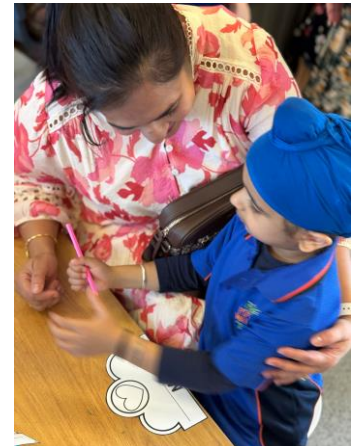


TERM 2 WEEK 4 UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy Mother's Day to all the mums, grandmothers, and aunties in our community who help our children to learn, grow, and thrive! Over the week, many of our students have been busy creating gifts, writing cards and making special treats for their Mums and special person. We hope you enjoy and cherish these wonderful mementoes.

Our week ended with our **Kindy B students** welcoming their Mothers, Grandmothers or special someone to their classrooms for some relaxing pampering. The students treated mum to hand massages, hair styles and crowns! Kindy A mums will be treated to a special afternoon on Monday, 11 May. Further information below.



YEAR 5 STUDENTS FIND THEIR VOICE THROUGH SONGWRITING

This term, our Year 5 students will participate in a 10-week Songwriting Workshop through the New Noise Schools Program, presented by [WAM](#) (WA Music).

The New Noise program brings a local musical artist into schools to work collaboratively with students and staff, fostering creativity, self-expression, and confidence through music. This opportunity will enrich our Music lessons by allowing students to explore music further through songwriting, collaboration, and performance-based learning.

Songwriting is a powerful vehicle for self-discovery and creativity and can play an important role in supporting student wellbeing and engagement. Students will have the opportunity to express ideas and emotions through music while also developing valuable lifelong skills such as communication, teamwork, creative thinking, and resilience.

