TERM 2, WEEK 5 UPDATE



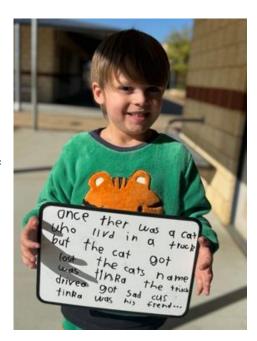
Dear parents and carers

As we reach the halfway point in the term, we reflect on another productive week at Piara Waters Primary School.

On Wednesday, it was fabulous to see so many students and staff dress in their pyjamas, raising money for our P&C. Classes across the school had fun as they read 'The Truck Cat' by Deborah Frenkel, for National Simultaneous Storytime, then used the book as the basis for some wonderful learning. You can enjoy a snapshot of our day here!







Wednesday afternoon we also hosted our first Kindy Parent Workshop. Our Kindy teachers shared the important reading and maths skills that our youngest students need to learn this year, to ensure they do not fall behind in future years. We will hold another Kindy Parent Workshop on Wednesday afternoon in the school library. Further information is below.

Friday was P&C Day. It is a day where we acknowledge and give thanks to our wonderful school P&C for all the hard work and contributions they have provided our students. This year, our students wanted to thank their parents and community for helping make our school the wonderful place it is and have created a special video which can be found here.

While students enjoyed a long weekend, the teaching staff were busy on Friday familiarising themselves with the new Mathematics curriculum that will be implemented in 2025 as well as undertaking some professional learning from the Activ Foundation.

KINDERGARTEN, PRE-PRIMARY AND YEAR 7 ENROLMENTS FOR 2026

Kindergarten, Pre-Primary and Year 7 enrolments for 2026 close on the first Friday of term 3 (25th of July).

- You can download an application form for <u>Kindergarten</u> and <u>Pre-Primary</u> enrolments here or pick one up from our front office.
- For more information, please visit our website.
- All 2025 kindergarten students must apply to re-enrol in Pre-Primary for 2026. Students who live within the school's local intake area are guaranteed a place, but you still need to re-enrol.
- Current Pre-Primary to Year 5 students do not need to re-enrol for 2026 unless moving schools.

Year 7

Secondary school enrolments are now open for next year until 25 July. If your child starts Year 7 next year, now is the time to apply to enrol. Please be aware enrolment into secondary school is not automatic. It requires you to submit an application with the secondary school of your choice.



JUNIOR CHOIR (YEAR 2/3) ON TODAY

Junior Choir (Years 2 and 3) is on today. Choir students must meet in the music room and be ready at 7:45

YEAR 3 - ROOM 31 AND 32 FIRE SAFETY INCURSION

Today, fighters from The Armadale Fire Station will visit students in Rooms 31 and 32, as part of the DFES Year 3 Home Fire Safety Program. Students will further their understanding of;

- The role of a firefighter.
- How to prevent or stop a fire emergency from happening.
- How to respond to a beeping smoke alarm.
- Calling emergency services.
- · Crawling low under smoke.
- Having a home fire escape plan.



The lesson will conclude with students having the opportunity to view and interact with fire vehicles. We would like to thank Mr Hogan, a parent from Room 3, who is also a fireman, for giving these classes an opportunity to learn about fire safety from professionals. As we have so many classes, it wasn't possible for all year 3 students to be involved in this particular incursion, within the available time of the station.

P&C 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: pwpsfamilies@hotmail.com

If you would like to attend but can't make it to the meeting, then you can join via this WebEx link.

Tuesday, 27 May

RUNNING CLUB (Kindy – Year 6, before school)

Running club is on today, 7:45 – 8:15 am, on the school oval.

Thank you to our volunteers who have been scanning the barcodes. Parents, grandparents or older siblings who have some spare time are welcome to sign up by following this link: volunteersignup.org/4999J

We have a coffee van, A Place of Space, who will be present at Running Club on Tuesday mornings. Staff and parents/community members (adults only) can access the van between 7:30 a.m. and 8:30 a.m. The menu is here, or you can find out more on their Instagram page.

YEAR 1 EXCURSION – ARMADALE HISTORY MUSEUM (ROOM 14, ROOM 15)

Year 1 students from rooms 14 and 15 will be visiting the Armadale History Museum to enhance and support their learning of the History Curriculum.



As they will depart school at 8:30am sharp the classroom doors will be open at 8am. They will return to school by 2.20pm. The students must wear school uniforms and bring a small backpack with their hat, water bottle, recess and lunch.

There is a social story available <u>HERE</u>, to support students prior and on the excursion.

SENIOR CHOIR (YEARS 4 to 6) ON TODAY

Year 4/5/6 (Senior) Choir is on today. Choir students need to meet in the music room and be ready for 7:45

KINDERGARTEN PARENT WORKSHOP

Kindergarten parents and carers are invited to an information workshop presented by the Kindergarten teachers. A key focus of this workshop is the important reading and maths skills your child needs to learn this year, to ensure they do not fall behind in future years. The workshop will cover the following topics:

- The Kindy curriculum what a student learns in the year
- The importance of assisting your child's learning at home
- Strategies and resources to develop your child's learning

Information session will be held at the library.

