Newsletter



20 June 2019 Issue 09

What's On

Mon, 17 June—Fri, 28 June	Group 2 –Swim school	
Sun, 14 July	Circus Quirkus	CARE
Fri, 28 June	Name our frog colouring competition due	LEARN
Thurs, 4 July	Amazing Achievers and PBL Assembly	
Wed, 3 July	NAIDOC Day	BE SAFE
Fri, 5 July	Last day of Term 2	
Tue, 23 July	Students return back to school – Term 3	
Mon, 8 July	Working Bee at The Ponds School	

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Notes

Thank you to parents and carers for returning the following notes:

NAPLAN Camp Circus Quirkus Swim School Eid Celebration Don't forget to send back the Christmas party note.

Please keep an eye out for the following notes that will be in your child's bag before the end of the term:

Working Bee Photo permissions etc NAIDOC Day Hydrotherapy notes for Term 3 Community Access notes for Term 3 Electives notes for Term 3 Invitation to PBL and Amazing Achiever Assembly Circus Quirkus tickets for those who chose to attend in July

Working Bee

On Monday, 8th July (first day of the school holidays) we will be holding a Working Bee to rejuvenate the Sensory Garden. The Working Bee will begin at 9am and conclude at 12noon with lunch for all participants. A note will be sent home to confirm numbers.

Swim School

The first group of students completed Swim School on Friday 14th June. Every student improved their skills. The second group began on Monday 17th June and will have their last lesson on Friday, 28th June. We are very fortunate to have great Swim School instructors and our lovely pool to use for Swim School.

Eid Celebration

On Friday 14th June the students and staff celebrated EID. Thank you to the "Little Helpers on the Run" who provided the food and activities. Students joined in with the activities and then we all shared a meal together on the soft-fall outside the hall. Each of our students also received a gift to take home.

Camp

A group of our high school students will head off to Teen Ranch camp on Thursday, 20th June. They are all very excited to attend camp. For some students this will be their first time at camp and others attended last year. We wish them all a great time and look forward to hearing all about camp when they return on Friday, 21st June. Thank you to the staff involved for making this happen.

PBL and Amazing Achiever Awards Assembly

Our PBL and Amazing Achiever Assembly for Term 2 will be held at 9am on Thursday, 4th June. Parents and Carers of students receiving awards will be sent a note.

TAG

TAG Financial held a Golf Day with all monies raised going to our School. Our signing choir performed on the day. Classes 17 and 18 made a great video to say thank you and bookmarks made by our students were given to the participants. We are astounded and enormously grateful for the generous nature of all the TAG Golf Day participants as \$10 000 was raised. TAG Financial representatives will be attending Assembly on Thursday, 27th June so we can thank them personally.

School Spectacular

An audition video of our Signing Choir students performing at Rydges Festival in 2018 was sent to School Spectacular and the fantastic news is that those students have been invited to perform at Schools Spectacular this year. Notes will be sent home to those students selected. Congratulations to all involved in our Signing Choir.

Reports

Teachers are currently working on your child's Semester one or half-yearly report. These reports will be ready to be sent home by Friday, 5th July.

The Principal comments this semester will focus on a Department of Education initiative that resonates with the values and attitudes of The Ponds School and that is; Every Student is known, valued and cared for in our school.

Sick Students

Thank you for keeping your child home when they are sick and for coming to collect your child when they become sick at school. If your child is sick and will be away from school for three days or more please ring the school to let us know. It is important to minimise the risk of cross infection at school as we do have students who have low immunity and compromised immune systems and we don't want to share bugs.

Regards

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

<u>The Ponds School</u> *Term 2 Planner 2019*

Week/ Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 June	17 Newsletter Swim School	18 9am – 10 am Cafe Swim School	19 Swim School	20 Teen Ranch Camp Swim School Assembly Music Engagement	21 Baked Goods Teen Ranch Camp Swim School
9 June	24 Swim School	25 9am – 10 am Cafe Swim School	26 Swim School	27 Swim School Assembly Music Engagement	28 Baked Goods West Tigers Swim School
10 July	1 Newsletter	2 9am – 10 am Cafe	3 NAIDOC Day Pacific Hills Christian School stu- dents as- sisting	4 PBL and Amazing Achievers Assembly	5 Baked Goods West Tigers

Term 3 Planner 2019

Week/ Date	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 July	22 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY	23	24	25 Assembly Music Engagement	26 Baked Goods Do Something Day!
2 July/ August	29 Newsletter	30 9am – 10 am Cafe	31	1 Assembly Music Engagement	2 Baked Goods 9am – 11am Preparing for Life Expo
3 August	5	6 9am – 10 am Cafe	7	8 Assembly Music Engagement	9

Class 6

Class 6 has been very busy this term with swimming, recycling, cooking and our weekly bus trips around our neighbourhood.

We enjoy weekly bus trips where we have chips to eat and observe what is happening around us. When we go swimming, we feel very relaxed in the water and enjoy paddling and floating. Recycling is a weekly task, where we go to each class to empty their paper bins. The students each get a turn in knocking at the door and then empty their bin into our big blue container. Class 6 go to the kitchen every week and we cook some yummy food for us to eat.





Class 11



Greetings from Cornell, Ovini, Samuel, Ari, Mikail, Max, Niamh and Natalee. Class 11 have being extremely busy this semester. Every Monday, we go on Community Access to The Ponds Shopping Centre to purchase ingredients for cooking on Wednesday. All of the students enjoy travelling on the bus and always do so safely. We have cooked a range of delicious dishes including mini pizzas, pancakes, frittata, cupcakes and French toast.

Max, Cornell and Ovini participated in Swim School during weeks 6 and 7. They all achieved their hydrotherapy goals and thank you to the wonderful swimming instructors . They have ensured that all the students are confident and safe in and around water. That is all from Class 11. Thank you for reading about what is happening in our wonderful class.



Winter **School** Holiday Activities

Check out our school holiday activities for primary school students

Students will receive an interactive presentation on banknote security features and get a sneak peek at the new uncirculated \$20 banknote. They will also be taken on a guided journey through the Museum and learn about the history of Australia.

Sessions for Kindergarten – Year 2 Monday 8th July, 10.00am – 11.30am Wednesday 10th July, 10.00am – 11.30am Friday 12th July, 10.00am – 11.30am

Sessions for Year 3 – Year 6 Monday 8th July, 1.00pm – 2.30pm Wednesday 10th July, 1.00pm – 2.30pm Friday 12th July, 1.00pm – 2.30pm



Cost: Free

Registrations of interest are now open. To register your child please visit the Museum Website

www.museum.rba.gov.au/events

Important Information: Offers for attendance to School Holiday sessions will be sent 5-10 business days out from the event. As this is a highly subscribed event we cannot guarantee all registrations will be offered a place for this school holiday period.

Email: museum@rba.gov.au Phone: (02) 9551 9743 Ground Floor, 65 Martin Place Sydney NSW 2000

<u>The Ponds</u> Coffee Shop

Tuesdays in Term 2 9.00—10.00am

BYO Mug

Join us in the staffroom, we invite our drivers, ATSOs and parents to support us.

Selected students from class 17 and 18.

RESERVE BANK OF AUSTRALIA



Sick them on the sticker sheets and give them to The Ponds School office or drop them into our collection box in store located at either: The Ponds, Rouse Hill, North Kellyville, Schofields, Greenway Village, Marayong or Kellyville Collecting stickers between 1 May - 25 June 2019

EID CELEBRATION AND PARTY

























The Ponds School - Swim School

















