

Newsletter

March 2018

Issue 04

What's On

23 March	Metropolitan Swimming Carnival (selected students)
28 March	School Swimming Carnival
29 March	Easter Fun Day
30 March	Good Friday
2 April	Easter Monday
12 April	PBL and Amazing Achiever Assembly
13 April	Last day of Term



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Thank you for participating in the development your child's Personalised Learning Plan.
Thank you for assisting with Hydrotherapy to ensure students are able to participate weekly.
Thank you for returning notes and payments when necessary.
Thank you for allowing The Ponds School to be part of your community.
We strive to create a safe and caring quality learning environment for all our students.

Congratulations

I believe that we have great staff at The Ponds School and Greg Wood's expertise has been formally recognised. Greg has gained the position of Principal at Tallowood School beginning term 2. I hope you will join us to congratulate Greg on achieving this promotion and wishing him all the best for the future. Greg will be greatly missed by the entire Ponds School community.

Harmony Day

It was fantastic to see students in traditional/national costumes and students wearing orange for Harmony day. Thank you to parents and carers that joined us for the Ponds Possums dance performance, the Harmony day parade and for contributing to the most amazing, diverse and exceptionally tasty morning tea. Thank you to the students and staff who created beautiful harmony day posters and participated in a range of Harmony day activities.
Every student will contribute to a large work of art which will be placed in the hall.

Amazing Achievers and Positive Behaviour for Learning Assembly

On Thursday 12th April we will be celebrating our students at the Amazing Achievers and Positive Behaviour for Learning Assembly. Notes will be sent home to the families of students receiving an award. Our students are always excited to receive an Amazing Achiever ribbon, a PBL certificate or a Bronze bag tag. If and when your child receives a bag tag could you please attach the bag tag to your child's school bag. This will give staff and students the opportunity make comment on those bronze award winners. The students that have already been awarded with a bronze bag tag are now working towards a silver bag tag.

Sports for Schools Vouchers



Thank you to our school community for collecting Sports for Schools vouchers from Coles. The program will conclude on the 3rd of April. We will then send in the Sports for Schools vouchers and be informed of what Sporting resources we will be able to order.

Resources will be delivered to the school during term 3.

There will be many activities between now and the end of the term. Please “LIKE” The Ponds School Facebook page to stay up to date with the current events.

I will be on leave from Easter until the beginning of term 2. Greg Wood will be relieving Principal during my absence.

Leonie Donaldson
Principal

Make Online Payments

You no longer need to pay for your child’s excursions, uniforms etc. by cash or cheque because it is now possible for parents to make online payments to the school via a secure payment page hosted by Westpac and found on our school’s website. You are still able to make payments by cash or cheque if this is more convenient for you.

Online payments can be made using either a Visa or MasterCard credit or debit card. The payment page is accessed from the front page of the school’s website by selecting Pay Online.

Please visit our web site for Newsletters, Pay Online (POP), Uniform Pricelist and Order form, and much, much more. <http://www.theponds-s.schools.nsw.edu.au>

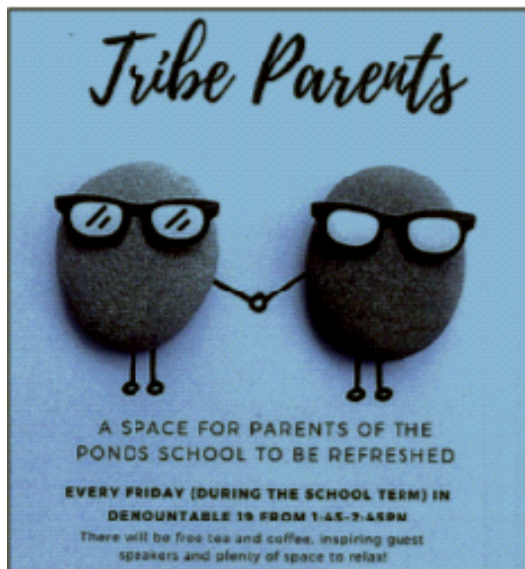
The Ponds Newsletter

Now our school has grown the cost of printing our newsletter in colour is becoming more expensive. If you are able to have your newsletter emailed instead of receiving a hard copy from school it would be greatly appreciated. Please fill in the below details and return to the school.

Child’s Name _____ Email Address _____

I wish to be emailed The Ponds School newsletter on a fortnightly basis.

Signature _____ Date _____



TAG FINANCIAL Charity Golf Day

Supporting The Ponds School



Wednesday, 2nd May 2018

Stonecutters Ridge Golf Club

86 Stonecutters Drive, Colebee (M7 Motorway, 15 mins from the end of the M2)

Registration and Breakfast - 7.00 am to 7.30 am



Hole Sponsorship - \$1,000 (Includes a team entry of 4)

Team (4) Entry - \$650 Individual Entry - \$175

Fees include breakfast and lunch, course fees, golf carts

FOUR PERSON AMBROSE

Team Prizes for 1st, 2nd & 3rd

The returning favourite **Jaffa** challenge

Individual Nearest **to Pin**, **Longest Drive** & the **Putting Competition**

On the Dancefloor, Mulligans, Raffles, Lucky Draw and more!

RSVP email to info@tagfinancial.sydney or call 02 8884 7444

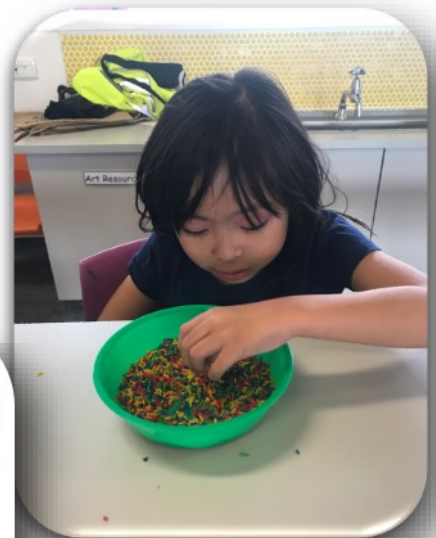
or alternatively phone Rod on 0414 451 105





Class 4

Welcome to our first newsletter article of 2018 from class 4. Class 4 is off to a very productive and fun start to 2018. Mia, Madeleine, Jasmine, Narelle, Lara and Zainab have been working hard focusing on our class PBL goals of washing our hands before meal time, listening to our teachers and having safe hands. The girls are doing a fantastic job. We are enjoying our weekly walking program which involves walking around the school as a group looking for items which start with the letter of the week for that particular week. The music engagement program is back and we are all enjoying playing the different music instruments. We hope you enjoy our selection of photos which show what is happening in our class.



Class 13

Class 13 has had a productive and busy start to the year. We have welcomed a new student into our class, Jaden, and we look forward to getting to know him over the following weeks. Class 13 has been learning about Australian animals, Australia's first people and the ocean's ecosystems, and have produced some amazing artworks and explanations. Logan, Lachlan, James P, James D and Jaden have enjoyed their term so far.

