

# Pitt Town Public School Newsletter

## 2019 Term 2 Week 10



### DATES TO NOTE

Date	Event
5 <sup>th</sup> July	Last day Term 2
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Staff Development Day
23 <sup>rd</sup> July	First day Term 3
31 <sup>st</sup> July	School Photos

### PRINCIPAL REPORT

Here we are at the end of yet another term. This term has been a busy one with the children achieving many things, both in their learning and in extra-curricular activities (see our photo collage on the following page). As always, all the children continue to be such a credit to the Pitt Town Public School community in whatever they do. I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff for their hard work and care for the children at our school. Thank you too to all of you for your support throughout the term, the school community continues to be a real strength here at PTPS.

### Social Skills Program

I have now confirmed dates with Michelle Miller regarding our social skills program. Due to her commitments, we will not be starting the group until term 4. She will work with one small group of students from Years 2 and 3 for the whole 10 weeks. Further information regarding this program, if your child has been selected and the costing, will be made available at the beginning of term 3. Thank you again for supporting this program. Next year we are hoping that more children will have the chance to get involved.

### Share our space

The vision of the Department's initiative is for families to play together in the outdoors, enjoy the fresh air and keep active. Through the *Share Our Space* initiative, Pitt Town Public School is going to provide a safe, secure and clean space for our community and kids to gather during the term break. Come and play - everyone welcome!

### Kindergarten Enrolments for 2020



We are accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2020. If any family has a sibling who is coming to Pitt Town in 2020, could you please fill out an enrolment form at the office. We will be sending out 'Transition To School' information in term 3.



Yours in partnership,

*Mary Roche*  
Principal





## **Fun, achievements and events ... What a term!!!**



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### Premiers Spelling Bee

Our school is again participating in the Premiers Spelling Bee for years 3-6. During week one of Term Three each class will conduct a class spelling bee to select two representatives to complete in the school spelling bee championship in week 2 term 3.

The word lists can be located at the following link <https://www.artsunit.nsw.edu.au/premiers-spelling-bee>  
Your child will receive a slip of paper with the website and the password, as we do not have permission to publicise this information to the general public.

### Athletics Carnivals

Our school held the annual athletics running carnival on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2019. It was an extremely successful day with all students participating and earning points for their house. Our carnival began with our annual march past for the Val Cant marching shield. This year our judge was Mrs Roche and the winning house was Thompson. All children participated and showed great sportsmanship. Ribbons from this carnival will be handed out at the Friday assembly in week two of term three.

### GREEN TEAM TIPS FOR JULY

Level 1 water restrictions are now in place for Sydney and the Blue Mountains. This means that we need to start being more careful with our water usage.

Here are the Green Team's tips for saving water at home:

- Have short showers
- Turn off taps when you are finished
- Don't use the sprinkler to water the garden- use a hose
- Don't water the concrete
- Wash your car less
- Turn taps off tightly
- Collect rainwater for your gardens



### Year 2 visited Elizabeth Farm on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June

I went to Elizabeth Farm it was so amazing. Firstly we went to the garden that is where they got their food. They had strawberries tomatoes and lettuce. Their grape vines ran out of season but they would come back. Then we went to the kitchen. It was dark because they didn't have electricity. They had 3 mattresses on the bed and they did not have toilets so they did their business in a pot and they rang a bell for the maid to come. I loved it.

by Gracey-Leigh

It was a long drive but we had to make it to Elizabeth farm. It was only like 40 minutes but it felt like 3 hours. When we got off the bus we went in one of the oldest buildings in Australia. It had cracks all over it. We got put into 3 groups. I had May. The first thing we did was played some old games such as skittles, hoop and stick, cup and ball and quoits. We got to wash with an old wash board. I got an old pair of pants. We also got to write our name in ink. Mine is really thick. Oops! Then we got a tour of the Macarthur's house. First we went into the kitchen. We got to smell the butter turner. It stank really bad!

By Mya

On Friday all of the year 2s got to go to Elizabeth farm. We played games and my favourite game was hoops. I got to go in the kitchen and there was a thing called a butter mixer. They had to go to the cows to get milk so they could make butter. I had the best time and it was fun. I got to write my name.





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By Beau

The trip to Elizabeth farm I am going to list my top two things. Firstly I am going to tell you about Mr and Mrs Macarthur's bed. It was so soft and fluffy. Secondly I am going to tell you about the games. I was at the bowling and then I went to put the ball in the cup. Then I went to bamboo sticks and then I went to skittles. I had loads of fun.

By Bonnie

On Friday grade 2 went to Elizabeth Farm. The first thing we did was sit in the oldest building in NSW. Then we got put in 3 groups. My group was toured by May. She took us to do some sports. I played quoits and skittles. The score for skittles was Eden 24 Milly 5 Eric 2 and me 4.

By Summer





## Enrolling now for Kindergarten 2020

If you have a child turning 5 years of age before July 31, 2020 and thinking about sending them to Kindergarten next year, please come and collect an enrolment package from the front office.

If you would like a tour of the school or just to meet with the Principal to ask questions or alleviate any concerns, please contact the front office and this can be arranged.

If you have any neighbours, family or friends in the area who may have a child starting Kindergarten next year, please pass on this information as we would love for them to be a part of our community.



## Share Our Space

Your school is a vital part of our community, and we want you to use it. During these upcoming holidays participating schools across NSW will

**Pitt Town Public School playground will be open to the public**  
**8-12<sup>th</sup> July and 15<sup>th</sup> July – 19<sup>th</sup> July –**  
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### Term 3 2019 Weekly Calendar

Month	Week	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
July 2019	1	22 SDD	23 Students Return	24 In Class Spelling Bee Preparation	25 In Class Spelling Bee Preparation	26 NAIDOC In Class Spelling Bee Preparation
	2	29 Responsible Pet Incursion K-2	30	31 School Photos Opportunity Class Placement Test	1 Spelling Bee Final Y 3-6 under COLA 11:20 – 1:00	2
August 2019	3	5 Education Week	6 Open Classrooms 9am	7	8	9
	4	12	13	14 Author Visit	15 Book Fair	16 Book Fair
	5	19 Book Fair Story Fiesta	20 Book Fair Book Parade 11:15	21	22	23
September 2019	6	26	27 Windsor High Transition Day	28 District Athletics 800m and Field	29	30 District Athletics Track
	7	2	3 ICAS Digital Technologies	4	5 ICAS Writing	6
	8	9	10 ICAS Writing	11	12 ICAS Spelling Bee	13
	9	16 Parent/Teacher Interview Week	17 ICAS English Calmsley Hill Exc Early Stage 1	18	19 ICAS Mathematics	20 Silver Luncheon
	10	23	24	25 Multicultural Day (TBC)	26	27

#### 2019 Term Dates for Students

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Wednesday, 30 January to Friday, 12 April	Tuesday, 30 April to Friday, 5 July	Tuesday, 23 July to Friday, 27 September	Monday, 14 October to Wednesday, 18 December



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