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Pingelly PS

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School fees may be paid via EFT Payment **BSB. 633 000 Account # 1234 71468**

Please use your surname and initials as reference when making a payment.

Dates to Remember

- ◆ **Friday August 23**
Year 1 assembly
- ◆ **Wednesday August 28**
Faction JUMPS carnival
- ◆ **Friday August 30**
Athletics Faction Carnival
- ◆ **Friday September 13**
Interschool athletics carnival
Pingelly

Lunch Orders

Monday - Friday - Arola's Café Bakery

Uniform Shop

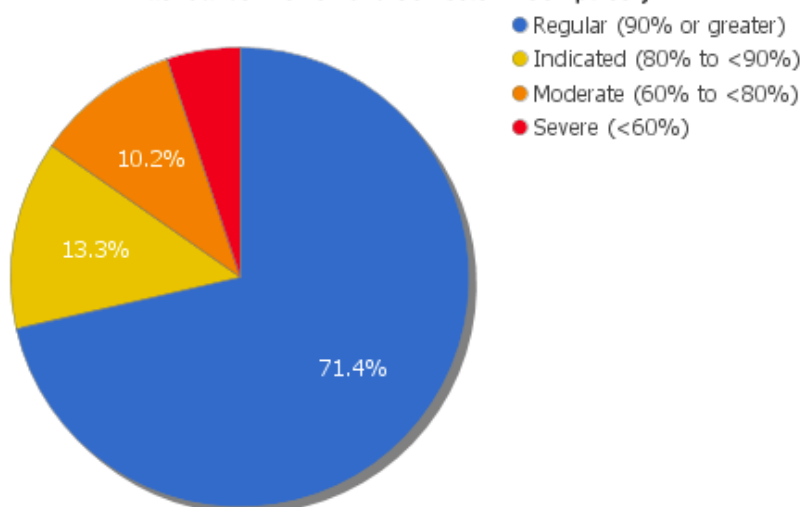
Every Monday from 2.15pm

Dear PPS Families,

We've had a wonderful start to term 3 with lots of different things happening outside of the general classroom routine. In week 2 students were treated to a dance performance from Wesley College students as part of NAIDOC celebrations, there has been volleyball lessons running for year 2 – 6, and a Constable Care performance will be occurring today. Students have been displaying our STRIVE values well and receiving deserved recognition at Monday assemblies and through receiving STRIVE tags.

Semester 2 Attendance Update

Attendance Profile 2019 Semester 2 Compulsory



Our attendance across the first 3 weeks of term 3 has started off well with an overall attendance rate of 89.1%. We have 71.4% of our students attending 90% or above, which is an improvement on semester 1. Our year 2 students have the best overall attendance rate of 96.6%, so well done to our year 2 class. Unauthorised attendances are currently sitting at 42% meaning a high number of absences are not being followed up with a note or SMS to the school. Please ensure that a note is sent to the class teacher or the office is notified if your child is / has been absent.

Strategic Plan

At last Tuesday's School Council meeting, our new 2019 – 2021 Strategic Plan was endorsed, setting the vision and direction for Pingelly PS across the next 3 years. The strategic plan seeks to continue building on our strengths, and address areas that we seek to improve. It outlines the strategies for how we will maintain existing approaches across teaching and learning, and what we will do to improve areas requiring attention. Overall, I am proud of our new strategic plan and the direction it sets, and the collaboration from staff, School Council and P&C representatives in developing this plan. To view our 2019 – 2021 Strategic Plan, please access the following link :

[http://pingellyps.wa.edu.au/PDF/2019/Strategic%20Plan%202019-2021%20\(1\).pdf](http://pingellyps.wa.edu.au/PDF/2019/Strategic%20Plan%202019-2021%20(1).pdf)

Behaviour Management Policy Update

Also at last Tuesday's School Council meeting, updates to our Behaviour Management Policy were endorsed for immediate implementation. These updates add to our policy a good standing component and greater clarification on suspension of students for physical violence. These updates have been added in response to the Minister of Education's 10 point action plan to address violence in schools. Our policy reflects the Minister's instructions that students who start a fight or make physical contact with intent to harm are to be suspended from school. If such an incident occurs, the student loses good standing for a period determined by the Principal. For the duration that good standing is lost, the student is unable to attend any social or incentive-based events. For further clarification on these policy changes please do not hesitate to contact me or Mr Cowcher. An updated copy of our behaviour management policy can be found on our website or by accessing the following link <http://pingellyps.wa.edu.au/PDF/2019/2019%20Behaviour%20Education%20Policy.pdf>

School Council Nominations

For the start of 2020, a parent / caregiver School Council vacancy will open up through an existing member's term coming to an end. Any interested parent / caregiver can nominate for this vacancy, and if more than 1 nomination is received, the Principal will conduct an election. School Council meets once each term and is responsible for working with the Principal to establish and review the strategic direction at our school. If considering nominating for this position, please complete and return the attached nomination form to the office by Friday, 30th August 2019. The form is also available on the homepage of the Pingelly PS website <http://pingellyps.wa.edu.au/PDF/2019/SCHOOL%20COUNCIL%20NOMINATION%20FORM%202019.pdf>

Have a great rest of the week,

Rob McArdle
Principal



Visit by the Wesley dance group

We were very honoured to have the Wesley Aboriginal dance group visit and perform for us on August 1.

