Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 4, 2018! All the staff are well rested and ready to go for what will be a very busy term. Before we know it the holidays will be rolling around again!

SCHOOL FENCING

Parramatta East has security fencing around the perimeter of the school. This is to ensure that our students are safe on a daily basis. From this week I have asked Miss Rena, Mr Geoff and our student helpers to lock all gates, except the two at the front of the school at 9.15am. These will then reopen at 3.00pm in the afternoon to allow pickup of your children, being locked again at 3.45pm.

REPORTING TO OFFICE

It has come to my attention that there are a number of parents who enter the school grounds during our school day and do not report to the office. This poses a huge Work, Health and Safety risk for us as a school. Should there be an emergency, we need to know who is onsite so that we can make sure that everyone, including parents are safe. To this end, could I ask that if you are coming into the school grounds during the school day that you sign in at the School Office to obtain a visitor's pass and then sign back out at the office as you leave. This is standard practice in any school and is a requirement of the Department of Education.

LATE ARRIVALS

We have a large amount of late arrivals to school each day. If your child is late to school, it is a requirement of the school that you accompany your child to the office to get a late slip. Could I kindly ask that you do not drop them at the gate and then leave.

SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

The school day begins promptly at 9.15am and finishes promptly at 3.15pm. Playground supervision does not begin until 8.45am. Could I kindly ask that you do not drop your children off at school before this time. Again, it is a Work, Health and Safety issue. Similarly, we have a number of students who either sit in our office area, or of greater concern, stand outside the school waiting for parents to pick them up. We often have students still waiting for pick up as late as 4.00pm. We are fortunate enough to have an OOSH onsite. If your work commitments do not allow for prompt drop off and pickup, could I suggest that you investigate this option.

PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

Just a reminder that the playground equipment is out of bounds before school, it would be appreciated if parents could also keep younger siblings off the equipment in the mornings.

P & C MEETING

Our next P & C meeting will be held on Monday, 19th November at 7.00pm. This will be our last P & C meeting for 2018. Please come along and have a say in what happens in our school.



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BOOK CLUB ONLINE PAYMENTS

As of Term 4, Book Club Orders will ONLY be processed online through a Linked Online Ordering and Payment (LOOP) Platform. This means Book Club orders will now need to be processed and completed online by parents and caregivers and cash payments regarding Book Club orders will no longer be accepted at the front office. To prepare for the Scholastic Book Club LOOP Platform, parents and caregivers will be required to register an account at http://www.scholastic.com.au and follow the prompts to place an order once the new catalogue has been distributed. Should you require any assistance in setting up an online account or if you have any further questions regarding the LOOP Platform, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Mourad,the school's Book Club organiser. Final Book Club payments for Issue 7 are due by 2/11/18.

2019 KINDERGARTEN ENROLMENTS

The enrolment process for children entering Kindergarten in 2019 is now open. If your child turns 5 before the 31st July, 2019, they are eligible to start Kindergarten next year. Parents who have children close to the cut-off date may be contacted by the school to discuss school readiness. Enrolment forms are available from the office.

UNIFORM SURVEY

The new Uniform Procedure was written last Wednesday, with representation by the community, staff and myself. It aligns with the Department of Education's Uniform Policy. The new uniforms will be on display as soon as possible on the verandah outside the office for the community to see. Please rest assured that there is a 3 year transition period from the old uniform to the new one. I think that as a community you will be pleased with the results as it will make buying significant parts of the uniform in a more cost effective manner both at the onsite uniform shop and also outside of the school. Ordering of the new stock will be happening this week with the aim to have it arrive before the end of the school term to purchase.

INVOICING SURVEY

Thank you to those families who have completed the invoicing survey. As with the uniform survey the response has been overwhelming. From the survey tallied thus far, 85% of our community would like to have their fees done through invoicing. We will now start to investigate the most user friendly way to do this with the hope of having it up and running for Term 1, 2019.

CUT OFF DATES FOR PAYMENTS

Thank you also to those families who have returned the notes regarding the cut off payment dates. If you have not already done so, could I kindly ask you to fill in the response and return it to the school so that we are able to ascertain that all parents are aware of this new and necessary procedure.

SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL APPLICATIONS 2020

Just a reminder for parents of our Year 5 students who wish to apply for their child to attend a selective high school in 2020, you must register online no later than the 12th November, 2018. Late applications will not be accepted.

NIGHT WITH THE STARS

Just a reminder that Night With the Stars will be happening this Thursday, 25th October, starting at 6.00pm and concluding by 7.30pm. I can't wait to see the performances that the students will be putting on.

Justine Miller Principal PEPS Periodical 26th October 2018

COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4 - 2018		
Thursday 25 th October	Night With The Stars	
Thursday 8 th November	Band Demo	
Tuesday 13 th November	Stage 3 Big Day In	
Wednesday 14 th November	Growing Strong Minds Resilience – Parent Information Session 7:00-8:00pm	
Tuesday 4 th December	High School Orientation	
Thursday 6 th December	Scripture Service	
Thursday 6 th December	Parent Helper Morning Tea	
Thursday 6 th December	Money Cut Off Day	
Monday 10 th December	Presentation Day	
Monday 17 th December	Year 6 Farewell	
Tuesday 18 th December	Party Day	
Wednesday 19 th December	Final Day for Students	

Merit Award Recipients			
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PBL Award Recipients Lewis KR Helena KB Krishma KO Inaya KR Miranda KR Alex KO Vihaan KB Sarah KR Bibi KR Emily 1V Abhiroop 2S Nadira 1L Aishah 1R Rizul 1R Lily 2M Vanshika 3D Eliezer 4M Imran 2M Venus 4M Theresa 5M Samarveer KR



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P&C NEWS

Family Portraits

We are pleased to have Little Images Photography offering their services to the PEPS community again on **Saturday 10th November**. They offer us a fantastic deal - for **\$15** your family will receive a beautiful **framed portrait**. After viewing the shots taken, you will have an opportunity to purchase all photos taken of your family as a package for a special price. The package includes prints and digital copies of the shots. However, there is no pressure to do this. Many families that have used this service do it year after year to have a wonderful keepsake that shows their family as they grow.

To book in your time slot, **return the voucher** on the bottom of the note that will be sent home later this week or text Belinda on 0433 502 806.

Uniform Shop

Our Uniform Shop is open Tuesday's afternoon from 3.00 – 3.30pm and Thursday morning from 9.00 - 9.30am. Cash and card accepted (2% surcharge on cards).

Facebook Page

Please look up "PEPS P&C" on Facebook and hit "LIKE" to keep updated on the latest news, fundraising and special offers. This tool can be used to provide us with any ideas, feedback or questions you may have. Alternatively, you can email us at ppe.pandc@gmail.com.



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Book Club LOOP for Parents

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Head to scholastic.com.au/LOOP or Download on the App Store Scoogle play







Follow these **easy** steps!

- Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either SIGN-IN or REGISTER vour account.
- Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your SCHOOL and your CHILD'S CLASS. Note: You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school.

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- 3 Click on ORDER and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

That's it! There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.

