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OUR STUDENTS EXCEL

Award Winners

Thank you to our leadership team for announcing the students who have received class awards. Congratulations to our award recipients and well done to our leadership team.

Class	CARE	Awards		erit Card ards
KD	Bronte	Harrison	Zac	Ryder Ryder
KM	Max	Jack	Jayde	Zane
1/2G	Richie	Melaleuca	Brody	Emily
1/2K	Aurora	Beatrix	Kai	Charlie
1/25	Vaali	Alianna	Willow	Ethan
3/4C	Beau	Stella	Knox	Leilani
3/4W	Sasha	Max	Sophia	Zephyr
4/5P	Charlotte	May Ann	Ozzy	Ruby
5/6B	Hamish	Malea	Darcy	Harper
5/6L	Yasmin	Alice	Bodhi	Lillian
5/6S	Ryan	Harley	lvy	Billy



Leadership Team

Left to right:

Audrey, Millie, Amelie, Ryan, Sione, Luke, Ethan (absent)

UP COMING EVENTS FOR TERM 4

The following events are happening over the coming weeks:

UP AND COMING EVENTS CALENDAR

Tuesday 5 October First day of Term 4 - Students return



Watch this Space – Unfortunately at this point in time, under Level 3 classification, the DoE guidelines restrict certain school activities and state there can be no excursions, camps or assemblies. We will update our Term 4 calendar according to DoE COVID guidelines when we return.



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INFORMATION FOR OUR PARENTS

Kindergarten 2022 Parent/Carer Information Night

Enrolment for Kindergarten 2022 is now open. Information has been distributed to local preschools and childcare facilities. Unfortunately due to COVID restrictions our 2022 Kindergarten Parent/Carer Information Night was postponed. If you have any questions regarding Kindergarten enrolments



please contact the office. Kindergarten enrolment packs are available for collection at the office. You can also enrol online by visiting our school website (click on the Enrolment tab) <u>Home - Pacific Palms Public School (nsw.gov.au)</u>

Stage 2 Aussie Bush Camp/Stage 3 Canberra Excursion

The last few months have been challenging for many of us and filled with great uncertainty. The government is gradually lifting restrictions but when life will return to "normal" is still unclear. It is a particularly challenging time for our students. Following recent Department advice all excursions are still on hold and it is unclear when travel will be permitted. So it is with great sadness that we have made the decision to cancel the Stage 2 Aussie Bush Camp and the Stage



3 Canberra Excursion. Our number one priority is student safety and as always we need to adhere to Department guidelines. We hope that you understand that this decision was not made lightly. **Full refunds** will be offered to all parents and a note regarding this will be sent home in early Term 4. Any money that has been paid can also be redirected to school fees or held over to 2022 excursions.

P & C NEWS

Canteen Manager Position

Are you interested in being our new Canteen Manager?

Today we are emailing an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) for our P & C run Canteen Manager position Term 4, starting on Tuesday 5th October 2021.

Copies of the EOI will also be available at the front office.

This is an interim position to the end of Term 4 with possibility of extension.

Applications close on Wednesday 29th September at 3pm.







Bookkeeper Required for Pacific Palms Public School P&C

We are currently on the hunt for a reliable and skilled casual Bookkeeper to come on board for 2-3 hours per month and support our Pacific Palms Public School Parents and Citizens Committee (P&C).

If you have experience in the following, then we want you to apply:
Payroll and superannuation
Accounts Payable and Receivable
Bank Reconciliations
MYOB Essentials Experience



The successful book-keeper will also be required to:

- Liaise with P&C Treasurer
- Provide the P&C Treasurer with Monthly P&L, Balance Sheet and other relevant info to present at Monthly P&C meetings
- Liaise with appointed Auditor at EOFY to assist with Annual P&C Audit

Please submit your EOI, including a brief CV and cover letter to pacificpalmspublicschool-treas@pandcaffiliate.org.au

Applications Close Monday 27th September 2021.





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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What a roller coaster this term has been for all of us!

