



### Principal's Message

Welcome back to week 4. I hope that you took advantage of the various events that were happening during Education Week and came to visit your child's classroom to see some authentic learning happening. We'd like to see some photos of your child on PWPS's Facebook page. So if you have any photos of your own child taking part in any events through out the week please share it!

If you'd like to join us on Facebook please click on this link <https://www.facebook.com/ParramattaWestPS/> and like us.

If you'd like to be part of your child's grade group come and see us in the office and we will invite you in.

**REMEMBER - PWPS Facebook group pages is not public. It is by invite only and only PWPS parents are invited to join.**

**MORNING and AFTERNOON Traffic - Please take the time to cross the road with your children. Some parents are observed calling their children to cross the road from their car. This is unsafe! Save your children not your time!**

**Triple P - Positive Parenting Program** - This is a fantastic program that is free to any interested parents. The program will give you tools to address the various issues of parenting. Please ring the office to express your interest in the program. (See flyer attached to the end of this newsletter)

#### **Don't Forget**

- **P&C Meeting** tomorrow 9.00am in the staffroom. All parents welcome!
- **Interest groups photos** all day tomorrow.
- **Community Action Team meeting** - Next Monday 15th August - 3.00pm in the staffroom.

*Mr Thanh Ta*

*Relieving Principal*

## Class Awards

KA Afnan	2N Sarah
KH Myar	2/3S Zain
KK Mayon	3B Frank
KL Ayhan	3K Manni
KN Nadia	3J Krisha
KR Zeinab	4A Huzaifa
KS Karthik	4H Gayatri
1F Ahmed	4S Madison
1G Awab	5C Bahaa
1H Auldrin	5M Hajra
1J Ayush	5/6J Rishikesh
1L Rachel	6M Boxi
1/2A Whitney	6R Elham
2B Gurleen	MCT Gani
2H Sanah	MCG Rudy
2L Lincoln	MCS Tammy

## Stage News

### Kindergarten

Thank you to all the parents, carers, grandparents and other relatives who came along to see their children learning at school. Last week started with such an amazing Olympics day and continued with lots of other fun valuable lessons. You may have seen your child in coding, or gymnastics, or literacy sessions or learning through play during a cognitive session. The students really enjoyed sharing this time with you!

This week Kindergarten teachers will be sending home the pre and post tests for our last maths topic of "Time". These assessments are used to help teachers understand the students' prior knowledge on a topic and then how their knowledge has formed during the teaching time. Please be aware that it is only one form of assessment used in the classroom. But it is an important way to communicate with you the learning that is happening in the classrooms. If you have any questions please ask your student's teacher.

Our next maths topic is "Patterns", where we will be talking about different sound, shape and coloured patterns.

The students will be focusing on describing the elements of pattern and creating their own.

Have a great week!

Miss Richards

## Year 1 and Year 2

Thank you to the parents and caregivers that were able to come and visit us during Education Week. The students loved having you visit and seeing what learning looks like at PWPS! The students had a great time flying their paper planes on Friday. The students that qualified will be notified this week.

Coming home this week will be a note about our excursion to the Art Gallery of NSW. We are focusing on visual arts this term and we cannot wait to see the incredible art works on display! Students will also be receiving a note about our year 1 and year 2 'Hang Out' happening later this term. There are limited spaces so return your notes quickly!

Congratulations to Sarah (2N) for reaching her 40 book target! How is your child going with their challenge?

Our Facebook page is live and ready for you to join. Please click on the link below and 'like' the page. Give your email address to the office and you can be added to our private year 1 or year 2 page. We would love to post more photos of our students but need your permission so please bring back the permission to publish notes.

<https://www.facebook.com/ParramattaWestPS/>

Congratulations to Ojas and Arif from 1/2A who participated at the 3 - 6 Athletics Carnival and did an excellent job!

Have a great week!

Miss Langhans

## Year 3

What a busy week we had last week! It was fabulous to celebrate Education Week with so many of our families last week. Thank you to everyone who came and attended any of our events last week or visited our classrooms. It was great to see you!

Last week we held our Year 3 Paper Plane Challenge! Well done to all of our Paper Plane Pilots! See our results and a couple of photos on our Year 3 Facebook Page.

Sports and interest group photos will take place tomorrow. These are photos for all PSSA teams, dance groups, music groups, choirs and other groups in the school. Make sure you are ready for these photos – full school uniform or full sports uniform depending on your photo.

Our Taronga Zoo excursion is coming up at the beginning of September. Thank you to everyone who has already paid their money and returned their permission slip. Keep on returning those notes!

Many parents came and watched our fantastic gymnastics classes last week. Gymnastics is part of our Enrichment Program, which also covers school supplies and programs such as coding and Life Skills, which we did earlier in the year. Please make sure you are continuing to make payments towards this. Payments can be made in the Office or online.

