



# Primbee Public School

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Live Life Well

Respect

Responsibility

Compassion

Personal Best

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

### Term 1 – 2019

Thursday 7 March	K-2 Assembly
8 & 11 March	Life Education Visit
Thursday 14 March	3-6 Assembly
Friday 15 March	National Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence
	Uniform Shop open 2.30-3pm
Wednesday 20 March	SRC attending LIHS
	Annual General Meeting 6pm
	P&C Meeting 7pm
Thursday 21 March	K-2 Assembly
<b>Saturday 23 March</b>	State Elections 7am-6pm (Library)
Thursday 28 March	3-6 Assembly
	StEPS vision screening for Kindergarten
Friday 29 March	Uniform Shop open 2.30-3pm
Monday 1 April	Vegetable Week
Tuesday 2 April	Cross Country
Thursday 4 April	K-2 Assembly
	The Big Vege Crunch 10am-12pm
Tuesday 9 April	Back-up Cross Country
Thursday 11 April	ANZAC Ceremony
Friday 12 April	Easter Hat Parade
	Big W Voucher Draw
	Uniform Shop open 2.30-3pm
	<b>Last Day of Term 1</b>

### Term 2 - 2019

Tuesday 30 April	Students Return
Thursday 2 May	School Photos MSP Photography

Each morning I take a walk around to visit each classroom and I am delighted to chat with students as they complete their literacy lessons. It is so wonderful to see Parents, Grandparents and Carers working in classrooms alongside teachers to promote learning.

Last week I attended our first P&C meeting for the year. We had a small but dedicated group of parents who attended and we discussed some great initiatives for 2019. We are hoping to see some more parents at our next meeting. Our P&C raise funds for classroom resources and run our school canteen and uniform shop. Our little school would not be the same without our wonderful school canteen!



Next Friday is National Day of Action against bullying and violence. The theme for the day is Bullying No Way! Take action

every day. Our school community is committed to this theme. Please take the time to read our Anti-bully policy on our website as it describes the strategies we have in place to support our kids.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE 2019

### Welcome to Week 6 – Term 1

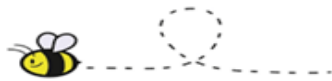
It is a magical time of year, particularly for our younger students as the Healthy Harold van has appeared overnight in our playground. The children are thrilled to catch up with Harold on Friday and Monday next week. A big thank you to Mrs Berehowyj for organising this wonderful opportunity for our kids and also to Sharon O'Connor from Life Education NSW for making this a cost free event.

Have a great week everyone and choose kindness.

**Mrs Sharon Rigg**  
Principal



Stevie-Lee



### CLASSROOM BOOK PACKS

Have you purchased your book pack? One lucky student will also win a \$50 Big W voucher if they have paid for their pack by Thursday, 11 April. The draw will be taking place at the Easter Hat Parade.

### PSSA SPORTS NEWS

Over the past two weeks, Primbee Public School has had several students attend sports trials after school. We have had Isaac, Noah, Mussa and Kaigan trial for the PSSA soccer team and we have had Tangi and Augustine trial for PSSA Rugby League. We have also had Igor trial for PSSA Basketball. These students represented our school well, following all of our school values and they should all be commended on their efforts.



Following the trials we have some fantastic news with Augustine being selected to trial at the next level. He will be trialling for a spot in the Illawarra Zone PSSA U11 Rugby League Team.

We have also had some wonderful news with Igor making it into the Illawarra team to play at the NSW PSSA Basketball Championships in Maitland. This is a wonderful achievement!

We wish Augustine and Igor all the very best in future games and we know they will be great representatives of our school. Congratulations to all of our students that trialled in a sport. It is great to see our small school being represented in various sports in the Illawarra.

**Melissa Yates**  
**Sports Coordinator**

### PROFESSIONAL LEARNING

Professional Learning		
27/2	Allison Connell Melissa Yates	Project Based Learning
27/2	Sharon Rigg Amy Cliff	IL Conference Sydney
28/2	Amy Cliff	IL Conference Sydney
7/3	Irene Burden	Best Start Training

### COMULSORY SCHOOL ATTENDANCE – INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Please follow the link or see the attached recommendation from the NSW Department of Education and Communities

[https://education.nsw.gov.au/student-wellbeing/media/documents/attendance-behaviour-engagement/attendance/attendance\\_parents.pdf](https://education.nsw.gov.au/student-wellbeing/media/documents/attendance-behaviour-engagement/attendance/attendance_parents.pdf)

### POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING



Our focus for this week was follow instructions and directions the first time.

