



DIARY DATES

Monday 30th OctoberSwimming P-1

Tuesday 31st October

Swimming P-1

Wednesday 1st November

Grade 5 & 6 bike ride

Monday 6th November

Curriculum Day

Tuesday 7th November

Melbourne Cup Day (Both 6th & 7th are student free days)

Wednesday 8th Nov.

Prep transition

Friday 10th November

Interschool sport ACvPH

Monday 13th November

School Council

Friday 17th November

Interschool sport PHvKG

Monday 20th November

David Skinner dance

Tuesday 5th December

School Concert

Friday 8th December

LaTrobe pool excursion 5/6

Tuesday 19th December

Zoo excursion P-4

Wednesday 20th Dec.

Last day of Term 4

Principal's Report

Today is World Teacher's Day and I would like to acknowledge our team of fabulous teachers for all of their work, expertise, dedication, good humour and compassion that they show for our students, our community and for each other.

Our teachers very much work as a team to support each other in providing an educational experience for all students that fosters them as learners and well rounded members of our community.

Thankyou to Mr Hurst, Mrs Puls-Welsh, Mrs Thomson, Miss Payne, Mrs Howard, Miss Brindley, Mrs Jenes, Mrs McLaughlin, Mrs Renouf and Mrs Draffin. And of course we are incredibly lucky to have Mrs Cleary providing the calm, always smiling, organised support to everyone—an amazing team. Happy Teachers Day!!!

SUPERVISION

Student safety at PHPS is our highest priority and the safe and appropriate supervision of students is an important element of our duty of care to students. Part of this duty is ensuring parents and students are aware of our student supervision arrangements before and after school. Department guidelines state that we must provide supervision at least 10 minutes before and after the school bell. We understand that it can be difficult for parents to get to school within that time frame, especially when they have older students who need to get to their secondary schools. For this reason we provide 15 minutes supervision at both ends of the school day.

Before school: School grounds are supervised at 8:45am.

After school: School grounds are supervised from 3:20 until 3:35pm

Students on school grounds outside these times will **not** be supervised (unless they are attending a before or after school care program). Parents/carers are requested to ensure that students do not attend school outside of these supervised times unless they are attending before or after school care.

Families are encouraged to contact Theircare on **0419 179 948** or refer to **www.theircare.com.au** for more information about the before and after school care at PHPS. We encourage all families to register with Theircare just in case there is a situation where you need to quickly organise care.



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For a copy of our school's Yard Duty and Supervision Policy please contact the school office. This policy includes Panton Hill Primary's student supervision arrangements across the school day, including before and after school.

COLOUR FUN RUN

This newsletter will be published on the day of the Colour Fun Run, so we will be sure to include a full recap in the next newsletter edition including plenty of photos. To date an amazing **\$9,426.50** has been raised. What a fantastic effort by all! There will be some very colourful kids leaving school today.

SCHOOL VALUES

Our Grade 6 school leaders have taken on the revision of the school values as their major project this year. This project started in Term Two with a conversation around the fact that many of our students were not as able to identify our values as we would like, which led to exploring whether this was as a result of them not understanding or feeling connected to our current values.

After having spoken with all of the students and teachers in their grade groups and gathering their thoughts they then compiled their findings and worked on collating suggestions under common value headings. They brought this to School Council where they presented their power point presentation, involving videos of our students explaining our current values. They have settled on the following values for PHPS: *Honesty, Respect, Cooperation, Kindness and Courage.* They are now asking for any final feedback from the community before we finalise these as our new PHPS values.

This has been a significant amount of work for our leaders and they have done a magnificent job. Well done Ayesha, Esther, Huw and Jasper!

TERM 4 EVENTS

Our Term 4 events are well on the way. The Preps to Grade 1's have started the Water Safety Program and will continue throughout the term. The Grade 5's have began Bike Education leading up to the big bike ride for Grade 5 & 6's on the **1st November.** If you are interested in riding along with the group, please speak with Stafford Hurst.

Soon all students will be participating in David Skinner dance lessons which will lead into our Grade 6 graduation. Additionally we have Interschool Sport and our end of year excursions. It really is a busy term!! To assist staff with planning and numbers, it is greatly appreciated if Xuno events can been actioned prior to the close off date. Permission and payments are required prior to students attendance. If you would like to discuss a payment plan, please contact the office. Also if you have CSEF, please notify the office giving permission for allocation.

It is also that time of term when we begin to prepare for the following year. One of the steps that needs to be addressed is the ordering of student Bookpacks for **2024**. As we have done in previous years, bookpacks are ordered directly by parents through Maxim Office Group by clicking on this link Maxim Office Group booklist. Orders placed by **3rd November** will arrive prior to the end of this year. A late fee of \$15.00 will be incurred after this date. When placing your order, please make sure you select the year level they will be in **2024**. Please see the following document explaining the ordering process.

