

TERM 4, WEEK 9 PARENT UPDATE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had another busy week at school. On Thursday, our Undercover Area was buzzing with fun and games thanks to our fabulous Year 5 students!

As part of their final Design and Technologies assessment, the Year 5 students created their very own [Caine's Arcade](#)—designing and building amazing cardboard arcade games. Not only were their creations fantastic, but their communication skills shone as they explained their games to peers and parents. Well done to all! One of our Year 2 students proclaimed, “It was the best day ever!”

This Technologies project was inspired by Caine, a 9-year-old from downtown LA, who kept himself busy during the summer holidays creating arcade games with cardboard from his dad's auto parts shop. With our summer holidays quickly approaching, maybe our Caine's Arcade might inspire some students to get creative at home and make their own arcades!



Our final assembly for the year was our amazing Arts Assembly! Our senior students, staff and family members were first entertained by our wonderful Junior and Senior choirs, led by Mrs Walton and Ms Dempsey.

Next, our year 5 drama students presented a series of high-quality, short skits that they created. Students who achieved a B or higher in their recent assessment may self-nominate to perform. We are incredibly proud of the students for stepping up to the challenge! Well done!

Finally, our Year 6 art gallery reviewers were incredible! On display was a collection of high-quality artwork showcasing the range of artistic pieces created by our talented year 3 to 6 students under the guidance of their teacher, Mrs Wardrop!

Thank you to our excellent Arts Team, Mrs Wardrop, Mrs Walton, and Miss Dempsey, who make learning Visual Arts, Drama and Music so much fun!



EDUCATION MINISTER'S RUNNING CHALLENGE – TOP 100

We are incredibly proud to share that five students were presented with a medal, a letter of commendation and a certificate on Friday for their fantastic effort in this year's Education Minister's Running Challenge.

All five students were ranked among the top 100 participants across Western Australia – an incredible achievement!

- 2ND Naithen D
- 9TH Lilly T
- 21ST Holly G
- 25TH Mila G
- 94TH Jaxon S



Congratulations to these students on this tremendous accomplishment!

LEAVING STUDENTS (KINDY TO YEAR 6) - DESTINATION SURVEY

If your child will not be attending Piara Waters Primary School in 2026 (current Pre-primary to Year 5 students), please notify the front office as soon as possible.

Please use this [survey link](#) to let us know which school your child is enrolled in for 2026.

We also need to record the high school each Year 6 student will be attending in 2026.



WANTED – MORE PHOTOGRAPHERS AND VIDEOGRAPHERS

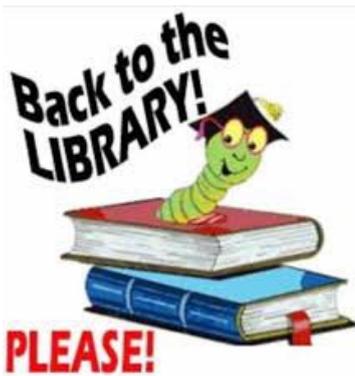
We are looking for more people to be our “official photographers” at the end-of-year Christmas Concert and Graduation. We are also looking for some people to video the concert items and provide this footage to the school. The concert is divided into a junior and a senior concert, and photographers/videographers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

To improve visibility of the concert and enable families to enjoy the moment (not through a phone's lens), we will ensure there are plenty of high-quality photographs taken and made available to families after the event (respecting the photo permissions of identified students). If you can assist, or want to find out more, please email

Alison.Ramm@education.wa.edu.au.



Monday, 8 December



LIBRARY RETURNS

All students are to return their library books this week. The library will reopen for student borrowing on Wednesday, 5 February 2025.

YEAR 6 GRADUATION TICKETS CLOSE – 9 am TODAY

As previously advised, the Year 6 graduation ceremony will be held on the evening of **Monday, 15 December**, on the **oval** this year. We are no longer able to fit in the undercover area or games garden with our increasing number of graduating students!