Wednesday 28 May from 1.45pm – 2.25pm

Parents do not need to book to attend; please just attend the session.



YEAR 1 EXCURSION – ARMADALE HISTORY MUSEUM (ROOM 9, ROOM 13)

Year 1 students from rooms 14 and 15 will be visiting the Armadale History Museum to enhance and support their learning of the History Curriculum.

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There is a social story available HERE, to support students prior and on the excursion.

ACARA ITEM TRIAL 2025 – TESTING NAPLAN QUESTIONS

PWPS is one of approximately 400 schools to be selected by the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) to participate in this year's Item Trial. The purpose of the Item Trial is to evaluate potential NAPLAN test questions ('items') for use in future NAPLAN tests. Your child's involvement and the results from the trial will help ACARA ensure that NAPLAN tests are valid, reliable and fair for all students.

About the Item Trial

- The Item Trial is about testing the questions, not about testing your child or their ability. Your child's results will not be reported.
- Tests being trialled are Reading, Numeracy, Conventions of Language and Writing.
- Selected students will sit two Item Trial tests.
- The tests will be administered at the school by external invigilators on 28 May and 29 May.

Students for the Item Trial testing will be selected from:

- Year 3 Room 30, Room 31, Room 34 and Room 36
- Year 5 Room 10 and Room 11

Thursday, 29 May

ACARA ITEM TRIAL 2025 – TESTING NAPLAN QUESTIONS

The remaining selected students will participate in the ACARA Item Trial test today, which will be administered by external invigilators.

Friday, 30 May

JUNIOR ASSEMBLY (KINDY - YEAR 2)

Today's junior assembly will be hosted by the Year 1 students in rooms 12 and 15. The Assembly begins at 8:35 am in the Undercover Area.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend, or you can view the assembly at this <u>Webex link.</u> Meeting password: PWPS

Miss Alison Ramm Principal 25 May 2025

CYBERSAFETY INFORMATION SESSION

Piara Waters Senior High School will be hosting a ySafe Cyber Safety Parent Session on **Thursday 5 June 2025**, **5:00-6:00pm**. All Piara Waters Primary School parents and carers are invited to attend. This is a free event.

Protecting children in their digital worlds is an ever-evolving task for Australian families. Now more than ever, parents



seek quidance in managing screen time and navigating the world of games and social media.

We are excited to support our parent community by hosting an important education session with ySafe, Australia's leading provider of online safety education. Here's what you can expect from this session:

- Practical tips for online safety.
- Information on social media and gaming.
- · Recommendations for screen time.
- Step-by-step guide for creating a cyber-safe home for children of all ages.

If you find it challenging to get your kids off their devices and to bed, have concerns about the games they play, or worry that your child is spending excessive time online, this workshop is for you!

Register your attendance:

https://compasstix.com/e/d8qiw4gom9

Term 2	MONDAY Junior Choir 7:45-8:30am	TUESDAY IMSS rehearsals 7:30 – 8:00am Running Club K-6 7:45am – 8:15am	WEDNESDAY Senior Choir 7:45-8:45am	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 6 Have Sum Fun Term 2 Comp	WA Day Public Holiday	3/6 Running Club	4/6 Kindy B Reading Award Ceremony (2-2.30pm)	5/6	6/6 AFLW Interschool Carnival (Yr5/6 girls) Year 1 excursion to Armadale History Museum - Room 12/55
Week 7 Have Sum Fun Term 2 Comp	9/6	10/6 Running Club Year 4 WA Shipwrecks Museum Excursion - Room 28 & Room 29	Year 4 WA Shipwrecks Museum Excursion - Room 27 & Room 54	Year 4 WA Shipwrecks Museum Excursion - Room 35 & Room 37	13/6 Senior assembly 8:30am Yr 3, Rm 34 and 36
Week 8 Have Sum Fun Term 2 Comp	16/6	17/6 Running Club	18/6 Kindy B IMSS and Choir parent concert 1:30pm	19/6	20/6 Junior assembly 8:30am PP, Rm 4, 7, and 8 Round two of Leavers Shirts/Jumpers orders close
Week 9	23/6 World Music Day (Busking)	24/6 Running Club WAGSMS Performance (Year 3-6 choir)	25/6 Kindy A	26/6	27/6 Faction Cross Country Carnival (Yr 1-6)
Week 10 NAIDOC WEEK	30/6 Interschool Winter Carnival (Yr 5/6)	Running Club Reading Award Ceremony (2-2.30pm) Kindy A Goldie Draw	2/7 Kindy B	3/7 K-6 Student Reports Home	4/7 Senior assembly 8:30am Yr 4, Rm 27 and 35 Goldie Draw Faction Reward Staff v Students match