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Term 1 week 6

Newsletter

Principal's Column

Next week the School Council has their Annual General Meeting followed by the first meeting of the 2020 School Council.

The AGM is a public meeting at Pascoe Vale Primary during which the Annual Report will be presented. It is a good time to reflect on the past year and allow us to look ahead to

where we are heading as a school. This is an opportunity for parents to have direct connection with the school. Everyone is welcome, with the meeting starting at 7pm in the staffroom. Hope you can come along.

The Annual Report reports on the school context as well as the Framework for Improving Student Outcomes (FISO), Achievement, Engagement and Wellbeing, which are the heart of FISO. The School Financial Position is also summarised. At the AGM, all the sub committees' reports on the previous year will also be presented.

As I stated in the last newsletter, we are undergoing a review in term 3 this year.

Much of the information and data presented in the Annual Report will inform the school review. Also during term two, there will be some opportunities to give feedback, which will be included in the school self-evaluation.

Once again, I would like to thank the outgoing School Council members for all their time and contributions to PVPS, and welcome the incoming members.

The School Council members for 2020:

Paul Wise, Bree Mills, Darren Ward, Melissa Brown, Claire Wright, Deborah Cownley, Lorraine Edwards, Eve Melgaard, Nabeel Najam, Anne Naughton, Rajan Kadel, Vivianne Presta, Michael Rowland, Gavin Josef, Jade McEwen

Sporting achievements

Over the last few weeks, children have attended Interschool District sporting events in swimming and tennis and it was great to see so many students giving it a go. A number of children have progressed through to the next level, which is exciting for the teams and individuals.





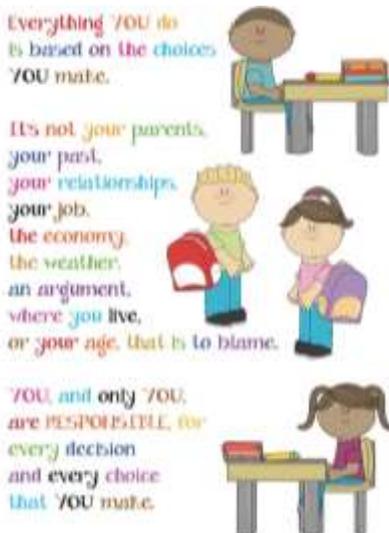
Sport is very beneficial for our young people. It improves their health, builds self-confidence and research tells us it improves students learning. We must however build students' resilience to understand they do not have to be the best or win everything to receive these benefits. Sport can be fun, joining in, doing your best and working with others in a team are all far more important than winning. Children who understand and get joy from doing/giving their

best are developing a successful way to live.

During Term 1, classrooms have focussed on the School Values of **Respect and Responsibility**.

We always talk about respecting each other, talking and treating each other with respect. Respect of the school facilities, grounds, possessions both their own and others'. Children need to see and hear this in action and be reminded and encouraged when they demonstrate respect. I am very proud of how our learning communities (classrooms) work so conscientiously in this area.

The later part of this term, we are looking at Responsibility. We also like to expand that into personal responsibility and collective responsibility. Talk to your children about what this means to them and what it means to you and your family.



2021 Enrolments

PVPS Foundation Enrolments for 2021 will open shortly. We currently have tours for new families available on specified days in March, April and June; however, there is no need for existing families to attend. Enrolment packs will be available at the office from March 17th. Below is the timeline for the enrolment process as well as an explanation of our Enrolment Priority Order. Pascoe Vale Primary has a designated neighbourhood boundary. To check you address, please visit the Find My School website at <https://www.findmyschool.vic.gov.au/>

Time Line

- March 17th 2020 - Enrolments for Foundation 2021 open.

- August 7th 2020 - Enrolments close.
- August 10th to 14th 2020 - Letter to confirm enrolment for students in category 1, or for students in category 2, to confirm enrolment or advise of unavailability. Place to be accepted or declined by 31st August.
- September-2020 – Students on waiting list for category 3 placements advised of availability and offered places if available.
- 1st October 2020 – All enrolments finalised.

Enrolment Priority Order

1. Students for whom their permanent residential address is within the Pascoe Vale Primary Designated Neighbourhood Area established in 2018.
2. Students who have a sibling enrolled at the school. See note below*
3. Students in order of proximity (by straight line from the Administration area of the school) of their permanent residential address to Pascoe Vale Primary.

Families seeking enrolment, who are outside the Designated Neighbourhood Area and have expressed interest in enrolling will be notified of the availability of a place during September.

***Please note we cannot guarantee enrolment of siblings if you have moved and your new permanent residential address is outside of our Designated Neighbourhood Area**

Birth Certificate and Proof of Immunisation

Both a birth certificate and Immunisation History Statement must be sighted at the office on enrolment.

