PRINCIPAL’S MESSAGE

I would like to extend a warm welcome to Layla who has just joined one of our Kindergarten classes for this year. We hope you make friends quickly and enjoy learning in your new class.

Best of luck to our team of PSPS swimmers who are competing in the District Swimming Carnival today. Some of our parents, Mrs Brett and Mrs Murphy have put a lot of time and effort into making sure our team does its best and enjoys the day.

Interrelate
Tonight we will be holding our Interrelate evening in the library. The evening begins at 6pm with ‘Where Did I come From?’ which is followed by ‘Preparing for Puberty’ at 7.15pm. The Jamison Road gate will be left open so parents may park in the car park. Families can come along and pay at the door if payment has not been made already.

Online Ordering at the Canteen
Our online canteen ordering system is now up and running, with a number of parents accessing this new service! We hope online ordering makes parents’ busy lives a bit easier.

Teacher Training
You may be aware that Mathematics is one of our major focuses for the next 3 years. So I am very pleased to announce that Ms Preiss and Mrs Parsons have been very busy at a 3 day training course in Mathematics. Ms Preiss is now trained in a program called TOWN (Taking Off with Numeracy) and Mrs Parsons is being trained this week in TENS (Teaching Early Numeracy Strategies).

Ms Preiss will train all of our Year 3-6 teachers and Mrs Parsons will train the K-2 teachers over the next few weeks, so across our school all staff will have the latest in research and training in Mathematics.

Toilets
If you are picking your child up from school and you, or your toddler, need to use the bathroom I would like to remind you that we leave the toilet at the front of the hall open for these purposes. Parents and toddlers are not allowed to use the student toilets at any time.

Kerrie Davis
Principal
SCHOOL UNIFORM

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SUPERVISOR’S AWARDS

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Cross Country is fast approaching. The emphasis is on participation, personal achievement and socialisation.

All students in Years 3 to 6 and any students in Year 2 who are turning 8 in 2015 are eligible to participate. Parents are most welcome to attend and offer encouragement and support. We look forward to a wonderful event with all eligible students participating.

Date: Monday 9 March 2015 (Please note change of date)
Time: 9.00am
Venue: School playground
Uniform: Sports uniform or house colours and school broad brimmed hat.

Kristie-Lee Gunning and Deborah Bruce
Organising Teachers
SCHOOL PHOTOS 2015

School Photos for 2015 will be held in Week 7 on Wednesday 11th March 2015. Students must wear their summer school uniform on this day, with black shoes as well as white socks for the girls and grey socks for the boys.

All photo money and each individual student envelope, including family photo envelopes, need to be returned back to school by Friday 6th March 2015. If you wish to get family photos done, you can collect a ‘family photo package’ envelope from the school front office.

Thank you
Melissa Kershaw
Organising Teacher

YEAR 6 STUDENTS

Parent of Year 6 students
Urgent!
When filling out enrolment applications for High School for 2016 into Year 7 for your child, PLEASE check that Penrith South Public School has your correct address as this will impact on your child’s High School application.

Greg Waddell
Stage 3 AP

AFL AUSKICK

Penrith South Public School AFL Auskick Centre
Venue: 172-190 Jamison Road, South Penrith (School Oval)
Each Wednesday starting FEBRUARY 18, 2015 until MARCH 11, 2015 from 3.20pm to 4.20pm

Your child will enjoy a safe, fun, action-packed 4 week program of games and skill development, ideal for boys and girls aged 4-9 for only $39. To register visit www.AFLAUSKICK.com.au and enter your postcode then click on “Penrith South PS AFL Auskick Centre – After School”.

For more information contact: Sophie McKibben on 8867 7400, Email: sophie.mckibben@aflnswact.com.au

IMPORTANT CANTEEN NEWS

Just a reminder to parents and carers.
Can you please use the NEW 2015 Canteen price list when making orders at the canteen.

There are always some spare price lists located in the front office of the school and there was a 2015 flyer sent home to all families late last year.

To make sure that your child’s lunch orders can be delivered to the correct classroom, please make sure you put their year and room number correctly on their order bag.

Thank you
Miss Lyn
Canteen Manager
OSHCLUB HOLIDAY PROGRAM
From the next holidays, we will be running a Holiday program at Penrith South Public School from Tuesday 7\textsuperscript{th} to Friday 17\textsuperscript{th} April, 2015.

There are some flyers at the front office of the school or bookings are now open through our website at www.oshclub.com.au.
Simply log into your account (or create a new one) and book the dates you require.

For all enquiries, please call (02)8355 5300.

P&C NEWS
Our next P&C meeting will be on Monday March 9, 2015 at 7.00pm in the school staffroom. Please come in via Jamison Road staff car park.

The next clothing pool is on Monday March 9, 2015 at 8:45am – 9.15am in room 24. If anyone has any unwanted uniforms, donations would be very much appreciated.

Easter will soon be upon us and we have our yearly Easter raffle tickets coming home next week. We look forward to all your wonderful support.

The uniform committee notes have come home during this week and if you would like to be involved on this committee, please leave your name and a contact number at the front office of the school.

Thank you
P&C Committee

PENRITH SOUTH PUBLIC SCHOOL
SPORT HOUSES

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HEAD LICE SPREAD AND TREATMENT TIPS

It’s that time of the year again, when head lice are once again on the prowl.

Head Lice Spread:
- Regularly check your children’s hair.
- Teach older children to check their own hair.
- Tie back and braid long hair.
- Keep a fine tooth head lice comb in the bathroom.

Just remember, there is no single solution to stop head lice infestations, only persistence.

Head Lice Treatment:
Conditioner stuns head lice! The stunning effect seems to last about 20 minutes. After this time most lice are active again.

Conditioner also makes it hard for the lice to grip the hair shafts. Lice hold onto hairs with their six claws, and when they are alive, they are usually not removed by the typical plastic fine tooth comb. If the hair is wet, or, better still, coated with conditioner, lice seem unable to hold on as strongly as on dry hair. Conditioner may also suffocate lice. Use conditioner on hair to increase the rate of detection. Applying conditioner to dry hair is best, but it will work on wet hair also.

White hair conditioner has been recommended to be used for treatment.

- Apply conditioner to dry hair aiming to cover each hair from root to tip with a layer of conditioner.
- Detangle the hair using an ordinary comb.
- Immediately comb the hair with a fine tooth comb (preferably with cylindrical metal teeth – NOT FLAT TEETH). Plastic nit combs are good for removing adult head lice but not necessarily the eggs.
- Wipe the conditioner off the fine tooth comb onto a tissue and look for lice and eggs.
- Repeat the combing for every part of the head at least 5 times.

For more information on head lice treatment visit:
We sometimes have difficulty in contacting parents/caregivers in an emergency. If you have changed any of your contact details, please complete the notice below and return it to the school in order that we can update our records. Thank you.

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Home phone no: __________________________ Work no: __________________________
Mobile no: __________________________

PARENT/CAREGIVER 2
Name: ________________________________________________________________
Home phone no: __________________________ Work no: __________________________
Mobile no: __________________________

Two Emergency Contacts
Other than parent/caregiver

EMERGENCY CONTACT 1:
Name: ________________________________________________________________
Relationship to student: ____________________________________________
Home phone no: __________________________ Work no: __________________________
Mobile no: __________________________

EMERGENCY CONTACT 2:
Name: ________________________________________________________________
Relationship to student: ____________________________________________
Home phone no: __________________________ Work no: __________________________
Mobile no: __________________________

____/____/____  Signature of Parent/Caregiver
____/____/____ Date

Office Use Only:
Records amended by: __________________________  ____/____/_____