



# Primbee Public School

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## WHAT'S ON.....WHEN?

### Term 4 – 2018

Monday 22 Oct	Music/Language enrichment day at LIHS - Targeting Year 5 students
Thursday 25 Oct	Kindy Orientation – Session 2
Thursday 25 Oct	<b>3-6 Assembly – K/1C Item</b>
Friday 26 Oct	<b>PBL Launch 12pm</b>
Friday 26 Oct	Uniform Shop 2.30 - 3pm
Tuesday 30 Oct	In2Uni visit – Year 6
Thursday 1 Nov	<b>K-2 Assembly – KB item</b>
Thursday 1 Nov	Music Count Us In - performance/live stream day
Friday 2 Nov	LIHS Transition - Sport
Friday 2 Nov	<b>K-3 Symbio Excursion</b>
Friday 2 Nov	Uniform Shop 2.30 - 3pm
Friday 2 Nov	Carpet Cleaning 3pm
Thursday 8 Nov	Remembrance Day Service (From 10.30am)
Thursday 8 Nov	<b>3-6 Assembly – KB item</b>
Friday 9 Nov	Kindy Orientation – Session 3
Wednesday 14 Nov	Pre-school Visit (9.30-11am)
Wednesday 14 Nov	<b>P&amp;C Meeting</b>
Friday 16 Nov	ATSI Transition at LIHS
Friday 16 Nov	<b>P&amp;C School Fete (4-8pm)</b>
Friday 23 Nov	Walk a mile in Her Shoes Day
<b>Saturday 24 Nov</b>	<b>Council Elections</b>
Friday 30 Nov	Go Big in2Uni excursion 1/2B and 2/3P
Friday 30 Nov	Uniform Shop 2.30 – 3pm
Monday 3 Dec	Swim Scheme commences
Tuesday 4 Dec	Year 7 Orientation Day
Thursday 6 Dec	Presentation Day
Thursday 6 Dec	Year 6 Farewell
Friday 7 Dec	Uniform Shop 2.30 – 3pm
Wednesday 12 Dec	<b>P&amp;C Meeting</b>

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Welcome to Term 4 - Week 2

Welcome to Term 4. Our first week of term has already flown by. This term is jam packed with wonderful opportunities for our students. At the end of this week we are launching PBL (Positive Behaviour for Learning) program. I would like to

thank all of the teachers that have contributed to the organisation of the launch, it will be a great day.

A special thank you to Mrs Allison Connell and Mrs Lydia Berehowyj as program leaders.

Our school gardens are looking amazing. Many thanks to all of the community members that came into our school over the holidays and last weekend to tidy our gardens. Your efforts are very much appreciated.

On Thursday we will once again welcome our Kindergarten students for 2019 and their families to our orientation program. Students will be meeting their buddies and working in classrooms whilst the parents participate in a numeracy workshop with Mrs Amy Cliff in the library.

Our Stage 3 students are continuing their involvement in transition to High School programs. Have a great week everyone.

**Mrs Sharon Rigg**  
*Principal*

**SCHOOL SECURITY – 1300 880 021**

### Save the date: PBL Launch

*"Positive Behaviour for Learning"*

Primbee Public School invites Parents, Grandparents and Carers to the launch of our new School Values:

*Respect, Safety and Active Learners*

Term 4 - Friday October 26

More details to follow!



## PBL LAUNCH DAY – FRIDAY 26 OCTOBER

### *Positive Behaviour for Learning.*



We look forward to celebrating our PBL launch with parents, caregivers, grandparents and community this Friday.

Students can come dressed up like a bee in black and yellow or something from the garden like a

flower or a plant.

We thank you in advance for all the wonderful parents and families taking time to bake and donate bee themed cakes for our cake stall.

#### **12.00pm**

Families are invited to join us for a whole school assembly with songs and artwork being shared on the grass near what will be the Bee Garden outside near 5/6C. (Weather permitting) students will share artwork, the winner of the bee mascot will be announced as well as an official cake and ribbon cutting

#### **12:30pm**

Families are welcomed back into classrooms for PBL video and bee craft

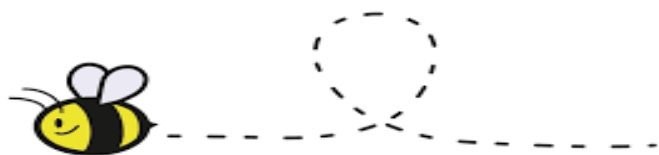
#### **1:10pm**

Cake stall and family picnic afternoon tea

#### **1:50pm**

Launch day finishes

If any of you have some lavender, rosemary or bee palm/bergamot in your gardens, we would love for you and your child to bring some and help us build to our bee garden. Planting of the garden will happen when students go back to class.



