



TERM 4

WEEK 5

THURSDAY 14 NOVEMBER 2024

Coming Events

13-15 Nov	Canberra Excursion St3
Thurs 14 Nov	Kindy Orientation #3
Thurs 21 Nov	Y6 to Eden PS
Thurs 28 Nov	Bairnsdale band
Tues 3 Dec	Y6 to EMHS Orientation
Wed 4 Dec	Y6 to EMHS Small Schools
Thurs 5 Dec	Y6 to Eden PS
Tues 17 Dec	School Concert
Wed 18 Dec	Last day for students
19/20 Dec	School Development Days staff only

Hello from Canberra! If you are reading this newsletter (hopefully you are reading this newsletter) on Thursday or Friday, Ms Wendy, Stage 3 and I are all in Canberra on the Stage 3 excursion. Things have started well and we are all still running at a very high level of excitement. Yesterday we went to Regatta Point, Parliament House, National Archives and Bowling and today we are off to MOAD, Questacon, Nara Peace Park and the Institute of Sport. Tomorrow we finish off the visit with the National Electoral Education Centre, the National Museum of Australia and the Mint! Phew! Canberra is always a jam packed camp and we will ALL be exhausted when we arrive back tomorrow. The coach should arrive at Wyndham PS at 5:00pm on Friday evening. We look forward to being on time for drop off and pick up.

There has been an important change to the number of School Development Days commencing in 2025. At the start of the year, there will be four School Development Days to allow appropriate time for schools to prepare for the new year including programming for teaching and learning, undertaking mandatory staff training and classroom organisation. This means that students do not start school until Thursday 6th February 2025. This has been a late change due to a new teachers award being established in recent weeks. Please mark this in your calendars.

I would like to mention again, the importance of keeping the school office up to date with student absences. If your child/children are away from school or you have plans for them to be away from school, please ensure you have contacted the school office about this in writing. It is a legal obligation of parents/carers to provide reasons for student absences from school, including part day or full day (arriving late/leaving early). Whilst it is helpful to verbally advise the teachers, or even me, it is most important that Nancy is advised, so that it can be recorded in the system. Remember that responding to absences or recording absences with School Bytes is very easy. Even if you have not put in an absence in advance, the notifications for students who are away at roll call are sent out almost every day at approximately 10:30am and you can respond to these. Your assistance with this, helps to avoid confusion or misunderstanding.

Next week is the return of the Coast 2 Kosci run and the fantastic P&C breakfast stall. This is such an exciting morning and it is all over quite quickly really. Even if you don't want to work on the stall, it really is worth coming down to cheer on the runners as they pass through Towamba after the first 30kms of their run. They are an amazing group of people and it is all very inspiring. Thank you to the P&C for the early organisation of another great BBQ breakfast. I can't wait!

In other news, preparations are well underway for the end of the year Variety Night and we are all getting very excited. Remember the concert and presentation night is Tuesday 17th November, from 5:30pm. I hope it is marked in your calendar.

Alright then, I'm off for further adventures in our Nation's Capital! See you next week.

Ms Barrow



Attached:

- 2025 school calendar

Giving Tree

We have a tree up (of sorts) in the office and it's good to see some gifts starting to appear in the box for others. Families are invited to donate a Christmas present for children in need as part of our Towamba Giving Tree. This is also open to the wider community to contribute. The box of gifts will be passed on to Mr Dixon at the school concert for distribution by Anglicare. There is no need to wrap the gift but if you do please indicate what age group the gift would be suitable for.

Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

Our Stage 3 students are enjoying the many sights and places to go in the nation's capital. A few photos are included but we hope to include more once the group is back at school.

Remembrance Day

Students observed one minute's silence on Monday November 11. They shared stories, and participated in a short ceremony on the hour.

Kindy Orientation

It will be sad to say a temporary farewell to Cooper and Iggy after having them here at school all day today. We look forward to seeing them both next year!

Book Club

It won't be long! Once the order arrives we will send home any books ordered with the students. If there are some you would prefer to keep as a surprise please let the school know ASAP and we can put them aside for you to collect.

Bairnsdale College Band

28 November

In a couple of weeks we will enjoy a visit from the touring Bairnsdale Secondary College band. An ensemble of around 40 students will be performing with the concert band, swing band, orchestra and strings. Families are invited to come and enjoy the musical performance as well, starting at 2pm on Thursday 28 November.