Proof of Residency

For new families, or existing families who may have moved since first enrolling at our school, to complete the enrolment process, you will need to provide documentation (2 pieces e.g. rates/utilities) to show proof of residency within the Designated Neighbourhood Area.

Foundation/Prep Students

Enrolments open in March each year for the following year's intake of Foundation students. Families wishing to enrol their child/ren for the following year, should enrol by 7th August 2020. Enrolments for Foundation students will be confirmed in August/September of each year.

Enrolments in Years 1 - 6

We accept enrolments for all year levels at any time of the year for those living within the Designated Neighbourhood Area.

Calendar



March

9 th	Labour Day Public Holiday
10 th	Curriculum Day
11 th	Foundation students attend - full time
11 th	School Council AGM 7pm followed by new School Council at 8pm
12 th	5/6 Interschool Sport – away game – Moreland Primary
13 th	Ride to School Day
13 th	5/6 Interschool Sport – home game
13 th	Assembly 3pm
20 th	5/6 Interschool Sport – away game – Coburg West
27 th	Last Day Term 1- Assembly 2pm and early finish 2.30pm Junior School Council Free Dress with Gold coin donation towards our World Vision sponsor child Aayush, and to bushfire relief.



The National Day of Action against Bullying and Violence will be held on Friday 20th March. The theme for 2020 is 'Take Action Together'.

Students will participate in activities within their classrooms on Friday 20th March. They will also be able to purchase wristbands throughout the week from 16th -20th, with the money going towards welfare

PARENT PAYMENTS 2020 - \$260 per student.

Thank you to those families who have forwarded payment for their child.

If you have not already done so, please forward payment of \$260 per student either through compass, into the school bank account or cash/cheque to the school office.

If you are having difficulties with payment, please contact the school office, or send me an email to organise a payment plan.

Thanking you in advance.

Mandy Sicura

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School Photos 2020 - Pascoe Vale Primary School

Annual school photos have been taken.

To be able to view the images of your child and order photos, you will need to register online.

1. Go to <https://order.arphotos.com.au>
2. Enter the 2020 image code for your child (*from their personalized flyer*)
3. Fill in your email and mobile details

That's it! You'll be notified by email/SMS when images are ready to view and purchase. In the webshop you can view photos and customize your photo package; Choose ANY layout, ANY image plus purchase digital image downloads.

Even if you registered last year, you still need to register again this year to link your child's images for the current year with your details.

To be notified when images are ready to view – Register Online Now.

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Follow the link to <https://order.arphotos.com.au>

1. Enter the 2020 image code from your child's personalized flyer

2. Fill in your contact number and email address. Do this for each of your children or this school!

3. That's it! You'll receive an email and/or SMS when images are ready to view in our secure webshop.

Registration is required each year to link future images for the current year with your contact details.

1. One photo print & customize your photo package 2. Any layout, size or image 3. Multiple Digital Downloads

[This picture is also on Dojo](#)

Meet the teacher- Rebecca Foulds

Favourite hobbies: Playing basketball, spending time with my family, yoga

Favourite food: Fruit, pasta and avocado on toast

Favourite holiday destination: Anywhere with a beach!

Favourite sports team: Collingwood (football), Warriors (basketball)

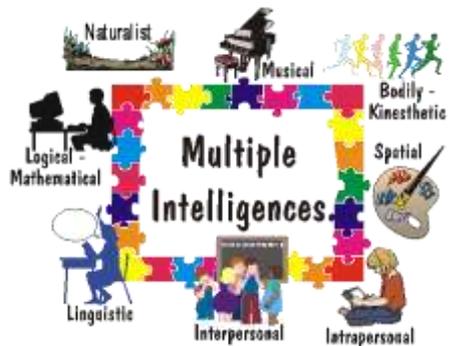
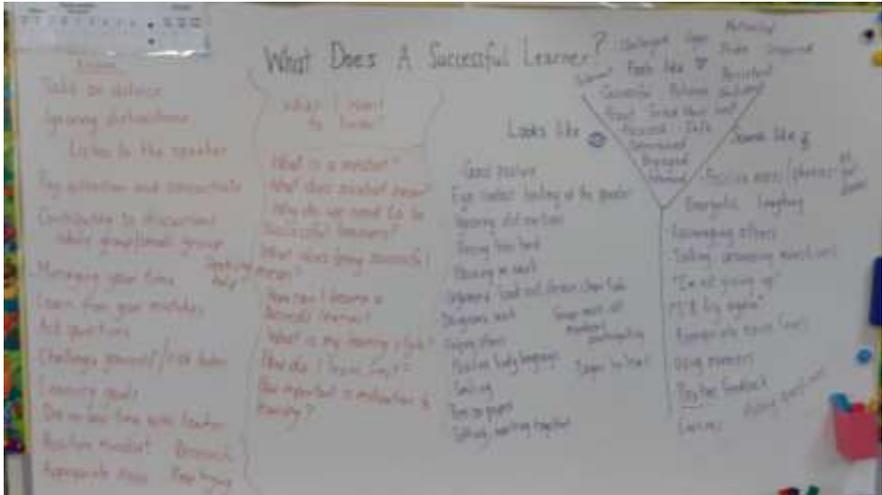
Favourite children's author or children's book: The Gruffalo