Lots of buzzies were handed out during class and playground duty. Kids are excited to collect these for each assembly. Three lucky

students from each class are drawn out of the box to receive a reward. All of the children are working together to receive a whole school reward as well.

### LIBRARY NEWS

It's been wonderful to see so many students eager to borrow books from the library. Mrs Kelly is running a competition to see which class has the most amount of students borrowing books. A prize will be given out to the winning class at the end of the term. Just a reminder that students need a library bag to be able to borrow a book.

Happy reading everyone!



## LIFE EDUCATION VISIT



This Friday and next Monday, all students at Primbee Public School have the wonderful opportunity to engage in the Life Education program. The Primary school modules are highly engaging and age appropriate to inform students about drug and health education.

The mobile classroom allows students to explore creative and collaborative learning in a space that is entirely different to a traditional classroom. There are no desks, pens or paper. Students are encouraged to participate and learn through engaging education experiences, which we believe bring out the best in all children. The modules help children to develop relationship skills, positive communication, to be able to problem solve and build their decision making skills.

Parents are invited and welcome to come along to a parent information session **this Friday 8th March at 9am** to gain some information on what is being taught and insight to the topics covered by Life Education.

We hope your children are looking forward to this fantastic program :)

Mrs Berehowy  
Life Education Coordinator

## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD



Stevie-Lee and the class have created some amazing poetry by applying their knowledge and skills. They are gaining from using descriptive language to make writing more interesting and informative. These poems are creative and show lots of emotion through the use of powerful words. The students also created some amazing artwork to complement their poetry!

## WOLLONGONG HIGH SCHOOL OF THE PERFORMING ARTS – 2020 YEAR 7 AUDITIONS CLOSING SOON

The audition application for entry into Wollongong High School of the Performing Arts is now available online only, on the WHSPA website.

Auditions will be held from Monday 25th March to Friday 12th April, the last 3 weeks of Term 1.

<https://www.millenniumschoools.net.au/whspa/?id=8213>

## HIGH SCHOOL EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORMS

Year 6 students who haven't returned their forms could you please forward them to Mrs Hodges via the office.



## WEATHER WARRIORS



James and Isaac have been measuring wind direction, speed, temperature and rainfall each day with the new weather station.

## STUDENT BANKING



CommonwealthBank

Thank you to Tara who has kindly offered to process the student banking deposits each Tuesday.

For any student wishing to join they can do so at any Commonwealth Bank.

This year students are saving their tokens for a Polar Savers Reward.

## HEALTH & SAFETY – VOLUNTEERS IN SCHOOLS

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.

They need to complete the required paperwork 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:** - 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.

## CROSS COUNTRY

With the schools Cross Country not far away –



2<sup>nd</sup> April, now is the time to plan some training. Perhaps you might like to practice with family or some friends. A BBQ will be held on the day of the race.



