

TERM 4, WEEK 4 UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to the students in rooms 19 (Year 6) and 27 (Year 4) for a fabulous assembly on Friday, honouring our teachers for World Teachers' Day. Your raps were on point, and audience participation showed just how engaged everyone was with your show!

This was also the first assembly that we did not use the "screen" in the Undercover Area. Moving forward, we will only utilise the screen for assemblies when essential to the item or information. We are very aware of the impact too much screen time has on students, and it was fabulous to see everyone watching and listening to the performers, rather than being fixed on the screen.

Here are some of their teacher raps. Can you guess who they are?



This teacher's knowledge is very strong!

So she never gets a question wrong.

They know everything which is such a perk, but they also make us do math questions for morning work!

Speaking English and French – yes, they are bilingual.

Just another reason as to why they're incredible!

This teacher makes our learning fun, can you guess which teacher - it can only be one!

This teacher enjoys variety, in the class and on the court.

Cheering on everyone and showing support.

When it comes to snacks, there's one meal they rate. Scrambled eggs and baked beans – now that's a breakfast plate.

Wherever they go, they are always super chill.

Teaching us how to succeed in every drill!

They're one of the best and bring the heat.

Can you guess who it is or do you accept defeat?

This teacher isn't serious, but they are never jokin'.

You'll always have a blast, if you listen to what's spoken!

They make learning exciting with every new twist. This teacher has the skills and is the smartest scientist!

Marbles, magnets, keys...pockets filled with all sorts of things.

But their drink bottle is gone – do you think that it grew wings?

They always know their stuff and make us laugh all day.

We test our predictions, then graph our findings along the way.

Guessing this teacher is such a breeze. Do you know who has this expertise?



It was a pleasure to have Peter Kirwan attend the assembly to present **Reyhan with his Speak Up Award**. Reyhan won the Wayne Hibbs Trophy for the Grand Master's Choice at the recent Speak Up Awards Grand Final. Well done, Reyhan.

On Friday afternoon, **Ashwyn** (Year 4) was presented with his prize for coming second in his age category at the **Alliance Française Poetry Competition**. Well done, Ashwyn!



Also on Friday, our **Interschool Numero** teams competed in the Numero Challenge. All students did well, and we are particularly proud of our Year 6 team, who came in 6th place overall. This is a particularly tough competition, and we thank Ms White for coaching the teams.



Last week, our Year 5 and 6 students had a wonderful opportunity to practise their French by **ordering and buying crêpes in French**. We are lucky to have **Mademoiselle Wong** as our French teacher, who always goes out of her way to run the after-school French Club, enter students into competitions, and provide real-world opportunities for students to use their French.

Unfortunately for us, our associate principal, **Mrs Gallagher**, has been offered a Principal position at Belmont Primary School for the remainder of the year and will be commencing this from Monday. Please welcome **Miss Bolton**, who will be Deputy Principal for the remainder of the year while Mrs Gallagher is away.



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HELMETS ON. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Last week we had a near miss involving a student travelling to school. Thankfully no one was hurt, but it could easily have ended in a devastating injury, or worse. It was completely avoidable, and that is what troubles us most. We were fortunate this time, and we cannot rely on luck.

By law, students must wear a helmet when riding a bike or scooter, and as a school, we expect all students to wear one every time. Classroom teachers will be reminding students of these road safety rules this week, and it would be much appreciated if you could also reinforce these with your children:

- Always wear a helmet, buckled up
- Use footpaths and shared paths wherever available
- Stop and look both ways before every driveway and road
- Hop off and walk bikes and scooters across all roads and crossings
- Use crossings with a crossing guard wherever possible
- Keep eyes up and attention on the surroundings, not on friends or devices

Our priority is that every child arrives at school safely each day. The responsibility for wearing a helmet and following road rules lies with families and students. Students who arrive without a helmet will be reminded of the importance of wearing one, and we may contact parents to reinforce this expectation.



WANTED – PHOTOGRAPHERS AND VIDEOGRAPHERS

We are looking for people to join our team of “official/professional photographers” at the end-of-year Christmas Concert and Graduation. We are also looking for some people to video the concert items and provide this footage to the school. The concert is divided into a junior and a senior concert, and photographers/videographers are required for each concert.



