

TERM 4 OVERVIEW AND WEEK 1 REMINDERS

Dear parents and carers

I trust you have enjoyed the school holidays with your children. Below is information for Term 4, which commences for students on **Monday, 12 October**.

Term 3 finished with a brilliant concert by our Instrumental Music (IMSS) students and our choir performing for their families. Learning an instrument is difficult, and it was great to see our students' ongoing improvement. This is the first year we have had an Ensemble, and their opening performance showed their dedication to practising every Monday morning.

Mr Long provided all of our Choir students the opportunity to sing a solo line in their rendition of "We Are the World." Your confidence and musical talent resulted in a spectacular performance.

Seeing our Photography Club students capture the music concert, delicately roving through the crowd to get the images, and later editing these was also terrific. Here is a [link to some videos and photos](#) of the IMSS and choir's performance, brought to life by the Photography Club students and led by Ms Oxwell and Mrs K.



BASKETBALL COURT PROGRESS AND WORK SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

Work to put a roof on the basketball court has commenced and will continue through to January. As this is a worksite with heavy equipment and materials, safety is everyone's priority.

- There is **strictly no access to the court at any time**. If an object/ball, etc goes onto the court, please speak to the front office to resolve it.
- The **gate near the basketball courts from the ECE car park, behind room 4, is not accessible**. Please use the gates in the ECE yard to exit onto Pleasant Avenue.
- For the next few weeks, **the small internal gate near rooms 2 and 3, and through to the village, is inaccessible**. It will likely be reopened when the stormwater work is complete.
- **The ECE car park is only open to parents for pick-up and drop-off between 8 am and 9 am and 2 pm and 3 pm each day**. At all other times, please do not access this car park as there may be movement of heavy vehicles and building materials.

Thanks for your understanding as this important work for our school is completed.

GROUPS IMPROVEMENTS

Over the school holidays, we made a number of improvements to our grounds.

- You'll notice there is now paving outside room 56. We will soon add seating, and over the January break, we will place another transportable classroom near this room.
- New trees have been planted in the Games Garden; these will grow to be like the ones in the Dome.



- Our new wooden decking in the Games Garden, around these trees, is for students/adults to sit, read, and play quiet games.
- The new limestone wall in the 50s aims to keep traffic on the path and stop the erosion of the grass bank. The wall also doubles as seating. We appreciate that morning traffic will be heavier on the path, but patience is a virtue.
- The sandpits in the kindergarten and pre-primary areas have now been fully enclosed.
- We have had new speakers and a new sound system installed in the undercover area. This will improve sound quality at assemblies and performances and allow us to extend the sound to the flag grass.



TERM 4 STAFFING UPDATE

- **Miss Rebecca Boatwright** will teach both Kindy group 1A and 1B while **Mrs Emily Hoareau** is on maternity leave from the start of Term 4. We welcome **Mrs Simone Stevens** this term, who will teach in Kindy Room 1 on Wednesdays.
- We welcome **Ms Alana Twyman** as a new Special Needs Education Assistant. Alana has transferred from Kenwick School and has a wealth of experience in working with complex students with special needs. Welcome Alana.
- Welcome to **Mr Michael LePage**, who will be teaching in room 31 on Thursdays. Michael completed his final practicum in room 31 last term, and we are excited to have him on our team this term, as Lisa Lehembre takes LSL on Thursdays.
- We welcome back **Mrs Jessica Mercer** this term. She will teach some Year Pre-Primary, Year 2, and Year 3 classes to provide release time (DOTT) for teachers.

You can find our current education staff [here](#) and corporate services staff [here](#).

HAVE SUM FUN – CONGRATULATIONS TO THE YEAR 5 TEAM

Congratulations to Max G, Ethan, Aarav, and Japjot on their collaboration and teamwork during the Term 3 HaveSumFun Mathematics Competition. The group did so well that they walked away as winners of the Term 3 competition. What a fantastic achievement!

BOOK CLUB ISSUE 6 UPDATE

Unfortunately, delivery of the items for Book Club Issue 6 has been delayed. It has not arrived yet, so we will distribute all orders in Term 4 once delivery has been made. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

UPDATED LUNCH ORDER MENU FOR TERM 4

There is a new lunch order menu for term three. The menu is attached to this note, and information about our lunch delivery service is available [here](#).

WHERE CAN I PLAY IN TERM 4?

As the Basketball Court is not accessible this term, we will use "The Village" as a play area and also provide access to the library and drama room on some days.

As part of transitioning the **Pre-primary** students to "big school", they will play in the dental area, games (dance) garden and dome areas with the Year 1 students on Thursdays.