## MOBILE PHONES



If your child is required to bring a mobile phone to school. Please ensure phones are dropped to the office in the morning and collected at the end of the day.

## TOMBOLA



The tombolas that have arrived in class look fantastic. Keep them coming and remember that the class with the most tombolas wins a reward!

## VOLUNTARY FAMILY CONTRIBUTIONS 2018

Thank you to the families that have already paid this year's School Contribution.

Just a reminder that you can also pay online:

<http://www.primbee-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

Click on 'make a Payment' and then follow the prompts.

#### **\$40 per single child**

Rate for additional children:

\$40 second child

\$20 third child

\$ 0 fourth child onwards

**By working together, we can really make a difference**

## 2019 ENROLMENTS



Primbee Public School is taking enrolments for Kindergarten in 2019. If you know of any students that would be starting school next

year, kindly ask them to contact the office for a student enrolment form.

In preparation for our new school year. If you are re-locating and not returning to Primbee Public School in 2019 please notify the office.



## PRIMBEE PUBLIC SCHOOL GARDEN

**Thank you** to all the families who have helped to get our garden ready for Friday. Some amazing work has been done by some very dedicated and hard-working people. If you would like your family to be represented in the garden with a labelled plant, please bring your plant with you and we will provide the family labels. We are wanting the plants to be either Lavender and/or cornflowers (blue for the value of RESPECT), Rosemary (green for the value of SAFETY) or Bee Balm/Monarda/Bergamot (cherry red for the value of ACTIVE LEARNING).

If you would like your family to be represented by a bigger tree, we would love a couple of deep pink grevilleas to put out the front.

Bring your family and take your place in the present and the history of Primbee Public School by planting something that will be with us long after your family moves on.

We would also love families to bring some 'bee-themed' cakes and treat items to sell at our afternoon tea stall. All money raised will help us to purchase signage for our PBL program.



## MUFTI DAY



\$265 was raised for our recent Mufti Day for the drought stricken farmers. Monies were donated to CWA Jamberoo to support their projects helping local farmers. We thank you for your support.

## SCHOOL CAPTAIN'S REPORT

We are very excited about our Launch of PBL on Friday. We can't wait to see all the dressed up bees buzzing around!

The 2019 Kinder Buddies are looking forward to meeting their new buddies at the orientation on Thursday.

We have been invited to attend the Remembrance Day Service at Lake Illawarra High School on Monday 12th November, with Mrs Rigg. We look forward to representing our school at this very important event.

Stage 3 are also looking forward to speaking at our Remembrance Day Service on Thursday 8th November at 10:40am, which commemorates the 100th Anniversary of the end of World War 1. Parents and families are welcome to attend this very important event.

*Lilli and Kaleb.*

## P&C Fete Book Stall



Mr. Morphew is still collecting books for the Book Stall at the Primbee Fete. So if you have pre-loved books (no rips, tears or stains) that you would

like to donate, please drop them into the book donation box near the Staff Room next to 5/6C. If you need any more information or have any questions please see Mr Morphew.

## PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Professional Learning		
6/11	Sharon Rigg and Liz Thompson	HR Training
7/11	All Staff	Twilight PL - Scope & Sequences
9/11	Renee Stewart	PL
12/11	Allison Connell	Road Safety Training
16/11	Lydia Berehowyj, Sarah Cullen, Maddison Prior and Amy Cliff	L3 Training

## SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOLS 2020

For Information about applying for Year 7 entry into selective high schools for 2020.

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



The next P and C Meeting date is:

***Wednesday 14 November at 6 pm.***

The representative sports shirts have been ordered and we are awaiting delivery. Thank you to Brenda Devine and 'Serendipity Support Services' for their sponsorship.

The next two P and C meetings dates have changed. Please be advised they will be held at 6 pm on 14 of November and at 6 pm on 12 December.

The main focus of the November meeting will be fete organisation finalisation. If you can volunteer your time for the meeting or the fete please let us know by email to [primbeepandc@gmail.com](mailto:primbeepandc@gmail.com)

We would appreciate any assistance you can provide. We would love to see you there.

