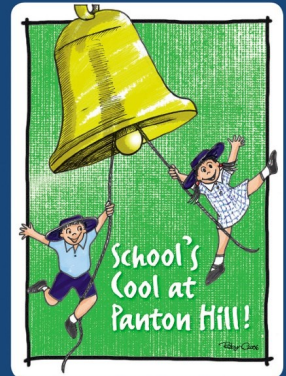




*A Rich Past,
Present & Future*

NEWSLETTER

Friday 7th August, 2026
Term 3: Week 4



DIARY DATES

2026

Tuesday 11th August

Camp WebEx 1.45pm

Wednesday 12th August

Curriculum Day—Pupil free day

Friday 14th August

Flanno for a Farmer
Interschool Sport WGVPHPS

Thursday 20th August

Mad About Science

Monday 24th August

Bookweek parade/activities

Tuesday 25th August

District Athletics

Friday 28th August

Storytime 11.40am

Tuesday 1st September

KG Chess tournament

Friday 4th September

Father's Day Stall

Monday 7th September

School Camp (3 days)

Thursday 10th Sept.

Kaboom Sports P—Grd2

Principal's Report

Today is Australian Primary Principal's Day and I wanted to say a very big thank you to everyone at PHPS for embarrassing me with some attention throughout the day!

Our school is a very special place and it is a privilege to currently be leading PHPS in Kylie Richards' absence. The cards, messages and a special morning tea provided by our amazing staff has made my day very special. Thank you!

CURRICULUM DAY—WEDNESDAY 12 AUGUST

A reminder that we are holding a curriculum day this Wednesday 12 August. Our staff will be participating in professional learning throughout the day with a coach from the Department of Education. TheirCare will be operating on the day for families who require this service.

FLANNO FOR A FARMER

On Monday we had some of our Junior School Council (JSC) representatives share some information about Flanno for a Farmer at our assembly. Our JSC have chosen to recognise this day as a school on Friday 14 August and everyone is invited to wear a flannelette shirt or casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation to support the cause.

All money raised will be donated to Farm Angels to provide practical, financial and emotional support to farming families when they need it most.



THROW ON A FLANNO. SUPPORT A FARMER

I'm wearing a flanno on Friday 14 August for Flanno for a Farmer. Join me and back our Aussie farmers.

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BUNNINGS BBQ RESULTS

Last Saturday we held our annual Bunnings BBQ fundraiser. This fundraiser is such a great way for our small school to raise some much needed funds for additional requested items that fall outside of our current school budget, such as our new soccer goals which have been very popular at lunch time with all year levels. Our BBQ team raised an impressive total of **\$2,405!!** With this money, we are planning to paint a large chess board under the rotunda and purchase some giant size chess pieces to extend on the interest shown in our lunch time chess club.

Fundraising events like this are not manageable without our Panton Hill community volunteering their time. A huge thank you to Bianca McGuirk for being the driving force behind the Bunnings BBQ and many other events, and to all the helpers on the day. Thank you also to families who donated the lovely cakes, biscuits and slices to our bake sale which was also hugely successful.



PIE FUNDRAISER

We are excited to announce information regarding our PIE DRIVE fundraiser that is currently showing as an event on Xuno. You will be able to stock up your freezer with some tasty pies; from classic favourites to tasty gourmet varieties, while helping raise valuable funds for our school and students. You can order by actioning the event on Xuno, or if preferred, cash or card payments will be accepted at the office. A hard copy of the order form has been sent home with students or a PDF is attached to the event. Orders will close on the **Sunday 6th of September** and pies will be delivered on **Monday 14th September**. Pies are supplied by Brent's Patisserie in Eltham.

BOOK WEEK—SAVE THE DATE

PHPS will once again be acknowledging Book Week in 2026 and on **Monday 24th August** we will be holding our annual Book Week dress up day and parade. This is a fun day where students can celebrate a favourite book character and reflect on the importance of reading and the joy achieved from a good book.

Our dress-up parade will replace our normal school assembly in the morning and students will participate in a range of multi-age activities with school staff during the day. Families are welcome to attend the morning parade on our basketball court. We can't wait to see the costumes everyone has organised.