To improve visibility for the concert and enable families to enjoy the moment (not through the lens of a phone), we will ensure lots of quality photographs are taken and made available to families after the event (respecting photo permissions for identified students). If you can assist, or want to find out more, please email piarawaters.ps.admin@education.wa.edu.au

SCHOOL CLOSED (ADVANCE NOTICE) – FRIDAY, 20 NOVEMBER

On **Friday, 20 November**, our school will be **closed** for a school development day, and students will not attend. Our teachers will be undertaking professional learning. The [OSH](#) is open, and parents should contact them directly for a booking if needed.



COMPASS APP UPGRADE

The Compass app has been upgraded.

Do I need to do anything? No. The upgrade arrives as a normal app update, so there's nothing new to download. If your app doesn't update automatically, update it from the App Store or Google Play. You may be asked to sign in again with your usual Compass details.



What's new? An improved absence form, easily accessible calendar, widgets for your phone's home and lock screen, light and dark modes, and Apple Pay on iPhone for some payments.

Where can I get help? Visit the parent guide at compass.education/guide

REMINDER TO USE COMPASS/WEBSITE TO MARK ABSENCE

If your child is away from school, please remember to let us know by recording their absence on Compass or submitting an absentee note through our school website.

- Please refer to this [guide](#) on how to enter attendance via Compass.
- Submit an absentee note via our [website](#).



CLASS PLACEMENT PROCESS FOR PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR 6, 2027 STUDENTS

Over the coming weeks, classroom teachers and the school leadership team will be forming our 2027 classes. We start this process early so students can be informed in early December and meet their classmates and teachers on the 8th of December. We advise students early so that they can prepare for the change and reduce school anxiety.

Our staff know a lot about your child and how they learn best; however, we appreciate that there is sometimes some additional information that parents have that can assist the class placement process.

If parents have any information to assist us with class placements for 2027, they should fill in this [form](#). Please note that any information you may submit on this form is combined with the knowledge your child's classroom teacher and the school leadership team have to place students in the most appropriate class.

You do not have to complete the form. Please note that information submitted in previous years is not considered. If the information you provided previously is still relevant, please provide it again for 2027.

You need to include as much detail as possible on your form, so that we can understand the situation and meet the needs of all of our students. If you have specific feedback for more than one child, please complete multiple forms (one per child).

The survey closes at midnight next Sunday, 8th November. (The survey link will not work after this date.) It is not possible to provide feedback after this time. Parents will be notified by email of their Pre-Primary to Year 6 child's 2027 class placement on approximately Tuesday, 1 December.

If your child will not be attending Piara Waters Primary School in 2027 (current Pre-Primary to Year 6 students), please notify us using this [survey link](#) or by emailing piarawaters.ps.enrolments@education.wa.edu.au



PROVISION 2027 CLASSROOM STRUCTURE

The start of the 2027 school year is still 3 months away; however, our provisional class structure is as follows. This may change, including the addition of another Pre-Primary class.