This week we saw many schools across regional NSW, where there has not been recent transmissions of COVID-19, released from stay-at-home rules. This meant a return to school sites under our COVID-safe level 3 plan. Staff, students and parents/carers have been very excited to see a full return to on site learning and teaching at these schools and we will take the opportunity to learn from their experience in welcoming back staff and students as we plan for our own return. It was heart-warming to see photos of our students learning from home and adapting so well to their new way of life. We are very grateful that this was only a four-week period, unlike much of the state that has been in lockdown for an extended period of time. We are hopeful that face-to-face learning can continue in our LGA for the remainder of the year.





The end of Term 3 has been a busy one for our school and others throughout the state. We're happy to say that together we made it through what has been a constantly-changing and sometimes difficult term. We could not have done it without the commitment from all of our families who supported learning from home, and from our fantastic teaching and school staff. I want to thank you all for your efforts to continue to keep our school community safe – I know everyone has faced different challenges at different times through the term.



At the time of writing this, Pacific Palms Public School is operating under Level 3 COVID safe school operations. This does restrict a number of school activities. At this point in time, the DoE guidelines state that we cannot hold excursions, camps or assemblies. With a number of extra-curricular activities planned for Term 4, we will be monitoring the guidelines and will keep you informed of any cancellations or postponement. This includes our end of year activities and celebrations.

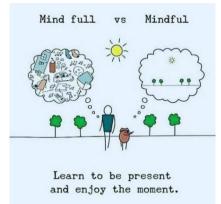








I hope everyone enjoys a break over the holidays and is looking forward to the COVID-safe return to school sites that we are planning for in Term 4.



Please read the updates on the following page and don't hesitate to reach out for support or with any questions.

Mel Merchant Principal





on site; learning from home

Minimal students and staff

Schools are actively encouraged to further minimise students attendance with the support of increased community messaging

required on site for safety reasons, and only as many additional staff as

encouraged, schools are open

Level 4 plus

students and staff on-site

Schools operate learning from home, with stricter guidance for

Where students and staff are at school, Level 3 guidelines apply, and:
 No community use (except early childhood services)

While on school sites, masks or face coverings are required for all staff, and all students in Year 7 and above

encouraged, schools are open

students learning from home

for families who need it

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COVID-safe school operations

	Overview		Guidance on mask wearing
Level 1	 Students and staff to not attend school if they have symptoms; negative COVID-19 test required prior to returning to school 	Inter-school sport in line with community sport guidelines Community use in line with broader Health settings	Staff and students are supported to wear a mask or face covering should they choose to do so.
School operating in a COVID-safe way	Parents, carers and visitors are allowed on site QR code check-in and check-out required for all staff and visitors COVID-19 Salety Plans required in line with NSW Health advice (such as large gatherings or events) Activities such as singing, chanting, choirs, bands and school performances allowed in line with broader Health settings	SRE/SEE (externally provided religion and ethics classes) operational Community Language Schools operational P&C on site Additional cleaning measures in place	should they choose to go so
Level 2	As per Level I, and: Non-essential visitors not allowed on-site (including parents and carers)	Assemblies must have COVID-safe practices in place and no parents or carers are allowed	While in indoor settings in schools, masks or face coverings are
COVID-safe; restrictions on activities and non-essential visitors	ns	 Excursions within Local Government Area only, and strongly recommended to be outdoors and within walking distance 	recommended for all statt, and all students in Year 7 and above
Level 3	As per Level 2, and: • Mask wearing requirements	No assemblies No excursions	While on school sites, masks or face coverings are required for all staff, and all staffers in You? The staff should be set to You?
COVID-safe; further restrictions on activities and	Introduction of staggered breaks and reduced mingling of student cohorts wherever possible	 No community use (except early childhood services and OOSH services) No uniform shops 	SE DE LES ADMINISTRATION DE L'ANNE D
non-essential visitors	Activites such as singing, chanting, choirs, bands and school performances not permitted	 No SRE/SEE (externally provided religion and ethics classes) No Community Language School on site 	
Level 4	 Families are encouraged to keep their children at home, with no student to be turned away 	Where students and staff are at school, Level 3 guidelines apply, and: No community use (except early childhood services)	 While on school sites, masks or face coverings are required for all staff, and all students in Year 7 and above
Learning from home	bchoots activate plans to support continuity of education for all	No canteens	

For more detailed guidance, refer to the department's website education.nsw.gov.au

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EVENTS GUIDE •



WEEK 1 | 20 SEP - 24 SEP



MON 20 SEP | REMOTE CONTROL

Switch it on, you are in control! Learn how remote controls work, from the science to how they are used in real life situations. And of course we'll be having a BIG race day with a variety of RC vehicles! See you on the track!