High School Preparation

Our Year 6 students have two days coming up at the high school next month. Please check the Reminders box to see if we are waiting on your consent note in School Bytes.

Ms Gibson, the 2025 Year 7 support teacher, who visited last week, has advised the following additional information:

- Food can be purchased from the canteen at recess and lunch (students will be supported to do this, i.e. attend canteen 5 minutes before the bell) They can also bring their own food.
- Bring a water bottle (we have bubblers where they can refill)
- Students need to wear their primary school uniform.
- Students will be greeted out the front of EMHS by Ms Gibson and their Head Teacher.
- They can either catch a bus or be driven by a parent. They will

THE GIVING TREE CHRISTMAS 2024

Gift donations can be put under the tree in the office.



Birdcam

Recent visitors to our bird bath



Family gathering

SENTENCE SHOWCASE

THIS WEEK'S SENTENCE
IS BY

Zain

The ancient beast climbed and reached the top and threw boulders to the city to wreck havoc. The military bombed him as he fell.

WORD OF THE WEEK

ancient

WORD OF THE DAY

havoc



need to be at school by 9.05, and will be escorted to buses at 3.10pm.

A Google Classroom has been set up that will enhance the transition experience too, and students will be given the opportunity to explore this in class time.

Eden PS visits f

The additional days at Eden PS are also helpful for our Year 6 students. The remaining dates are Thursday 21 Nov and Thursday 5 December. Please note Ms Barrow and the carload needs to depart Towamba at 8:20am to arrive in time for the Eden class.



Concert Preparation

At this stage students will just need to wear black pants, shirt and shoes on the night, with all costuming arranged around that. School uniform will be needed for the presentation part of the evening.

2025 School Year

In 2025 the allocated school development days have been rearranged a little by the Department so that school staff have additional school development days at the start of the year when it is most needed. Staff use these days to undertake professional learning and to plan out the year.

This change only recently came about due to changes to the teaching award. The new start date for students in 2025 is Thursday 6 February. An updated 2025 calendar is attached.



2025 School Photos

The change to the start of the year also meant we have had to change our school photographer booking. In 2025 we will be using a different provider- Daisy Hill Photography. We look forward to exploring another option.



FRIDAY Lunches

Plain meat pie	\$4.00
Gluten Free pie	\$4.50
Cheese/Bacon	\$4.50
Chicken/mushrm	\$4.50
Term 3 special pies	\$4.50
Vege pastie	\$4.00
Sausage Roll	\$3.50
GF Sausage Roll	\$3.50
Mini Pizza	\$2.50
Ham & Pineapple/Ham & Cheese	
Juice or Flav Milk	\$1.50

- Write your order on a paper bag
- Mark your payment total and payment method on the bag
- correct money appreciated

Special Pie updates

SOLD OUT: Cauliflower & Blue Cheese

Still available:

- BBQ Steak & caramelised onion
- Pumpkin, mushroom & lentil

P&C News

Artwork Mugs

If you expressed an interest, details of your order were attached last newsletter. Once you have paid the P&C, let the school know and mugs can be sent home with your child. If you no longer want them we can sell them at C2K- let us know!

Coast2Kosci Breakfast Stall NEXT FRIDAY!

Our major fundraiser of the year. Supporting the P&C helps us all.

We need:

- **donations of cakes/slices/muffins** especially if suitable for easy takeaway
- **lots of eggs** (for egg and bacon rolls)

The stall starts at 6am so please send your cakes into school on **Thursday (next week)** or to make other arrangements contact Steph 0455 774 050. Egg donations please let Steph know too so we need know if we have to purchase extras. We need lots!

Christmas Raffle

Looking for donations for the hamper! Send in something you'd like to win!