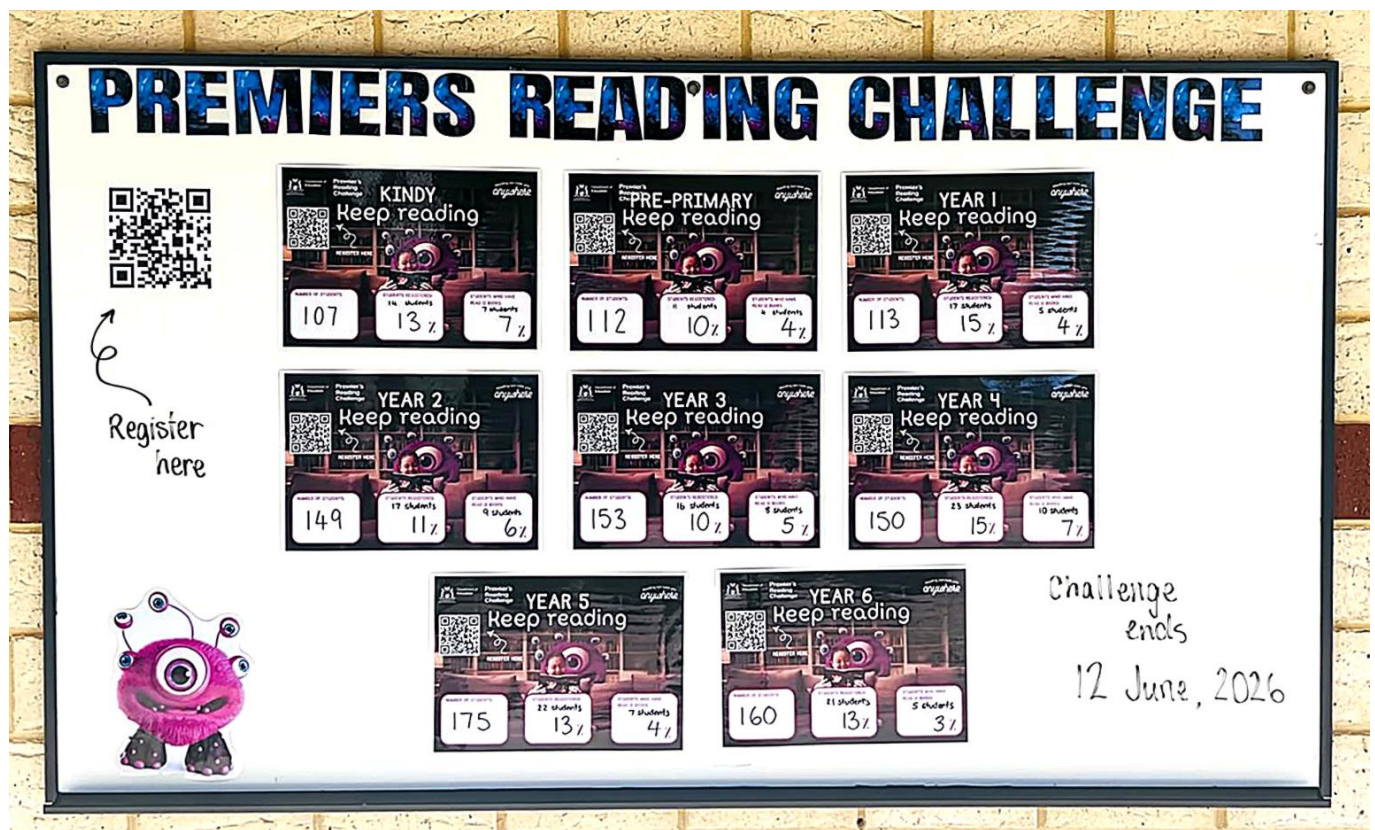


We are very excited to offer this valuable opportunity to our Year 5 students and look forward to sharing more about their songwriting journey — and some of their creative work. Thanks to our music teacher, Mr LongY, for putting this in place for our year 5s.

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE UPDATE

We are encouraging as many students as possible to sign up for the [Premier's Reading Challenge](#) and read the 12 books required.

We currently have a "year level" challenge in place. Well done, year 1 and 4, who currently have the highest percentage of students signed up! You can check the results board outside block 2, near the Dome Playground. Let's get everyone to sign up and read 12 books by the 12th of June. Please note that, as the challenge started on the 23rd of March, students can record books they have read since then.



SCHOOL PHOTOS ORDERS – CLOSING ON SUNDAY, 17 MAY

Thank you to the parents, students, and staff who helped to make our week of school photographs a smooth one. Kapture Photography have informed us that orders are still open for this year's class and individual photos. Please place your order before the closing date, **Sunday 17 May**, to avoid a \$30 custom service fee.

To order, please visit www.kapture.com.au and use our school code: **8QZTH1**. You will also need your individual child's code. If you have misplaced your form, please email PiaraWaters.PS.Admin@education.wa.edu.au to obtain your child's ID so you can order photos online.

100 DAYS OF HOME READING

The 2026 Reading Log allows students to log their home reading during the school holidays. For those who have read and recorded their home reading every day since the beginning of the school year, the 100-day milestone is being reached this week.

The first Reading Recognition Ceremony will be on Wednesday, May 27 (Week 6).

THIS WEEK

MONDAY 11 MAY

IMSS STRING ENSEMBLE AND VIOLIN/VIOLA

Ensemble practice and violin/viola lessons will be held in the music room this morning before school.

WEAR SOMETHING PURPLE

Our student leaders have decided to hold a [Cornelia de Lange Syndrome](#) Awareness Day on Monday, 11th May.

This is a national awareness-raising day on Saturday, 9th May. One of our Pre-primary students, Louis, has CdLS.

On Monday, students, staff and parents are encouraged to **wear something purple**. Our student leaders and staff will raise awareness of CdLS.

The focus of the day is awareness-raising; however, if students would also like to donate to the CdLS foundation, they may do so.

Some student leaders will also be selling "purple scrunchies" for a coin donation before school under the flag poles. There will also be some purple baked goodies.

If you wish to donate any "purple" craft or goodies to this stall, please drop them under the flag poles from 7:30 am.

CdLS AWARENESS
Understanding. Acceptance. Inclusion.

Cornelia de Lange SyNdrome

WHAT IS CdLS?
Cornelia de Lange Syndrome (CdLS) is a rare genetic disorder that affects many parts of the body and impacts each individual differently.
Different, not less. More alike than different.