To further support our transition process, on Thursdays, the following will occur:

- Years 2 and 3 will play together
- Years 4 and 5 will play together
- Year 6 can play with their own year group on the oval, visit/support their buddies in the Kindergarten play area, or join a crochet club in the library, led by Candice (student leader) and Ms Grant (Year 2 teacher and crochet friend).

You can see the Term 4 [Where Do I Play timetable on our website](#) and here.

Where Can I Play? Term 4



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		Thursday		Friday
Kindy & PP	Kindy & PP Area	Kindy & PP Area	Kindy & PP Area	Kindy	Kindy & PP Area	Kindy & PP	Kindy & PP Area
Year 1 & 2	Dance Garden	Dome	Dental Area	PP & Year 1	Dome	Year 1 & 2	Wandjoo
	UCA	Flag Grass	The Village		Dental Area		Board Games & Books (Library)
	Dental Area	Oval	Sandpit Playground & 50s Grass		Dance Garden		Sandpit Playground & 50s Grass
Year 3 & 4	The Village	Sandpit Playground & 50s Grass	Wandjoo	Year 2 & 3	Flag Grass	Year 3 & 4	Oval
	Wandjoo	Dental Area	Oval		UCA		The Village
	Dome	UCA	Dance Garden		Sandpit Playground & 50s Grass		Flag Grass
	Lego Play (Drama Room)		Board Games & Books (Library)				
Year 5 & 6	Oval	The Village	Flag Grass	Year 4 & 5	The Village	Year 5 & 6	Dance Garden
	Sandpit Playground & 50s Grass	Dance Garden	Dome		Wandjoo		Dome
	Flag Grass	Wandjoo	UCA		Lego Play (Drama Room)		Dental Area
		Board Games & Books (Library)					UCA (recess only)
				Year 6	Oval		
					Kindy & PP Area		
					Crochet Club Library (lunch only)		

SMART GLASSES ARE BANNED ON ALL SCHOOL GROUNDS AND SCHOOL EVENTS

On 22 September 2026, the Director General of the Department of Education issued a CEO Instruction banning smart glasses on any government school premises or at any school-organised event or activity.

This ban applies to students, staff, parents, carers, visitors and contractors.

Smart glasses are wearable devices that incorporate technology traditionally associated with mobile phones and computers into eyewear. Many smart glasses can:

- take photographs
- record audio and video
- use artificial intelligence applications
- connect to other devices using wireless technology.

Exemptions are permitted for school-approved medical, accessibility or assistive technology purposes, or for educational programs specifically authorised by the principal. I appreciate your support to keep our students and school community safe.



Below is a summary of what is on in **Term 4**, along with more detailed information about this week.

We will continue to provide a weekly update via Compass (news) and our School Website in the [News](#) section. Our school website's [Calendar](#) and [Events](#) section, or the Compass Calendar, is also a good way to keep up to date.

WEEK 1, TERM 4 INFORMATION

Monday, 12 October

PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR 6 AND KINDERGARTEN GROUP A STUDENTS RETURN

Kindy Group A and all Pre-Primary to Year 6 students return to school today.

Please remember that gates open at 8:00 a.m., and students and parents must wait next to the flagpoles or in the games garden if arriving before 8:15 a.m., when two sirens will sound, and classroom doors will open.



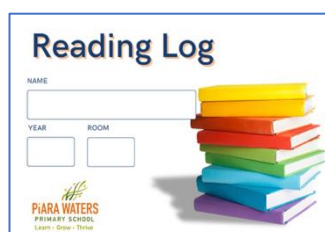
IMSS VIOLIN AND VIOLA LESSONS PLUS STRING ENSEMBLE (Violin/Viola/Cello) - CANCELLED

Ensemble and Violin/Viola lessons and string ensemble will resume next week, as the IMSS teachers have their staff development day.

BRING BACK YOUR READING LOGS!

Don't forget to return your reading logs for day one. This will include your home reading from the last week of term two.

Students can also choose to record their holiday home reading in their Reading Log. They record the number of days they read during the Term 3 holidays on the Term 3 holidays page at the back of their log, then transfer this information to the box on Week 1, Term 4. Holiday home reading is optional.



Term 3 Holidays						
Total days read during the Term 3 holidays						



Enter the number of days you have read during this holidays on Week 1, Term 4 in your Reading Log.

READING AND MATHS TESTING (YEAR 1 - 6 STUDENTS)

All Year 1 to 6 students will complete a Progressive Achievement Test (PAT) in Reading and Maths in the first two weeks of Term 4. These Reading and Mathematics tests are based on the Australian Curriculum. They are adaptive, meaning the test moves to easier or more challenging questions depending on the child's responses to previous questions.

