

POINT CLARE PUBLIC SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 | WEEK 10 | 14 DEC 2020



Nurturing Inspiring Achieving

IMPORTANT DATES

Tues 15/12 ES1, S1 & S2 End of Year Party Day

Wed 16/12 LAST DAY FOR STUDENTS
ES1 Pizza Day

**ALL STUDENTS EXCEPT ES1
BEGIN SCHOOL ON FRIDAY
29 JANUARY 2021**

**SWIMMING CARNIVAL
2021
THURSDAY
4 FEBRUARY**

Thought of the Week



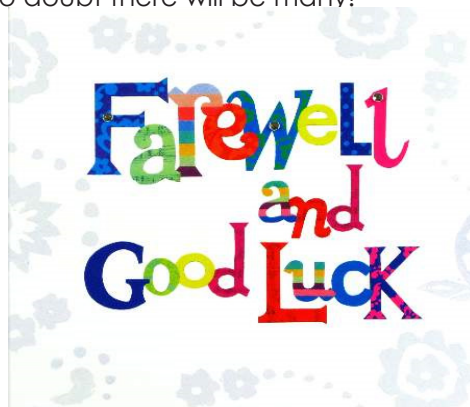
SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS

Point Clare Public School has achieved many fabulous achievements in what has been the most disrupted year anyone of us could have ever imagined. On behalf of the staff I want to express my sincere gratitude to our whole school community for getting right behind the school. Your continued support has helped us to support the students in ways many of us couldn't have even considered possible a year ago. I want to thank the admin team, our cleaners, our School Learning Support Officers and every teacher in our school for showing great resilience and perseverance in an extremely tough working environment during the COVID-19 pandemic. You are all heroes in my books. My thanks also go out to the P & C for supporting the school in the hardest ever year to conduct fundraising. We are hugely appreciative of the contributions and donations throughout the year for the school band, the home readers, the sustainable gardens support and the assistance with the new Prowise interactive panels for Stage 1. We look forward to working with you again in 2021.

Our three-year 'Visible Learning' school improvement program run in conjunction with Empire Bay PS has helped our school to embed a goal setting culture that is owned and driven by the teachers and the students. This ownership has once again created fabulous results right across the school.

Academically, this year we had the "Check-In" Assessments for Years 3 & 5 which replaced NAPLAN for one year. Our results for these literacy and numeracy assessments confirm that the school continues to produce impressive results with the average achievement of both year groups well above both NSW average and the Similar Schools Group (SSG) average. In Kindergarten, we have maintained our 5 year average of at least 92% of students achieving above the expected Reading benchmark by the end of the year. These results are the product of a strong school learning culture that is driven by excellent teachers and highly engaged learners.

Finally, my sincere congratulations go out to our outgoing and very talented Year 6 students. You have individually and collectively achieved so many great things in your years at Point Clare Public School. You will be most definitely fondly remembered. We wish you all the best for high school and look forward to hearing all about your achievements in the near future. No doubt there will be many!



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STAFFING UPDATE

This week marks the final week at Point Clare Public School for a few of our staff. As previously mentioned on presentation day and earlier newsletters, we also sadly say goodbye to Mrs Arkell, Mrs Shargh and Mrs Ricketts. Mrs Arkell has secured a permanent teacher position at Gosford East Public School, Mrs Shargh has chosen to take up a new role outside of the Education Department and Mrs Ricketts will remain on LSL and then retire at the end of Term 1 - 2021. Mr Greg Stratton, one of our General Assistants, has also been offered a full-time permanent position at Avoca Beach Public School. Greg will be greatly missed, not only for his outstanding skills but because of his excellent teamwork, friendly nature and willingness to solve any problem he can. We wish all of you the very best for the future and thank you for your significant contributions to Point Clare Public School. You will all be most definitely missed. Our newly selected Assistant Principal for Stage 1 in 2021 will be Mrs Nadine Scott from Niagara Park Public School who will commence duty on the last day of Term 1 – 2021. Mrs Scott has extensive experience as an Assistant Principal with a strong background in Literacy intervention programs. We are looking forward to working with her in 2021.

