

# POINT CLARE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



TERM 3 | WEEK 9 | 16 SEPT 2019

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## IMPORTANT DATES

Mon	16/9	Swim Scheme St 2
Tues	17/9	Swim Scheme Kinder 2020 Trans.
Wed	18/9	ICAS English Zone Athletics Swim Scheme Kinder 2020 Trans.
Thurs	19/9	ICAS Maths Swim Scheme Kinder 2020 Trans.
Fri	20/9	Scope IT - Stage 2 Swim Scheme Kinder 2020 Trans. Choral Festival Rehearsal
Mon	23/9	Swim Scheme
Tues	24/9	Swim Scheme
Wed	25/9	Swim Scheme ES1 Reptile Park
Thurs	26/9	Swim Scheme PBL Rewards Day
Fri	27/9	Swim Scheme Scope IT Stage 2 <b>LAST DAY OF TERM 3</b>

*Thought of the Week*

**DO WHAT  
IS RIGHT,  
NOT WHAT  
IS EASY**

## SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS

We have had more good news during the past week with two more students achieving outstanding individual results in their chosen pursuits. Anni of Stage 2 Blue has recently attended the Merriwa Interschool Equestrian Competition which consisted of show ring and sporting events. In total Anni came away with a first, a fourth and three fifth placings. What an outstanding effort Anni! Additionally, we have had Charlotte from Stage 3 Green selected to attend the Australian Ballet Workshops! The workshops are co-ordinated by the Arts Unit in Alexandria who run a wide range of programs that strive to meet dance curriculum needs beyond local school resources for selected students in Years 4 to 12. Successful students often perform a major role in high profile events such as State Dance Festival and Schools Spectacular. Congratulations Charlotte!



## NAPLAN RESULTS 2019

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to report that, on balance, our NAPLAN results for 2019 are exceptionally good. Highlights include the following:

TEST	YEAR 3 V NSW AVERAGE SCORE	YEAR 5 V NSW AVERAGE SCORE
Reading	2.4% above	19.5% above
Spelling	8.8% above	11.5% above
Numeracy	6% above	6.8% above
Grammar & Punctuation	12.5% above	19% above

In terms of Writing growth, our Year 5 students on average have improved their scores by an effect size of 0.92 which is significantly above the expected effect size of 0.8. An effect size measurement of 0.4 indicates one year of improvement. Therefore, we expect Year 5 students to achieve results that reflect a measurement of 0.8 for two years. Well done to all students involved in 2019.

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The Department of Education also monitors a set of key performance measures known as the "Premier's Targets". These targets refer to the "% OF STUDENTS ACHIEVING THE TOP 2 BANDS OF NAPLAN". At our school this measure has improved by 10.51% in the four years that I have been Principal at the school. The improvement is a direct result of quality teaching, strategic planning, dedication and substantial effort from the staff. It is also a result of the implementation of key programs in our school including the Visible Learning – School Improvement Program and the Seven Steps to Writing Program.

The following summary results reflect the value added by each year of schooling at Point Clare Public School.

2016 – 37.74% in the top two bands

2017 – 42.51% in the top two bands

2018 – 41.99% in the top two bands

2019- 48.25% in the top two bands

There is a **clear, upward trend** to this data which confirms that the school is moving in the right direction.

## TELL THEM FROM ME SURVEY (TTFM) 2019

The Tell Them From Me survey for parents, students and teachers has opened for 2019. All students in Year 4, 5 and 6 will be completing the survey unless exempt by parent request (a note regarding student surveys will be sent home today). This survey gives the school important information on the programs that are of benefit to the students, as well as providing valuable constructive feedback on ideas to make our school even better. The more responses we get the better our ability to make change. We value the contributions that our parents make to our school and would like to invite all parents to complete the Tell them from Me Parent Survey by following the link at: <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/pcps2019>

## KINDERGARTEN TRANSITION

A gentle reminder that if you have a child, family relative, neighbour, friend etc. who intends to be enrolled for Kindergarten 2020 then you need to do so as soon as possible as our transition program is in full swing. It is absolutely essential that all children have their enrolment applications to the office before the end of term. Please be aware that there are changes to the Department Enrolment Policy that come into effect day one of Term 4 this year.