We assess students using the PAT Reading and Maths tests each year to measure individual progress and check achievement levels. We consider these assessments alongside the teacher's judgements and other external assessments such as On Entry (P-2), Year 3 and Year 5 NAPLAN, to ensure we know where individual students and cohorts are. We use this data to plan at the individual, classroom, and whole-school level. Children do not need to be concerned about these tests, and no preparation is required.



All test results will be published on Compass in the Reports section later in the term. There is no need to contact class teachers for results.

Tuesday, 13 October

Wednesday, 14 October

JUNIOR CHOIR (7:45 – 8:30am)

The Junior choir will resume today at the normal time 7:45am.

Thursday, 15 October

KINDY GROUP B START SCHOOL

Today, our Kindy Group B students are returning to school today.

SENIOR CHOIR (7:45 – 8:30am)

The Junior choir will resume today at the normal time 7:45am.

Friday, 16 October

ICY POLES FOR SALE

Year 6 students will be selling Icy poles today from the canteen area for \$1. Icy poles will be available for purchase each Friday this term and also after the Faction Athletics Carnival (2:30pm). All proceeds from the sale of icy poles will go towards the Year 6 Camp.

This term, Kindergarten and Pre-Primary children go to the Undercover Area to purchase their icy-poles. Year 1 to 6 students can purchase their icy poles from the undercover area.

This is also an opportunity for students to manage and care for money. Money is not provided to classroom teachers, students must put their money in a safe place and take it out at lunchtime if they wish to purchase.



Sunday, 18 October

CHOIR PERFORMANCE – TELETHON COMMUNITY STAGE

Our school choir (junior and senior combined) has been selected to perform on the Community Stage at Telethon 2026!

- **When:** Sunday, 18 October 2026 (exact performance time to be confirmed closer to the date, within the 10:00 am–4:00 pm window)
- **Where:** Telethon Community Stage, Perth CBD, near RAC Arena and Wellington Street

More details — including our performance time, meeting point, and what to bring — will be shared with choir families this week via a Compass event notice.

Choir students will need to collect a “Performing Arts” shirt from school on Friday to wear for the performance. Shirts will need to be returned to school on Monday.



YEAR SIX LEAVERS SHIRTS & JUMPERS ORDER CLOSES TODAY FOR DAY 1 SUPPLY

- As previously informed, there will be four opportunities to order year six leavers' shirts and jackets for next year.
- The first **order will close today, Sunday, 18 October**, for those students who want their Leavers Shirt to wear on day one of 2027.
- The front office currently has sizing polo shirts and jackets available for students to try on between 7:30 am and 4:00 pm, or your child can come to the front office during the school day.
 - Otherwise, please refer to the sizing charts in the [attached information](#). Please* note the sizing is different to the Uniform Concepts shirts and the 2026 Leavers Shirts as we are using a different supplier. Items are not able to be returned or exchanged, so please choose the size carefully.
- You can make changes to your order details through the supplier's online portal until the closing date.



Click on below links to order; the closing date is Sunday, 18 October:

- [Leavers shirt order link](#)
- [Leavers jacket order link](#)

TERM FOUR EVENTS SUMMARY

ASSEMBLIES (KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6)

Class assemblies are held at 8:30 a.m. on Fridays. For families who cannot attend, the assemblies can be viewed via WebEx.

Assemblies for Term 4 are:

- **Friday, 30 October:** Senior assembly, Year 4 and Year 6, rooms 19 and 27 (Year 3 to 6 attend).
- **Friday, 6 November:** Junior assembly, Year 2, rooms 17 and 18 (K to 2 attend).
- **Friday, 13 November:** Senior assembly, Year 6, rooms 24 and 25 (Year 3 to 6 attend).
- **Friday, 27 November:** Junior assembly, Kindy, rooms 1B, 2B and 3B (K to 2 attend).
- **Friday, 4 December:** Senior assembly, Arts (Year 3 to 6 attend).

OCTOBER

VACSWIM SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Vacation Swimming lessons are available in the January school holidays.

- Tuesday 5 January to Friday 15 January 2027
- Monday 11 January to Friday 15 January 2027
- Monday 18 January to Thursday 28 January 2027

Summer enrolments close Wednesday, 14 October 2026. You can find out more [HERE](#).

VacSwim

Give your child the skills they need around water.

Enrol them in school holiday swimming lessons.

Spots are limited, enrol now to secure your place.

education.wa.edu.au/vacswim



FACTION ATHLETICS CARNIVAL (KINDY – YEAR 6 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES)

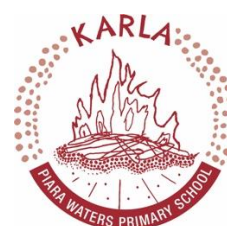
Our Faction Athletics Carnival, for all students in Kindy to Year 6, will be held over two days. Attached and also [on our website](#) is a detailed program for parents.

