POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR LEARNING FOCUS

PBL encourages positive behaviour from students, which has been shown to improve their self-concept and motivation to learn. The focus is Care for the School Environment, for example, stay on the path and out of the gardens.

Eat Well, Play Well, Stay Well

We are one of several schools that has been adopted by Penrith Panthers. We had George Jennings and Dallin Watene-Zelezniak from Penrith Panthers visit our assembly and talk to the students about their life and why it is important to eat healthily and exercise regularly. They also presented our first Eat Well, Play well, Stay Well Awards. Congratulations to Eden Devonshire, Bryce Fairweather, Brodie Zeall, Flynn Dalrymple, Nate Wright, Owen Kendrick and Luis Contreras Villajuan who received awards on Monday.

Verse Speaking Winners

Our very talented verse speaking champions received their trophies at last week's assembly. Congratulations again to Judyann Sabbagh, Emma Tidyman, Hannah Rutledge, Faith Gravina, Tayla Russell, Rochelle Chammas and Kaito Forrest.

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Assembly News

- **MONDAY 20th July** - Class 4 Item & Merit Awards
- **MONDAY 27th July** - No Assembly
- **MONDAY 3rd August** - Aussie of the Month, Excellence & Playground Star Awards

Congratulations Levi Hall

Aussie of the Month for always showing great Sportsmanship
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**Principal’s Awards**

**Congratulations:**
- Caitlyn O’Brien, Joshua Hill, Sarah Roser, Jasmine Rutledge, Kayla Fairweather, Laith Jebril, Bianca Gravina, Tayla Russell
**UNIFORM PRICES**

Due to an increase in supplier prices, some of our uniform costs have been increased accordingly.

**Effective 13th July, 2015**, the new uniform prices are as listed below:

- **School Polo Shirts**  $22.00
- **Sports Polo Shirts**  $25.00
- **Zipper Jackets**  $40.00
- **Skorts**  $25.00
- **Summer Dresses**  $35.00
- **Flap Hats**  $12.00
- **Brim Hats**  $12.00*
- **Bucket Hats**  $12.00
- **School Bags**  $30.00
- **Library Bags**  $ 5.00

*We have a limited supply of brim hats still available for purchase, however, these will be replaced by the bucket hats in Term 3.

Uniforms are available for purchase from the school office on Tuesday and Thursday mornings between 8.30am and 9.30am. If purchasing uniforms we ask that payment be made by cash (correct money please), cheque made payable to the school or by eftpos/credit card.

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**For trading 5 Mini Merit**


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**PBL Awards**

**Be Respectful – Care for our School.**

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P&C News

Fundraising
We hope everyone who ordered from our Heatherbrae Slice Drive enjoyed the yummy slices that were delivered on Friday. The slice drive raised a total of $519.00 profit which all goes back into our school.

Our 5c drive starts next term - the drive will start from Week 2 (Monday 20th July 2015) and the last day for collection will be Friday 4th September 2015 (Week 8). The 5c pieces are to be taken to your child’s class – for families who are not sure how this works, each class collect as many 5c pieces as they can throughout the term. At regular intervals, the money is counted for each class and banked. The tally is then put on a graph and will be displayed on the notice board next to the front office as well as being here in the newsletter – the graph is updated regularly. The winning class will be announced at the school assembly and the class party will be held on a date to be advised (as determined by the class teacher).

Just a quick note, that the school P&C are only able to accept cash or cheques for our fundraisers – unfortunately we do not have any eftpos facilities!! Cheques need to be made out St Clair Public School P&C Association.

Canteen
Important Notice: The canteen is closed on Wednesdays until further notice – this means NO lunch orders are available.

The canteen is in desperate need for more volunteers to help in our canteen, if you can help in any way, please contact Kim on the canteen phone 0455 098 523 or you can also enquire at the school office.

The canteen is also now offering toasted sandwiches and wraps for ordering at lunchtime. Please ensure these are ordered as a normal lunch order.

We will also be sending home updated menus with possible pricing changes shortly. Please be on the lookout for the new menu.

Fundraising Events
20th July - Start - 5 cent drive
3rd Sept - Father’s Day Stall
4th Sept - End 5 cent drive

Future P&C Meetings (7pm in the staffroom) – EVERYONE IS WELCOME
Term 3 Tuesday 28th July Tuesday 1st September
Term 4 Tuesday 20th October Tuesday 24th November

Basketball Knockout
Our boys basketball team played their first knock out game against Hobartville PS. Unfortunately we lost 30 to 6.
A great effort and good sportsmanship was shown by all 6 of our players. Well done boys.
Helping you help your kids......
with emotions and behaviour

You are invited to morning tea with the Got It! team and other parents.

Got It! is a school-based early intervention program provided by a specialist health team in partnership with your child’s school. It targets disruptive and challenging behaviours and is designed to support children, parents and teachers.

