



Pacific Brook Christian School

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Newsletter Friday 14th September 2018

Upcoming Events:

Friday 21st September

6:30pm Art Night

Wednesday 26th September

Sports Gala Day with Liberty College in Tamworth

Thursday 27th September

Writer's Day / Spelling Bee

Friday 28th September

Tennis for Primary class
40 Days of Reading ends
Last Day Term 3

Monday 15th October

Professional Training for staff

Tuesday 16th October

First Day Term Four for students

Sunday 28th October

2pm Celebration of Strings Concert

Monday 10th December

10:00am Presentation Day

Thursday 13th December

Last Day of the School Year

It is with great excitement that I can announce that Pacific Brook Christian School will be beginning Year 7 in 2020.

The school will be operating a Middle School. Middle School covers Year 5 to Year 8. There are many advantages to a Middle School, as students in Year 5 to 8 have different learning and social needs to younger children, and to students in the upper years of high school.

Kindergarten to Year 4 will become known as Junior School. A Senior School (Year 9 to Year 12) will be opened in the future.

The Middle School will begin with a Year 7 class, in addition to the current Years 5 and 6. The first Year 8 class will begin the following year, and the school will grow year by year according to the needs of the school.

This will be a great development, not only for our current students but also for others who come and join us, to complete their schooling at Pacific Brook Christian School.

The expansion of our school is part of our vision to be a Christian educational community servicing the Upper Hunter region, a Centre of teaching, learning and serving excellence founded on Biblically based beliefs, values and behaviours for children of all ages.

Over the coming months we will complete the planning to begin Year 7 and you will be invited to our information sessions which we will hold both in Term 4, and next year.

We look forward to sharing these developments with you.

Dr E.J.Boyce
Executive Principal

David O'Hara
Principal

40 Days of Reading

There are only two weeks left of the 40 Days of Reading! What can you read in that time?!?

Don't forget, students can borrow library books on Mondays. Students will need to bring a library bag to borrow a library book.

The 40 days of Reading will finish on September 28th.

Art Exhibition and Auction

On the evening of September 21st Pacific Brook Christian School will be holding an Art Exhibition and Auction. The evening will begin at 6:30pm, and end at 8:00pm at Brookside Baptist Church Sydney Street, Muswellbrook.

Everyone who attends will be able to see some of the amazing art works the students have done through this year, and find out what they have been learning in Art.

There will also be an art auction. A number of art works, including pieces created by local Upper Hunter artists will be auctioned. The money raised will go to supporting the school.

Food and drink will be available on the evening. I hope you will be able to attend.

Writer's Day / Spelling Bee

During Term 3 at Pacific Brook Christian School we have had a special focus on literacy. This is in addition to our daily literacy lessons in class. We have celebrated the joy and excitement of reading through the Book Day, and the 40 Days of Reading.

On the 27th of September, the second last day of the term, we shall hold a Writer's Day. On this day the children will take part in a range of interesting writing and spelling activities.

One of the activities students will be able to take part in is a spelling bee. Last week all students were given a list of spelling words. These words cover all ages and abilities, and so younger children especially are not expected to learn all of these words. There will be different events for the different year levels.

The spelling bee is not a test, and these words will not replace their usual spelling over the next three weeks. The spelling bee is a fun way for students to show what they have learnt in spelling.

Celebration of Strings Concert

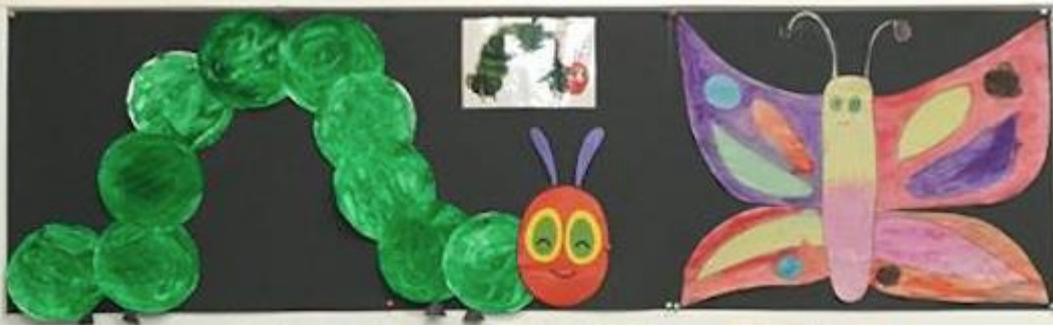
The Primary students who are learning violin have been invited to perform at the Celebration of Strings Concert. This is a concerto organised by the Upper Hunter Conservatorium of Music, and is held on Sunday October 28th. The concert begins at 3pm, but there is a rehearsal at 2pm.

The students will perform two pieces, and also join with other students who are learning string instruments to perform a piece as part of a large ensemble. The theme for the concert is country. Students can wear jeans and a shirt for this concert.

A note from the Upper Hunter Conservatorium of Music has been sent home. The permission slip can be returned to school, and we will pass the notes to the Conservatorium.

I hope you can allow your child to take part in this concert. It will be a great chance to demonstrate what they have learnt during violin lessons, and to perform with a larger group of students.

PAL News



In PAL this week we read 'The Very Hungry Caterpillar' by Eric Carle. The students had fun creating their very own class caterpillar and butterfly for the PAL room.



Infants News

For poetry this week, K-2 have been learning about haikus. These poems follow a 5-7-5 syllable pattern. Below is the haiku the whole class created about magpies, as well as Summer's haiku about deer.