Day 1 – Monday, 19 October

- 8:35 am - Kindergarten group A sprints (on oval) followed by tabloid games in the Kindergarten area.
- 8:55 am to 2:30 pm - Jumps, Throws, 200m and 400m events will be held for selected students in Years 1- 6. Students have been selected based on their trial results in physical education lessons. Selected students were notified at the end of term 3. The team list will also be placed on the whiteboard outside Block 3
- We are looking for volunteers to assist with raking and measuring at the Long Jump/Triple Jump. If you can assist, please email Daniel.Headland@education.wa.edu.au

Day 2 – Friday, 23 October

- 8:30 am – Pre-Primary to Year 6 faction march to the oval (Year 3-6 then return to class).
- 8:40 am - Kindergarten group B sprints (on oval) followed by tabloid games (Kindy area).
- 8:40 am to 11:15 am – Pre-primary to Year 2 sprints and activity rotations for all students (Year 3-6 students return to class).
- 11:20 am to 1:30 pm - Year 3-6 sprints and activity rotations for all students (Pre-primary to Year 2 students return to class).
- 1:30 pm - Year 1-6 relays for selected students and presentations (All Pre-primary to Year 6 students to watch).
- Our day will conclude with presentations at 2:20 pm.
- There will be a food van for parents (not students) to use during the day.
- Students may access the food vans and also purchase Icy Poles and drinks from 2:30 pm. All proceeds from the sale of icy poles and drinks go to the 2027 Year 6 camp. If any Year 5 parents can assist with this stall between 2:30 pm and 3:00 pm, please email Piarawaters.ps.admin@education.wa.edu.au or contact Nilu Hewage at the front office.



The P&C will be spraying hair in faction colours; for \$2 from 8:00 – 8:25 am in the grass area by the flagpoles

Social stories have been created for our students who need support in understanding what to expect when participating in the various events. To access these social stories, you can find them on our website [here](#).

YEAR 5/6 SCITECH CHALLENGE – SELECTED STUDENTS

The Scitech Challenge Day enables teams from various schools to use their interest in science, technology, engineering, and maths to solve space-related challenges.

A small group of year 5/6 students have been selected to participate in the Scitech Challenge Day on **Wednesday, 21 October**. Students will travel by train from the Cockburn Train Station (7:45 am) to Scitech and back (3:30 pm). These students will receive a consent form via Compass.

HAVE SUM FUN ONLINE MATHS COMPETITION (YEAR 3 - 6)

Students in the maths extension programs will be eligible for selection in our interschool teams for the final Round of the have sum fun online competition. A team of four students in years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will Compete in this competition. The term four competition is between **October 20 and November 7**.

The winning teams are chosen based on accuracy and speed, and so far this year, our year 3, 4 and 6 Teams have been placed 1st, 2nd and 1st, respectively. Can the Piara Waters teams continue with their Fantastic results?

FRENCH CREPES INCURSION (YEAR 5 - 6 STUDENTS)

In French, students in Years 5 to 6 have learnt how to complete a shopping transaction at the bakery. To further their knowledge, the *Miam Miam* crêpe van will visit our school on **Wednesday, 28 October**.

Year 5 to 6 students will have the opportunity to use the language learned in class to make their purchase (in French). Crêpe choices are sugar, lemon sugar, cinnamon sugar, caramel, or strawberry jam. Additional options are fresh strawberries, banana, and whipped cream.

Cost: \$7 per crêpe (students bring money on the day to pay for the crêpe as part of the process). Additional options are an extra \$2 per item.



PRE-PRIMARY SCIENCE INCURSION

In Biological Science, Pre-Primary students are learning that living things have needs and these needs are met by the places they live. A representative will be visiting from RSPCA on **Wednesday, 28 October** to present to students the needs of animals and how to care for them.

BETTER BEGINNINGS INCURSION (FREE)

City of Armadale librarian, Trent, from the local Piara Waters Public Library, will be visiting the students in Kindy and Pre-Primary to tell them about some of the fun things the local library has available for students.

[Better Beginnings](#) is a Western Australian family literacy program that connects families with books through free reading packs. The goal is to inspire a love of literacy and learning for all children by encouraging families to read, talk, sing, write and play with their child every day.



Trent will visit our students on the following dates:

- Kindy A - **Wednesday, 28 October** from 1:30-2:00pm
- Kindy B and Pre-Primary - **Thursday, 5 November** from 1:30-2:30pm.

YEAR ONE SCIENCE INCURSION (FREE)

In Biological Science, Year 1's are learning that living things have external features that serve a purpose and by which they can be grouped. On **Friday, 30 October** a River Guardians Education Officer from Parks and Wildlife will be running a session about dolphins where they will practice being a citizen scientist. They will learn about Dolphin biology, threats to local dolphins and how they can be protected.