## TEMPORARY STAGE 1/2 WHITE CLASS MOVE

STAGE 1/2 WHITE have had to move out of their classroom whilst the preparation and repairs for some water damage to the roof are completed. The damage is restricted to one corner of the room but the safety of the students and staff is our highest priority so they have had to relocate. For the interim, STAGE 1/2 WHITE will be working out of the final room in B - Block right on the corner of all the Kindergarten classrooms. We are sorry for the inconvenience.

**Scott Campbell - School Principal**

## POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING (PBL)

This week our PBL focus area is the Basketball Court. In class students will be learning about the expectations when students use the Basketball Court.

## PBL REWARDS DAY

Our PBL Rewards Day for Term 3 will be held next Thursday 26 September. This term students have been earning Kan-Doo stickers to recognize their positive behaviour choices throughout the term outside the classroom and students will be taking part in rewards based on the number of stickers they have earned.



Point Clare Public School Basketball Court Matrix		
Respect	Take turns Share the space & equipment Polite & positive talk	
Responsibility	Return equipment Wait for the teacher Wear a hat	
Personal Best	Play fair Be a good sport	



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## AWARD WINNERS - WEEK 8

ES1 GREEN	Principal's Award	Giorgia P
	Merit Award	Lenna H
ES1 RED	Principal's Award	Ocea C
	Merit Award	Eva F
ES1 YELLOW	Principal's Award	Emily A
	Merit Award	Angus F
ES1 PURPLE	Principal's Award	Malaki T
	Merit Award	Ruby L
S1 BLUE	Principal's Award	Alex F
	Merit Award	Alex H
S1 GREEN	Principal's Award	Jacqui-Lynn M
	Merit Award	Matilda B
S1 PURPLE	Principal's Award	Chloe H    Hermione L-B
	Merit Award	Ava P   Savannah S
S1 RED	Principal's Award	Georgina P
	Merit Award	Alice G
S1 YELLOW	Principal's Award	Taylah F
	Merit Award	Joshua W
S1 ORANGE	Principal's Award	James S
	Merit Award	Isla M
S1/2 WHITE	Principal's Award	Izzy O'D
	Merit Award	Anna B
S2 BLUE	Principal's Award	Eddie R
	Merit Award	Ryan Sp
S2 GREEN	Principal's Award	Harry G
	Merit Award	Archie B
S2 PURPLE	Principal's Award	Hayley M
	Merit Award	Rufus W
S2 RED	Principal's Award	Adrian R
	Merit Award	Chelsea B
S2 YELLOW	Principal's Award	Kairavan
	Merit Award	Audrey
S3 BLUE	Principal's Award	Eva G
	Merit Award	Angus P
S3 GREEN	Principal's Award	Brooke
	Merit Award	Hunter F
S3 RED	Principal's Award	Olivia Mc
	Merit Award	Sam C
S3 PURPLE	Principal's Award	Samantha G
	Merit Award	Jasmin B
S3 YELLOW	Principal's Award	Ashton C
	Merit Award	Isabelle G

## AWARD WINNERS



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## LIBRARY NEWS

### Australian Reading Hour

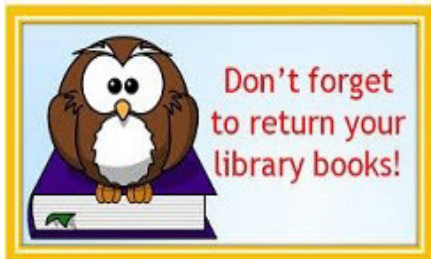
Celebrate the joy of reading on Thursday 19 September. Set aside an hour to relax and share a good book with your child.

Studies have shown that reading improves a child's concentration, vocabulary, writing ability and imagination. Reading can also develop empathy, promote critical thinking and help children form an awareness of identity.