We have come to the end of our last maths topic on *Lines, angles and shapes*. Your child will be bringing home their pre and post assessments sometime this week. Have a look at your child's progress between their pre and post assessments with them. I have posted some questions you may like to ask your child when looking at these assessments on our Facebook page.

**Maths focus for this week:**

- *Location and transformation* – giving and following directions, using positional vocabulary (under, below, over, in front of, etc.), using ordered pairs and coordinates on a grid.

Have a wonderful week!

Miss Stuart

## Year 4 and Year 5

Firstly, I would like to thank all parents and caregivers who were able to attend our Education Week activities. It was great to see so many visitors at whole school events and open classrooms. If you have any questions or would like to visit again please contact your child's teacher to find a suitable time.

### Facebook

Have you visited our school Facebook page? We put regular updates on to our Facebook page and we have many parents viewing each week. We also have separate closed group pages for Year 4 and Year 5. To gain access to these pages you will need to supply your email account to the school. This enables us to invite you into these groups.

If you require any assistance accessing these Facebook pages, Mr Thanh or myself are available after morning lines each morning to provide assistance.

### Zone Athletics Carnival

Students who qualified for the zone athletics carnival will be given a permission note. The permission note and the bus fare must be returned to school by the due date for your child to attend these carnivals.

The field events will be held on Thursday 18th August and the track events will be held on Monday 22nd August.

### Sport and Interest Group Photos

Sports and interest group photos will be taken tomorrow. Student need to wear their sports uniforms (for the sports photos) and their school uniform for the interest group photos. Information regarding ordering these photos will be sent home after they have been taken.

Enjoy the week,

Mr Clarke

## Year 6

It has been wonderful to see so many of our students purchasing novels from the **book fair**. The children have been having meaningful conversations about the books they have bought and read. It's fantastic to see such great energy about reading!

We encourage all parents to join our Year 6 Facebook page so that you can receive up to date notices about events as well as information about what we are learning each week. We have been posting photos, reminders and links to help parents understand the curriculum and subject areas.

Next week our **STEM** university research partners will come along and observe the year 6 students participating in STEM lessons. (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths). She may ask questions of students who have returned their UTS permission slip for research purposes.

Thank you to the parents who came to visit us last week during Education Week. It is always great to see you.

Please continue to make payments for camp if your child is attending and also the \$35 payment for the IMAX excursion coming up soon.

#### ***Year 6 Reading Target Results***

- Successfully Achieved 40 Novels = 20 students
- 23% of the grade have achieved their target
- 68% of students are on track to achieve their target of 40 novels.

#### ***Mathematics Focus Area***

- Triangles
- Understanding 3D shapes and their nets.

((Please see the Year 6 Facebook page for learning links))

**Mrs Rhodes**

## **Library News**

Thankyou to all those who have supported the Book Fair.

The commission we earn will be used to buy more books for the Library.

Anyone who has ordered a book it will hopefully arrive this week.

Please make sure you have a library bag for your books.

Plastic bags are not a good idea as they don't last long enough.

Mrs Sell

Teacher/Librarian

## **SRC News**

This term we have been collecting donations of food, blankets and towels for Homeless Person's Week. Our school donated 14 blankets, 25 towels and over 10 boxes of food! We were lucky enough to have Greg ride in on

his motorbike and collect the donations.

Greg and his team will distribute the goodies to the homeless in the coming week. Thank you to everyone who donated to this worthy cause.

Miss McSpadden and Miss Aoun



## Canteen News

Starting 8th August is our "Eat fresh and win" Canteen campaign. It promotes the eating of healthy fruit and vegetables.

Here's how it works: Each time a student purchases fresh fruit or vegetables or items containing fresh vegetables (eg. salad box, chick burger) they will receive a sticker and sticker card, place 2 stickers on the card and return the card to the canteen, collect your free character pencil and then you go into the major draws. A poster outlining the prizes is on the wall outside the canteen.

Thank you in advance.

## Swim School

Notes will be going home soon about Swim School which will be held towards the end on November this year for 10 days.

Total cost is \$100-00 and is limited to the first 450 students with a \$50-00 deposit, so start saving your deposit so you can reserve your child's spot.