There will be white plastic chairs in the front section, near the stage, which will be ticketed.

Families will need to reserve tickets by **9 am on Monday, 8th December**. Please reserve your tickets [here](#).

The open section behind these chairs is open to the school community and will not require a ticket; however, please note that the gates are only open between 5:30 pm and 6:15 pm, and then again after the ceremony concludes at approximately 7:45 pm.

We have an initial allocation of up to 4 tickets per student. However, we understand that some families will not need 4, and some will require more. We will confirm additional tickets for families who request them after ticket orders close on the 8th of December.

On the night, gates will open at 5:30 pm, with students and family able to use the photo booth before pre-ceremony entertainment begins at 6:00 pm.

The seats are not numbered, but you will be asked to sit on the side where your child will be standing. Everyone must be seated by 6:15 pm. The gates will be closed at this time and open after the ceremony.

PiARA WATERS
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Graduation

**CLASS OF
2025**

Monday, 15 December

5:30pm – Oval gates and photo booth (room 26) open, students arrive.

6:00pm – Pre-ceremony entertainment. Audience to be seated. Year 6 students assemble in rooms 24 and 25.

6:15pm to 7:45pm – Graduation and awards ceremony (gates will be closed at this time).

7:45pm to 8:15pm – Photo booth and gates re-open.

**Tickets must be reserved
by families by 9am Monday,
8 December**

Tuesday, 9 December

SECONDHAND UNIFORM STALL FOR NEW AND CURRENT FAMILIES

This morning, our P&C will sell second-hand uniforms in the Block 1 alcove between 8 am and 8:45 am. Cash or card accepted.

2025 PRE-PRIMARY TO YEAR 6 TRANSITION MORNING

This morning, our current Kindy to Year 5 students will have the opportunity to meet their 2026 class teacher and peers. The transition morning will occur from 9:00 to 10:30 am.



All parents of students returning to Piara Waters Primary School would have received an email last week with their 2026 class details and a [link](#) to the 2026 student booklist, available for download from our [school website](#). Class lists will be placed outside the 2025 classrooms on Monday afternoon to assist students with their transition.

You will find a list and photographs of our [2026 classroom teachers](#), along with a [classroom map](#), on our website.

Kindy B students are also invited to attend this transition morning. Parents do not need to sign in; enter through the Early Childhood gate at 8:50 am.

Please take your child to their 2026 Pre-primary classroom ready for 9 am. You then need to return to collect your child at 10:30 am. Parents do not attend the Pre-primary to Year 6 transition classes.

A [social story](#) has been written to help your child know what to expect from the transition morning.

Year 6s will move to the undercover area to practice their graduation song.

CANNING VALE COLLEGE PERFORMING ARTS TROUPE (INCURSION: KINDY – YEAR 4)

The students in the Canningvale College Performing Arts Troupe are coming to present a show, “The Perfectly Imperfect Circus”, for kids, by kids, featuring circus, dance and drama pieces.

This event is part of the Arts Curriculum; neither payment nor consent is required. The schedule for classes watching the performances:

Period 4 - 11:50 am		Period 5 - 1:30 pm
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Kindy – ALL ClassesYear 1 – ALL ClassesYear 3 – ALL Classes	12:50-1:20pm Lunch	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Pre-Primary – ALL ClassesYear 2 – ALL ClassesYear 4 – ALL Classes

Wednesday, 10 December

SENIOR CHOIR (YEARS 4 to 6)

Year 4/5/6 (Senior) Choir students need to meet in the music room and be ready for 7:45 am.

2026 KINDY ORIENTATION GROUP A

Parents and students have been invited to the Kindy Orientation for group A from 9:00 to 10:30 am. This is held in the Kindergarten classrooms and the outdoor play area. Parents, make sure they are in their 2026 Kindy classroom (Room 1, 2, or 3) by 9 am.