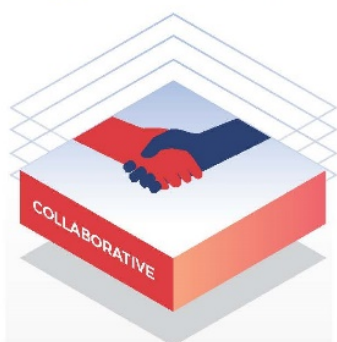
## TERM 1 - 2019 PLANNER

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Term 1 - 2019</b>					
<b>1</b>	28/1 Australia Day Public Holiday	29/1 <b>Staff Return</b>	30/1 <b>Students Return</b> Best Start Assessments	31/1 Best Start Assessments	1/2 Best Start Assessments
<b>2</b>	4/2 Kindergarten Start	5/2 School Swimming Carnival	6/2	7/2	8/2
<b>3</b>	11/2 Parent Teacher Information Meeting 4/5Y & 5/6C – 3.10pm	12/2 Parent Teacher Information Meeting 1C – 2.30-3pm 1/2B – 8.20am	13/2 Parent Teacher Information Meeting KB – 2.30-3pm  Lake Illawarra High School EXPO Evening  Dragons Assembly 11.30am – 12pm	14/2 Parent Teacher Information Meeting 2/3D – 3.10pm  3-6 Assembly 2pm	15/2 Uniform Shop open 2.30 – 3pm
<b>4</b>	18/2	19/2	20/2	21/2 K-2 Assembly 2pm	22/2 District Swimming Carnival
<b>5</b>	25/2	26/2	27/2 P&C Meeting 6pm	28/2 3-6 Assembly 2pm	1/3 Uniform Shop Open 2.30 – 3pm
<b>6</b>	4/3	5/3 Dental Visit 10am – 3pm	6/3 Dental Visit 10am – 3pm	7/3 K-2 Assembly 2pm	8/3 Life Education visit
<b>7</b>	11/3 Life Education Visit	12/3	13/3	14/3 3-6 Assembly 2pm	15/3 National Day of Action Against Bullying & Violence Uniform Shop 2.30-3pm
<b>8</b>	18/3	19/3	20/3 SRC Lake Illawarra High School visit AGM 6pm P&C 7pm	21/3 K-2 Assembly 2pm	22/3
<b>9</b>	25/3	26/3	27/3	28/3 3-6 Assembly 2pm StEPS vision screening for Kindergarten	29/3 Uniform Shop 2.30-3pm
<b>10</b>	1/4 Vegetable Week	2/4 Cross Country and BBQ	3/4	4/4 K-2 Assembly 2pm The Big Vege Crunch 10am – 12pm	5/5
<b>11</b>	8/4	9/4 Back-up Cross Country	10/4	11/4 ANZAC Ceremony	12/4 Easter Hat Parade Big W Voucher Draw Uniform Shop 2.30-3pm



# School Community Charter

 **Collaborative. Respectful. Communication.**



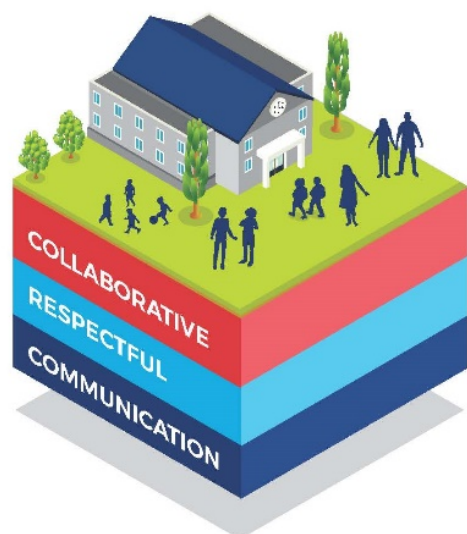
We work in partnership to promote student learning.



We treat each other with respect and fairness.



We communicate in a positive and constructive manner.



## Respectful communication is a right

In all workplaces people have the right to feel safe and respected. Unacceptable and offensive behaviour has no place in our school communities.

### Unacceptable behaviour:

- Aggressive or intimidating actions, such as violence, threatening gestures or physical proximity.
- Aggressive or intimidating language, including the use of obscenities, making sexist, racist or derogatory comments or using a rude tone.
- Treating members of the school community differently due to aspects such as their religion or disability.
- Inappropriate and time wasting communication.

**We all play a part**



**School Community Charter**

[education.nsw.gov.au](http://education.nsw.gov.au)

## Raising respectful sons

We are excited to be running this unique pilot program again. If you are interested and your son is between 6-8 years old please call the Centre on 4255 6800 or contact Denika Thomas on 0459 028 972.



### MOTHERS & SONS PROGRAM



**When:** Thursdays, Term 2  
16<sup>th</sup> May- 13 June 2019, 4pm-6pm

**Where:** Illawarra Women's Health Centre  
2-10 Belfast Street, Warrilla

**Call:** to register your interest with Denika Thomas on 4255 6800 or 0459 028 972

**A program supporting mothers to raise happy, respectful, non violent boys aged 6-8 years old.**

#### What happens?

The program is run by a female and male facilitator over six weekly sessions, two hours in length. The first session is attended by the mothers only, while the five remaining have both mothers and their sons, sometimes working together sometimes doing separate activities.

The sessions explore the role of the mother and where parenting skills and ideas come from; emotion regulation; the importance of male role models in a son's life and what masculinity means today. As a group we focus on the developing of a strong, enduring and positive connections between mothers and sons and healthy relationships beyond the family sphere.

#### Why a Mothers and Sons program?

We know there are increasing rates of son to mother violence, and we have been asked by many mothers for guidance and support on how to raise their sons, so they become respectful men.

As there are no programs like this in Australia, we developed our own (called Mothers and Sons Program!). It is specifically designed for boys 6-8 years old, as research tells us this is the critical time to teach boys not to be violent.

It doesn't mean the boys are violent now, or they have challenging behaviours – we just want to give both mother and son skills and strategies to make sure it never happens.

