

Newsletter # 18  
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**POMONAL**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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### Swimming Program

Please mark your calendars with the swimming dates as it is quickly approaching. When swimming commences, students will be required to bring towel and bathers each day. We will begin at school so students can either wear bathers under their uniform or change at school. We will be swimming at the Stawell Leisure complex this year. Your child/ren will need plenty of snacks and a water bottle for these events. Also a packed lunch will be required—no hot lunches.

### Bendigo Day

Please note that Monday is our excursion to Bendigo. Our final awards assembly will be held on the Tuesday. Students need to be at school at 8:45am for a 9:00am departure. Students will require a full packed lunch and plenty of snacks. We will aim to return to school at 6pm Monday night. Students will be provided with a light supper.

### Pomonal Primary School OSCH

We can offer the following days for OSHC vacation care for the upcoming holidays, and they are as follows;

Report writing day 5th of December

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> of January (Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> is a public holiday)

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> of January

Monday the 30th and Tuesday the 31st of January depending on whether it is needed.

As usual, we will need a minimum of 7 bookings to run on any given day to cover all costs.

OSCH will be in contact with parents as soon as it has been indicated that you would like to book any of these sessions.

### School Council:

Our next school council meeting will be held on **November the 30th** at Barneys Bar & Bistro at 6pm followed by dinner.

Pomonal Primary School would like to say a very big thankyou to our Parent Committee members for 2022: Felicity Pitt, Catherine Hurley, Sandi Rickard and Lauren Field and DET Members: Belinda Wethers, Briana Close and Janice Jende.



## November Awards

Congratulations Isla on receiving your 200 nights reading award!

Angus also received his award from previous months. This was for resilience and his ability to adapt in his new Read, Write Inc. group.

**Well done to our award winners for November 2022. These awards are presented to student who displayed our school values of respect, resilience and responsibility.**

**Responsibility: Asha**—For showing responsibility for her learning by always trying her best and consistently working hard on all tasks.

**Respect: Tyson**—For Respecting other team members abilities during the farm excursion and showing excellent leadership.

**Resilience: Mandarra**—For trying hard with all activities at camp particularly activities that were challenging.

## What is happening in Term 4:

Term four is going to be a busy one. Here is a sneak peak of things that are going to happen in the final term!

- **Swimming Program**—begins 30th November
- **Long stay day / excursion**—28th November. This will be a whole school excursion for all students where we visit Science Works in Bendigo. We will take the bus for this excursion and students will be at school for a longer period of time. Our senior students will support our junior students on the day who will practice being away from school and activities outside of school for longer periods of time.
  - **Grade 6 graduation and end of year concert and final Walker Learning Expo**—12th December @ The Pomonal Hall
- **Prep and Year 6 transition days**—please keep an eye on the calendar!

## Sports Day

A huge congratulations to the Pomonal Primary School community. Last Friday we managed to take away a win for the 'age group champion school!' Well done to all students for their persistent effort and sportsmanship on the day. Thank you to our parent helpers and volunteers (even some previous students) that volunteered time on the day.

Well done to all students with persisting with training for most of this year to learn the individual events and the team sports! Very well done to our age group champions; Lillie and Asha (6 year old girls), Wilem (6 year old boys) and Dusty (11 year old boys) -which he won for the 7th year in a row.



## End Of Year Concert

Our end of year concert is coming up so keep an eye out for more information. We are looking for hall decorators to assist with decorating and setting up. If this is for you then please let the teachers know. This will also include purchasing some new decorations with school approval and a budget.

**Families are also required to bring a large plat of finger food to share with the community**

What your child/ren will need for the night:

Narrators (Grace, Izzy and Dusty) - required to dress smart in pants, shirt, dress, jacket etc.

Major Mitchell Cockatoo (Tyson) - cricket whites and army jacket

Aussie Kids (Lachy and Allira) - Traditional 'aussie' clothes boardshorts, singlet and a broadbrim hat.