The P&C will attend the orientation morning and sell school bags, library bags, and second-hand uniforms.

Our 2025 Kindy A students will be supervised by staff in the Undercover Area.



Thursday, 11 December

JUNIOR CHOIR (YEAR 2/3)

Junior Choir is on today. Choir students need to meet in the Music room and be ready at 7:45 am.

2026 KINDY ORIENTATION GROUP B

Parents and students have been invited to the Kindy Orientation for group B from 9:00 to 10:30 am. This is held in the Kindergarten classrooms and the outdoor play area. Parents, make sure they are in their 2026 Kindy classroom (Room 1, 2, or 3) by 9 am.

The P&C will attend the orientation morning and sell school bags, library bags, and second-hand uniforms.

Our 2025 Kindy B students will be supervised by staff in the Undercover Area.



READING RECOGNITION CEREMONY

Students who have reached a Home Reading milestone recorded in their Reading Log will be presented with their certificates at this afternoon’s ceremony in the library.

Parents and carers will be invited to attend via an email sent from Compass. There is no need to RSVP.

- Kindergarten – Year 2 Reading Recognition Ceremony, 1:30 pm
- Year 3 – Year 6 Reading Recognition Ceremony, 2:00 pm

Friday, 12 December

PARENT VOLUNTEER MORNING TEA

This morning, we say a BIG thank you to all the parents who have tirelessly helped at school this year by coming along to a special morning tea in the staffroom from 10 am to 10:50 am. Invitations have been sent to parents who volunteered this year. Please RSVP to piarawaters.ps.admin@education.wa.edu.au

COLOUR RUN (P&C FUNDRAISER)

Our Parents and Citizens Association (P&C) will hold their major fundraiser **today!** All funds raised will go towards the Basketball Court Shade. You can see the fun from last year [here](#).

On the day, students will be able to wear a white shirt to school and run around the oval whilst being "coloured" by our staff and P&C volunteers.

Students may wear or bring an old hat or cap for the run and a spare set of clothes/towel for after.

- Kindergarten (A&B) and Pre-primary run 1:00 pm – 1:20 pm
- Year 1 to Year 3 run 1:25 pm – 1:55 pm
- Year 4 to Year 6 run 1:55 pm – 2:25 pm

Kindergarten A students are also invited to attend. Parents who wish to bring their Kindy A children to the oval for the 1- to 1:20 pm session.

Brownes Dairy have kindly donated an optional milk drink for students after their run. Thank you, Mr Allmark!

We have written a [social story](#) to help your child know what to expect about the colour run.

Congratulations to the Winner of the fourth colour run spot prize – Ashleigh in room 24.

Each child can sign up for their own fundraising webpage to collect online sponsorship from anywhere. <https://piarawaterscolourrun.goraiseit.com.au/>

Click on the **SETUP A FUNDRAISING PAGE** button.

If you need any help, email help@raiseitfundraising.com



Multiple children in your family? No problem, all children can sit under the same email address. You'll find a button to set up another page while logged in to the fundraising account you created first.

Prizes:

We have a great range of fundraising prizes available, including spot prizes and overall fundraising prizes for individuals. Please see the Prizes page linked on the Fundraising Hub page of our fundraising website.

We currently have only 191 students registered, but they have raised \$9689

A colorful poster for the Colour Run 2025 event. The background is a vibrant, abstract pattern of yellow, orange, pink, and blue. The text is in a bold, sans-serif font. The event title 'Colour Run 2025' is in large, blue, outlined letters. Below it, the date 'Friday, 12 December' is in white. A white rounded rectangle contains the event times: 'Kindy to Pre-Primary: 1pm - 1:20pm', 'Year 1 to Year 3: 1:20pm - 1:50pm', and 'Year 4 to Year 6: 1:50pm - 2:20pm'. Below this, there are three bullet points: 'Scan the QR code to register your child for their fundraising.', 'P&C raising funds towards covering the school basketball courts.', and 'Wear or bring a white shirt on the day and an old hat/cap, a change of clothes and a towel.' A QR code is located at the bottom right of the poster.