WORLD TEACHERS DAY – DRESS UP AS A TEACHER (ALL STUDENTS)

We will be acknowledging our outstanding teachers for World Teachers' Day on **Friday, 30 October**.

Students are encouraged to come dressed as a teacher to acknowledge the difference our teachers make.



NUMERO CHALLENGE

Two teams of selected students have been accepted to participate in the Numero Challenge. The opening heat will take place on **Friday, 30 October** at Carey Baptist College. If our teams are successful, they will then have another opportunity to compete at the State Numero Challenge final on **12 November**.

We wish our teams the best of luck, and may the WILD cards be in your favour.

NOVEMBER

PIARA WATERS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL TRANSITION DAY (ONLY YEAR 6 STUDENTS ENROLLED AT PWSHS IN 2027)

Students who are **enrolled in Piara Waters Senior High School** for 2026 will attend the Orientation Day on **Tuesday, 3 November**. This is a full day at the high school and students will travel to and from home to the high school, and not attend PWPS at all that day.

The Orientation Day will help familiarise students with their new school environment and allow them to meet future teachers and students from other primary schools who are also attending the high school next year. Families will receive notification directly from the high school with more information about the day. If you have not yet enrolled, you will need to do so to receive the information.

Students not attending Piara Waters Senior High School in 2027 will attend PWPS as usual that day. There will be other days established for alternative high school orientation sessions, which students should attend. Please notify via the [absentee process](#) or via Compass when your Year 6 child is attending an orientation. We will mark them as attending an external education activity on that day (not absent from school).



P&C MOVIE NIGHT – TONIGHT

The P&C are holding a movie night on the school oval on **Friday, 6 November**.

Tickets are \$5 (children under 4 are free) to be purchased at the Oval Gate.

- Free face painting and market stalls will be available from 5 pm.
- The movie starts at 6.30 pm.

All funds raised go to the new line markings for our Basketball Court.

P&C MEETING

The P&C meeting will be held on **Monday, 9 November** from **6:30 – 8:30 pm** in the library.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SALE

The P&C will be **Selling Second-hand Uniforms** on **Tuesday, 10 November**, between **8 am and 8:45 am**, in the alcove near the Dome Playground. Please bring Cash or Card (Eftpos machine available)

Donations are always welcome and can be dropped off either at the front office or directly at the P&C stall.

PIARA WATERS PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C PRESENTS

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

NOW SHOWING

\$5 PER PERSON
KIDS UNDER 4 ARE FREE

Tickets to be purchased directly upon entry to the event.

FREE FACE PAINTING
MARKET STALLS
RAFFLE PRIZES
MOVIE SNACKS FOR PURCHASE

FRIDAY, 6TH NOVEMBER, 5PM

ON PIARA WATERS PRIMARY SCHOOL OVAL

BRING YOUR OWN	SWEET TREATS	MARKET STALLS
Bring your own picnic rug, deck chair, blanket and get COMFY!	Popcorn, Fairy Floss, Icecream and Coffee are all available for purchase.	Visit Market Alley in which we showcase family owned business within our school community.

Picnic dinner is great. Please NO glassware.

TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE P&C OR EMAIL
PWPSFUNDRAISING@OUTLOOK.COM.AU

INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS CARNIVAL (YEAR 3-6 SELECTED STUDENTS)

The Interschool Athletics Carnival, for invited students in Years 3 to 6, will be held on the following two days:

- **Tuesday, 10 November** - Jumps, Throws, 200m and 400m events
- **Thursday, 12 November** - Track and Team events

The Interschool team will be selected following our faction athletics carnival, and event details will be sent via Compass.



REMEMBRANCE DAY

At 11:00 am on **Monday, 11 November**, we will observe a period of silence in our classes to remember all those who have died or suffered in wars and armed conflicts.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION, STUDENT LEADERS & FACTION CAPTAINS PHOTOGRAPH

Our Year 6 students will have their graduation (group) photograph taken at 9:00 am on **Wednesday, 11 November**. All students should wear their leavers' shirts on this day.

The student leaders and faction captains will also be photographed. Faction captains should bring their faction t-shirts for this photograph.

ELECTIONS FOR 2027 STUDENT LEADERS (YEAR 4-5 STUDENTS)

This term, our Year 4 and 5 students will elect the 2027 student leaders and faction captains. All Year 5 students will be provided with a nomination form by the end of Week 2. Interested students must return the nomination form to the front office by **Monday, 2 November**.

Student Councillor speeches will be held on **Wednesday, 18 November**, and Faction Captain speeches on **Thursday, 19 November**. Students will vote, and the elected leaders will be announced at the end-of-year concert on **Wednesday, 16 December**.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY (ALL STUDENTS DON'T ATTEND)

There will be a Staff Development Day on **Friday, 20 November**. Students do not attend school on that day. The [OSH is open](#), and parents should contact them directly for a booking.

