

**Term 4 | Week 6 | Friday 18 November 2022**



## A message from the Principal

### New Logo

As part of the school's vision for improvement, we are updating our school logo. The new logo will replace both the original shield and our current logo (see below) and will form part of the school's uniform upgrade, which should be ready for 2024.

The P&C have narrowed the options to two (see below). I am sure you will agree, both designs are respectful of our current logo but are more reflective of the colours in our local environment.

If you would like to have a say in the new logo, please follow the link below and vote.

**The survey will be open until Friday 25 November.** [Link to Logo Survey](#)

Please be aware that students will be completing a separate survey during school time.

Original Logo	Current Logo
New Logo - Option 1	New Logo - Option 2

### AECG Awards

On Wednesday evening, Ms Turton and I had the pleasure of attending the Tjudibaring AECG Awards Night, where three of our students were recognised for their achievements and dedication to learning. Congratulations to Harry, Cedar and Sunday for their awards and a very special mention to Sunday who

did an amazing job reading from a script to present a number of awards. Ms Turton and I were so proud.



### Working Bee

A huge thank you to the parents and students who gave up their weekend to attend Sunday's Working Bee. They accomplished so much - planting new trees and plants, tidying up and regenerating the creek bed and weeding and mulching our gardens. Our grounds are certainly looking beautiful. Special thanks to Hannah and Anna for their coordination.



### Learning the recorder in 2023

In 2023 the school will be extending its Strings Program to include a recorder group. Initially the program will be offered to students in Years 3-6 with plans to offer it to all students in 2024.

It is anticipated that lessons will be held **immediately after school** on a day to be determined, and that the cost will be approximately \$10 for a recorder plus a one-off fee of \$50 to cover related costs.

Ms. Jo Arnott from the Central Coast Conservatorium of Music will oversee the program, with support from interested parents.

If you are interested in your child joining the recorder program commencing in Term 1, 2023, please contact Strings Program Coordinator, Jem Cox on [jmfcx7@bigpond.com](mailto:jmfcx7@bigpond.com) no later than Friday 25

November. This allows us time to register students for the opportunity to play at the Festival of Instrumental Music at the Opera House in mid-2023.

### Principal Awards

There's been a lot of heavy traffic in my office this week and I have been very busy chatting to students who have been keen to show off their quality work. This is definitely my favourite part of every day.

During COVID groups, **Olivia** and **Imogen** have been learning how to determine the area of shapes. **Valentina, Taylor** and **Logan** (KT) have been using ten frames to represent teen numbers, whilst **Harry, Ella, Ollie** and **Dom** (also KT) have been working with halves. **Boh, Cedar, Huon** and **Indigo** (from K/1G) received an award for being amazing garden helpers and **Huon** and **Indigo** also demonstrated their ability to read a script using interesting voices. **Isabelle** (2/3S), **Olivia** and **Artie** (3/4R) and **Vin, Louis** and **Ethan** (4/5P) are Ripper Readers whilst **Anna** and **Braxton** (3/4R) created an impressive project on the Red-crowned Toadlet. Just before we went to print, **Sophie, Jessie, Shona, Emily, Orlando** and **Charli** (5/6B) share with me their impressive writing. Congratulations to all students.



Have a great weekend.

Lisa x

### Award Recipients

Congratulations and well done to all our Merit Award nominees who received their award at our last assembly: Term 4 Week 2

<b>KT</b>	Archer, Thea, Taylor, Benji
<b>K1G</b>	Reuben, Fern, Goldie, Boh
<b>12K</b>	Taia, Benji, Fox, Ellie
<b>34R</b>	Anna, Keanu, Mae, Hattie
<b>45P</b>	Eben, Ethan, Violette, Maya

Congratulations and well done to all our Personal Best nominees who received their award at our last assembly: Term 4 Week 4

<b>KT</b>	Abigail, Gigi
<b>K1G</b>	Indigo, Huon
<b>12K</b>	Josie, Harry
<b>34R</b>	Sullivan, Georgette
<b>45P</b>	Jack, Zoe

### School Captain Elections

Congratulations and well done to all of our 2023 School Captain Election Candidates!

This year we heard from 10 fabulous school leaders determined to be elected as one of our 4 school captain positions. Hopeful candidates have been notified of the results of this election and these will be officially announced on Presentation Day in Week 10. Sport Captain Elections will take place on Tuesday Week 7.







### Remembrance Day

Every year the students of Pretty Beach Public School participate in a student-led Remembrance service to get the opportunity to reflect on the day World War One ended.

This year we discussed meaning of Remembrance Day and the symbol of red poppies. Each class made a poppy and added it to their class wreath. These wreaths were placed during the service by two representatives from each class. The whole school then paid their respects with a minute's silence.