LAST WEEK OF TERM 4 REMINDERS

- School concludes for all students on Wednesday, 16 December 2020.
- School resumes on Friday 29 January 2021 for all students in Stages 1, 2 and 3. Teachers return on Wednesday, 27 January 2021.
- Kindergarten students will be completing their BEST START ASSESSMENTS from January 29 to 2 February 2021.
- Kindergarten will commence normal classes from Monday 3 February 2021.
- Any families who have not yet booked their BEST START interview times via <https://pcps.simplybook.me/v2/> should do so before Friday 18 December 2020. If you experience any problems contact the school front office.
- Any security concerns over the school holidays should be phoned into the School Security Hotline - 1300 880 021.

Have a happy, safe and restful holiday break everyone!

SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

On Thursday 4 February we will be holding our school swimming carnival at Woy Woy Peninsula Leisure Centre. A permission note will be sent out on the first day back at school and the cost will be \$9 per student.

Mrs Roberts
Co-ordinator



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LIBRARY NEWS

Premier's Reading Challenge Reminder

Congratulations PCPS, we had 200 students complete the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) in 2020. This is a wonderful achievement and something the students should be very proud of. Next year, I would like to see even more students take up the challenge. Don't forget to keep a record of the books read over the Christmas holidays, as these can be recorded on the 2021 PRC entry. More information can be found here <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html>



The student portal for the 2021 PRC Challenge will open on Monday 1 March, 2021.

Overdue Books and Holiday Borrowing

Thank you to all the students who have shown such enthusiasm for borrowing this year. Please ensure all books have been returned to the library, we still have a few outstanding items that must be returned before the holidays. Please contact me, if you have any concerns regarding a misplaced or lost book. In some instances, a small replacement fee may be required to assist with the purchase of a new copy of the book. Thank you for your assistance and understanding.



Are you a member of the Gosford Libraries? Membership is free and once you are a member of Central Coast Libraries, you are able to borrow from any branch (Woy Woy, Umina, Erina, Gosford, Kariong, Tuggerah). Join online here <https://www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/libraries/membership>

Looking for something to do during the holidays? Central Coast Libraries have a range of fun activities for children. The libraries also offer great holiday programs for kids. Have a look at their 'What's On' page here <https://www.centralcoast.nsw.gov.au/libraries/whats-on>

Merry Christmas. Hope everyone has a wonderful break.

Jodie McCabe - Teacher Librarian

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STAGE AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to all our Stage Award winners from last week's school Presentation Days.



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SILVER AWARD WINNERS



Northern Beaches &
Central Coast

*Experience a different language and culture
without the airfares!*

30-60 minute classes for 5 to 12 year olds
FUN Activities; Music; Games; Drama
Unique online resources for members
Experienced & enthusiastic native teachers
- Online classes available -

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2021

FRENCH CLUBS

WAMBERAL PUBLIC SCHOOL Monday 8.00am- 8.30am & 8.30am -9.00am
POINT CLARE PUBLIC SCHOOL Tuesday 8.00am
AVOCA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL Tuesday 3.30pm
TERRIGAL PUBLIC SCHOOL Wednesday 8.00am
ERINA HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL Thursday 8.00am



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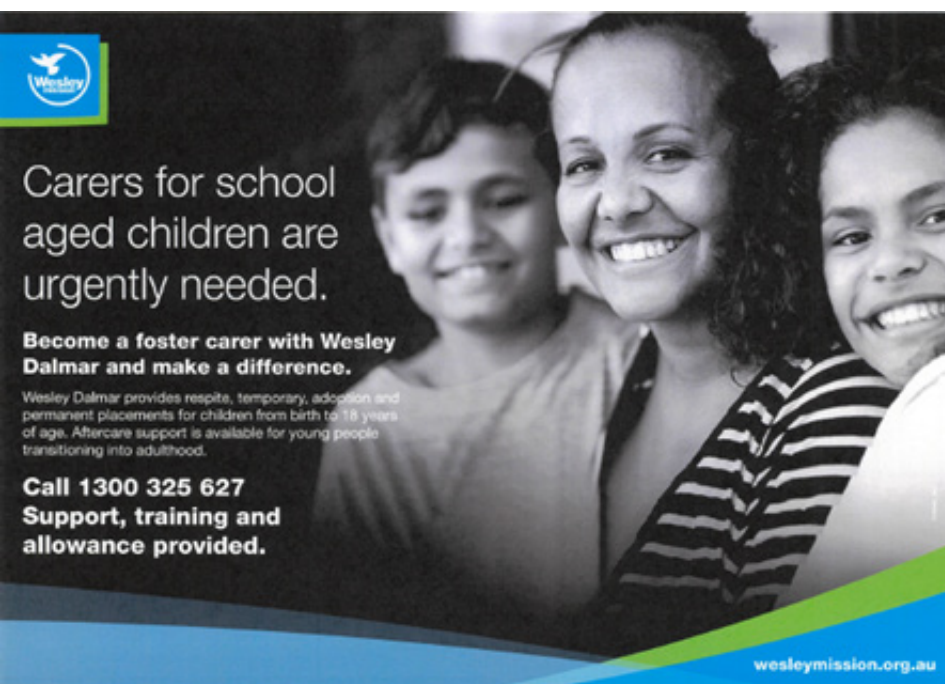