SCIENCE EXPO (YEAR 6 STUDENTS, PARENTS, COMMUNITY, YEAR 1-5 STUDENTS)

We will hold a Science Expo in week 7 this term, where all Year 6 students will share their science skills and knowledge.

The Year 6 Science Expo projects will be displayed in the Undercover Area from **Monday, 23 November to Wednesday, 25 November**, allowing students in Years 1 to 5 to view and vote for the "students' choice" award.

All Year 6 students will also present their projects at a **Science Showcase Evening** for families and the community on **Thursday, 26 November**, from **5:30 pm to 7:30 pm** in the Under Cover Area and



Science Rooms. We will also have on display entries from the STAWA Science competition for years 2 to 5.

We look forward to parents and community members coming along to see the high standard of Science learning at our school.

Our P&C will also be running a sausage sizzle, bake sale, and second-hand uniform stall this evening.

“A DAY IN THE LIFE OF A HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT” - SIMULATION (YEAR 6)

All Year 6 students will participate in activities to simulate a day at high school. Students will experience the routines of high school and attend styled classes, helping them prepare for a successful transition. The day will be held on **Monday, 30 November** at Piara Waters Primary School and is organised by our year six staff.

DECEMBER

2027 PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR 6 CLASS PLACEMENTS

Parents will receive an email informing them of their child/children's 2026 class placement in the first week of **December**.

Students will meet their 2027 class teacher on **Tuesday, 8 December**, when we will hold our pre-primary to year 6 transition morning.

YEAR 5 CAINE'S ARCADE PRESENTATION

Year 5 students will be creating an arcade-style game from boxes this term, as part of their Technologies learning. This learning is inspired by a true story, where Caine went to work with his dad in the Summer at their auto parts store. To keep himself entertained, he created his own arcade out of cardboard shipping boxes, and the rest is history!

Our Year 5 students will host their peers and parents, and showcase their Caine's Arcade creations in the Under Cover Area on **Wednesday, 2 December and Thursday, 3 December**.

READING AWARD CEREMONIES

All students should record home reading in their Reading Logs at least 4 times each week. Before bringing their Reading Logs to school to be checked by their teacher each Monday, they are responsible for updating the total number of days they have recorded this year.

Home reading milestones are recognised at either a classroom or school level throughout the year.

- 10 days – 1 Gold token from the class teacher
- 50 days – 5 Gold tokens from the class teacher
- 100 days – a Certificate of Achievement from the principal (and 10 Gold tokens) at the ceremony
- 150 days – a Certificate of Excellence from the principal (and 15 Gold tokens) at the ceremony
- 200 days – a Remarkable Reader pin from the principal at the ceremony
- 300 days – a Remarkable Reader badge from the principal at the ceremony

Reading Award Ceremonies will be held in the library. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

- **Wednesday 9 December at 1:45pm – Year 4, 5 and 6.**
- **Thursday 10 December at 1:45pm – Year 2 and 3.**
- **Friday 11 December at 1:45pm – Kindy, Pre Primary and Year 1.**



Reading Log	
NAME	
YEAR	ROOM
	

COLOUR RUN – A KEY P&C FUNDRAISER

The Colour-a-thon Run will take place after lunch on **Friday, 4 December**.

This event is a key fundraiser for the P&C.

If you can assist with setting up the colour run or spreading colour during the event, please email pwpsfundraising@outlook.com.au



LIBRARY RETURNS

All students are to return their library books the week beginning **Monday, 7 December**. The library will be open for student borrowing again when we return on Monday, 1 February 2027.

TRANSITION AND ORIENTATION MORNINGS 2027 (KINDY TO YEAR 5)

We will be running the following transition and orientation mornings.

- On the morning of Tuesday, 8 December, the Pre-Primary to Year 5 students will be meeting their 2027 teacher in their new classroom from 9:00 to 10:30 am.
- An Orientation morning for students (and their parents) going into Kindergarten Group A in 2027 will take place from 9:00 am to 10:30 am on Wednesday, 9 December.
- An Orientation morning for students (and their parents) going into Kindergarten Group B in 2027 will take place from 9:00 am – 10:30 am on Thursday, 10 December.
- P&C will hold a stall selling second-hand uniforms, bags, and library bags on Tuesday 8 December (alcove near the Dome playground 8am – 8:45am) and also on Wednesday, 9 December, and Thursday, 10 December at the Kindy orientation.

VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA

On **Friday, 11 December**, we will be holding a morning tea to say **THANK YOU** to all the parents and community members who have supported our students to Learn, Grow and Thrive during 2026.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION CEREMONY AND EVENTS (YEAR 6 STUDENTS AND PARENTS)

Our Year 6 Graduation and Awards Ceremony will be held on the evening of **Monday, 14 December, from 6 pm to 8 pm**. More information will be provided during Term 4 regarding tickets and seating.

EXCURSION TO OUTBACK SPLASH (YEAR 6)

The Year 6 excursion to Outback Splash will be held on **Tuesday, 15 December**, from 9:00 am to approximately 4:00 pm.

Students will be able to wear free dress with bathers for water-based activities. Further information will be sent out in an excursion note closer to the event via Compass.



FACTION REWARD

Over the term, faction points will be awarded to students as part of our whole-school reward program. On **Friday, 15 December**, the winning faction will be announced on the PA before lunch. The winning faction will have 10 minutes of extra play at lunchtime!

KINDY TO YEAR 6 SEMESTER 2 REPORTS

Semester 2 reports for your child/children will be available for you to download from Compass and Connect on the afternoon of **Wednesday, 16 December**.

END OF YEAR CONCERT AND BOOK AWARDS (ALL KINDY – YEAR 6 STUDENTS AND FAMILIES)

This will occur on our oval on **Wednesday, 16 December**.

- K-2 concert and award presentations - 4:30 pm and 5:45 pm.
- Year 3-6 concert and award presentations - 6:15 pm and 7:45 pm.

Food trucks will be on site, or you can BYO a family picnic.



GOLDIE DRAW

On **Thursday, 17 December**, Miss Ramm will draw 40 winners, 20 from each bucket, to come to the office to collect a prize. You must be at school on Friday to collect the prize.

- Kindergarten Group B – Year 6 Goldie Draw – **Thursday, 17 December**
- Kindergarten Group A Goldie Draw – **Tuesday, 15 December**
 - As Kindergarten Group A do not attend on Thursdays, winners will be drawn on Tuesday

YEAR 6 AND LEAVING STUDENTS ARCH

On **Thursday, 17 December**, the school will come together to farewell our Year 6 students as they leave through our student archway and out onto the lawn area at the corner of Jolly Avenue and Wright Road.

Students in Kindergarten to Year 5 who are also leaving our school are invited to join the departing arch.

The school gates will be open at 2:00 pm if parents wish to join our final farewell to our students. The Leavers Arch will take place 2:15 to 2:30pm



SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

- Students commence school holidays on **Friday, 18 December 2026**. This means that all students are required to attend school up until Thursday, 18 December.
- Students return to school on **Monday, 1 February 2027**. The start of school is exceptionally important. Family vacations need to take place between 18 December and 31 January, so that they do not impact learning and classroom procedures.

UNIFORMS

Uniforms can be purchased through Uniform Concepts, located in Jandakot. They encourage families to visit their store during Term 4 to beat the rush in January and to take advantage of the appointment systems and Layby facility. The uniform price list can be accessed [here](#). Further information can be accessed via their [website](#).

Miss Alison Ramm
Principal

10 October 2026

TERM 4 OVERVIEW AND WEEK 1 REMINDERS

COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL PROGRAMS

OSH CLUB

Parents may enrol their children in before- or after-school care, which takes place in our school Undercover area every day of the school year and on most school vacation days.

- Our **before school program, Rise then Shine (6:30am to bell time)**, offers energising activities and a nutritious breakfast to set kids up for a positive start to their school day.
- Our **after school program, Stay and Play (bell time to 6:00pm)**, is the perfect opportunity for children to participate in fun activities, build close friendships and wind down after a busy day at school.
- During **school holidays** (6:30am – 6:00pm), we run a curated holiday program called Holiday HQ, offering unique experiences at selected services. Each day brings new excitement with diverse themes, engaging activities, and entertaining incursions and excursions for an unforgettable break.



Further information about this program, delivered by an accredited provider, is available [here](#).

The Child Care Subsidy (CCS) is a government payment providing financial support to families by subsidising approved childcare costs. OSHClub programs are eligible for the Child Care Subsidy, and families can get up to a 90% rebate of session fees, including Before School Care, After School Care and Holiday HQ. The Child Care Subsidy is eligible across all of our programs and can help cover the cost of childcare. Learn more about the Child Care Subsidy on the OSHClub website.

CHESS CLUB (YEAR 1-6, AFTER SCHOOL)

[King Chess Club](#) (a private provider) will continue to provide our students with an opportunity to learn

Chess after school on Mondays. Term 4 lessons are from Monday, 19 October to Monday, 14 December. The lessons are held in the Junior Science Room from 2:35 pm to 3:35 pm.

Supervision is through the [King Chess Club](#), and there is a cost of \$160 for the term. Registrations can be made [here](#).