USUALLY CAUSED BY A SPONTANEOUS MUTATION.
In most cases, CdLS is NOT inherited. It occurs randomly (spontaneous mutation) and is not caused by anything a parent did or didn't do.

AFFECTS 1 IN 10,000 PEOPLE WORLDWIDE
CdLS is rare, but our community is strong.

CdLS AFFECTS INDIVIDUALS IN MANY WAYS

- PHYSICALLY**
 - Distinctive facial features
 - Growth delays
 - Small hands and feet
 - Gastrointestinal issues
 - Muscle tone differences
 - Vision and hearing challenges
- DEVELOPMENTALLY**
 - Delays in reaching milestones
 - Intellectual disability (mild to severe)
 - Speech and language delays
 - Learning challenges
- MEDICALLY**
 - Congenital heart defects
 - Breathing difficulties
 - Seizures (in some individuals)
 - Sleep disturbances
 - Immune system differences
- BEHAVIORALLY**
 - Anxiety
 - Sensory sensitivities
 - Repetitive behaviors
 - Social communication challenges
 - Strong preferences and routines

EVERY PERSON WITH CdLS IS UNIQUE
CdLS exists on a spectrum. No two individuals are alike. Their abilities, needs, and challenges are as unique as their personalities.

LIFELONG SUPPORT MATTERS
Early intervention, therapies, medical care, education, and a supportive community help individuals with CdLS thrive throughout their lives.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- ♥ Educate yourself and others
- ♥ Spread awareness
- ♥ Be kind and inclusive
- ♥ Support CdLS organizations
- ♥ Advocate for research and resources

TOGETHER, WE CAN...
Create a world where individuals with CdLS are understood, valued, and included.

YOU ARE NOT ALONE
Families, caregivers, professionals, and advocates around the world stand together with love and hope.

So much strength. So much potential.
People with CdLS are known for their warmth, determination, and joy. With the right support, they can achieve amazing things.

CdLS AWARENESS ACCEPTANCE INCLUSION

See the ability. Not the disability.

Learn more. Get involved. Make a difference.
www.cdlsusa.org

YEAR 1 HISTORY MUSEUM EXCURSION CONSENT AND PAYMENT DUE TODAY

Last week, parents of Year 1 students were emailed the consent form and payment information for their excursion to the Armadale History Museum. Please check your email (from Compass) for further details.

If you have misplaced the email, you can still access the excursion information directly in Compass.

- On your Desktop computer, go to the "Organisation" tab and choose Events; or
- On the app on your phone or tablet, select the "More" button, then select Events.

KINDY A MOTHER'S DAY PAMPER AFTERNOON

Today, our **Kindy A students** welcome their Mothers, Aunts, Grandmothers, or other special people to their classrooms for some special Mother's Day activities.

Please enter through the gate next to the basketball court. It will be open from 1:20 to 1:35 p.m. Attendees are asked to come through the front office after this time.

Please bring the [Parent volunteer declaration form](#) with you, or we will also have copies available.



TUESDAY 12 MAY

RUNNING CLUB (Kindy – Year 6, before school)

Running club is on today, 7:45 – 8:15 am on the school oval.

Thank you to our volunteers who have offered to sign the student barcodes.

Parents, grandparents or older siblings who have some spare time are welcome to sign up by following this link:
volunteersignup.org/8RXK4

In the event of really bad weather, Running Club will be cancelled, and a notice will be posted on Compass and the school's Facebook page.



A **coffee van will be available between 7:30 and 8:30 am** (A Place of Space).

If Running Club is cancelled due to rain, the coffee van will not be cancelled, so

please support them.

PIARA WATERS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

RUNNING CLUB

Earn a **FACTION POINT**
for every lap you run!

Tuesdays,
7:45am to 8:15am
During term 2 and term 3

Bring your new QR Codes
to count your laps!

Kindy to year 6 students
and parents.