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 2025 Year 6 camp.

- Year 1-6 students can purchase an icy pole at lunch, as per normal
- Year K and Pre-primary students may buy an icy pole from the undercover area straight after their colour run.

2026 School Year

Students are on holiday from Friday, 19 December to Sunday, 1 February.

All students must return to school on **Monday, 2 February 2026**, except Kindy B students, who will commence on Thursday, 6 February.

Please ensure your holidays occur between these dates so your children can attend the start of the school year.



Term dates 2026

Term	Learning days for students	Holidays for students
1	Wednesday 2 February to Thursday 2 April	Friday 3 April to Sunday 19 April (includes Easter)
2	Monday 20 April to Friday 3 July	Saturday 4 July to Sunday 19 July
3	Monday 20 July to Friday 25 September	Saturday 26 September to Sunday 11 October
4	Monday 12 October to Thursday 17 December	Friday 18 December to Sunday 31 January 2027

WA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION POLICY UPDATE

Under WA road safety laws, only people aged 16 and over are permitted to use eRideables or eBikes with the motor engaged.

Starting Term 1, 2026 (from 2 February), students under 16 years old will not be allowed to use eRideables or eBikes on school grounds.

This applies to all WA public schools to support student safety and ensure compliance with road safety legislation.

Miss Alison Ramm
Principal

6 December 2025

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
			Senior Choir 7:45-8:30am	Junior Choir 7:45-8:30am	Icy poles for sale lunchtime
Week 10	15/12 Year 6 Graduation (5:45 – 8:00pm)	16/12 Faction Reward Year 6 Outback Splash excursion	17/12 Kindy B K-6 Student Reports Home End of year concert and book awards (4:30 – 7:30pm)	18/12 Goldie Draw Last Day for Students Farewell arch for Yr 6 and leaving students 2:15pm	19/12 School Development Day (Students don't attend)

END OF YEAR CONCERT AND AWARDS NIGHT

Wednesday, 17 December
Piara Waters PS oval

Kindergarten to Year 2
4:30pm to 5:40pm

Junior and Senior Choir and
Colour-a-thon Prizes
6:00pm to 6:30pm

Year 3 to Year 6
6:30pm to 7:35pm

Performances by each year group and choirs

Kindergarten to Year 5 Book Awards

Presentation of 2026 Student Leaders

P&C Colour-A-thon prizes

EXPECT A NIGHT OF FUN, MUSIC, DANCE, AWARDS
BYO PICNIC OR PURCHASE FROM FOOD TRUCKS

PROGRAM 2025

*Kindy students to meet near the stage at 4:20pm.
All PP to year 2 students to be seated with their
teachers in front of the stage by 4:30pm.*

4:35pm - Welcome

4:40pm - Kindergarten item and awards

4:55pm - Pre-Primary item and awards

5:10pm - Year 1 item and awards

5:25pm - Year 2 item and awards

5:40pm to 6:00pm

K-2 students return to their parents

**Break for picnic / Food trucks (trucks from
4:00pm)**

*All year 3 to 6 students to be seated with their
teachers in front of the stage by 6:20pm.*

6:00 to 6:30pm - Junior and Senior Choir and
Colour-a-thon Prizes

6:30pm - Year 3 item and awards

6:45pm - Year 4 item and awards

7:00pm - Year 5 item and awards

7:15pm - Presentation of 2026 student leaders and
faction captains

7:30pm - Year 6 graduation song and farewell



Teaching & Learning Celebration



Celebrating
Learning, Creativity,
and Community



Thursday 11th
December

4pm – 6pm



SCHOOL TOUR
5pm to 6pm

- *Current Families*
- *Future Families*
- *Local Community*



Food & Drink Van Attending



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Senior High School