TUE 21 SEP | MARVEL VS. DC

It's the age-old comic question, Marvel or DC? Which superheroes save the world? And who crumbles at their kryptonite? Learn about our favourite super characters accompanied by of course some Big superhero games!





WED 22 SEP | SHADOW ART

Put on your creative hats because we're going to be learning how to create shadow art. Imagine it, sketch it, trace it, even write a show. The possibilities are endless with this new creative skill you're going to take away.





THU 23 SEP | KIDS ON WHEELS

\$55

Get your skates on and ride that board because today we're kickflippin' into a day on wheels. Whether you're a complete beginner or a skater pro, it's going to be a wheely good





Settle in the corns a poppin', the movies where the bus is stoppin'! We're taking over the local movie theatre to watch the hit comedy animation 'Boss Baby Family Business' get ready for the giggles!

WEEK 2 | 27 SEP - 01 OCT





MON 27 SEP | SPACE DAY

\$55

Get ready to launch into an 'atmosphere' to remember, intergalactic activities, moonwalking and everything in the space beyond, you're sure to have a blast at our Big Childcare mission control!





TUE 28 SEP | INFLATABLE WORLD

It's all blown up and ready to go. Take on the obstacle course, brave the slide or race a mate. Let's bounce on over to our world of inflatables where you're sure to be jumping for joy!





WED 29 SEP | YOGA & ZUMBA

\$55 + \$22

Gather your inner zen and stretch into the world of Yoga, then let's get moving and shaking for a Zumba party, this fun interactive class is perfect for all ages whether you're a mover, shaker or beginner too.





THU 30 SEP | BIG ACTIVE

\$55

Start stretching and warming up because today's session is going to be ACTIVE! Big Active is our Big Childcare sports initiative to increase physical activity levels, so come join, build your confidence, and of course have fun!





| FOOTY FRENZY FR 01 OCT

Wear your footy colours and get ready for the drop! Whether you're into the footy or not, there's something for EVERYONE! You're going to have a ball in this blinder of a day, so mark up and go for goal!



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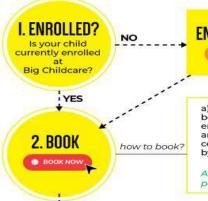
BOOMERANG BEACH

School Address 91 Boomerang Dr., Boomerang Beach NSW 2428

Centre Mobile 0434 176 938 Centre email pacificpalms@bigchildcare.com

Our school holiday programs are based on the children's interests. We predominantly travel by bus to our On Tour locations and do our best to meet all the needs of the children.

HOW TO ATTEND?



ENROL NOW!



a) Scan or click on QR code to Enrol online OR (best option)



b) Scan or click on QR code to download enrolment form, then submit completed form to our centre.

a) Complete the booking form at the end of this brochure OR and submit it to our centre in person or by email.

b) Scan or click on OR code to book online

c) Contact your Centre Manager via email, mobile or in person at our centre. See contact details above.

Availability for some On Tour activities are strictly limited. Please book as soon as possible to secure your child's place and avoid disappointment.

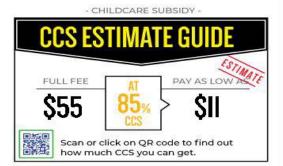


No further action!

*CCS = Childcare Subsidy

Scan or click on QR code to apply now! All families are encouraged to set up a MyGov account to start the CCS application process.

If you have not used Big Childcare for 14 weeks, you must confirm us as your service provider again on your MvGov account.