All parents are invited to attend to find out how to help your kids learn about emotions. All families with children in K-2 will receive information regarding further involvement in the program.

Please RSVP to your child’s classroom teacher by: Friday 24th July 2015

Morning Tea Date and Time:

| Date: Tuesday 28th July |
| Time: 9 to 10am |
| Location: School Hall |

RSVP:
I will be attending the ‘Helping You Help Your Kids’
Name:

Child’s Name: Class:
LEARN TO SWIM LESSONS

- Group/private lessons for all ages and abilities
- Lap pool swim rates
- School holiday intensive program

To book your spot in our swimming classes or for a free assessment call 9951 5811 today!

Gymnastics classes from 1 year to young teens
- World Class facilities
- Accredited Coaches
- Opportunities to progress into our competitive programs

To book your spot in our gymnastics classes or for a free trial call 9951 5811 today!
School Holiday Astronomy Programs

Thursday 2 July (10.00 am – 12.00 noon)
**Hands-on Science Rocket Workshop**
Lots of fun for kids of all ages. Make and launch your own paper rocket and watch water rockets being launched. The program will also include a short presentation, a 3D astronomy movie and SAFE and detailed viewing of the sun through our telescopes (weather permitting). Cost $15 per person

Saturday 4 July (7.00 pm – 9.00 pm)
**Astronomy Night**
The evening will include a presentation, a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s telescopes. Cost $18 per adult, $12 per child, $50 family.

Thursday 9 July (10.00 am – 12 noon)
**Hands-on Science - All Kinds of Aliens Workshop**
The workshop will include hands-on science activities, a short presentation, a 3D astronomy movie, water rocket launches and SAFE and detailed viewing of the sun through our telescopes (weather permitting). Cost $15 per person

Saturday 11 July (7.00 pm – 9.00 pm)
**Naidoc Special Event Astronomy Night**
Astronomy, Navigation and Science in Aboriginal Australia talk by Professor Ray Norris. The evening will also include a 3D astronomy movie, a tour of the dome area and an opportunity to view the night sky through the observatory’s telescopes. Cost $18 per adult, $12 per child, $50 family.

Bookings are essential: Book online: www.uws.edu.au/observatory.
Enquires: Phone (02) 4736 0135 or email r.mccourt@uws.edu.au
Office Hours Mon, Wed, Thurs 8.30am - 3.00pm

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**Blacktown Arts Centre - Winter School Holiday Workshops**

With Georgina Hathway and Ellie Compton  **Where**: Blacktown Arts Centre - 78 Flushcombe Rd Blacktown

**Every Tuesday and Wednesday**

This winter, the carpark at Blacktown Arts Centre is home to an amazing waste-to-art pop-up garden and outdoor learning space! During the school holidays, kids aged 5 to 15 years can join us in The Green Room for free environmental arts workshops using recycled materials. There will be two sessions every Tuesday and Wednesday, and parents and carers can enjoy the garden while the children create! The fun doesn’t stop when the kids go back to school! From July to September, there will be lots of activities in The Green Room for the whole family to enjoy including gardening workshops, after-school art classes and the Sustainable Kitchen Cooking School.

*The Green Room is a pop-up garden project in partnership with Sustainable Living Blacktown.*

**Tuesday 30 June – 10-15yrs**
Session 1 - 10am – 12pm - Recycled Still Life Painting
Session 2 - 12:30pm- 2:30pm - Recycled Still Life Painting

**Wednesday 1 July – 5-10yrs**
10am – 12pm - Jellyfish and Glow Bugs
12:30pm- 2:30pm - Minion Money Boxes

**Tuesday 7 July – 10-15yrs**
Session 1 - 10am – 12pm - Enviro-Collage
Session 2 - 12:30pm- 2:30pm - Repurposed Books

**Wednesday 8 July – 5-10yrs**
10am – 12pm - Yarn-bomb Jars
12:30pm- 2:30pm - Jellyfish and Glow Bugs

**Cost**: FREE

**How to book**: Online blacktownartscentre.eventbrite.com.au

**In person** Blacktown Arts Centre is open Tuesday–Saturday from 10am–5pm

**Phone** 9839 6558
When was the last time you reviewed your Interest Rate? It could save you $$$

Lender A 4.13% Standard Variable Rate

Lender B 3.99% 3 Year Fixed Rate

Lender C 4.49% 5 Year Fixed Rate

To find out more about some of these competitive interest rates call or text your local Mortgage Broker Luke Fox on 0457 067 084 or email luke.fox@msnperpetual.com.au

ACT NOW to take advantage of a FREE FINANCIAL REVIEW by quoting MSN001 in your message.

