TERM 3, WEEK 6 UPDATE



Dear parents and carers

This past week, we celebrated **Book Week** with a variety of different activities. On Tuesday, our Kindy A students held their **book week parade** for their parents and family members. On Friday, our Kindy B to year 6 students paraded their variety of book characters for their parents. Both events were brilliant, colourful and full of sparkle! We are thankful that the rain held off for both parades.

Thank you to all parents and carers for making our students look fabulous for our Book Week parades. Kudos to the fabulous Piara Waters Primary School staff, who all got into the day's spirit and wore fantastic costumes.







Photos of the Book week parade and the book week activities held throughout the week, can be accessed **here**.

Throughout the week, the students were given the opportunity to participate in various lunch time activities such as story illustrations in the art room, word searches, story time in both the library and ECE playground and the book cover scavenger hunt that was located around the school.

On Thursday, our Year 6 students in Room 19 were fortunate to attend **Piara Waters Library** to listen to **local author Ash Harrier**. Ash is an author of mystery and paranormal books, and she spoke to the students about how she writes her books – the inspiration and processes she uses. It was a fantastic opportunity for our students.

Our first **Reading Recognition Ceremony** for the term was also held this week. On Tuesday, Mrs Weir and Mrs Gallagher presented certificates to **more than 250** students who have already read "100 days", "150 days" and "200 days" and recorded these in their Reading Logs this year. Congratulations to these students on their wonderful achievement.

Whilst students are required to read a minimum of 4 nights each week, reading every day is encouraged, and the majority of these students have been reading and recording 7 nights a week.

When we read, we:

- · Get better at reading
- Exercise the brain
- Improve concentration
- Learn about the world
- Enrich our vocabulary
- Develop your imagination
- Understand empathy
- Perform better academically
- Relax the body and mind



Book Club Issue 6 was distributed to the students on Friday and should be coming home early in the week. The closing date for Issue 6 is Monday, 8 September. All orders made by the closing date will be delivered to the school; any orders received after that date will be delivered to your home address with a delivery fee.

NEW TRAFFIC WARDEN

Our **new traffic warden**, Garth, will be on duty near Marseille Gardens on Wright Road, from Monday morning. He will assist students and families in crossing the road safely. Please give Garth a warm welcome and thank you for your continued patience and cooperation.



SCHOOL CLOSED (ADVANCE NOTICE) – Friday, 5 September

On **Friday**, **5 September** our school will be **closed** for a school development day and students do not attend. Our teachers will be undertaking professional learning. The <u>OSH</u> is open and parents should contact them directly for a booking, if needed.



BULLYING NO WAY WEEK

Piara Waters Primary School will be recognising the national Bullying No Way week from Monday.

The theme for 2025 is **Be Bold. Be Kind. Speak Up**. Bullying is everyone's responsibility. It takes a community to be brave and address bullying behaviours, within and beyond the school gate.

This **Bullying No Way Week**, we're asking students, staff and families to be bold and say something, be kind and support someone, and be proud to take a stand against bullying.

We have 'shout out' sheets for staff, students and parents to fill out and give to fellow members of our school community who have been bold or kind or have spoken up to support others. Parents can find copies of the shout out sheets in the library.



Parent information can be found here.

Monday, 25 August

YEAR 5/6 LEGO MASTERS

Due to wet weather last week, certain Lego Masters sessions had to be cancelled and they will be resheduled for today.



YEAR 1 SWIMMING LESSONS - FORMS DUE TODAY

The forms for Year 1 swimming lessons are due to be returned today. Swimming lessons begin on Monday, 1 September.

SPEAK UP AWARD FINALS

We wish our Year 6 Public Speaking Extension students, Denzel (rm 19), Aryan (rm 26) and Mariam (rm 26) all the best as they compete in the Speak Up Awards today.

Tuesday, 26 August

RUNNING CLUB (Kindy – Year 6, before school)

Don't forget we have Running Club from 7:45 to 8:15am on Tuesdays. Thank you to our volunteers who have been scanning the barcodes. You are welcome to sign up by following this link: volunteersignup.org/4999J

A Coffee Van is available from 7:45 - 8:30am every Tuesday, even if the Running Club is cancelled.



LEGO MASTERS CONTINUES

Lego Masters continues this week with a new group of Year 5 and 6 students! Students will compete at lunch on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in Room 22. The competition is set to be a lot of fun, and we know the students are eager to get building.

Wednesday, 27 August

SENIOR CHOIR (YEARS 4 to 6) ON TODAY

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

LEGO MASTERS

Students will compete at lunchtime on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in Room 22.

Thursday, 28 August

JUNIOR CHOIR (YEAR 2/3) ON TODAY

Junior Choir (Years 2 and 3) is on today. Choir students need to meet in the music room and be ready at 7:45 am.

FATHER'S DAY ONLINE ORDERS CLOSE TODAY

- Father's day online orders close today and orders can be placed HERE
- Orders will be delivered to student's classroom on Wednesday 3 September or Thursday 4 September

LEGO MASTERS

Students will compete at lunchtime on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday in Room 22.

LOCKDOWN PRACTICE



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.

Friday, 29 August

SENIOR ASSEMBLY (YEAR 3 to YEAR 6)

Today's senior assembly will be hosted by the Year 3 students in rooms 30 and 31. The Assembly begins at 8:35 am in the Undercover Area. Parents and carers are welcome to attend, or you can view the assembly at this Webex (password PWPS).

BOOK NOOK - DUE TODAY

Year 3 – Year 6 students are reminded that 'Book Nook' dioramas are due to Miss Raz in the library by 2:30pm today.

Mrs Kylie Gallagher Acting Principal 24th August 2025



Term 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY Running Club K-6 7:45am – 8:15am	WEDNESDAY Senior Choir 7:45-8:30am	THURSDAY Junior Choir 7:45-8:30am	FRIDAY
Week 7 Lego Masters (Yr 5, 6) Allied Professionals Appreciation Week	Year 1 Swimming Lessons 11:05 – 2.20pm	2/9 Running Club	3/9 Kindy A	Father's Day Kindy B Morning	5/9 School Development Day – Students don't attend
Week 8 Lego Masters (Yr 5, 6)	Year 1 Swimming Lessons 11:05 – 2:20pm Father's Day Kindy A Morning	9/9 Running Club Parents earn faction points too!	10/9 Kindy B	Farmyard on Wheels Incursion – Rm 1B, 2B, 7, 8	12/9 Senior assembly 8:30am Yr 5, Rm 10, 20 and 21
Week 9	Year 2,3,4 Swimming Lessons 08:55 – 2:30pm Commence PAT Science Testing (Yr3-6) Talk Money Incursion (Yr 6)	Running Club Farmyard on Wheels Incursion – Rm 2A, 3A	17/9 Kindy A Farmyard on Wheels Incursion – Rm 1A, 4, 5, 6 Talk Money Incursion (Yr 6)	18/9	19/9
Week 10	Year 2,3,4 Swimming Lessons 08:55 – 2:30pm	Running Club ends today Reading Recognition Ceremony (Library) 2:00 - 2:30pm	24/9 Kindy B	IMSS and Choir parent concert 1:30pm	Junior assembly 8:30am Yr 2, Rm 18 and 16 Goldie Draw Faction Reward Staff v Students match PAT Science Testing (Yr3-6) to be completed