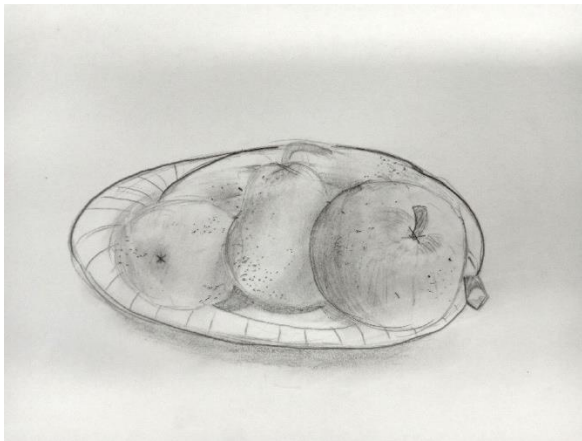
A Coffee van will join us on
the "even" school weeks

ART EXTENSION YEAR 3/4 COMMENCES TODAY

We wish to acknowledge all of the year 3 and 4 students who put their names forward to join the year 3/4 Visual Arts extension program. This process involved written expression and interest, as well as a "live" drawing exercise in which students had to draw a still life of fruit. Mr Gazeas, our talented arts teacher, was most impressed and, after much deliberation, he selected these Year 3 and 4 students.

They will participate in the program on Tuesday mornings, 8:30 am to 9:30 am, commencing today and continuing through to the end of term 2.

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| Anusha A | Mikayla S | Agambir S | Angela B |
| Holly O | Quinn M | Corban C | Aria J |
| Penny H | Krishva S | Kieran M | Tasha C |
| Jeff T | Daniel K | Santino B | Katie B |
| Lavin S | Harjas D | Jai G | Marley T |



WEDNESDAY 13 MAY

YEAR 1 EXCURSION – ARMADALE HISTORY MUSEUM (Room 14, 15 and some Room 12)

- Year 1 students will visit the Armadale History Museum today. Remember to bring a small bag with recess and lunch. Please don't order lunch today!
- Students need to be at school by 8:15 am, as the bus leaves promptly at 8:35 am.
- A social story has been written to support your child in preparing for today's excursion. It can be found [here](#).

KINDERGARTEN PARENT WORKSHOP

Kindergarten parents and carers are invited to an information workshop presented by the Kindergarten teachers.

A key focus of this workshop is the important reading and maths skills your child needs to learn this year, to ensure they do not fall behind in future years.

The workshop will cover the following topics:

- The Kindy curriculum – what a student learns in the year
- The importance of assisting your child's learning at home
- Strategies and resources to develop your child's learning

Kindergarten parent information sessions will be held at the library on these days.

- **Wednesday 21 May from 8.30 am – 9.10 am**
- **Wednesday 28 May from 1.45 pm – 2.25 pm**



Parents do not need to book to come along; they just attend the session that is convenient for them.

THURSDAY 14 MAY

YEAR 1 EXCURSION – ARMADALE HISTORY MUSEUM (Room 9, 13 and Some Room 12)

- Year 1 students will visit the Armadale History Museum today. Remember to bring a small bag with recess and lunch. Please don't order lunch today!
- Students need to be at school by 8:15am, as the bus leaves promptly at 8:35 am.
- A social story has been written to support your child in preparing for today's excursion. It can be found [here](#).

YEAR SIX LEAVERS SHIRTS AND JUMPERS ORDER

Year 6 students need to place their order [at this link](#) by midnight today for Leavers Shirts and Jumpers. There will be **ONLY** one opportunity to order for the year.

Please refer to the attached Year 6 Notice for further information and sizing details, or **pop into the front office to access the sizing shirts between 7:30 am and 4:00 pm.**



We cannot swap shirts/jumpers once they arrive, so please check the sizing chart.

Please note that **sizing** is **DIFFERENT** to the school shirts and jumpers purchased from Uniform Concepts. (Size guide of shirt, School Uniforms can be found [here](#), and [here](#) for School Jackets)

FRIDAY 15 MAY

SENIOR ASSEMBLY – ROOMS 55 and 56

The year 5 students in rooms 55 and 56 will be presenting the senior assembly this week.

You can join us in the Undercover Area from 8:35 am to 9:30 am, or watch via this [WebEx link](#). (Password PWPS)

AFLW - INTERSCHOOL EXCURSION CONSENT AND PAYMENT DUE TODAY

Over the weekend, parents of selected year 5/6 girls' were emailed the consent form and payment information for their participation in the Interschool AFLW carnival. Please check your email (from Compass) for further details.