Ride bands (\$25 pre-sale) for the 16 November fete are on sale now through school 24, bank transfer or at the office. Receipts for purchases will be sent by email preferably, so please include your email address on forms. Ride Bands will be handed to students on the day of the fete.

The uniform order form has been updated and is available from the school.

The uniform shop open days for term 4 are 26 October, 2 and 30 November and 7 December from 2.30pm to 3pm. The uniform shop will close at 3pm promptly as the Volunteer parents may have other commitments after that time.

**Next P&C meeting Wednesday 14 November  
@ 6pm, new faces always welcome.**

The majority of our volunteers at Primbee Public School are parents of a child attending the school. Most parent volunteers coming into the school are exempt from obtaining a WWCC clearance which is the vast majority of our parents. However, schools do require volunteers to complete the Appendix - 'Declaration for volunteers and non-child related contractors' form and they must also provide the school with 100 points of current ID.

For example - Parent volunteering for:

- Reading Groups
- School Fete
- School Camp
- Excursions
- Canteen/Cake Stalls

Need to complete the above form and identification document check, which can be done by supplying some of the following documentation:-

*Category 1* (70 points) Birth Certificate or Passport.

*Category 2* (Initial document 40 points) – (any additional documents will be awarded 25 points) Current Licence or Permit (Government Issued) Centrelink Pension/Concession or Health Care Card.

*Category 3* (25 points each) Medicare Card/Private Health Care Card, Council Rates Notice, Credit/Debit Card, Utility Bills.

See Staff for more options.

**Please note: Term 4 - All volunteers must sign on at the office and obtain an authorised 'Primbee Public School Visitor's Badge' and return the visitors badge when they sign off.**

Please help us to comply with the current Dept. of Education Volunteer policies by completing or updating these procedures with our administration staff.

\* If you are a parent who is transporting children other than your own, to or from any school events, the school needs a copy of your licence, car registration papers and insurance papers along with the above requirements.

Please be patient and understanding as we work with you to keep our students safe.





**TERM 4 - 2018 PLANNER**

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Term 4</b>					
2	22/10 Music/Languages enrichment day at LIHS - Targeting Year 5 students	23/10	24/10	25/10 Kindy Orientation – Session 2  3 – 6 Assembly – K/1C Item (Jamberoo CWA attending)	26/10 PBL Launch  Uniform Shop open (2.30-3pm)
3	29/10	30/10 In2Uni visit – Year 6	31/10	1/11 Music Count Us In - performance/live stream day  K-2 Assembly KB item	2/11 K-3 Symbio Excursion LIHS Transition Program – Sport Soundwaves Info Session with parents Uniform Shop (2.30-3pm) Carpet Cleaning whole school
4	5/11	6/11	7/11	8/11 3-6 Assembly KB item  Remembrance Day Service (10.30am)	9/11 Kindy Orientation - Session 3
5	12/11 LIHS Commemoration Ceremony	13/11	14/11 Pre-school Visit to KB  P&C Meeting	15/11	16/11 P&C Twilight Fete 4pm – 8pm
6	19/11	20/11	21/11	22/11	23/11 Walk a Mile in Her Shoes Day
7	26/11	27/11	28/11	29/11	30/11 Go Big In2Uni excursion for 1/2B and 2/3P  Uniform Shop (2.30-3pm)
8	3/12 Swim Scheme Commences	4/12 Year 7 Orientation Day Swim Scheme	5/12 Swim Scheme	6/12 Presentation Day Year 6 Farewell	7/12 Swim Scheme  Uniform Shop (2.30-3pm)
9	10/12 Swim Scheme	11/12 Swim Scheme	12/12 Swim Scheme  P&C Meeting	13/12 Swim Scheme	14/12 Swim Scheme
10	17/12	18/12	19/12 END TERM 4	20/12 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	21/12 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY



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PRIMBEE PUBLIC SCHOOL PRESENTS...



## TWILIGHT FETE FRI 16TH NOV

4 - 8 PM

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**Soccer Fun For Girls & Boys Aged 2 to 12!**

**TERM 4, 2018 PROGRAM starting from October 27**

Locations: Figtree, Kiama, Corrimal & Lake Illawarra

**CALL NOW TO BOOK YOUR PLACE! 0412 428 195**

**Mite-E Soccer (2-3yo)**

A great introduction to Soccer!  
 Children work with their parents to learn new soccer skills and develop their motor skills! Lots of fun games in a non-competitive environment  
 35 minute classes  
 \$120 for 8 weeks



**Pint Size Soccer (4-5yo)**

Children take their first kicks in soccer! They'll be introduced to shooting, dribbling, goal keeping and more. Children get to play lots of fun, skill based games. Grasshoppers get introduced to the Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!



