

Term 3| Week 10 | Friday 23 September 2022



A message from the Principal

It is hard to believe that we have reached the end of another term, yet when I look around at both staff and students alike, we are all in need of a break. This term has been a very hectic one with many great opportunities for our students to shine.

Term 4 is also notoriously busy, and I encourage everyone to mark **December 15** in their calendar the inaugural **Pretty Beach PS Carols Night**. This will be a community event, held on our beautiful new oval, with students, staff and community members performing all our favourite carols. There will be food and refreshments available, and we look forward to seeing as many families and members of the broader community as possible in attendance.

TTFM

The **Tell Them From Me Parent Survey** is now open. This survey offers parents an opportunity to share their perspective about the school and in particular the engagement and wellbeing of our students. The information gathered is highly valued and assists us in identifying our strengths and successes as well as areas for further improvement. I am really pleased that quite a number of parents have already completed the survey. If you haven't, please follow the link and tell us what you think <u>TTFMPS Link</u>



Stage 3 BYOD Program

This term we have reviewed the school's BYOD policy and *from 2023, Stage 3 students will no longer be required to provide their own technology device*. Plans are in place to purchase additional laptops to ensure that every Stage 3 student has access to a school device when required

Over the past few weeks, a number of our students have participated in activities designed for High Potential and Gifted Students. On 6 September Ella B, Misha S and Ethan G attended a CAPA Enrichment Day at Gosford High School and on the 13 September Jake S, Will K and Louis H took part in a STEM day, also at Gosford High School. This week 13 students attended the Central Coast GATS Camp held at Point Wolstoncroft. We hope all students: Freya T, Ella B, Elliot W, Tom S, Liam B, Orlando D, Max F, Jake S, Emily T, Nate R, Flora S, Georgia H and Toby W enjoyed this fantastic opportunity.

In Week 5 of this term, nine students completed **ICAS English Assessments**. Congratulations to the following students for their achievements: Distinction - Axel H and Freddie F Credit - Charlie T, Artie F, Jake S, Max F Participation Certificate – Ava S, Zoe W, Michael S

Aboriginal Yarn

This week we held our very first Yarn with our Aboriginal families. We plan to make this a regular event and see it as an opportunity to develop relationships and build whole school community understanding of Aboriginal histories and culture. Thank you to Leah Turton for her organisation of this event.

Principal Awards

The following students received Principal's Awards this week:

Ripper Readers from 3/4R - Matilda, Daisy and Imogen

Ripper Readers from 4/5P – Vin and Ethan

Emily, Fletcher and Michael from 5/6B for their impressive writing.





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Finally, I'd like to take this opportunity to thank our families for their ongoing support the term. Have a great holiday break with your beautiful children and we look forward to seeing them back on Monday 10 October.

Lisa x

Award Recipients

Congratulations and well done to all our Merit Award nominees who received their award at our last assembly: Term 3 Week 8

KT	Ollie, Harry, Rose, Taylor, Gigi
K1G	Bentley, Koa, Nixon, Mila,
12K	Josie, Archie, Taia, Harvey
2/3S	Esylan Millie, Morgan, Florence
34R	Sienna, Bay, Brianna, Artie
45P	Harper, Ethan, Isabell
56B	Jake, Ashley, Fletcher, Elliot





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Congratulations and well done to all our Personal Best nominees who received their award at our last assembly: Term 3 Week 2

KT	Duke, Tristan
K1G	Georgia, Huon
12K	Jagger, Alfie
2/3S	Sophie, Sylvie
34R	Hattie, Zac, Morris
45P	Eben, Jonah
56B	Freya, Luys





Clever Maths in 4/5P

4/5P have been working incredibly hard on their maths skills this term! It is amazing how many areas of mathematics relate to other areas of mathematics! After spending a long time looking at the properties of 3D objects, we finally made the leap into calculating volumes and capacities of solids and liquids. We realised that we would need a much larger unit than cm3 to measure the volumes and capacities of larger objects, so we decided to construct some CUBIC METRES! (Did you know there are 1,000,000cm3 in 1m3?!?!) We were surprised at how big 1m3 actually is. We could easily fit 8 students inside of it! We used a mathematical formula to calculate volume (ask your child to sing you the song!) and realised that the capacity of our classroom was 168m3. We had to utilise a lot of

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maths skills to be able to do all of this, including measuring length and multiplying 3 numbers! WE LOVE MATHS IN 4/5P! Mr P – 4/5P Teacher













Central Coast Primary Schools Public Speaking

On Wednesday the 21 September 2022, Ella, Reuben, Fern, Eric, Axel, Olivia P, Elliot W, and Olivia M represented their stage at the Central Coast Primary Schools' Public Speaking Competition Finals at Avoca Beach Public School. Our students competed against five other local schools. Our students presented their speeches with tremendous enthusiasm and confidence, and we congratulate all our speakers for being amazing representatives of Pretty Beach Public School. We wish Elliot W (Stage 3) all the best in the grand final at Somersby Public School on Tuesday 11 October 2022

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Stage Representatives: Early Stage 1: Ella and Reuben Stage 1: Eric and Fern Stage 2: Axel and Olivia P Stage 3: Elliot and Olivia M









Canteen

Thank you all for placing your child's lunch order Wednesday this week due to the public holiday. Also thank you to all of the volunteers who have assisted in the canteen this term.

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: <u>https://www.service.nsw.gov.au/basc-voucher</u>

Families can enrol at TASK by going to <u>https://www.task-kids.com.au</u>, selecting "Schools" from the top menu, choosing their school from the drop-down menu and clicking the "Enrol Now" button.



PRETTY BEACH HOLIDAY PROGRAM

SEPTEMBER 2022 - WEEK 1 (bookings close Wed 21 Sept)





 Excussion steps - phone limited + Movie table and rating to be conformed + Alternator tae provided + Alt MP subject to change + Each step phase bring: recess, kinch and weter bottle, het, relecant, social, convend shase and jumper - Al laballed.

OPEN DAY



Are you new to the area, on your holidays or maybe a long-term resident and want to refresh your fire readiness?

Come down and say g'day and have some fun at our open day and BBQ

8am to 1pm, Saturday 1 October 2022

4 Stanley Street, Killcare

Free information packs and other goodies available -"Get ready for a bushfire" Four simple steps to making your bush fire survival plan"