Next Friday
22 Nov

VOLUNTEER ROSTER

Tomorrow:

Keri



Fri 22 Nov Karen
Fri 29 Nov Esther
Fri 6 Dec Bekie
Fri 13 Dec Steph

P&C Christmas Raffle

- food hamper
- other prizes yet to be confirmed- stay tuned!
- drawn on the concert night



Tickets
\$2 each
3 for \$5

Tickets will be sent home soon

Community News

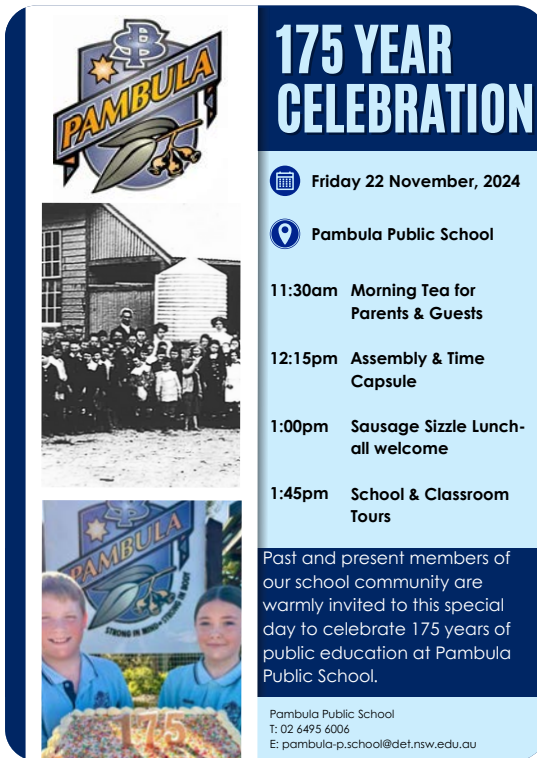


PAMBULA PUBLIC SCHOOL P&C ASSOCIATION

175 YEAR CELEBRATION EVENING EVENT

Thursday
21 November, 2024
6:00pm for a 6:30pm meal
Oaklands Event Centre
3546 Princes Highway, Pambula NSW 2549

With Live Music from Garry Carson Jones & Mojo
Tickets \$75 per person - Ages 18+ only
Available for purchase through trybooking or the QR Code before 11 November 2024



175 YEAR CELEBRATION


Friday 22 November, 2024
Pambula Public School

11:30am Morning Tea for Parents & Guests
12:15pm Assembly & Time Capsule
1:00pm Sausage Sizzle Lunch - all welcome
1:45pm School & Classroom Tours

Past and present members of our school community are warmly invited to this special day to celebrate 175 years of public education at Pambula Public School.

Pambula Public School
T: 02 6495 6006
E: pambula-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au

FIRE PERMITS CAN NOW ALSO BE DONE ONLINE



Alternatively call Towamba captain Peter Knight A/H
0429 837 621



TAI CHI
MONDAYS 4:30-5:30pm
Towamba Hall
\$15 per session

Wyndham School of Dancing presents



LET'S GET LOUD

3pm Saturday
7th December 2024

Tickets on sale at Wyndham Store
\$20 adults, \$10 kids, under 5 free

Get up to \$500 extra in the bank

You can double your savings. If you save up to \$50 a month for 10 months, you could get up to \$500 from ANZ when you finish the program.

To be eligible you need to meet these requirements:

- Be 18 years or older
- Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- Be studying yourself, have a child in school or starting school next year
- Get regular income (can be you or your partner)*
- Agree to join free online financial education workshops

Income, eligibility and participation criteria apply.



Towamba Community Church
Sundays at 4pm
All welcome



Call Santa from a phone box!

People in Australia can call Santa for free via any Telstra payphone. Callers can share their wish list with Father Christmas and enjoy having a chat.

This opportunity also helps children learn how to use a payphone should they need to use one in an emergency. All calls to anywhere in Australia from payphones are free anytime!

From 15 Nov until 24 December, anyone who dials # HO HO HO (#464646) from any Telstra payphone across Australia will be put through to Santa's workshop in the North Pole.

1300 610 355
saverplus.org.au



*Most types of income are valid. Speak to your local Saver Plus Savings Coach if you're not sure. Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services. Learn more at www.saverplus.org.au

Training

FIRST AID COURSE NEW DATES FOR EDEN!

20th & 23rd November venue EDEN
Weds & Sat
MINIMUM NUMBERS APPLY

EDEN - 20th - 23RD NOVEMBER

First Aid & CPR HLTAID011/HLTAID0009: \$169
CPR HLTAID0009 Refresher: \$89

Call: 0458 391 660
Email: jackie@sistershiptraining.com
www.sistershiptraining.com

flexible & Fun!
No pre-study

Local companion
face-2-face



TCPA Community Christmas Party

Sunday 8 December
BYO everything
All welcome