Year level	Room	Teachers
Kindy	Room 1(A)	Miss Lange and Mrs Bavaro (Wednesdays)
	Room 1 (B)	Miss Lange and Mrs Bavaro (Wednesdays)
	Room 2 (A)	Mrs Pereira (nee Nguyen)
	Room 2 (B)	Mrs Iddon
Kindy/Pre-Primary	Room 3	Mrs Chapman and Ms Padua (Fridays)
Pre-Primary	Room 4	Mrs Eren and Mrs Doran (Wednesdays)
	Room 7	Mrs Van Riel
	Room 8	Mrs Scata
Year 1	Room 9	Mrs Rapanaro
	Room 12	Mrs Alcock and Mrs Doran (Thursdays)
	Room 13	Miss Boatwright and Mr Headland (Fridays)
	Room 14	Mrs Muller
	Room 15	Miss Bray and Mrs Riley (Thursdays)
Year 1/2	Room 17	Miss Saunders
Year 2	Room 16	Mrs Fernandes
	Room 18	Mrs Van Santen (Mon-alternate Wed) and Ms Tylor (Wed-Fri)
	Room 50	Ms Grant
	Room 51	Miss Osborn
	Room 52	Ms Lee
Year 3	Room 30	Mrs DeGalt-Rohlf
	Room 31	Mrs Lehembre and Mrs Mackin (part time semester two)
	Room 32	Mrs Skinner (Tue, Wed, Thur) Mrs Taylor (Mon and Fri)
	Room 33	Miss O'Halloran
	Room 34	Mr Gilbert-Green**
	Room 35	Miss McLaughlin
	Room 36	Ms Richer
Year 4	Room 27	Mr Thomas
	Room 28	<i>(Recruitment process currently being finalised)</i>
	Room 29	Ms Taylor
	Room 37	Miss Dempsey
	Room 55	Mrs Yun
Year 4/5	Room 10	Mr Hazel
Year 5	Room 11	Miss Lubich**
	Room 20	Ms Baker and Mrs Van Santen (Thursdays)
	Room 54	Mr LePage
	Room 56	Ms Matheson and Mr Pinkney (Fridays)
	Room 57	<i>(Recruitment process currently being finalised)</i>
Year 6	Room 19	Miss Barber
	Room 21	Mr Roberts
	Room 22	Mrs Bray
	Room 24	Mrs Lourenco (Mon-Wed, and Fri) and Mr Pinkney (Thur)
	Room 25	Miss White
	Room 26	Mrs Billion**

** New teacher to PWPS in 2027

BEE AWARE - OUR BUSY POLLINATORS ARE BACK!

With the weather warming and flowers blooming, the bees are becoming more active around the school grounds as they carry out important work. To help keep everyone safe, we have placed signs in areas with increased bee activity.

The signs are a reminder for staff, students and visitors to be mindful in their surroundings and take extra care in these locations, to respect our bees at work! Bees play a vital role in our environment and are an important part of a healthy ecosystem. If you notice a new area of activity, please reach out so we can assess the situation and install further signage if necessary.



MONDAY 2 NOVEMBER

YEAR 6 STUDENT LEADER NOMINATION FORMS DUE

Current Year 5 students have received a form to nominate themselves as a student councillor or faction captain for the 2027 school year. A copy of this form can also be found [here](#). It is due to the front office **today**; no late forms will be accepted. In the event of absence, please email to Piarawaters.ps.admin@education.wa.edu.au

The nominated students must be present on the day of their speeches to be considered for a Student Leader or Faction Captain position.

- Student Leader speeches will be held on Wednesday, 18 November
- Faction Leader speeches will be held on Thursday, 19 November
- Speeches must be delivered in person. Pre-recorded speeches will not be accepted.
- If a student is unwell and unable to attend on the day, please contact the school. This will be the only exception, and alternative arrangements will be discussed with the family.

After voting, 2027 leaders will be announced at the end of year concert, Wednesday 16 December.

TUESDAY 3 NOVEMBER

PIARA WATERS SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL ORIENTATION DAY

Students enrolled in Piara Waters Senior High School for 2027 will attend the Orientation Day today. 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 meet future teachers and students from other primary schools that are also attending the high school next year.



Students not attending Piara Waters Senior High School in 2027 will attend PWPS as per usual that day. Other days will be established for alternative high school orientation sessions that students should attend.

Please notify via the absentee process when your Year 6 child attends an orientation. We will mark them as attending an external education activity on that day (not absent from school).

HAVE SUM FUN MATHS COMPETITION – YEAR 3 & 6

Have Sum Fun is on today for Year 3s (11:20 am) and Year 6s (11:50 am) for the students below.

Year 3	Year 6
Harvey S (33)	Zohaib S (24)
Emerson B (33)	Saktthi S (19)
Maryum S (35)	Vivaan V (19)
Zino P (35)	Harlan N (19)
Reserve Allen H (36)	Reserve Luka K (21)

WEDNESDAY 4 NOVEMBER

LOCKDOWN DRILL

Today, we will be conducting a lockdown practice. During this practice, your child's classroom doors and windows will be locked and the students will be asked to sit on the mat with their teacher. This is a short and routine safety procedure.



If your child comes home this afternoon explaining that they participated in this lockdown practice, there is no need for concern. It's part of our commitment to maintaining a safe and secure school environment. Classroom teachers will also talk about the Lockdown practice with students prior to the drill.

