

NEWSLETTER

15th December 2022

Principal's Report

Tuesday evening saw our 2022 year 6 students participate in their graduation ceremony which was conducted at the Cardinia Cultural Centre. The cohort this year comprises of 127 students, the largest group of students to graduate from PLPS. We would like to thank the many families and friends who were able to attend to reminisce and celebrate the students' achievements during their time at PLPS. Our School Captains, Keira Nguyen and Will Tuck did an outstanding job in hosting the evening. Other students also contributed entertaining and insightful memories of the various experiences they have been involved in throughout their Primary School years. I congratulate all the students who spoke on the evening, for their preparation and contribution to a successful night.

For many of our students, this signaled the end of seven years of primary education at PLPS. Whilst the other year 6 students have joined our 2016 Prep group along the way at various year levels. I congratulate all of our year 6 students on completing their primary education and wish them well as they prepare to embark upon the next phase of their education at their respective secondary schools.

I would like to acknowledge our three students who were award winners on the evening. Firstly, Lakshanya Vats has completed an outstanding year of academic performance and was the recipient of the Pakenham Rotary Academic Excellence award. Mr Tim Ahearn, representing Pakenham Rotary, presented Lakshanya with her award.

Our second award winner was Declen Andrews who was awarded the EdViews Learner Award. This award is presented to the year 6 student who consistently demonstrates the love of and a commitment to their learning throughout the year.

Our third award winner on the evening was Kiera Hellyer. Kiera was awarded the Webster Family Trust Community Student of the Year award. This award is presented to the year 6 student who best exemplifies our school's five core values. Kiera's respectful manner, responsible attitude and conduct, self-discipline, along with her leadership skills, make her a very worthy winner of this award.

Each award winner received a certificate of recognition and funds towards their secondary schooling. Congratulations to them all.

On behalf of our school community, I would like to express my appreciation to the Webster Family, EdViews and Pakenham Rotary for their generous support of our school and that of our students and their education.

The recognition and achievement of all our year 6 students will be celebrated by the students of PLPS at our last school assembly tomorrow.

Yesterday our students enjoyed performing their Christmas Carols to an appreciative student audience in the gym. Congratulations to year 6 students Lily, Diesel, Levi and Sinuki for their entertaining role as hosts for the event. The Christmas raffle was drawn at the conclusion of the concert with 27 lucky winners being notified and collecting the fabulous hampers collated by our PFA. A list of our winners has been included in this newsletter. Thank you to all our families who supported our raffle through the purchasing of tickets.

Students 2022 semester two academic report will become available to view and download from Compass as of 3.15pm today. For students leaving PLPS at the end of 2022, please ensure you download and save a copy of your child's report prior to the end of the year.

Our last whole school assembly will be held tomorrow, Friday, December 16th at 2.30pm. This assembly provides the opportunity for all our students to formally say farewell to our year 6 cohort and wish them all the best for their venture into secondary school.

Our final day for this term will be Tuesday, December 20th. **On the final day school will finish at 1:30pm.** Parents are requested to make the necessary arrangements for their children to be collected at this earlier time. Our Out of School Hours program will be operating from this earlier time to assist parents. Please ensure you have made the necessary arrangements with OSHClub. Contact can be made on 0438 559 017. A reminder that our OSHClub will be operating for our families on Wednesday and Thursday next week.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all students and their families a very enjoyable, safe and relaxing holiday break. Teachers will return to school on Friday, January 27th. The first day for students to attend school in 2023 is Monday, January 30th for students in years 1 to 6 and Thursday, February 2nd for our Prep students.

Kerrie Kingston-Gains
Principal

Admin News

DIARY DATES



Monday 19th December: Year 6 Big Day Out - Gumbuya World

Tuesday 20th December: End of Term 4 - Early dismissal time 1:30pm

Monday 30th January: First day of school Years 1-6

Thursday 2nd February: First day of school for Prep students

Monday 27th March - Thursday 30th March: 2023 Year 5 Sovereign Hill Camp



End of Term 4 - 2022



A friendly reminder to all families that our last day of Term 4 will be

Tuesday 20th December.