In adults, reading has been shown to reduce stress by 68% more than listening to music, going for a walk, or having a cup of tea.

Australian  
**Reading Hour**

### Holiday Borrowing & Overdue Books



Students are encouraged to borrow during the holidays, we have many new titles that are sure to entertain and engage busy minds during the holidays.

Unfortunately, students will not be allowed to borrow if they have overdue books. Overdue notices are now sent via email, and your assistance in locating and returning these books is appreciated.

If your child is still reading the book, please ensure that it is renewed before the holidays (bring the book into the library to scan and re-borrow).

If a book has been misplaced, please contact me, so arrangements can be made. In some instances, a small replacement fee may be required to assist with the purchase of a new copy of the book.

All books borrowed in Week 10 will be due 1st week back in Term 3.

Happy Reading!

**Jodie McCabe - Teacher Librarian**

## YEAR 5 TASTER DAY

Last Thursday our Year 5 Students had a taste of what High School would be like when they travelled to Henry Kendall High School for their Taster Day. Students participated in a range of interesting lessons including; Food Tech, Woodwork, Art and Science. All of the students and teachers had a fantastic day and enjoyed taking part in the activities!

### Mr Brock





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## School Banking is a great fundraiser for our school!



School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our P&C at Point Clare Public School. Our P&C receives a 'Regular Savers Contribution' of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student, as well as an 'Annual Contribution' which is based on the number of students who made at least **one School Banking deposit in the year.**

This means that if every child banked just once in a year, we could increase the 'Annual Contribution' from the Commonwealth Bank!

**So, let's get banking Point Clare – just 20 cents – just one time each year....**

If your child has lost their book, they can bring their money to school in a sealed envelope with a note on the next School Banking Wednesday. We are happy to issue them with a replacement book and wallet.

A big thank you to all the parents who support the School Banking program at Point Clare PS. We think it is a great way for kids to learn about saving while supporting our P&C to raise funds for our children.

If you would like to know more about School Banking, please ask for a 2019 School Banking program information pack from the school office or visit [commbank.com.au/schoolbanking](http://commbank.com.au/schoolbanking)

## Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Promotion

Each year the Canteen participates in the Fresh for Kids Eat Fresh and Win Canteen Campaign. This gives students who choose menu items which have fresh fruit or vegetable ingredients the opportunity to earn rewards and have a chance at winning some fantastic prizes.

This promotion will start next week in our Canteen (Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September) and will run till the last Tuesday in this term (24<sup>th</sup> September).

Students will be given a sticker for each fruit or vegetable item they buy from the Canteen along with a sticker card. They only need two stickers to go in the prize draw!

We will be asking students to fill out their entry form themselves (which may need parent help for the younger years). Unfortunately with so much to do in the Canteen our volunteers can't keep up with helping every child complete their entry so we appreciate parent help in this area.

Every time a student hands in their completed sticker card they will be rewarded with an awesome coloured texta- there are 6 to collect 🍌

There may be some extra recess items available during this promotion which we will promote on the P&C Facebook page- P&C for Point Clare Public School. Like the page to stay up to date with this promotion.

Running this promotion will make it extra busy in the Canteen allocating stickers and rewards and we appreciate any extra help available for our counter service times.

Recess: 10.45-11.30am Lunch: 1-2pm

Please email [canteen@pointclarepandc.com](mailto:canteen@pointclarepandc.com) if you can help.

Thank you. We hope the kids enjoy this promotion!

P&C Canteen Team



## Collect and grow all 24 vegies, herbs and flowers

Get 1 seedling kit with every  
\$30 you spend\*.

A photograph of a 'Woolworths Discovery Garden' seedling kit. It is a green plastic tray containing 24 small pots, each with a different seedling. The kit is labeled 'Woolworths DISCOVERY GARDEN' and '24 seedlings'. It also includes a small booklet and a sticker.

