thought it was so good that they will come here next year.

That's all for now.

Kind regards,
Mr Little



CLASSROOM NEWS - MR BURGESS & 3/4/5/6

WEEK 8 - Term 2

Welcome to week 8.

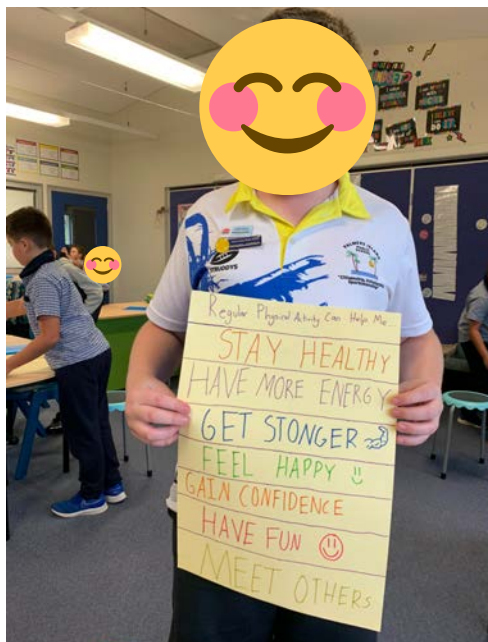
In Numeracy we are continuing to work through our individual units. Year 3 have just finished their working with divisions. This was a great introduction for them to realise the inverse relationship between multiplication and division. Year 4 have been working on perimeter, area and volume of simple shapes. Year 5 have also been working on division with remainders and how to calculate with remaining numbers. While Year 6 have been working with large numbers to identify sensible numbers for questions and patterns. Remember students are sent home with their topic test results after we complete a unit. This is a great way to check-in and see how your child is travelling with a particular topic.

In PDHPE we are learning about how we can be active and the overall benefits from living an active lifestyle. We analysed our Clarence Valley community and found that there are plenty of opportunities for us to get out and be physically active. We have started creating posters to promote physical activity and some of these will be displayed throughout the school.

Well done to those students who are continuing to return their homework every week. I love seeing the students come in eager to show me what they've learnt from completing the extra tasks on their checklist. The students especially love showing me how they've learnt to count to 10 in a different language.

We are looking to organise parent teacher interviews in week 10. If you would like an interview to discuss how your child is going please contact me via dojo or Kristy at the office to book in a time.

Kind regards,
Mr Burgess



CLASSROOM NEWS - MRS ESSEX

WEEK 8 - Term 2

Learning to read and write – what is Fluency and Vocabulary

In week 6 we looked at what phonological awareness and phonics were. This week we will look at two other components that come together to enable our children to learn to read and write. These components are Fluency and vocabulary.

Fluency

Fluent readers are able to read orally with appropriate speed, accuracy, and proper expression. Fluency is the ability to read as well as we speak and to make sense of the text without having to stop and decode each word. The National Reading Panel's research findings concluded that guided oral reading and repeated oral reading had a significant and positive impact on word recognition, reading fluency, and comprehension in students of all ages.

For many years, educators have recognised that fluency is an important aspect of reading. Fluency is one of the critical building blocks of reading, because fluency development is directly related to comprehension.

Vocabulary

Vocabulary development is closely connected to comprehension. The larger the reader's vocabulary (either oral or print), the easier it is to make sense of the text. Vocab can be learned incidentally through storybook reading or listening to others, and vocabulary should be taught both directly and indirectly. Students should be actively engaged in instruction that includes learning words before reading, repetition and multiple exposures, learning in rich contexts, incidental learning, and use of computer technology.

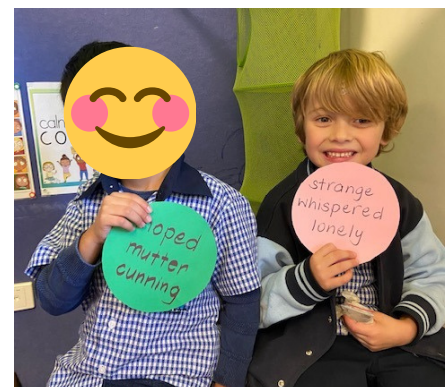
We know that young children acquire vocabulary indirectly, first by listening when others speak or read to them, and then by using words to talk to others. As children begin to read and write, they acquire more words through understanding what they are reading and then incorporate those words into their speaking and writing.

You can help increase your child's vocabulary by:

- Language rich home with lots of verbal stimulation
- Wide background experiences
- Read to at home and at school
- Read a lot independently

Next week we will research the final two components of effective reading instruction, comprehension and spelling.

References (Victorian Dept Ed, Phonic Australia, NSW Dept Ed, read naturally.com)





COMMUNITY NEWS

Calling all parents and carers! Claim your first \$100 Active Kids voucher for the year. 🏆🏏🏐

Voucher 1 is valid January to December and a second voucher is valid July to December.

Register and get your kids playing today:

<https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/campaign/active-kids>



WINTER HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMP 2021

The 2021 Winter Holiday Sports Camp is on this July. Loads of fun activities & prizes to be won: including a brand new tennis racquet. A fun tennis tournament will be played with a cash prize for the winner. Full canteen facilities available & of course the world "Big Ball" Championships will be on. Also the first Winter World Hand Ball Champs will be played, along with the Tug-of-War & so much more.

When: Mon 5th, Tues 6th & Wed 7th July

Where: LCTA Tennis Courts Cnr Union & McLachlan Sts Maclean

Time: 9:00am-1:00 pm

Cost: \$100 (Day rate \$40)

Any further inquiries please phone Alan on 0416 016 775.

WINTER HOLIDAY CAMP 2019 RETURN SLIP

Please circle one of the following categories: Ages from 4 yrs & up.

- K – Grade 2 2. Grade 3 - 5 3. Grade 6 - 8

Photographs: YES or NO

Complete and return permission slip with payment by Sat 3rd July

Name: _____ DOB: _____

Email: _____

Mob: _____

All monies payable to Alan Jurd Coaching.

Bank details: NAB Bsb: 084 730 A/C 834 891 700 Po Box 270 Yamba NSW 2464

Email form back to alan.jurd@bigpond.com / mob: 0416016775

FREE

Ear Health Checks for Children

JUNE
17



ANNUAL OTITIS MEDIA AWARENESS DAY

Grafton Shoppingworld
Thursday 17 June 2021
10 am - 4 pm

Is this your child?

- Frequent colds and ear infections
- Poor speech development
- Trouble concentrating in class
- Says 'what' or 'pardon' often

FREE

Ear Health Checks for Children
No Appointment Necessary

This event is initiated by the NSW Department of Education in conjunction with NSW Community Health at Grafton and Maclean, and Bulgarr Ngaru Aboriginal Medical Service.

Hard to Hear, Hard to Learn!



Our mobile screening van is coming to

Yamba early June to late June

Iluka late June to early July

Maclean July to early August



Book online or call 13 20 50



Yamba Golf Club River St.

Iluka Bowls Club Denne St.

Maclean Cameron Park Centenary Drive

We recommend women aged 50 - 74 have a mammogram every two years. Book your free mammogram online at book.breastscreen.nsw.gov.au or call 13 20 50.