Please be aware that students will be dismissed at the earlier time of **1:30pm**

If you are unable to arrange for your child/ren to be picked up at this earlier dismissal time our OSHClub will be operating from the earlier time to accommodate families. All inquiries can be direct to OSHClub on 0438 559 017.

Thank you.

It's Library Stocktake Time!

This is a reminder to students to please return your borrowed library books so they can be scanned in for stocktake.

On Monday 5th December a note went home to all students who still have overdue library books with instructions on how to replace or reimburse the school for any lost items.

If you have any queries about overdue notices or any lost items please don't hesitate to come and see me in the library or office and I will be happy to help.

If you would still like your children to read over the holidays, I would highly recommend visiting and/or joining our local library in Pakenham.

Thank you for your support

Narelle McMillan — Library Technician



Hats

Hats are part of our school uniform in Term 4 & Term 1

It is strongly recommended that all students have their hats on when they play at recess and lunch time out in the yard.

Please remember to label your hats too!

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen for 2023 will commence on Tuesday 31st January 2023.

Bellbrook Catering would like to wish all staff, students and their families a happy and safe Christmas break.

REFLECTIONS OF OUR TIME AT PLPS YEAR 6 2022

My time at Pakenham Lakeside Primary School has been a huge chapter in my life and I'll never forget it. I have been at this school since Prep and I've made so many important friendships and had the best teachers along the way. I am very grateful for being able to spend all of my primary school years at PLPS and although I'm very sad that I'll be leaving, I look forward to a great future that PLPS has shaped for me. -Keira N

My time at Pakenham Lakeside Primary School has been amazingly fun because I have had many friends to enjoy these 7 years with. I am greatly disliking how fast time is flying at the end of my primary school days, but I am also very excited for high school. I'm very thankful to all the teachers and staff for helping me and others get through these years. -Will T

During my time in Year Six, I had a really fun and exciting year. I will definitely miss this place. I am so grateful for all of the opportunities PLPS has given me. I have made some amazing memories I will never forget. I also made some lifelong friends who helped me through my ups and downs at school. This year I stepped out of my comfort zone and tried new things I never thought I would do. Thank you again to all the people who have made my primary school years the best they could ever be. -Lily W

My highlight of Year Six would most likely be the camp in Canberra. In those 5 days I made lots of memories and had many new experiences. I honestly believe that it helped me grow as a person and it was one of the best trips that I have ever taken. -Lakshanya

This year in Year Six 2022, I was chosen by my peers to be one of the two leaders of Creekwood! During my time as leader I have had many opportunities to learn more about others. I believe that being a leader has taught me many life lessons and even skills, such as taking charge and responsibility of my actions and explaining my thinking to others to make change to what I believe is right and/or wrong. In Year Six, I have also really enjoyed things like Circle Time, Socratic circle, Canberra Camp, Community Time and much more. Thank you to the PLPS staff for supporting me for the past 7 years. I have made many different friendships with not only students but many teachers! Goodbye PLPS, I will miss this school. -Harper P

This year in Year Six, I had a wonderful time. I learned lots of new things and made amazing new friends. I stepped out of my comfort zone many times and did things I thought I would never be able to do. I will forever be grateful for all the opportunities PLPS gave me, and will always remember everyone who helped me throughout my journey. Thank you PLPS for all the amazing memories! -Liz

It's crazy to think that this is our last year at Primary School and it's already gone this fast. Primary school has been an amazing experience with great opportunities and I'm sure high school won't be so different. Having the chance to be a school leader was incredible and I'm so happy that I led Parkway House this year as I will never forget the times I've had. -Jess F

It's hard to think of how in a short few days I will be leaving my primary school journey for good. The past three years I have been here have been some of the best years of my life, I mean who couldn't have a fun time with the Year Five and Six teachers. Even though my experience ends soon, I will never forget my time here and the memories and friends I have made, especially being Waterford House Captain. If I could do something in Primary School again, it would be to lead my house. -Kiera H

During my year I have loved all the friendships and experiences. My teachers have taught me so much and I have loved talking to them. I will miss this school but will visit. This has been the best school year, and I will use my values in high school to be the best I can. -Ruby

My time during PLPS has been a wonderful adventure. I have loved these past few years as I have learnt so much from them. I cherish my teachers and friends and thank them for making my experience spectacular. I loved English, in particular writing as I got to express my ideas in so many ways. My biggest highlight would have to be becoming a leader and fully understanding what it means. -Sinuki D



2022 Christmas Raffle Winners



Congratulations to the following students who were winners of the Christmas raffle hampers.

