# TERM 4, WEEK 5 PARENT UPDATE



Dear Parents and Carers.

At Friday's Junior assembly, the Year 1 students in Rooms 13 and 14 did a wonderful job teaching us about the six Noongar Seasons through song and colour.

Djilba (August – September), when rain is falling down, flowers bloom, and nests are made

Kambarang (October – November) is the season we are in now! The weather is warming.

Birak (December–January) is hot and dry, the sun is blazing. Known as 'first summer!'

Bunuru (February – March), while it is still hot, the flowers sway in the warm night breeze. The hottest part of the year!

Djeran (April – May) when Banksia flowers are out and the southerly breeze blows Makuru (June – July) is the coldest, wettest time of the year!

The students radiated confidence when performing, and the students with speaking roles did so brilliantly!







#### PAT TESTING HIGH ACHIEVERS

Each year, our Year 1 to 6 students complete the ACER PAT Maths and Reading tests, and our Year 3 to 6 students also complete the Science test.

This allows us to track our students' performance in comparison to Australian norms, identify strengths and weaknesses, and identify areas for teachers to focus on. It also allows us to celebrate students who excel in reading, mathematics, and science.

At Friday's Junior assembly, we presented the following students with certificates for achieving the highest scores in their year level at our school.





YEAR 1			
Maths	Reading		
Xander L	Elizabeth D		
Maurice S	Casper Ng		
Lucas W	Aiden G		
Elizabeth D	Zahra K		

YEAR 2			
Maths	Reading		
Allen H	Oliver B		
Liam R	Zafreen S		
Lenny J	Aisha Z		

#### YEAR 6 SCIENCE EXPO AND SHOWCASE EVENING

We will hold a Science Expo in week 6 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 between **Monday**, **17** 

**November and Thursday, 20 November,** for the students in Years 1 to 5. The students will participate in judging the "students' choice" award.

All Year 6 students will also present their projects at a **Science Showcase Evening**. Join us on **Thursday**, **20 November**, and marvel at our students' science skills.

We will also display student work from Pre-primary to Year 6, a variety of Science Talent Search Entries, and Science Extension work.

The P&C is running a Sausage Sizzle and Bake Sale on this night. If you can donate to the Bake Sale, please deliver your baked goods to the school canteen on Thursday morning or take them to the stall outside the library on the night.





volunteer some time on the day please contact the P&C at pwpsfundraising@outlook.com.au or via facebook.

# CAN YOU VOLUNTEER AT THE P&C SAUSAGE SIZZLE, OR DONATE ITEMS TO THE BAKE SALE, OR HELP WITH SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL?

The Parents and Citizens Association are looking for volunteers to help at their Sausage Sizzle, Bake stall and Second Hand Uniform stall on **Thursday**, **20 November** at the Science Fair.

There are opportunities to volunteer between 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

Or, you can donate some baked goods during the day. Just drop them in the canteen, which is located in our undercover area, or leave them at the stall on the night.

Please click on the following web link (or copy it into your web browser if clicking doesn't work) to go to the signup sheet: **volunteersignup.org/97AYE** 

To sign up, just follow the instructions on the page. It only takes a few seconds to do.

#### **GIFTED AND TALENTED PROGRAM 2027 (Year 5 Parents)**

Applications for the Gifted and Talented Secondary Selective Entrance programs in Year 7, 2027, are now **open**.



These academic, arts and language programs are available at select public secondary schools. Options include:

- a fully selective academic school, Perth Modern School
- an arts college, John Curtin College of the Arts
- and regional Albany Senior High School and Bunbury Senior High School

Applications are open to students in Year 6 2026 who will enter Year 7 in 2027.

Applications close at 6:00 pm, Friday 6 February 2026. More information can be found here.

### Monday, 10 November

# YEAR 3 TO 6 INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS - DAY 1: JUMPS, THROWS, LONG DISTANCE RUNNING

Students participating in Interschool Day 1 events will take a bus to the Langford Sports Centre to represent Piara Waters PS at our Interschool Athletics Carnival. This day's events include:

- Long jump
- Triple Jump
- 200m (year 3s only)
- 400m (year 4-6s)
- Shot Put
- Turbo Javelin

Students must arrive by 8:00 a.m. sharp to collect their Interschool shirts from outside the Undercover Area, then proceed to class at 8:15 a.m. for roll call.

Students must bring a packed recess and lunch, a water bottle, a hat and sunscreen. Devices and mobile phones are to be left at home, or if required, walk to school in the front office.

The bus departs Piara Waters Primary School at 9:00 am, and students will arrive back at approximately 1:40 pm and then return to class.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend to support the students. There is plenty of parking available! The program for the day can be found <u>here</u>.

#### **P&C GENERAL MEETING**



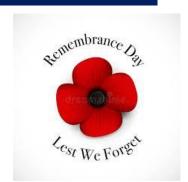
Our <u>Parents and Citizens Association</u> (P&C) meeting will be held tonight, at **6:30pm** in the school **library**. Everyone is welcome. Come and see how the P&C works. It is also a great way to meet other parents and learn more about our school. Queries: <a href="mailto:pwpsfamilies@hotmail.com">pwpsfamilies@hotmail.com</a>

# Tuesday, 11 November

## REMEMBRANCE DAY

At 11 am, we will commemorate Remembrance Day in our normal classes with a reading of the 'Ode of Remembrance' followed by a one-minute silence.

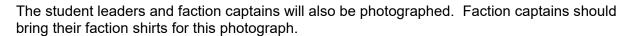
Year 6 students will coordinate our service over the PA system. If you are volunteering at school at 11am, or collecting your child for the dentist, please pause to remember them.