A social story explaining our lockdown practice can be found [here](#).

THURSDAY 5 NOVEMBER

IMSS FLUTE & CLARINET ASSESSMENTS – YEAR 4

The following Year 4 students are asked to go to Music Room at the times listed below to meet with the IMSS Clarinet, Flute and Brass teachers. They will learn more about our [2027 Year 5 IMSS program](#) and determine their physical suitability.

- **9:30am** for Clarinet and Flute assessment with Mrs Hall and Mrs Wells
- **1:20pm** for Brass assessment with Mrs Garrett

Room 27	Room 28	Room 29	Room 37	Room 54
Leroy T Lulu M Harper U Maddison H	Olivia S Jheel G Mia T Anay K	Anusha A Lavin S Olivia E Moses Y	Krishva S Issac P	Lois G



BETTER BEGINNINGS INCURSION (Kindy B, Pre-Primary)

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

- Group B Kindy classes – 1:30pm to 1:55pm
- All Pre-primary classes – 1:55pm to 2:25pm

[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. Last week, Trent, visited Kindy A students and students were listening to "Wheels on the bus song" book.



HAVE SUM FUN – YEAR 5

Have Sum Fun is on today for Year 5s (11:50 am) for the students below.

Max G (55) Ethan M (56) Aarav V (20) Japjot C (22)
Reserve Adhvin M (22)

FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER

JUNIOR ASSEMBLY – YEAR 2, ROOMS 17 and 18

This morning, the Year 2 students in Rooms 17 and 18 will host our junior assembly. The Assembly begins at 8:35 a.m. in the Undercover Area.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend, or you can view the assembly at this [Webex link](#). Meeting password: PWPS

ICY POLES FOR SALE

On Friday, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 may bring \$1 to purchase an icy pole at lunchtime. All proceeds go to the 2027 Year 6 camp. Icy poles will be sold at lunchtime every Friday this term.

HAVE SUM FUN – YEAR 4

Have Sum Fun is on today for Year 4s (10:50 am) for the students below.

Ashwyn A (27) Juan J (54) Parth S (29) Moses Y (29)
Reserve Daniel K (54)

P&C MOVIE NIGHT – TONIGHT

The P&C are holding a movie night on the school oval this evening.

- 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.

If anyone is able to volunteer on Friday, 6 November, please sign up via volunteersignup.org/CYB3A

Miss Alison Ramm
Principal

1 November 2026

PIARA WATERS PRIMARY SCHOOL P&C PRESENTS

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

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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 Bring your own picnic rug, deck chair, blanket and get COMFY! Picnic dinner is great. Please NO glassware.	SWEET TREATS Popcorn, Fairy Floss, Icecream and Coffee are all available for purchase.	MARKET STALLS Visit Market Alley in which we showcase family owned business within our school community.
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TO VOLUNTEER, PLEASE CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE P&C OR EMAIL PWPSFUNDRAISING@OUTLOOK.COM.AU

Parent and Community – Term Planner Term 4 (see [here](#) for full year calendar)
 More information about Term 4 will be provided in the parent notice during the school holidays.

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 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 Lockdown Drill	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 Reading Certificate Ceremony 1:45pm Yr 4,5,6	10/11 Interschool Athletics Day 1 (Jumps and Throws) P&C Second-hand Uniform Sale (8-8.45am) Reading Certificate Ceremony 8:30am Yr K,P,1	11/11 Kindy A Remembrance Day Year 6 Graduation Photo – 9am Reading Certificate Ceremony 1:45pm Yr 2,3	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, 26) 9:30 – 12:50	24/11 Year 6 Science Fair (Rm 21,25) 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)

Melville SHS - Applications for Year 7, 2028 Specialist and School-based Programs are now open.

Melville Senior High School offers a variety of Specialist and School-based Programs designed to inspire and extend students to fulfill their potential.

programs include Aviation, Graphic Media Design, Netball, Academic Extension, and Music in Focus, providing opportunities for students to develop their talents and pursue their passions in a supportive and engaging environment.

Online applications can be made at: <https://melville.wa.edu.au/specialistandschoolbasedonlineapplication/>