50 minute classes  
 \$130 for 8 weeks

**Intro to Micro (5-6yo)**

**Micro (6-8yo)**  
 The ultimate challenge for young soccer players! They'll learn the rules of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game and develop their skills in passing, dribbling, shooting and more.



Intro - 60 mins \$135 for 8 weeks  
 Micro - 75 mins \$140 for 8 weeks

**Micro Plus (8-12yo)**

This program focuses on skill development and teamwork in preparation for club soccer. Children will enjoy all the favourite soccer based games, fine tune their skills as well as play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!



75 minute classes  
 \$140 for 8 weeks

**NEW Elite Program**

Advanced soccer skills for kids aged 8 to 12!

This program focuses on skill development with an emphasis on speed & agility, ball control, proper passing, shooting & heading technique, match awareness and positioning.

Elite - 60 mins \$140 for 8 weeks

The Fun Starts Here!

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**Before School Care, After School Care & School Holidays.**



Reduced Prices!

Before School Care **\$18**  
 After School Care **\$28**  
 School Holidays **\$60**

Less your eligible child care subsidy



# Road safety

## Walking together safely to and from school

Walking to school and back home again is a great way to spend time with your children and encourage safe and healthy behaviours.

Here are a few things you can do to help keep your children safer as a pedestrian:

- Talk with your children about being alert in the road environment.
- Plan and practice your trip to school so you use pedestrian crossings where possible.
- Always hold your child's hand. Children need your help to spot dangers such as vehicles coming out of driveways. They can also be easily distracted and wander into traffic.
- Meet your child near the school gate and don't call them from across the road.
- Explain why the place you have chosen is the safest place to cross.
- Remind your child to **STOP! LOOK! LISTEN! THINK!** every time they cross the road and keep checking until safely across.
- Talk to them about why they should stop, look, listen, think before crossing a driveway, road or carpark.

Young children can learn and practice these safe pedestrian behaviours with you. This will help them to be safer pedestrians when they are old enough to travel alone.

For more information on keeping our kids safe around schools visit the parents section on [safetytown.com.au](http://safetytown.com.au)



### Messages to share with your children in Kindergarten to Year 2

- Hold a grown up's hand when:
  - you cross the road
  - you're on the footpath
  - you're in a car park

### Messages to share with children in Years 3 to 6

- Use a safe place to cross the road
- **Stop! Look! Listen! Think!** every time you cross the road and keep checking until safely across

#### **STOP!**

one step back from the kerb

#### **LOOK!**

continuously both ways

#### **LISTEN!**

for the sounds of approaching traffic

#### **THINK!**

whether it is safe to cross and keep checking until safely across



# Compulsory School Attendance

## Information for parents

Education for your child is important and regular attendance at school is essential for your child to achieve their educational best and increase their career and life options. NSW public schools work in partnership with parents to encourage and support regular attendance of children and young people. When your child attends school every day, learning becomes easier and your child will build and maintain friendships with other children.

### What are my legal responsibilities?

Education in New South Wales is compulsory for all children between the ages of six years and below the minimum school leaving age. The *Education Act 1990* requires that parents ensure their children of compulsory school age are enrolled at, and regularly attend school, or, are registered with the Board of Studies, Teaching and Educational Standards for homeschooling.

Once enrolled, children are required to attend school each day it is open for students.

### The importance of arriving on time

Arriving at school and class on time:

- Ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day
- Helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine
- Give students time to greet their friends before class
- Reduces classroom disruption

Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

### What if my child has to be away from school?

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. Justified reasons for student absences may include:

- being sick, or having an infectious disease
- having an unavoidable medical appointment
- being required to attend a recognised religious holiday
- exceptional or urgent family circumstance (e.g. attending a funeral)

Following an absence from school you must ensure that within 7 days you provide your child's school with a verbal or written explanation for the absence. However, if the school has not received an explanation from you within 2 days, the school may contact you to discuss the absence.

Principals may decline to accept an explanation that you have provided if they do not believe the absence is in the best interest of your child. In these circumstances your child's absence would be recorded as unjustified. When this happens the principal will discuss their decision with you and the reasons why.