Animals / Birds—please choose clothing that is appropriate for the animal e.g. the colour of their features (fur/feathers)

Holly—Kookaburra

Mandarra—Lyre Bird

Rosella—Wilem

Parrot—Paige

Magpie—Isla

Budgie - Ace

Kangaroos—Bodhi and Asha (we have tails)

Koalas—Indi and Lilly

Possums—Tully and Charlie (we have tails)

Snake—George

Lizard—Connor

Bush Fairies (Olivia and Lulu) - Footy jumper, tutu, footy socks and boots, wings and wand, tiara and crown

Santa—Angus—Board shorts and T-shirt, thongs with traditional beard and hat

Bunyips (Lucy and Sam) Dark coloured clothing with streamers/tentacles hanging to represent weeds

If you require any further assistance with your costume please contact the school and we will endeavour to help.





Dear Parent,

We are delighted to let you know about an education resource that is available to your child at home as part of our school subscription – **Story Box Library**.

Your child can watch favourite stories, read aloud by fabulous storytellers, at home as well as in the classroom.

Reading aloud to children, in particular by diverse and engaging storytellers, greatly improves language and literacy skills, especially in the early years of a child's development. Story Box Library is committed to supporting and engaging the practice of storytelling. It is intended for use as a complementary form of delivering the precious experience of being read aloud to, in order to improve children's lives. Connecting children with literature through the complementary medium of film, providing a vibrant, interactive experience via a diverse range of storytellers sharing the best of our local children's picture books.

To access Story Box Library at home:

- 1) Visit [www.storyboxlibrary.com.au](http://www.storyboxlibrary.com.au)
- 2) Choose Log In from the top right corner of the screen
- 3) Log in using the username and password provided below
- 4) Enjoy the library of stories on any device with internet connection

<b>USERNAME:</b> StoryboxMARC
<b>PASSWORD:</b> StoryboxMARC

Please note the following features:

- Story Box Library regularly adds new stories, so is an ever-growing library
- Content is aimed at Prep/Foundation through to Year 6 students
- Includes a range of short films to inspired by our stories, creators and storytellers
- Resources are provided for each story, including Classroom Ideas, Activity Time and Student Task Sheets – all designed to assist at-home learning
- Captions can be turned on or off for each story
- Story Box Library is a safe online space free from advertising

# POMONAL PRIMARY OSHC

Term 4

28<sup>th</sup> November – 2<sup>nd</sup> December

OSHC CLOSED DUE TO SCHOOL CURSION

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Snack</b>	Fruit matter	Ham and cheese, cheesy pasta	Banana bread	PIZZA	Wraps
<b>Warm- up</b>	Outdoor yoga	Self acceptance – red crayon social/emotional learning	Would you rather	Pass the chicken	Pass the chicken
<b>Activity</b>	Walk down by the creek & memory tigg	Squirty bottle painting	Outdoor four square and free play	Black paper and oil pastel giraffes	Bushwalk MTOP 1.1, 1.5,
<b>Wind-down</b>	Tidy up Puzzle, read, colour in	Tidy up Puzzle, read, colour in	Tidy up Puzzle, read, colour in	Tidy up Puzzle, read, colour in	Tidy up Puzzle, read, colour in
<b>Predicted weather</b>					

## Term 4 2022

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
9	28th Nov <b>Long stay day excursion to Bendigo Science Works</b>	29th Nov <b>Awards assembly</b>  <b>Prep transition 9-1:30pm</b> Y6 students at High School	30th Nov Mens Shed (small group) Swimming Program <b>School Council @ Barneys 6pm</b>	1st Dec Swimming Program	2nd Dec Swimming Program
10	5th Dec <b>Curriculum Day</b> <b>Report writing – student free</b>	6th Dec <b>Whole Day Transition day</b>	7th Dec Y4-6 <b>Cyber Safety Day</b> 	8th Dec Swimming Program	9th Dec Swimming Program
11	12th Dec School Concert & Y6 Graduation @ Pomonal Hall	13th Dec Y6 students at High School	14th Dec Mens Shed (small group) Swimming Program	15th Dec Swimming Program	16th Dec Swimming Program

Please note that Friday the 16th of December will be the final day of 2022! Staff will be utilising Monday the 19th of December and Tuesday the 20th of December as curriculum days to get the classrooms ready for carpet cleaning and 2023 as well as planning for the coming year.

We look forward to seeing you all back in the new year! Here are the 2023 term dates:

Term 1— 30th Jan (students begin) - 6th April

Term 2—24th April—23rd June

Term 3—10th July—15th September

Term 4— 2nd October—20th December