ERINA HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL Monday 4.00pm

SPANISH CLUBS

AVOCA BEACH PUBLIC SCHOOL Monday 8.15 am
POINT CLARE PUBLIC SCHOOL Monday 3.00pm & 4.00pm
ERINA HEIGHTS PUBLIC SCHOOL Tuesday 3.15pm
WAMBERAL PUBLIC SCHOOL Thursday 3.30pm



To receive an information pack
Call Nathalie Roy 0430 286 590
or email: nathalie.roy@lcclubs.com.au
www.lcclubs.com.au



Carers for school aged children are urgently needed.

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Wesley Dalmar provides respite, temporary, adoption and permanent placements for children from birth to 18 years of age. Aftercare support is available for young people transitioning into adulthood.

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SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP NOTICE

Where: UMINA TENNIS, Umina
When: Monday 4th Jan - Friday 8th Jan
Monday 18th Jan – Friday 22nd Jan
Time: 9am-3pm
Cost: Wk \$80, Day \$25
BEFORE & AFTER CAMP CARE AVAILABLE 7AM-6PM \$150P/WK
BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL


Included: Racquets, Prizes & Presentation Friday

The camp will be predominately tennis featuring MVP Football. We will also be running other activities such as cricket, basketball, athletics etc to keep the children occupied. The camps are held wet or fine with indoor activities provided. Lunch orders available.

0410 828 278/0415506635



CENTRAL COAST



SIXERS
HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



Sixers Holiday Camps are for boys and girls aged 5yrs to 10yrs old.
Each participant will receive a Cricket Blast Pack
Soft ball used with all equipment supplied.

LOCATION: Adcock Park, West Gosford
WHEN: Tuesday 12th & Wednesday 13th January 2021
TIME: 9am - 12noon
COST: \$60

Google - sydney sixers holiday program central coast
to register



JOIN THE FUN AT YOUR LOCAL CENTRE
REGISTER AT PLAYCRICKET.COM.AU



FREE HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

Come and explore rock pools with OCCI's expert guides and learn about the fascinating creatures that live there.
There is a maximum of 25 people per walk **so bookings are essential**.
Most suited to ages 5 years to adult. All Children need to be accompanied by an adult.
All participants are required to wear closed in shoes for protection.

DATES:

Wednesday, 30.12.2020, Norah Head @ 3pm
Monday, 11.1.2021, Toowoan Bay @ 1.15pm
Wednesday, 13.1.21, Terrigal Haven @ 3pm



To book, please text Linda on **0404 450 429**

You will need to leave:

- Your name,
- Children's names and ages
- Phone No. Preferably mobile;
- Date & walk location;
- Source of information

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Summer Holiday Junior Chess Tournament



Limit 50 players.
Entries close
Sunday 10 Jan.

Tuesday 12 January

Mingara Recreation Club, Tumbi Umbi
9.30am – 4.00pm

Must pre-enter

\$10 cash on the day

Contact Gary Losh

glosh6090@gmail.com

0432 453 726

Puzzle competition, lots of prizes
Covid rules will be enthusiastically observed

Minimum ability: Must know how to move the pieces and complete games largely unassisted.