Principals may request medical certificates or other documentation when frequent or long term absences are explained as being due to illness. Principals may also seek parental permission to speak with medical specialists to obtain information to collaboratively develop a health care plan to support your child. If the request is denied, the principal can record the absences as unjustified.

### Travel

Families are encouraged to travel during school holidays. If travel during school term is necessary, discuss this with your child's school principal. An *Application for Extended Leave* may need to be completed. Absences relating to travel will be marked as leave on the roll and therefore contribute to your child's total absences for the year.

In some circumstances students may be eligible to enrol in distance education for travel periods over 50 school days. This should be discussed with your child's school principal.







### **My child won't go to school. What should I do?**

You should contact the principal as soon as possible to discuss the issue and ask for help. Strategies to help improve attendance may include a referral to the school's learning and support team or linking your child with appropriate support networks. The principal may seek further support from the Home School Liaison Program to develop an Attendance Improvement Plan.

### **What might happen if my child continues to have unacceptable absences?**

It is important to understand that the Department of Education and Communities may be required to take further action where children of compulsory school age have recurring numbers of unexplained or unjustified absences from school.

Some of the following actions may be undertaken:

- Compulsory Schooling Conferences

You may be asked, along with your child, to attend a Compulsory Schooling Conference. The conference will help to identify the supports your child may need to have in place so they attend school regularly. The school, parents and agencies will work together to develop an agreed plan (known as Undertakings) to support your child's attendance at school.

- Application to the Children's Court – Compulsory Schooling Order

If your child's attendance at school remains unsatisfactory the Department

may apply to the Children's Court for a *Compulsory Schooling Order*. The Children's Court magistrate may order a Compulsory Schooling Conference to be convened.

- Prosecution in the Local Court

School and Department staff remain committed to working in partnership with you to address the issues which are preventing your child's full participation at school. In circumstances where a breach of compulsory schooling orders occurs further action may be taken against a parent in the Local Court. The result of court action can be the imposition of a community service order or a fine.

### **What age can my child leave school?**

All New South Wales students must complete Year 10 or its equivalent. After Year 10, and up until they reach 17 years of age, there are a range of flexible options for students to complete their schooling.

### **Working in Partnership**

The Department of Education and Communities recognises that working collaboratively with students and their families is the best way to support the regular attendance of students at school.

We look forward to working in partnership with you to support your child to fulfil their life opportunities.

**If a student misses as little as 8 days in a school term, by the end of primary school they'll have missed over a year of school.**

Further information regarding school attendance can be obtained from the following websites:

#### **Policy, information and brochures:**

Please visit the Department of Education's *Policy library*

#### **The school leaving age:**

Please visit the Department of Education's *Wellbeing and Learning* website

#### **Do you need an interpreter?**

Interpreting services are available on request, including for the hearing impaired. The Telephone Interpreter Service is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week on 131 450. You will not be charged for this service.

For further advice and questions contact your educational services team

T 131 536

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High Performing Students Unit

# Information about applying for Year 7 entry to selective high schools in **2020**

Thinking of applying for a government selective high school for Year 7 entry in **2020?**

You must apply online at  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/public-schools/selective-high-schools-and-opportunity-classes/year-7>



## Key dates

**Tuesday 9 October 2018**

Application website opens

**Monday 12 November 2018**

Application website closes. You must apply by the due date.

**Thursday 28 February 2019**

Test authority advice sent to all applicants

**Thursday 14 March 2019**

Selective High School Placement Test

**Friday 5 July 2019**

Placement outcome information is sent

Please read this booklet carefully before applying.

There is more information at  
<https://education.nsw.gov.au/shs-oc>

Parents should check this website for updates all the way through the application and placement process. Please check the website for information before you contact the Unit.

The selective high school placement process for Year 7 entry is administered by the High Performing Students Unit<sup>^</sup>.

## Contact details

High Performing Students Unit

NSW Department of Education

Email: [ssu@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ssu@det.nsw.edu.au) Telephone: 1300 880 367 Fax: 02 9266 8435

Postal address: Locked Bag 53, DARLINGHURST NSW 1300

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/772251106301086/>

<sup>^</sup> In this document, the High Performing Students Unit will be referred to as the Unit.

'Parent' is defined under the *Education Act 1990* as a 'guardian or other person having custody or care of a child'.