

Pacific Brook Christian School

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Upcoming Events:

Wednesday 14th February

1:00pm BBQ Lunch
1:30pm Official Opening of School

Tuesday 20th March

Athletics Carnival at Weeraman Oval

Next Wednesday is the official opening of Pacific Brook Christian School. It is an exciting time for the school and I can certainly see God's hand at work. As many of you know, just last year the school almost closed. But now the school has an exciting future as a member of the Pacific Group of Schools.

Earlier this week I was reminded of the verse that says "but with God all things are possible." (Matthew 19:26) There are many examples in the Bible of God doing the impossible. Jesus frequently healed the sick, he calmed the storm and he even raised the dead!

I know God provides for all my needs, and provides for all the needs of the school. This gives me confidence. I hope it gives you confidence too.

On Wednesday there will be a BBQ lunch, beginning at 1:00pm. At 1:30pm the official opening ceremony will begin.

Everyone is welcome to attend, and this will be a special event in the life of the school. It will be great to see you there.

David O'Hara
Principal

Parent Information Evening

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Parent Information Evening on Wednesday. I trust it was a useful time, meeting your child's teacher and finding out what your child is learning in their class this year.

If you were unable to attend on Wednesday, but would like to find out what your child is learning, or have a question for your child's teacher, you are welcome to contact the teacher at school.

February Photo Competition

To celebrate the beginning of Pacific Brook Christian School, we are running a photo competition throughout February.

The rules of the competition are simple:

- The photo can be of anything, as long as one of the school stickers is clearly visible in the photo. All students were given stickers last week, but if you would like more, please contact the school office.
- For photos to be eligible they must be permitted to be posted on Facebook or the school website. Please do not take photos of people who do not want their photo posted online.
- Each week, we will upload some of the best photos to our school Facebook page. If you would allow your photo to be posted online, but do not want your name attached to the photo, please let us know.

This competition is open to everyone and will run throughout February.

There will be prizes at the end of February for the best photos. The winning prize is a family photo shoot from Jess Dugan Photography valued at \$250. There are two runner's up prizes, which will be book vouchers from Scholastic Book Club.

To submit your photo, please email your photo to:
school@muswellbrookchristianschool.nsw.edu.au

Please include your name with your entry. You can enter as many times as you like.

If you need more stickers, please contact the school.

These are some of the photos submitted this week. More can be seen on the school Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/PacificBrookChristianSchoolMBK/>

We appreciate the support of local families and businesses, and I like the idea that travelling around NSW is a train with Pacific Brook Christian School stickers! (I should add the stickers were put there legally!)



Fruit Break

This year we have decided to implement a short fruit break during the morning Literacy session. This is to allow children to refuel and rehydrate so that they can continue to concentrate and learn well through the morning.

Children who choose to bring fruit or vegetables for the fruit break will eat the fruit during the middle part of the Literacy lesson, at around 10am.

Children can bring fresh fruit or vegetables, such as a banana, an apple (cut into pieces already will make it easier), grapes or carrot sticks. If you would like your child to participate in this fruit break please ensure that the fruit has been cut up and placed in a suitable container which the child will find easy to open and close. No fruit will be able to be peeled or chopped by the teacher.

This fruit break will encourage healthy eating habits, which is something that Pacific Brook Christian School staff see as an important aspect of healthy living choices.

2018 Term Dates

The terms dates for this year are as follows:

Term One 30th January to 13th April
Term Two 1st May to 6th July
Term Three 30th July to 28th September
Term Four 16th October to 13th December

Please do not bring egg, nut or seafood products into Pacific Brook Christian School

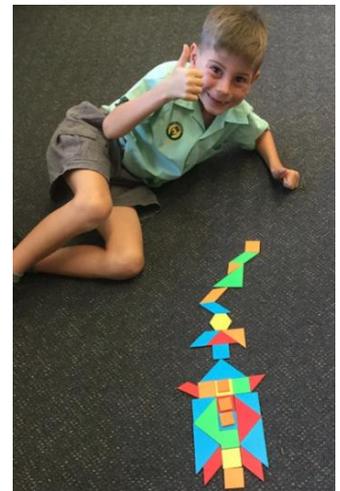


Anaphylaxis is a potentially life threatening condition where sufferers are susceptible to severe allergic reaction to certain foods and other things in the environment. Since the safety of the children in our care is of the utmost importance, Pacific Brook Christian School aims to be an egg, nut and seafood free school. As such, please do not send any foods to school containing these items. Please see the website for more information about alternatives to popular foods and recipes.

Thank you for your assistance in helping keep all our students healthy and safe.

K-2 News

K-2 continued to learn about 2D shapes this week. This included making a 2D shape 'picture'. Older students had to ensure they only made their 'pictures' using quadrilaterals. K-2 will keep learning about 2D shapes next week.



Primary Happenings

One of the concepts the Primary class has worked on through this week is narrative writing, and creating exciting starts to their pieces of writing.

Here are some well-crafted opening paragraphs:

Ryan Rhino was famous for his sharp pointed horn but there was nowhere to scratch his back. Ryan went to the dry long grass, but it was way too itchy.

By Tekoa

Rosie the cat was a good explorer, and went exploring in the woods. But there was a big rock slide and Rosie got stuck.

By Bella