If you have misplaced the email, you can still access the excursion information directly in Compass.

- On your Desktop computer, go to the "Organisation" tab and choose Events; or
- On the app on your phone or tablet, select the "More" button, then select Events.

ADVANCE NOTICE



NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME – DRESS UP (ALL K-6 STUDENTS)

On **Wednesday, 27 May**, students (and parents) are encouraged to come to school in their Pyjamas for a gold coin donation to our P&C.

We will be participating in the [National Simultaneous Storytime](#) at 10 am, where the book "Luna Roo" will be read across Australia.

Miss Alison Ramm
Principal
10 May 2026

UPCOMING SCHOOL TOUR DATES

Wednesday 20 May 2026
10:00am - 11:00am

Thursday 4 June 2026
4:00pm - 5:15pm

Wednesday 12 August 2026
10:00am - 11:00am

Wednesday 9 September 2026
4:00pm - 5:00pm

Join us on a guided tour through our purpose built campus. Throughout the tour you'll be shown student learning areas, facilities, and have the opportunity to see how our school integrates 21st century learning in our state of the art facility.



*Prospective
2026 & 2027
Piara Waters
Senior High
School Families.*

Bookings Essential

<https://www.piarawatersshs.wa.edu.au/news-page/upcoming-events/>

OR

<https://compasstix.com/e/24nwdbish5>

Bookings can be made via <https://compasstix.com/e/24nwdbish5>

Learn • Grow • Thrive

Parent and Community – Term Planner Term 2 (see [here](#) for full year calendar)

| Term 2 | MONDAY Year 5/6 String Ensemble 7:30 - 8:30am | TUESDAY Running Club K-6 7:45am – 8:15am | WEDNESDAY Junior Choir 7:45 - 8:30am | THURSDAY Senior Choir 7:45 - 8:45am | FRIDAY |
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| Week 5 | 18/5 P&C Meeting 6:30 – 8:30pm Pre-Primary Parent Workshop (8:30 – 9:10am) | 19/5 Running Club K-6 P&C Second-hand Uniform Sale Pre-Primary Parent Workshop (1:45pm - 2:25pm) | 20/5 Kindy B Year 3 Excursion - Brownes Dairy Kindy Parent Workshop (1:45 – 2:25pm) | 21/5 Interschool Year 5/6 Girls AFLW Carnival Year 3 Excursion - Brownes Dairy | 22/5 Junior Assembly 8:30am PP – Rm 7, 8 |
| Week 6 | 25/5 | 26/5 Running Club (Coffee Van) | 27/5 Kindy A National Simultaneous Storytime and Wear your PJs to school Reading Award Ceremony (2 - 2.30pm) | 28/5 | 29/5 Senior Assembly 8:30am Yr 6 – Rm 21, 26 |
| Week 7 | 1/6 WA Day Public Holiday | 2/6 Running Club K-6 | 3/6 Kindy B | 4/6 | 5/6 Senior Assembly 8:30am Yr 4 – Rm 54, 37 |
| Week 8 | 8/6 | 9/6 Running Club (Coffee Van) | 10/6 Kindy A | 11/6 | 12/6 Junior Assembly 8:30am Yr 2 – Rm 16, 51 |
| Week 9 | 15/6 | 16/6 Running Club K-6 Year 4 Incursion – Safety Around the Roads | 17/6 Kindy B | 18/6 | 19/6 Senior Assembly 8:30am Yr 3 – Rm 35, 36 |
| Week 10 | 22/6 | 23/6 Running Club (Coffee Van) Year 5/6 Interschool Winter Carnival | 24/6 Kindy A | 25/6 | 26/6 Faction Cross Country Carnival (Yr 1-6) |
| Week 11 NAIDOC Week | 29/6 Year 5/6 Interschool Winter Carnival (Back Up Day) | 30/6 Running Club K-6 | 1/7 Kindy B Reading Award Ceremony (2 - 2.30pm) | 2/7 IMSS and Choir Parent Concert 1:45pm | 3/7 Senior Assembly 8:30am Yr 4 – Rm 28, 29 Goldie Draw Faction Reward Staff V Student Match |