XUNO EVENT REMINDER

Xuno is our main form of school communication for news, events and attendance notifications. It has been communicated that some families are not aware of upcoming events, as notifications are not made when an event requiring permission or payment is created. Unfortunately Xuno only sends an email or notification for news feeds but at this stage not for events. It has been discussed with Xuno that this would be a beneficial feature for future upgrades. In the meantime, please visit Xuno on a weekly basis to check if any additional events have been created. As we progress throughout the year, it becomes very busy and many events will be added, so it will be even more important to actively log in to Xuno frequently to keep up with school activities. If you have any Xuno issues, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

2026 VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS

At the beginning of the year a hard copy of our 2026 Voluntary Contributions was sent home to families and these also appear on Xuno as an event. We would like to express our appreciation to the families that have contributed to these voluntary contributions and also explain where the contributions get allocated to. Government schools generally run on a very tight budget and every contribution helps. Your Voluntary Contributions assist us in providing necessities such as new library books, first aid supplies (you would be surprised at the amount of band aids we go through), upkeep of school devices, additional art supplies and various learning materials. We understand all family situations are unique and would like to emphasise they are voluntary contributions but also make a huge difference to our school and the programs we can offer. Thank you for your support.

HOOPTIME THANKS

Hoop Time was a great day out. All students from grades three to six showed incredible sportsmanship. We won some games, we lost some games and we drew as well. I am so incredibly impressed with their enthusiasm and how hard the students tried. They were respectful and polite with all adults and students from other schools. Thank you to the following parents and staff for their help: Anna, Alex, Ashlee, Carly, Briony, Dannah and Stafford.

KABOOM SPORTS—CHANGE OF DATE

Our annual Kaboom Sports event for Prep to Year 2 students has had a change of date. This event will now be held on Thursday 10 September at Kangaroo Ground PS. A number of schools in the area will be participating on the day and we look forward to this year's event!

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PHPS Artworks



As requested, the favourite giraffe painting was completed by the Junior School. This activity is always fun, resulting in a variety of interpretations. Fabulous job everyone!!



Pie

FUNDRAISER

*Coming
Soon!*





2026 VOLUNTARY FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

Prep - Year 6

Curriculum Contributions	Amount
Items and activities that students use, or participate in, to access the Curriculum	per STUDENT
Classroom consumables, materials & equipment - English — book boxes, whiteboard and markers etc - Mathematics — numeracy blocks, dice, money counters etc - Art — paint, crayons, canvas, glitter, coloured paper etc - STEM — paddle pop sticks, straws, toothpicks, pipe cleaners etc - Sports — equipment - Publications & library resources	\$100
Online subscriptions - Reading eggs - Mathletics - Soundwaves - PAT maths and reading - Firefly Education - Inquisitive	\$100
ICT devices - provision of devices from the shared classroom sets	\$30
Printing and photocopying of worksheets and learning materials	\$20
Total Curriculum Contributions	\$250
Other Contributions	per FAMILY
First aid equipment and hygiene costs	\$25
Student & parent communication tool - XUNO	\$25
School grounds maintenance and improvements	\$50
Total Other Contributions	\$100

Example of Curriculum Contributions Scenario	Number of students in your family	Amount \$
Curriculum Contributions (<i>per student</i>)	2	\$500
Other Contributions (<i>per family</i>)	1 per family	\$100
Opt-In Extra –Curricular Items and Activities (<i>excursions/camps/activities to be scheduled</i>)		TBA on Xuno
TOTAL FAMILY CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTION		\$600

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Hello Everyone,

Our wonderful Holiday Program "White As Snow" was such a great success. We had a ball. Our excursions were to the movies to see "Toy Story 5", Hologram Zoo, Flip Out and a massive Super excursion at Waranwood where we heard the music of the indigenous people, saw lots of artifacts that were awesome, and had some dance lessons.

LAST WEEK'S PROGRAM

We had a week of Slime! Never really works no matter how many recipes we try! We still had fun trying it all out!

THIS WEEK'S PROGRAM

This week we have been busy looking at Christmas In July. It's been so cold lately, that it feels like we're in a Northern Hemisphere Christmas! Painting Christmas trees and Christmas scenes using sponges, paint and templates. Lovely candles that we create as lead glass window treatments and using paint to create different light in a 2D project. Our favourite of course, is the artificial snow!

NEXT WEEK'S PROGRAM

Next week's program will be fun as we explore lots of science based activities. Always the children's favourite.

Cancellations –

If you know that your child will not be attending ASC and you have already booked them in, please give us a call. Let us know especially if you yourself have collected them from their classroom.

Can we also please ask that for BSC, you book your children in as early as possible on the evening before care is needed. It would help us greatly with our staffing and ratio.



Extendable dogs from Toy Story

Panton Hill OSHC hours of operation: BSC 6:45am-8:45am

ASC: 3:20-6:00pm

Pupil Free Day: 7:00am-6pm.

Holiday program: 7:00am-6:00pm

Ella and the Panton Hill TheirCare team!

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