Thanks to the members of the community who came to the service, the amazing students at PBPS for showing so much respect during the assembly, the leaders who made the service run so smoothly, and the teachers for making it all happen.

Leah Turton



### 2022 Premier's Spelling Bee State Finals

The best of the best gathered at ABC Studios, Ultimo to battle out for the crown of NSW public primary schools' best speller. The 30 students in each competition (Junior and Senior) were drawn from over 1700 students competing in Regional Finals, from the 167,700 students participating state-wide. Jake Swan took part in the Senior competition, representing Pretty Beach Public School and our region. He performed extremely well and should be very proud of the enormous effort he put in preparing and competing on the day.



### Dates for the Diary

Year 6 Farewell	Monday 12 December
Presentation Day	Wednesday 14 December
Reports home	Thursday 15 December
Pretty Beach Community Carols	Thursday 15 December
Last day for students & Year 6 Tunnel	Friday 16 December

### Library Borrowing to Cease for the Year



As we will be completing the library stocktake shortly borrowing will now cease. With over 100 overdue books we need to get these returned beforehand. If your child has any school library books at home, can they please be returned to the library on their library day next week.



Students are still able to [borrow eBooks](#). They do this through their student portal and the Oliver Library link. If they are not sure how to this [follow these instructions](#). There are 2000 books students can read online however some are age restricted due to content.

### Lunch Time Garden Club



Students who helped in the school garden recently were able to take home a strawberry plant. These were from runners potted last term and now have well established roots so are ready to plant in the garden at home or pot up into a bigger pot. Hopefully you will all get to enjoy strawberries this summer.

Did you know that our students also help to grow veggies and herbs by planting, weeding, watering, and picking the mature plants. The veggies are used in our canteen or when ready to harvest are taken home by the students. Herbs are always available to take home (we even get requests). We also feed the worms with the fruit scraps from each class collected when they have fruit break each day. Garden club is on each Monday second half of lunch.

Jan Tochowicz

### Canteen

Once again thank you all for placing lunch orders by 3pm on a Thursday.

*A reminder if your child is away on Friday, please **phone the office first thing in the morning** so we can hold their order over for the next week. Otherwise, their order will be made.*

If you are not sure of this procedure for placing orders, there are **two options**:

- **online** [via an e-form on the Skoolbag App](#) - just submit your order and then go to [school website](#) and the dropdown box for *Make a Payment* to pay for the order. **Please note payments need to be made when you submit your child's lunch order.**
- by your child putting a **bag and money** in the gold box in the office before school or any break on Thursday.

Thank you also to those parents who have offered volunteered to assist in the canteen this term as follows. You should have received a note via your child with

further details. Please email me if you haven't. [jan.tochowicz@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:jan.tochowicz@det.nsw.edu.au)

Date	Volunteer Names
25/11/2022	Clea Langton
2/12/2022	Natasha Westall
9/12/2022	Louise Ware
16/12/2022	Closed for cleaning and stocktake

Jan Tochowicz  
Canteen manager

### TASK-The After School Klub

TASK: The After School Klub, our Before and After School Care continue to operate throughout 2022.

We are now accepting the **NSW Govt BASC vouchers** at all our TASK services. We are aware that some families may not currently use TASK due to financial constraints and these vouchers may give you an opportunity to access our service, for zero cost to you!

Information on the vouchers can be found here: <https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc-voucher>

Families can enrol at TASK by going to <https://www.task-kids.com.au>, selecting "Schools" from the top menu, choosing their school from the drop-down menu and clicking the "Enrol Now" button. If you have any questions at all regarding before and after school care, please do not hesitate to ring TASK on 1300 827 500 or email: [enrol@task-kids.com.au](mailto:enrol@task-kids.com.au)

Youth  
Photography  
Competition

**Your World  
Your Way**

**Opens 7 November 2022  
and closes 27 January 2023.**

#### Your World Your Way Youth Photography Competition is here!

For young people, aged 12-24, who live, work or study on the Central Coast. The competition opened, 7 November 2022 and closes 27 January 2023.

Young people are being encouraged to take their favourite artistic snaps over the summer period and enter the Your World Your Way Youth Photography Competition.

Participants in the competition do not need to be a photographer or a field expert. The photos submitted simply should be a representation of their daily lives on the Central Coast.

The top 20 images will be printed, framed, and exhibited at Erina Centre Foyer during Youth Week next year and will be in the running to win a range of Apple prizes!

This initiative is run by the Central Coast Council Youth team to ensure images for young people are taken by young people. Photos submitted will also be used by the Youth Services team to advertise future youth-related programs and projects.

For more information go to the Central Coast Council website.