PROGRAM & PAYMENT DATES







Scan QR code to stay in the loop with all our BIG FUN!











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HOLIDAY PROGRAM Preparation Guide



ON-TOUR ACTIVITIES will depart at approximately 8.30am unless otherwise specified.

Mihat to wear?

Children are encouraged to wear comfortable, weather appropriate clothing, with closed toe shoes.

Safety attire

Every child is provided with a bright coloured Big Childcare vest with centre contact details attached. For water events, every child is provided with a Big Childcare rashie for protection and safety.

What to pack

Backpack, lunch, morning and afternoon tea, water bottle, hat, sunscreen, change of clothes. For water events, bring bathers, towel, plastic bag and change of clothes.

What NOT to pack?

We strongly encourage children to leave valuables at home as Big Childcare will not be responsible for any loss or damage. We kindly ask that you do not provide your children with spending money.

Disclaimer

Excursion locations may be subject to change. You will be notified via email or text when this happens.

SUPER INCURSIONS AND HOME-BASED ACTIVITIES:

You can arrive at any time within our opening hours during a Home Base day, or before a Super Incursion activity begins. Super Incursions are hosted by an external group, or involve resources booked for a specific experience. Themes can range from Build a Bear, Petting Zoo, Mobile Arcade, Cooking Class, Colour Run etc.. You will be updated on any special items to bring on these days. Home Base days are hosted by the centre and include a variety of fun themes of current interest to children. There is no additional cost on a Home Base day.

BOOKING CHANGES

Changes

If making a change to your booking you will need to do this by **Friday 17th September.**

Cancellations

Cancellations are not permitted during school holiday program. Amendments to bookings will need to be made prior to the holiday program starting.

Refunds

No cancellations or refunds are permitted during holiday care as staff, resources and/or venues and transportation have been secured based on your confirmed booking

HEALTH & SAFETY

Medical Plan

If your child has a medical condition, you will need to provide medication(s) along with the relevant completed action plan before your child can attend. Medication must be in the original packaging, clearly labelled with the child's name. The packaging must also clearly state the dosage and be within the expiry date. Additionally, you must complete a medication consent form filled out at your centre. Please note that without clearly labelled medication and consent form, children will be unable to attend the holiday program. Please allow time to process this when enrolling and booking

COVID-19 Safe

Our service follows the advice mandated by the Department of Health and Department of Education. Our COVID-19 Safe Plan is available to view at the service.



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	Tuesday 21 September	Marvel vs. DC Pacific Palms Public School		BASE	\$55	5 0 3
	Wednesday 22 September	Shadow Art Pacific Palms Public School		A	\$55	
	Thursday 23 September	Kids on Wheels Pacific Palms Public School		BASE	\$55	24
	Friday 24 September	Movies Great Lakes Cinema 108 Manning	g St, Tuncurry NSW		\$55	+ \$29
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	Monday 27 September	Space Day Pacific Palms Public School		BASE	\$55	HZ91
	Tuesday 28 September	Inflatable World Inflatable World Taree - 47 Muldo	on St, Taree NSW	VAY	\$55	+ \$38
	Wednesday 29 September	Yoga & Zumba 5 Enterprise Circuit, Forster NSW		V _{ES} V	\$55	+ \$22
	Thursday 30 September	Big Active Pacific Palms Public School		BASE	\$55	828
	Friday 01 October	Footy Frenzy Pacific Palms Public School			\$55	(2)



ractivity fee covers admission charges and transport costs.

Note: Excursion locations may be subject to change. You will be notified via email or text when this happens.

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Address: 91 Boomerang Dr., Boomerang Beach NSW 2428

Centre Contact: 0434 176 938

Centre Email: pacificpalms@bigchildcare.com



PARENT CONTACT		
First name:	Sumame:	
Best contact number:	Secondary contact number:	
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Enrolment Email Address:

If you <u>have not</u> enrolled, please enter the email that you will be using to enrol. Your booking confirmation and statements will be sent to this email.