Conditions apply.
The Gruffalo’s Child
10 & 11 July 10.30am & 1pm
Joan Sutherland Performing Arts Centre, 597 High Street, Penrith
Tickets are Adult $22 Child $18 Family $72 (four people, at least one adult). Groups are more than welcome – please contact Box Office to arrange bookings, and to find out about complimentary carer tickets for OOSH and child care groups.
To book call our Box Office on 4723-7600 or online at www.thejoan.com.au

ARE YOU A SINGLE PARENT?
Each week Single with Children provides fun and exciting social activities for single parents and their children. (Many activities are subsidised or free)
It’s a great way to meet and get to know people in your area.
To find out more and get a FREE copy of our social calendar
Call 1300 300 496
or check out our web site: www.singlewithchildren.com.au

LOW-COST CAT DESEXING $30 JULY 2015
* Pensioners and low-income earners  * Free microchip  * Dog desexing available
The benefits:
• A desexed cat is a HEALTHIER cat, with a reduced risk of certain cancers.
• A desexed cat is a HAPPIER cat and is less likely to stray, fight and spray.
• Less cats and kittens surrendered or abandoned in shelters and pounds.

Cats can breed from 4 months of age.
One cat can produce 450,000 offspring in 7 years!
It’s a MYTH that cats need to have one litter!

Please contact an AWL Western Suburbs Volunteer for more information:
Pam: 9688 6887 (9 am - 7 pm)
Katie: 9552 2500/0497 202 020 (7 am - 9 am; 5 - 8 pm)
Sue: 0425 308 406 (9:30 am - 4:30 pm)
Tina: 9629 2925/0413 305 223 (12 pm - 7 pm)
Narelle: 0418 113 480 (5 pm - 8 pm)

“returning the lost, rehoming the homeless”

Cats and dogs for adoption: 415 Flexicombe Rd Blacktown
Ph: 9639 6161
SCHOOL'S OUT!
ST CLAIR LEISURE CENTRE
SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN

FREE ACTIVITIES
9AM- 12PM
* Basketball
* Indoor Soccer
* Volleyball
* Table Tennis

BUBBLE SOCCER
1PM- 4PM
$10 per person unlimited bubble soccer use

Activities run Monday- Friday throughout the school holidays. Find out more information by calling 9670 1958 or visiting www.pennithcity.nsw.gov.au
All children must be supervised by a parent or guardian at all times!
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Contributing to the community since 1882
Stage 3 Camp continued
Stage 3 Camp to Canberra
With half the children away on camp last week and the heavens bringing quite a bit of cold wet weather, we put our time to good use making a "Bug Mansion" - thank you Seth for the great name! After cleaning the spiders, ants and snails out of the donated rabbit hutch, we moved it into the corner of the Flagpole Garden. The kids then sawed bamboo poles into small lengths, rolled cardboard into tubes which were put into cut off plastic bottles and other children dug up clay to mix with sand to stuff into PVC pipes. We also drilled holes of various sizes into pieces of wood and thick chunks of branches. Our aim is to provide a multitude of desirable homes (or prime real estate in Sydney terms!) to attract more native bees to our garden to help with pollination and as a teaching point for many parts of Science. The bamboo tubes will provide homes for native stingless solitary bees, as will the blocks of wood, while the cardboard will be home to lacewings (predators who feed on sap sucking insects), and the clay/sand tubes will hopefully attract blue banded bees. I also have some pine cones which are ideal habitats for lady beetles, so our Bug Mansion will be very much like Australia, a truly multicultural society!

The children were fantastic with this project which has lasted the two weeks, using tools like secateurs, hacksaws, scissors and the drill with great care and precision and it was a pleasure to watch their skills and confidence develop over the time. Many of the children were incredibly patient with what could have been a tedious job, especially Erin who continued packing the PVC tubes with clay/sand mix long after the others had become bored with it. There was great co-operation and teamwork throughout the whole project and the kids had many highly intelligent questions about how the Bug Mansion would work. We've pretty much finished the preparation stage (just a bit more drilling to do) and then it will be time to put it all together, and wait for our new tenants to move in!

The garden is absolutely beautiful at the moment, with seedlings growing well, and lots of great produce available for cooking and sale. We sold 10 bags of bok choy & pak choy plus lots of fresh eggs. We picked our first snow peas, celery and multi-coloured carrots and used them in the stir fry on Tuesday. Look at the gorgeous colour of one of the carrots. We still have tomatoes and capsicums growing despite the fact that it's the end of June and frosts are a regular occurrence in the wild area! Our garden is an amazing microclimate which enables us to grow things long after they should have died from cold!

The kids and I welcomed Cassie back from her European sojourn and we made the most of her great cooking with virtually no scraps for the chooks at all!

I hope everyone has a great midyear holiday, stay safe while you're having fun, and come back ready for more awesome adventures in the garden and kitchen!

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Special Thank You To Our Supporters of the Stephanie Alexander Garden Project

- Michinbury Fruit Market - donation of fresh vegetable leaves for chooks.
- Austas for the large wooden boxes
- Camden Farm Mushrooms - for free delivered mushroom compost