**Woolworths Promotion**  
Please bring any unwanted "Discovery Garden" boxes to the school office.

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**"GET THE POWER!"**

**FOOTY FINALS SALE**

**TOYO TIRES**

**BUY 3 GET 1 FREE**

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**PEXA** Member



**XtrAct**  
Drama Academy

DID YOU KNOW that drama classes run at Point Clare Public School on **Wednesday** afternoons?

In **Term Four** a new class will be starting for students in **Stage One** that will introduce them to the fun games and activities we undertake in a drama class.

Time: 3.15 – 3.45pm  
Cost \$60  
Location: S1 Blue Classroom

For enquiries or to place your name on the waiting list contact Danielle at [info@xtract.com.au](mailto:info@xtract.com.au)

Introduction to drama

**Born2Rock**  
Music School

**TERM 4 ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN**

**GUITAR - DRUMS - PIANO - VOCALS**  
**BASS - UKULELE - WOODWIND - BRASS**

Enrol by October 20th with your Creative Kids Voucher and get 4 lessons for the price of 3!

That's \$140 worth of lessons **TOTALLY FREE!**

**0411893141** [www.born2rock.com](http://www.born2rock.com)  
4/2 Carnarvon Rd, West Gosford

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**UMINA TENNIS FUTSAL**

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP NOTICE**

Where: UMINA TENNIS, Umina  
1<sup>st</sup> WEEK OF THE HOLIDAYS  
When: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> Sept - Friday 4<sup>th</sup> Oct  
Time: 9am-3pm  
Cost: Wk \$80, ½ Day Wk \$50, Full Day \$25, ½ Day \$15  
**BEFORE & AFTER CAMP CARE NOW AVAILABLE 7AM-6PM \$150 wk.**  
Included: Racquets, Sausage Sizzle Thursday, Prizes Friday

The camp will be predominately tennis with other activities such as soccer, cricket, basketball etc to keep the children occupied. The camps are held wet or fine with indoor activities provided. No booking needed just turn up on the day. Lunch orders available.

0410 828 278.



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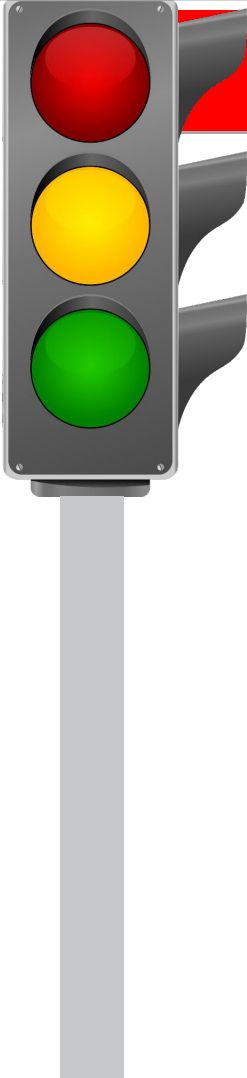
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## Talking with Your Kids

About divorce and separation issues

**Talking with your Kids** is a 3 hour workshop that aims to assist you as a parent to talk with your kids about difficult issues such as:

- Parental conflict
- Carrying messages
- Financial issues
- Taking sides
- Children's understanding of your separation
- Relationships and loyalty, and
- Dealing with step-parents.

The seminar will assist you to:

- Respond to your kids when difficult issues arise
- Recognise when your children feel caught in the middle of any conflict
- Help you understand the importance of child-friendly explanations of adult issues
- Help you develop skills and strategies to talk with your children about these issues

And will cover tricky questions children may ask, such as:

- "Why did you separate?"
- "How come you don't love Mummy/Daddy anymore?"
- "Why do I have to go to Mum/Dad's?"
- "Mum told me to tell you to pay my school fees."

You will get to talk to other parents in similar situations. You will also get a workbook to take away with examples of other questions and ideas.

This 3 hour Workshop will be held at

**Place: Peninsula Community Centre**  
**Date: Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019**  
**Time: 9.30m till 12.30pm**

For more information and to reserve your place, please contact Coast Community Connections, Peninsula Community Centre on 43419333 please select option 3 then 1

**Uniting**