The dancers were accompanied musically by the didgeridoo and clapping sticks. Two of the dances involved students who were selected from the audience and joined in the *kangaroo dance* and the *emu dance* with the dance group.

We all learned a lot about the dreamtime stories and cultural traditions of the Aboriginal people. Thank you to everyone who was involved in giving our students and staff the opportunity to share in this great presentation.



FACTION CARNIVAL

The Jumps and Athletics faction carnivals are fast approaching and we are hoping that perhaps you can spare a few hours on Wednesday August 28 and/or Friday August 30 to assist with recording/measuring or timing? Mrs Mills would be very grateful for any volunteers. If you are available to help out or would like some more information, please ring Mrs Ward on 9887 2000. Thank you!



In keeping with this year's Book Week theme, **"Reading is my Superpower"**, the Year Ones have been busily preparing for their *Superhero* assembly to be held on **Friday August 23**.

As part of the curriculum they have been learning about weather in science and geography, so they have put their super powers to good use, forecasting and presenting the daily weather report on the Pingelly PS Facebook page. Encompassing speaking and listening skills and use of technology, the students have learnt a great deal about their abilities, as well as showing *strength* and *valiance*, in becoming very professional weather presenters.



School Dental Van

The school dental caravan will be commencing at Pingelly Primary School on the Wednesday 28th August.

It is now the policy of Dental Health Services to try and have parents present when we do your child's dental examination. This enables a current *medical form* and *consent to treatment form* to be completed prior to any treatment being carried out. It is also a great time to answer any of your questions about your child's dental health.

If you receive the Medicare Child Dental Benefit Scheme rebate, please bring your Medicare card and let staff know at your appointment.

All students enrolled in the service will receive a recall appointment through the mail or via phone call. If you feel you should have received an appointment but do not get one please contact staff on 0437202882. If you need to change the appointment time please contact us so we can arrange a more suitable one for you. We may not have an up to date address or phone number.

If your child has not been enrolled in the school dental service, you will receive an enrolment form. Please complete and return it to the van, even if you do not want your child seen.

Students are eligible up to age of 17 or the end of year 11. If you have a student in high school, even if they are not at Pingelly PS, and would like them to be seen, you can contact the dental van so we can organise enrolment and an appointment for you.

If you need to change the appointment time please contact us so we can arrange a more suitable one for you

Thanks

Your Dental Team



Golden Broom Award

Congratulations to Patrick P from Year 3/4 and Jarrah C from Year 2/3 who have each been awarded the Golden Broom Award by the Student Council for their efforts in keeping the school neat and tidy. Marni and Lily presented the award to Jarrah at this week's assembly. Patrick received his award at the week 2 assembly.

Well done boys!



Nominations are now open for the **University of New South Wales International Competitions and Assessment for Schools.**

Nominations close Monday 26 August.

ICAS is an independent, skills-based assessment program which recognises and rewards student achievement in areas such as English, maths, science, spelling, writing and digital technologies.

Information is available on the UNSW ICAS website at <https://www.unswglobal.unsw.edu.au/educational-assessments/products/icas-assessments/>

Cost for entry in these competitions is \$14.50 for each test.

Please contact Mr Cowcher if you would like to nominate for any of these competitions.

STRIVE Certificates

Pre-Primary	Max M			
Year 1	Harvin S	Hannah W	Penelope W	
Year 2/3	Flynn M	Jenaveve P	Jemma D	Scarlett M
Year 5/6	Marni W	Cameron J	Anika D	Toby M

WEEKS 3 & 4

DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Friday	August 23	Year 1 Assembly
Wednesday	August 28	Faction Carnival - JUMPS events
Friday	August 30	Faction Athletics Carnival
Friday	September 13	Interschool Carnival - Pingelly

SCHOOL COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM 2019



In 2020, **one** parent / caregiver position will be vacant with current parents / caregivers eligible to nominate.

If more than 1 nomination is received for the above position, the Principal will hold an election with a vote to determine the outcome. If an election takes place, parent / caregiver members are to be elected from and by parents.

Members of the Pingelly PS School Council are initially appointed for a 3 year term with the possibility of extension for another year.

Nominations close **Friday, 30th August 2019** and should be forwarded to Rob McArdle at the office of Pingelly PS by hand, or email – pingelly.ps@education.wa.edu.au. Nominated parents will be informed by the school advising them whether their nomination has been successful or unsuccessful.

Please provide a brief outline of your experience so that if an election occurs, members of the school community who may not know you can develop an understanding of your experience prior to casting their vote.

I am nominating for the vacant parent / guardian position of the Pingelly PS School Council for the 2020 school year.

Name: _____ Contact Phone Number: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____