Once ordered, your child's bookpack will be delivered directly to school and placed in their classroom ready for the first day of **Term 1, 2024.** If you have any questions, require assistance in purchasing your bookpack or would like to discuss a payment plan, please do not hesitate to contact the office on 9719-7202.

PREP TRANSITION

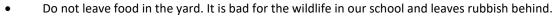
This morning was the first of four Prep Transitions. We had 28 very enthusiastic new preps attending. They had a great time with Miss Brindley and we can't wait to have them back again on **Wednesday the 8th November**.



Today our grade 2/3 students spent time out in the yard, collecting HUGE amounts of rubbish. We were very shocked at how much rubbish we collected. Because of this, we wanted to put out a reminder to all families to please follow the 'Nude Food' initiative. It's been estimated that the average school aged child creates about 3 pieces of litter from their lunch box each school day. That equates to around 30kg of waste per child, per year at school.

By following the concepts of Reduce, Reuse and Recycle, our families can send a litter free lunch to school. Litter free lunches should have <u>no</u> disposable wrappers or single use items like cutlery, plastic straws, juice or milk poppers or wrappers such as cling wrap, foil or zip lock bags.

Lastly, our 2/3s wanted to share the following points.





- Choose to keep rubbish at home and instead bring your food in containers, or in compartments in your lunch boxes.
- Don't keep food wrapped in glad wrap or wrappers.
- Unwrap any food that is rubbish, before coming to school





Rubbings and collage with the Grade 2/3's. Including white fine liner's for final details.

LEADERSHIP DAY

On Thursday the 26th of October, the year 6's from Panton Hill, Doreen, Kangaroo Ground, St Andrews, Arthurs Creek, Hurstbridge, Research, Wattle Glen and Strathewen participated in Leadership day. It was a great opportunity for the year 6 students to work on our teamwork and leadership skills, along with other kids from other schools. There were 120 grade 6's from around the local area. Some of the activities were building structures from marshmallows and raw spaghetti, tying and untying ropes and trying to flip over a tarp with eight people on it. At lunch break, we had pizza and ran around the oval. Jess Fitzgerald from the Western Bulldog AFLW came and spoke to us about her role in leadership and Football. We asked her questions about her career, and she told us about how she started to play football and then went to basketball then went back to foot-

ball. Afterwards some people got in line to get some signatures.

Overall, the day was a great experience.







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2024 Student Bookpacks



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HOW TO ONLINE ORDER WITH MAXIM OFFICE GROUP PTY LTD

Panton Hill Primary School

Dear Parents,

many thanks for supporting Panton Hill PS with the online portal. We have partnered with Maxim Office Group Pty Ltd to ensure a seamless school start for 2024. Packs will be delivered to the school for collection. If you have any questions, please call Maxim on 1800 25 35 35.

Please note: Orders must be placed by Friday 3rd of November, 2023 to ensure delivery is on time for December, 2023.

To order your Bookpack:

- 1. Please follow this link: http://www.maxim.booklists.com.au
- 2. Your access code is: PANTONHILL *Please note this is capital sensitive. Please enter code as displayed in screen.
- 3. Select the year level required for order
- 4. Please ensure that the students' name, your name and contact details are given and correct
- 5. Select 'Place order'
- 6. If purchasing more than one booklist, please select 'Add another booklist' and follow the same procedure from step 3
- 7. Select 'Proceed to payment options'
- 8. Your total payment amount required will display on screen
- 9. Select 'Pay Now'
- 10. Please choose your check-out option Credit/ Direct Debit available. Ensure payment details are correctly entered
- 11. You will receive a payment receipt and an order confirmation to the email address you provided
- 12. Your child's pack/s will be delivered to the school for collection Thank you, Maxim Office Group Pty Ltd





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You are invited to Wadambuk St Andrews Community Centre's

FREE FAMILY FUN

HALLOWEEN

SCARY SKELE-BRATION PARTY

Sunday 29th October 3pm to 5pm

Wear your best spooky costume
Prizes for costumes
Games

Disco Face Painter Snacks & Drinks

scan for booking



Suitable for toddlers and primary school ages

Bookings:

https://events.humanitix.com/st-andrews-scary-skele-bration-party

or call the Community Centre on 9710 1223

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MONDAY | 7PM

Pilates for strength

All levels. Relaxed. Local.



WEDNESDAY | 9.30AM

Pilates for strength



THURSDAY | 7PM

Pilates cardio





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580 Kangaroo Ground - St Andrews Rd

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Facebook group "Panton Hill Fitness Classes"