Favourite local café or restaurant: Fort Green – Jack and Daisy's



LEARNING IN 5/6J with MRS PANNUZZO

In 5/6J we have started an inquiry topic based on What Makes A Successful Learner? We discussed what successful learning looks like, feels like and sounds like. Students completed a Multiple Intelligences survey that highlighted what intelligence they are and what their best learning style is.





PVPS CHILD SAFE OFFICER- LISA AUDINO

At Pascoe Vale Primary School, we are committed to child safety.

As a community, we want children to be safe, happy and empowered. We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. There is zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures. We meet our legal and moral obligations to contact authorities when we are worried about a child's safety, which we follow rigorously.

Pascoe Vale Primary School is committed to preventing child abuse and identifying risks early, and removing and reducing these risks. We have robust human resources and recruitment practices for all staff and volunteers. Our school is committed to regularly training and educating our staff and volunteers on child abuse risks. As a community, we support and respect all children, as well as our staff and volunteers. We are committed to the cultural safety of Aboriginal children, the cultural safety of children from culturally and/or linguistically diverse backgrounds, and to providing a safe environment for children with a disability. Pascoe Vale Primary School has specific policies, procedures and training in place that supports our leadership team, staff and volunteers to achieve these commitments.

At Pascoe Vale Primary School:

- Everyone connected to our school can help children be safe.
- We have zero tolerance for any abuse of children.
- We already have policies and processes in place to protect the care, safety and welfare of children to ensure a zero tolerance approach to child abuse. As policies are updated and ratified at school council, they will be made available to you through the newsletter and on our web page.
- Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility. Different people at our school have different roles and responsibilities for ensuring children's safety.
- We have appointed Lisa Audino (our Welfare Officer) as our official Child Safety Officer. All staff are responsible for the safety of all children but there needs to be one key person who will undertake the roles listed below.

Key activities of OUR school Child Safety Officer

Provide authoritative advice

- Act as a source of support, advice and expertise to staff on matters of child safety.
- Liaise with the principal and school leaders to maintain the visibility of child safety.
- Lead the development of the school's child safety culture, including being a child safety champion and providing coordination in communicating, implementing, monitoring, enhancing and reporting on strategies to embed a culture of child safety.

Raise awareness

- Ensure the school's policies are known and used appropriately.
- Ensure the school's child safety policy is reviewed in the context of school self-evaluation undertaken as part of the school accountability framework.
- Ensure the child protection policy is available publicly and parents are aware of the fact that referrals about suspected abuse or neglect may be made and the role of the school in this.
- Be alert to the specific needs of children in need, those with special educational needs and young carers.
- Encourage among all staff a culture of listening to children and taking account of their wishes and feelings in any measures to protect them.

Train

- Being authoritative in providing advice by:
 - keeping their skills up to date with appropriate training carried out every two years
 - having a working knowledge of how the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) and Community Service Organisations conduct a child protection case conference to be able to attend and contribute to these effectively when required to do so
- Be able to keep detailed, accurate, secure written records of concerns and referrals.
- Ensure each member of staff has access to and understands the school's child safety policy and procedures, especially new and part time staff.
- Make sure staff are aware of training opportunities and the latest DHHS and DET policies and guidance.



Pascoe Vale Girls College invites prospective students and parents to attend our Open Day on Monday 20th April 2020

Information Sessions followed by tours of the College will be held at the following times:

Morning: 9.00am – 10.30am
Evening: 7.00pm – 8.00pm

Parents and children only need to attend one session. There is no need to register attendance.

APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN: YEAR 7 SEAL PROGRAM 2021

The SEAL Program provides differentiated teaching and learning that meets the needs of gifted and talented learners. The Program provides stimulating learning experiences that challenge, extend, and develop the gifts of students by offering acceleration and enrichment. SEAL students will study faster paced curriculum and have the opportunity to study concepts in greater depth. There is a greater emphasis on higher order thinking and learning skills and independent learning and research. The SEAL program is suited to students who are capable of studying curriculum at a faster pace, have a strong passion for learning, are capable of working independently, enjoy intellectual challenges and have superior problem solving abilities.

Visit the College website for further information and to apply for the SEAL program:
www.pvgs.vic.edu.au

If you are unable to attend our Open Day sessions, the College also conducts tours with the Principal or an Assistant Principal throughout the year. Bookings can be made by contacting the College on 9386 2544 or online through the College website at www.pvgs.vic.edu.au.