Magpies, black and white,
fly down and swoop people's heads
to protect their nests.

K-2

Deer are brown and white.
They can run and walk and blink.
They are soft and cute.

Summer Moffitt

In Science this week, K-2 explored the process of making concrete by making their own concrete blocks. They will need to dry for one week before being sent home. It will be interesting to see how they turn out!



By Olivia

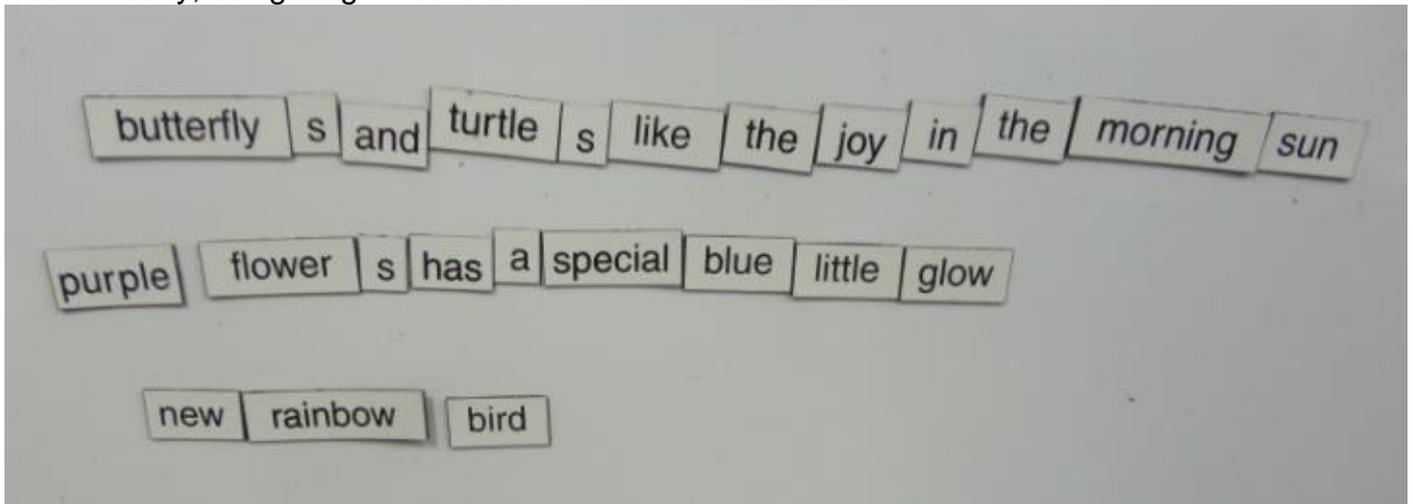
Over the last few weeks in Art, K-2 have been working on an ocean artwork using the painted paper technique. Their artworks are inspired by the book 'Nugget and Fang' by Tammi Sauer.

By Zanel

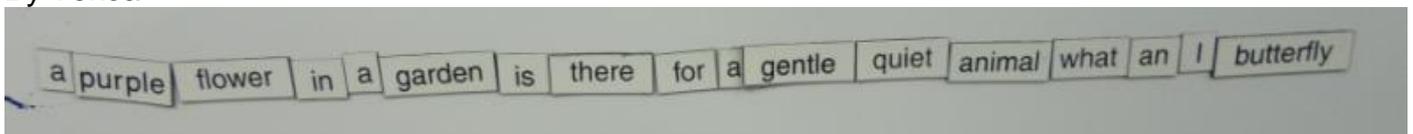


Primary News

The Primary class have been developing the poetry writing skills, and how writing poetry is like creating art works with words. Students have had fun exploring using words and creating White Board Poetry, using magnetic words.



By Tekoa



By W

In Japanese the students have been learning about food. They have also been learning about how to order food at a restaurant.

Touch Football

On Wednesday the Junior and Senior Primary PBCS touch football teams took part in a touch football gala day, which was held in Scone. The students from both teams played very well and improved their skills. They all enjoyed their day of football and fun! More photos are on the school Facebook page.



Merit Certificates

Oliver	Great work with multiplication.
Aby	Great work with multiplication.
Kenzie	Great work with multiplication.
Lucas	Great work with multiplication.
April	Writing a fantastic haiku.
Calen	Continued good work in Spelling.
R	Great work in multiplication.
Liliaana	Great work with multiplication.
Summer	Writing a fantastic haiku.
Levi	Representing the school well in touch football
Brooklyn	Representing the school well in touch football
Bella	Representing the school well in touch football
Declan	Representing the school well in touch football
Tekoa	Representing the school well in touch football
W	Representing the school well in touch football
Orlando	Great knowledge of electrical circuits, representing the school well in touch football
Ethan	Accurate reading and use of timetables, representing the school well in touch football
Bradley	Fluent reading, representing the school well in touch football
Brock	Representing the school well in touch football
Riley	His sensible and mature behaviour
Mitchell	Representing the school well in touch football
Lachlan	Representing the school well in touch football

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.

Community Announcements

SCHOOL HOLIDAY TENNIS CAMP

SATURDAY 29TH Sept 2018 **\$45 per child** 8.30AM - 12NOON

INVITE A FRIEND WHO HASN'T BEEN BEFORE & GET \$10 OFF

For more information & to grab a rego form...

Ph Brad : 0401 175 100 or email: bradwestgatetennisacademy@yahoocom.au

Rego forms need to be in by 22nd Sept 2018

Run by:
BRAD WESTGATE TENNIS ACADEMY
Located at Marvellbrook Park Tennis club
(where the camp is held)