Zara M	3V	Ruby K	2Y
Amelia M	2D	Lilly T	3B
Max P	0B	Kelsey W	0V
Suzi S	Staff	Mahsa S	5A
Jordan LG	5G	Will B	6W
Molly D	6W	Anthony M	6W
Kartar S	0R	Mani M	4L
IBK A	0R	Jesse O	3O
Blake E	5G	Willow I	0K
Ammy R	1Y	Levi C	1L
Blake P	1H	Kayleigh T	5W
Ryder B	2D	Harry K	0O
Swade B	3D	Renish P	1H
Eli S	0V		

We would like to acknowledge the major sponsors of our Christmas Raffle. Thank you to...

Shanikas - Pakenham
Cutie Cuts
The Happy Snack Company
LJ Hooker - Pakenham
PLPS Social Club
Coles Lakeside
The Pancake Parlour
Mega Party Discount Store
Spill the Beanz Coffee Shop
The Cheesecake Shop
Cold Rock Ice creamery
Barkers
Bunnings - Pakenham
Fran & Mick Vassallo - Reject
Shop
Maxim Office Group
Madame Flavour

Close to my Heart - Danielle
Edwards
Advantage Chemist - Lakeside
DMS Stairs - Hallam
Brumby's Bakery - Pakenham
Designed by Ailish M
Lakeside Fish & Chips
Smokin' Joes - Lakeside
Shavan's - Pakenham
The Décor Corp
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Petbarn - Pakenham
Ajitas Vege Chips
arbonne - JD Albrecht
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Thank you also to the many families & staff members that have contributed items to our Christmas hampers



MERRY CHRISTMAS
AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

Pakenham Lakeside Primary School would like to extend their sincere thanks to the Parents and Friends Association for their support over the 2022 school year.

Thank you to all PFA members and parents who have assisted with the preparation and assembly of our Hampers over the year.

Your assistance and help is very much appreciated.





FOODWORKS BOTTLEMART EDENBROOK CHRISTMAS & NEW YEARS TRADING HOURS



DATE

HOURS

Christmas Eve (Saturday 24 December 2022)

FoodWorks – 7:30am to 9:30pm

Bottlemart – 9am to 9:30pm

Christmas Day (Sunday 25 December 2022)

FoodWorks – 8am to 8pm

Bottlemart – CLOSED

Boxing Day (Monday 26 December 2022) to Friday 30
December 2022

FoodWorks – 8am to 8pm

Bottlemart – 9am to 8pm

New Years Eve (Saturday 31 December 2022)

FoodWorks – 7:30am to 9:30pm

Bottlemart – 9am to 9:30pm

New Years Day (Sunday 01 January 2023) to Monday 02
January 2023

FoodWorks – 8am to 8pm

Bottlemart – 9am to 8pm

FOODWORKS

Bottlemart

Splash's
learn to swim

**SCHOOL
HOLIDAY
ACCELERATE
PROGRAM**

Jan. 7th-10th
April 11th-13th
July 4th-7th
Sept. 25th-28th

It is a well researched fact
that a short burst of Intensive
learning accelerates
motor skill development

BECOME A FARMER FOR A DAY



Experience Country Life In The City

DEC/JAN School holidays

(Tuesdays & Thursdays)

Ages 7-13

8.45 am -1.00pm

Morning tea and lunch provided

Fun activities getting behind the scenes and experiencing farm life.

Cost is \$70 per child

To make a booking or if you would like to know more please call Chesterfield farm on 97631588 between 10am and 4pm weekdays.

School holidays at Cardinia Cultural Centre

Capture Claus Christmas Exhibition

Friday 2 December –
Friday 23 December

Free Kids' Workshops

Every Tuesday and Friday

Sea of Light

Saturday 14 January –
Sunday 29 January



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