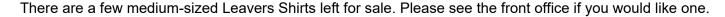


#### YEAR 6 GRADUATION AND LEADERS PHOTOGRAPHS (YEAR 6 PARENTS)

Today, our Year 6 students will have their graduation (group) photograph taken. All students should wear their leavers' shirt on this day and follow our full school dress code, which includes no makeup, jewellery (except sleeper or stud earrings) and hair tied back.

The photographs will be taken at 11:40 am.





## Wednesday, 12 November

#### INTERSCHOOL TRAINING

Students attending day 2 of the Interschool Athletics should meet at the oval from 7:45am to 8:15 am training this morning (unless you are at Interschool Cricket)

#### **SENIOR CHOIR (YEARS 4 to 6)**

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.

#### 2026 IMSS SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT

The following **Year 4 students** need to go to the **Music Room** to meet with the IMSS Clarinet teacher at 2:00 pm.

Room 27	Room 28	Room 29	Room 37		Room 54
Ellie K	Tinaye P	Vaiga A	Theodore O	Aastha S	Max M
Eva S	Ellie K	Toby M	Shaina A	Aashi M	Kira K
Isabelle L	Anikkha Y		Izza R	Charlotte M	Kanya M
	Arjun K		Eli G		Emilio Liam S

#### **INTERSCHOOL CRICKET (YEAR 6)**

Some Year 6 students will be representing Piara Waters in a regional cricket competition at Burrendah Park in Willeton. The students must make their own way to and from the venue. All the best to the team, and well done on securing your place at this carnival, following your win in A Division in the Summer Carnival.

Room 19	Room 24	Room 25	Room 26
C1 1	Ishan R	Vihaan C	Aryan S
Aakash A		Anhad S	Kellen C
Denzel S		Zayn H	Harteg S
			Ranak K

# Thursday, 13 November

#### **JUNIOR CHOIR (YEAR 2/3)**

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.

#### YEAR 3 TO 6 INTERSCHOOL EVENT - DAY 2: TRACK AND TEAM EVENTS

Students participating in Interschool Day 2 events will take a bus to the Langford Sports Centre to represent Piara Waters PS at our Interschool Athletics Carnival. This day's events include:

- Team Games
- Sprints
- Shuttle Relay
- Grand Relay
- 200m (year 4-6 only)

Students must arrive by 8 am sharp to collect their Interschool shirts from outside the Undercover Area. Students must bring packed recess and lunch, water bottles, hats and sunscreen. Devices and mobile phones are to be left at home, or if required to walk to school, in the front office.



The bus departs Piara Waters Primary School at 9:00 am. Students will be at the carnival until 2:10 pm, once the presentations have finished. Parents attending the carnival are encouraged to pick up their children. Students not collected by 2:15 pm will return to school and be dismissed by the carnival staff.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend to support the students. There is plenty of parking available! The program for the day can be found <u>here</u>.

## Friday, 14 November

# SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAY – STUDENTS DO NOT ATTEND

On **Friday, 14 November,** our school will be **closed** for a school development day, and students will not attend. Our teachers will be undertaking professional learning. The <u>OSH</u> is open, and parents should contact them directly to book if needed.

We look forward to seeing the students back on Monday, 17 November.

#### **OPTIONAL LEAVERS SIGNING SHIRT - YEAR 6 PARENTS**

We've been offered a special one-time deal from Uniform Concepts to purchase a white graduation shirt for just \$10. This is old stock they wish to clear.

This shirt is not part of the school uniform, but it will make a perfect signing shirt for students to collect signatures and messages from their peers and teachers on the last day of the year.



Sizing matches our regular uniform shirts (not the leavers' shirts). You're welcome to nominate a preferred size for your child, and we'll do our best to accommodate. However, as the shirt's primary purpose is for signing and as a keepsake, we may need to allocate a different size if we run out of the requested stock.

If you'd like to order one, please complete the online form. Orders will close Sunday, November 16.

Miss Alison Ramm Principal

**09 November 2025** 

Term 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY Senior Choir 7:45-8:30am	THURSDAY Junior Choir 7:45-8:30am	FRIDAY Icy poles for sale lunchtime
Week 1					
Week 2					
Week 3					
Week 4					
Week 5					
Week 6	17/11 Yr 6 Science Fair	18/11 Yr 6 Science Fair	19/11 Kindy B Yr 6 Science Fair	20/11 Yr 6 Science Showcase 5:30pm – 7:00pm	21/11
Week 7	24/11	25/11 2026 Year 6 Student Leader Speeches	<b>26/11</b> Kindy A	27/11 2026 Year 6 Faction Captain Speeches	28/11 Junior assembly 8:30am – Kindy 1, 2 and 3A
Week 8	1/12	2/12 Parents advised of 2026 P-6 class placements	<b>3/12</b> Kindy B	4/12 Year 5 Caine's Arcade Presentation – UCA (Parents after lunch)	5/12 Senior assembly 8:30am (The arts) High School Simulation Day
Week 9	8/12  No more student library borrowing from today	9/12 P-6 2026 Transition morning (9am – 10:30am)  Canning Vale College Performing Arts Troupe Kindy – Year 4	10/12 Kindy A Kindy 2026 Orientation morning 9:00 – 10:30am (Group A)	11/12 Kindy 2026 orientation morning 9:00 – 10:30am (Group B) Reading Recognition Ceremony (Library) 1:30 - 2:00pm (K-Yr 2) 2:00 – 2:30pm (Yr 3 – 6)	12/12 Volunteers Morning Tea 10am P&C Colour Run
Week 10	<b>15/12</b> 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 (4:00 – 7:30pm)	Goldie Draw  Last Day for Students  Farewell arch for Yr 6 and leaving students 2:20pm	19/12 School Development Day (Students don't attend)