By signing below, I acknowledge that I have completely read and fully understood the following terms & conditions:

- I have a current / I have attached a copy of the Big Childcare enrolment form (in addition to the holiday booking form)
 and understand that my child cannot attend, unless all the details in this form have been completed.
- I acknowledge that if my child is prescribed with any medication to be administered at the service, that it is provided
 to staff before attendance, along with medical action plan, medication consent form and the risk minimisation and
 communication plans; completed in consultation with the centre manger.
- I understand that full payment on statements emailed to me upon the conclusion of each week's Holiday Program will
 be payable in arrears the following Monday.
- I understand there will be no refunds once my booking has been accepted and confirmed.
- I am aware that 'On Tour' and 'Super Incursions' will be an additional cost to the Home Base Price, as outlined in the brochure.
- I give permission for my child/ren to be taken outside of the education and care service for all 'On Tour' activities I
 have authorised them to attend. Big Childcare determines means of travel; this predominantly is bus travel.
- I acknowledge the ratio of 1 educator to 15 children. I understand approximately 30 children attending the excursions there will be a minimum of 2 educators.
- Proposed time away from the service will vary and is approximately between the hours of 8.30am to 3pm. Exact
 excursion departure and return times will be communicated closer to the excursion date.
- Risk assessments have been prepared in accordance with regulation 101 and I am aware they are available to view at the service.
- I understand that further information regarding the description of the proposed destinations and/or activities to be undertaken are available in the holiday program brochure. I understand that risk assessments including but limited to "On Tour' venues can be found on the parent table at the centre.
- I am aware that children are not allowed to make any purchases whilst on any excursion. I will not provide my
 child/ren with extra money to spend unless specified by management.
- I understand my contact details may be provided to 'On Tour' venues in accordance with contact tracing, Services
 Victoria sign into venues and the Department of Health.
- I am aware that extra bookings can be made during the school holiday program, subject to availability.
- . I have read and agreed to further terms and conditions outlined in bigchildcare.com/terms-conditions
- I am aware that excursion locations and/ proposed activities may be subject to change, and I will be notified via email/text when this happens.

Parent /	authorised	quardian	signature

Date:

Disclaimer: In order for bookings to be confirmed, you MUST

- 1.be enrolled with Big Childcare, ------
- 2 have completed this booking form in full, and
- 3.received booking confirmation from the centre manager

	If you currently have not enrolled Scan or click on QR code.
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Food Relief during COVID-19

Food relief in NSW is available for people who are experiencing hardship and do not have the means to obtain their own groceries.

Food relief is also available for people who have been directed to self-isolate by NSW Health and do not have the means to obtain their own groceries during the period of isolation.

For food relief when self-isolating



Positive COVID cases and their close contacts who are directed to self-isolate by NSW Health, and do not have a means to obtain their own groceries, can contact NSW Health to arrange for food relief on **1800 943 553.**

Food relief for the community



The NSW Government has provided additional funding to Foodbank and OzHarvest to provide hampers, cooked meals, fresh food and other food relief products to community organisations, local councils and schools across NSW.



Local community organisations and councils are working with Foodbank and OzHarvest to coordinate the distribution of food to individuals and other organisations in their communities.



Service providers can talk to their local networks and councils for advice on how to support clients.

Service providers can also get help from Foodbank www.foodbank.org.au or OzHarvest www.ozharvest.org



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Resources and support



OzHarvest

www.ozharvest.org/food/receive-food-individuals/

02 9516 3877

Foodbank

www.foodbank.org.au/

02 9756 3099

E: office@foodbanknsw.org.au

SecondBite

https://www.secondbite.org/

Anglicare emergency assistance

www.anglicare.org.au/what-we-offer/food-and-financial-assistance/help-with-food/

St Vincent de Paul food services

www.vinnies.org.au/page/Find_Help/NSW/Food/ 13 18 12

Salvation Army Emergency Relief Team

1300 371 288

DCJ Service Providers can find other helpful resources at:

www.coronavirus.dcj.nsw.gov.au/service-providers/helpful-resources

Individuals can find their closest food relief charity at:

https://askizzy.org.au/food

A range of Government supports are also available at:

www.nsw.gov.au