MUSIC LESSONS (AFTER SCHOOL)

PWPS students can participate in guitar and keyboard lessons, after school in our music room from 2.45pm – 5.15pm on Thursdays.

Lessons are in small groups, or individual. Please contact [PMI Plus](#) (Primary Music Institute) for more information. Please note this is a private provider and we do not endorse the lessons.



KING CHESS CLUB
Presents

**AFTER SCHOOL
CHESS COACHING CLASSES**

@
PIARAWATERS PRIMARY SCHOOL
TERM 4 : OCTOBER 19 - DECEMBER 14 ,
2026
(ALL MONDAYS)

TIMINGS: 2.35 PM - 3.35 PM



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Term 4	MONDAY Year 5/6 String Ensemble 7:30 - 8:30am	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY Junior Choir 7:45 - 8:30am	THURSDAY Senior Choir 7:45 - 8:45am	FRIDAY Icy poles for sale lunchtime
Week 1	12/10 Commence PAT Maths and Reading Assessments Yr 1-6	13/10	14/10 Kindy A	15/10	16/10
Week 2 Have Sum Fun Term 4 Comp	19/10 PWPS Faction Jumps, Throws, 200m, 400m (Yr1-6) Kindy A sprints and tabloids	20/10	21/10 Kindy B Scitech Challenge Day Year 6 Selected Students	22/10 PAT Maths and Reading Assessments Yr 1-6 to be complete	23/10 P-6 Faction Athletics Track and Team (8:30am to 3:00pm) Kindy B sprints and tabloids
Week 3 Have Sum Fun Term 4 Comp	26/10	27/10	28/10 Kindy A FRENCH CREPE INCURSION Yr 5/6 8:30am – 2pm Better Beginnings Incursion Kindy A 1:30 – 2:00pm PP RSPCA Science Incursion	29/10	30/10 Senior Assembly 8:30am Yr 4, 6 – Rm 19, 27 World Teachers Day Numero Challenge Excursion 8:30am Y1 River Guardians Science Incursion
Week 4 Have Sum Fun Term 4 Comp	2/11 2027 Year 6 Student Leader nominations due	3/11 PWSHS Year 7 orientation day	4/11 Kindy B	5/11 Better Beginnings Incursion K/PP 1:20 – 2:30pm	6/11 Junior Assembly 8:30am Yr 2 – Rm 17, 18 Family Movie Night
Week 5	9/11 P&C Meeting 6:30 – 8:30pm	10/11 Interschool Athletics Day 1 (Jumps and Throws) P&C Second-hand Uniform Sale (8-8.45am)	11/11 Kindy A Remembrance Day Year 6 Graduation Photo – 9am	12/11 Interschool Athletics Day 2 (Team and Sprints)	13/11 Senior Assembly 8:30am Yr 6 – Rm 24, 25
Week 6	16/11	17/11	18/11 Kindy B 2027 Year 6 Student Leader Speeches	19/11 2027 Year 6 Faction Captain Speeches	20/11 School Development Day (Students don't attend)
Week 7	23/11 Year 6 Science Fair (Rm 24,25– 9:30 – 12:50)	24/11 Year 6 Science Fair (Rm 21,26 9:30 – 12:50)	25/11 Kindy A Year 6 Science Fair (Rm 19 9:30 – 12:50)	26/11 Year 6 Science Showcase 5:30 – 7:00pm	27/11 Junior Assembly Kindy - 1B, 2B, 3B
Week 8	30/11 High School Simulation Day (Year 6)	1/12 Parents advised of 2027 P-6 Class placements	2/12 Kindy B Year 5 Caine's Arcade Presentation – UCA Rm 11,55,56	3/12 Year 5 Caine's Arcade Presentation – UCA Rm 10,20,22	4/12 Senior Assembly (The Arts) P&C Colour Run
Week 9	7/12 No more student library borrowing from today	8/12 P-6 2027 Transition morning (9am – 10:30am)	9/12 Kindy A Kindy 2027 Orientation morning 9:00 – 10:30am (Group A) Reading Certificate Ceremony 1:45pm Yr 4,5,6	10/12 Kindy 2027 orientation morning 9:00 – 10:30am (Group B) Reading Certificate Ceremony 1:45pm Yr 2,3	11/12 Volunteers Morning Tea 10am Reading Certificate Ceremony 1:45pm K,P,1
Week 10	14/12 Year 6 Graduation (5:45 – 8:00pm)	15/12 Year 6 Outback Splash excursion Faction Reward	16/12 Kindy B K-6 Student Reports Home End of year concert and book awards (4:00 – 7:30pm)	17/12 Goldie Draw Last Day for Students Farewell arch for Yr 6 and leaving students 2:15pm	18/12 School Development Day (Students don't attend)