Christmas School Holiday Program



Monday 21st December	Tuesday 22nd December	Wednesday 23rd December
9am - 12pm Gymnastics	9am - 12pm Gymnastics	9am - 12pm Gymnastics
12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids	12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games	12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids

Ages 5 - 12 years
\$27.00 for a half day or \$42.00 for a full day
Bookings Essential - Contact us on 4344 7851
Use your Creative Kids Voucher!
(Conditions apply - contact the club for more information)

*Participants must have a current PCYC Membership *Participants must bring their own food & drink
*Participants must wear closed in shoes



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PCYC January UMINA BEACH School Holidays Program

MONDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
4TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games

TUESDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics & Creative Kids
5TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Boxing & Soccer

WEDNESDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
6TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games

THURSDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
7TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids

FRIDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
8TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids



MONDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
14TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games

TUESDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics & Creative Kids
15TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Boxing & Soccer

WEDNESDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
22ND JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games

THURSDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
21ST JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids

FRIDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
22ND JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids



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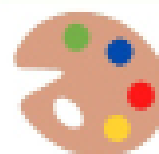
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11TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games

TUESDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics & Creative Kids
12TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Boxing & Soccer

WEDNESDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
13TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games

THURSDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
14TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids

FRIDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
15TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Archery & Creative Kids



MONDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
25TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games

WEDNESDAY 9am - 12pm Gymnastics
27TH JANUARY 12pm - 3pm Creative Kids & Games



We did it Point Clare! Congratulations on all your achievements this year! I'm extremely thankful for the community that we live in as we have done well to support each other through the unpredictability of 2020. If this is your last year at PCPS, on behalf of the P&C I wish you and your families the very best as you move on to the next stage of your family's journey.

One of the key members of our community we are farewelling this year is Jen Moes. Jen is a previous P&C President and has been an active member of the P&C for the many years she has been with us. Thank you for all your valued, constructive input and assistance with our events and activities Jen!

This week we also farewell Liz Post, another phenomenal volunteer who has been a warm, friendly presence at our school. Liz has always been there for us whenever we need an extra hand in the Canteen or Uniform Shop and she has even spent part of her time volunteering as a School Banking Coordinator and assisting at Fundraisers. Thank you for your valuable assistance all these years Liz!

For those returning in 2021, please remember that you can contact us any time to find out how you can get involved ☺ As a community we have strength in our combined knowledge and experience. We are *always* looking for more volunteers to join our various P&C teams and help in our regular services. It doesn't have to be a regular commitment. Any time you can spare is valued.

Our email is secretary@pointclarepandc.com

Select 'Like' on our Facebook page for P&C event dates, updates and communication: ['P&C FOR POINT CLARE PUBLIC SCHOOL'](#).



**Wishing you all a safe & happy holidays with a wonderful new year ahead!
See you in 2021 Point Clare!**

Janaki Selvarajan- President, Point Clare Public School P&C Association



YOUR CANTEEN

>>ONLINE ORDERS ONLY<<
ORDERS DUE BY 8:15AM



MUNCH MONITOR ACCOUNT CLOSURES FOR ALL STUDENTS LEAVING AT THE END OF 2020 (including year 6 students)

If your child is leaving the school at the end of 2020 please email Munch Monitor to close their account and receive your refund of any remaining funds.

info@munchmonitor.com

Please allow 7 – 30 days for processing

**Thank you for your support,
The PCPS P&C Canteen Team**

canteen@pointclarepandc.com

YOUR UNIFORM SHOP

>> ONLINE ORDERS ONLY <<

Next orders due in by midnight on
26th January 2021

Thank you for your support and understanding of
our operational changes this year.

We look forward to seeing you all in the new year!

PCPS P&C Uniform Shop Team
uniformshop@pointclarepandc.com



Summer Uniform



We are always on the lookout for Grants & Competitions'



What is a grant?

It's a financial award given to a qualified recipient for a specific purpose.

What have we won a grant for in the past?

Successful grant applications for Point Clare have earned us a new dishwasher and an oven for the canteen as well as a voucher towards outdoor equipment.

How can you help?

We need our community's support to tell us about any opportunities that you see or hear through newsletters, social media, and the news as well as from your family, friends and colleagues.

Please email secretary@pointclarepandc.com or you can forward any opportunities you see via our Facebook page 'P&C for Point Clare Public School'.

We look forward to hearing from you,
PCPS P&C Grant Writing Team