## Write a Book in a Day – Drawing Competition

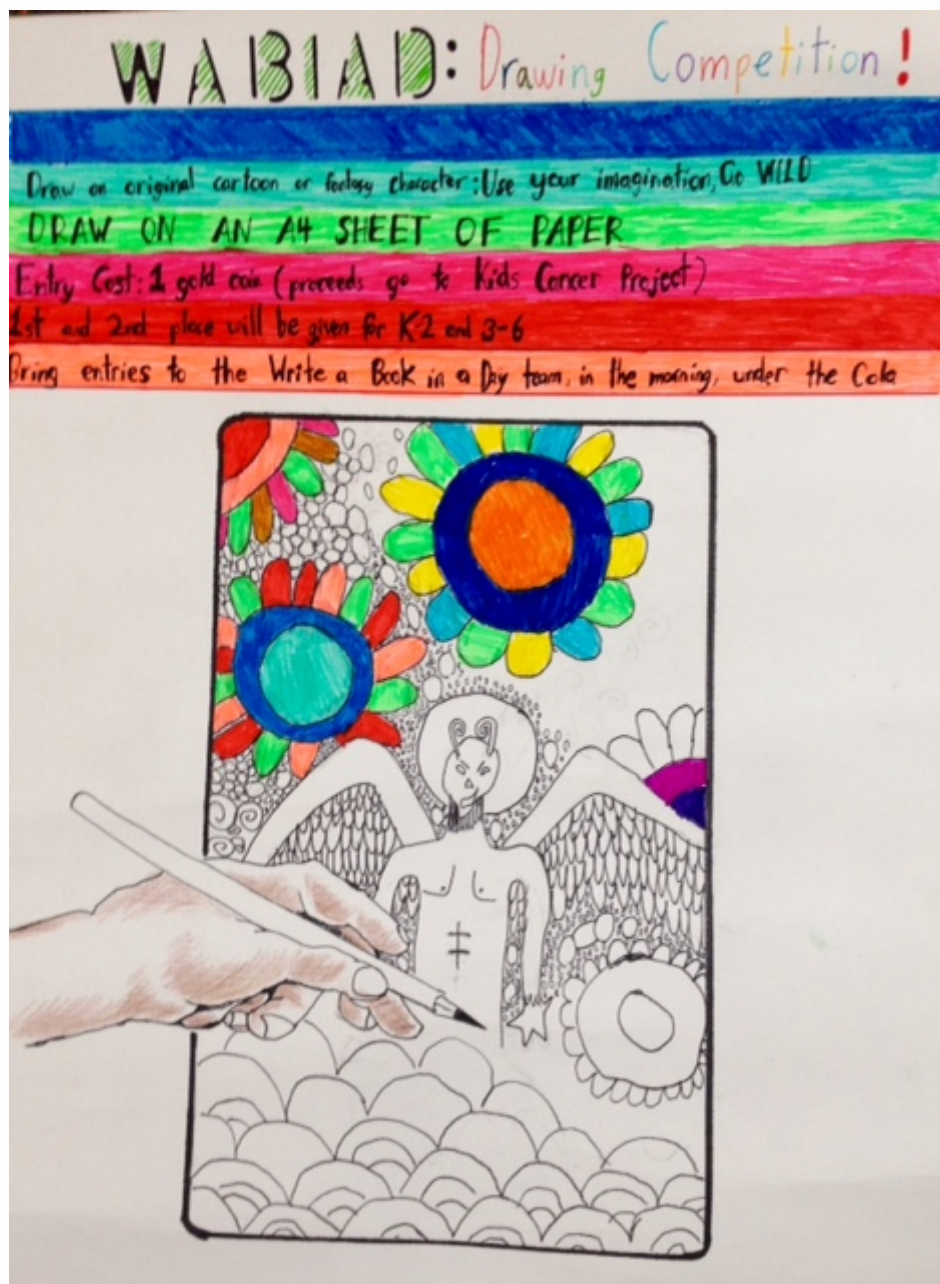
A team of Year 5/6 students are entering a competition to "Write a Book in a Day" this term. To help them raise money for their entry they are running a drawing competition.

Students can paint or draw their own, original cartoon character or fantasy creature on A4 size paper and pay a **gold coin** to enter.

The Write a Book in a Day team will be collecting entries before school under the COLA each morning. Last day for entries will be Friday 12th August. Prizes will be awarded for the best original entries in K-2 and 3-6.

All money raised goes to the Kids Cancer Project!

Happy drawing!



# The simplest way

...to make fruit & veg lunch box-friendly.

Make tucking in to fruit and veg easy for little hands at recess and lunch time. Try these simple ideas:

**Mandarin:**

Peel, keeping the rind intact and place loosely around the fruit and wrap or pop in a container.

**Apple:**

Cut slices of apple, then place back around the core. Use a rubber band or wrap to secure (this will help prevent pieces browning too).

**Avocado:**

Mix mashed avocado with a drizzle of lemon. Pop in a container to serve with crispbread, Cruskits or corn thins.

**For more information visit [www.eatittobeatit.com.au](http://www.eatittobeatit.com.au)  
or join us at [facebook.com/eatittobeatit](https://facebook.com/eatittobeatit)**

The Eat It To Beat It program is supported by the Western Sydney  
Local Health District Live Life Well @ School Program.



# Small changes, big differences.



## FREE Triple P 0-12

Positive Parenting Program gives you the tools to:

- Encourage behaviour you like from your child
- Deal positively and consistently with problem behaviour
- Take the stress out of parenting

**DATE:** Fridays:  
26<sup>th</sup> August, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> September 2016

**TIME:** 11.30 am – 1.30 pm

**VENUE:** Parramatta West Public School  
(Auburn & Young St. Parramatta)

For more information contact:

Norma Boules at Community Migrant Resource Centre on 9687 9901

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