*"After attending the program my son has been able to tell me when he is about to 'flip his lid', so we can then help him calm down"*

*Mother of a 6yo son.*



# PKAFC AUSKICK OPEN DAY

All returning & New Auskickers & families Welcome!!!

**AFL FUN**

**for BOYS  
& GIRLS**

**Ages 5 to 12**

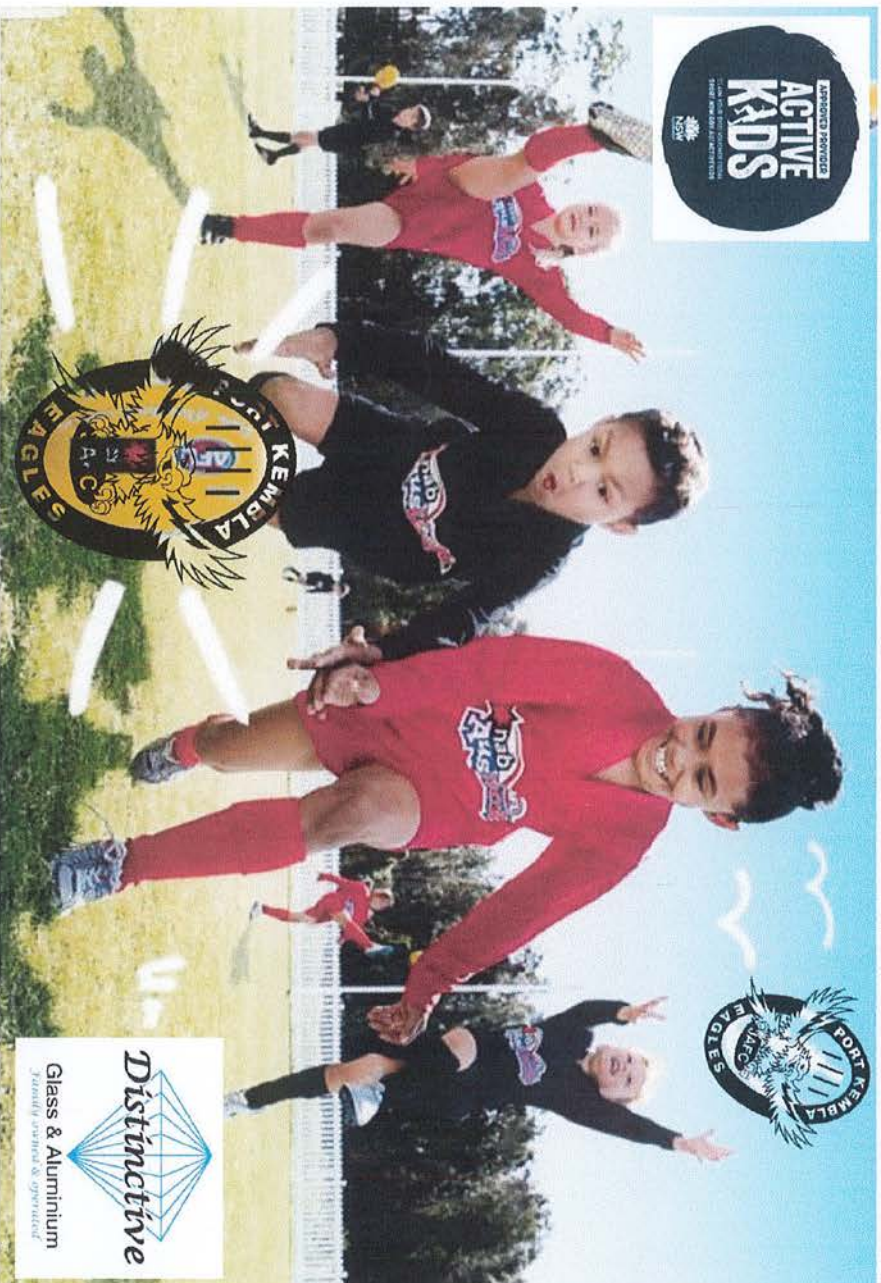
**REGISTER ON  
THE DAY TO  
RECEIVE A FREE**

**HAT!!**

**Contact: Sarah**

**0449 730 722**

**& find EAGLES on  
facebook.**



**FREE  
ACTIVITIES &  
BBQ**

**When:  
Sunday  
10<sup>th</sup> of  
March  
Time:  
10am**



**WHERE: KULLY BAY OVAL, NORTHCLIFFE DRIVE, WARRAWONG**

*J. Karke*  
ACCOUNTING SERVICES & Co.

**(NEXT TO THE BIG BLUE BUILDING)**

