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CALENDAR TERM 4

- 6 Nov** *Report Writing Day*
STUDENT FREE
- 7 Nov** *Melbourne Cup*
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- 9 Nov 5/6 Talk Money Incursion
- 16 Nov 5/6 Talk Money Incursion
- 20-30 Nov 5/6 Swimming
- 23-24 Nov 3/4, 4/5B & 4/5J Force & Motion Science Incursion
- 29 Nov Teddy Bears Picnic SEAL's 
- 5 Dec International Volunteer Day Morning Tea
- 6-7 Dec Art Show 3.15-4.45pm Multipurpose Room and Gym Foyer
- 7 Dec Grade 6 Graduation 4:30-7pm Gym
- 12 Dec Transition Day
- 14 Dec Classroom Parties
- 15 Dec Prep-4 Swimming
- 18 Dec Prep-4 Swimming
- 19 Dec** *Curriculum Day*
STUDENT FREE
- 20 Dec** *Last Day of Term*
STUDENTS FINISH AT 1:30pm

XUNO



Xuno is our main method of communication with families of students.

Parents must have access to this portal in case of an emergency.

Please download the app on your phone (download via Google Play or Apple store). If you need help setting up, do not hesitate to get in touch with the Office for assistance, we will be only too happy to help: 03 59414436



ClassDojo

XUNO
FAMILY



In the spirit of reconciliation PHPS acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea and community. We pay our respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.

Principal's Post



Welcome

Class Placements for 2024

Later this term we will start the complex process of placing students into classes for 2024. We spend many hours undertaking this important work, which considers variables such as:

- Academic ability and performance
- Work habits e.g. ability to work independently
- Classroom behaviour
- Social network/friendships
- Social maturity
- Special needs e.g. twins, siblings
- Special factors such as 'anxiety'

During this process, changes and adjustments to the proposed class groups are made over several weeks. Draft class lists are then submitted to the Leadership Team for final ratification and then finally teachers are assigned to class groups.

Foundation Enrolments for 2024

Currently, we have 60 foundation students enrolled for 2024. If you have a child who is in foundation next year and you haven't yet completed their enrolment, can you please do this. A lot of time goes into the formation of grades and allocation of classrooms for 2024. Aside from the 60 enrolled foundation students, we also have a further 50 families we have done pre-enrolments for. These students have currently not been enrolled. We are currently struggling to replace teachers for 2024 and if I suddenly have to create 1 or 2 extra foundation grades, it will be almost impossible to get teachers to staff them. It would be extremely helpful if you have enrolment forms for 2024, to complete the enrolment process. If you know of anyone who is intending to enrol their foundation child at PHPS for 2024, can you please encourage them to do so as soon as possible.

Pupil Free Days

The remaining Pupil Free days for 2023 are **Monday 6 November** and **Tuesday 19 December**.

Monday 6 November is a report writing day for teachers and Tuesday 19 December is a planning day for teachers, to prepare for 2024.

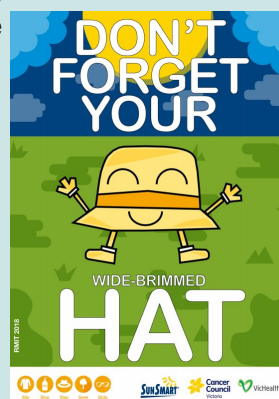
Intentions to Leave for 2024

Thank you to the families who have already informed us of this. If any other families are intending to leave our School Community in 2024 because of relocation or other reason, would you please advise us as soon as possible. A phone call to the office, or an email to the school would be most appreciated. This helps us with planning for numbers and also grade preparation for 2024.

Kind regards



Dale Hendrick
Principal



Being SunSmart in Victoria



When **UV** is **3+**



Slip on covering clothing



Slop on SPF50,
broad-spectrum,
water-resistant sunscreen



Slap on a broad-brimmed hat



Seek shade



Slide on sunglasses (AS:1067)

Think **UV**, not
heat! UV rays can't
be seen or felt and
can damage your
skin on cool or
cloudy days.

When **UV** is below **3**

Sun protection
isn't required
unless you are
outdoors for
extended periods
or near reflective
surfaces, such
as snow.



Download the
**SunSmart Global
UV app** to find sun
protection times
for your location.

March 2023



Scan the QR code or visit
sunsmart.com.au/app
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Victoria



Parent Information



THE THRIVING KIDS & PARENTS SCHOOLS PROJECT

Online Parenting Seminar Series

for
Parents of children aged 4 - 12 years

- ✓ Practical tools and strategies
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- ✓ Highly relevant

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HAPPY HALLOWEEN DRESS-UP DAY

31 OCTOBER, 2023

JOIN US FOR THE DAY IN YOUR SPOOKIEST HALLOWEEN COSTUMES.

Life is for Learning

Grade 5/6 Camp to Gundiwindi Lodge

The Year 5/6s were very excited to head off to camp last Wednesday morning and were pleased that it was only a short trip to

Gundiwindi Lodge. When we arrived, we were able to unpack our gear into our cabins and Danny showed us around the camp.

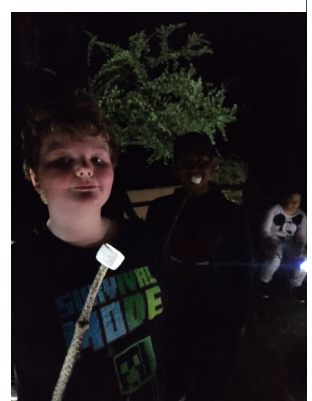
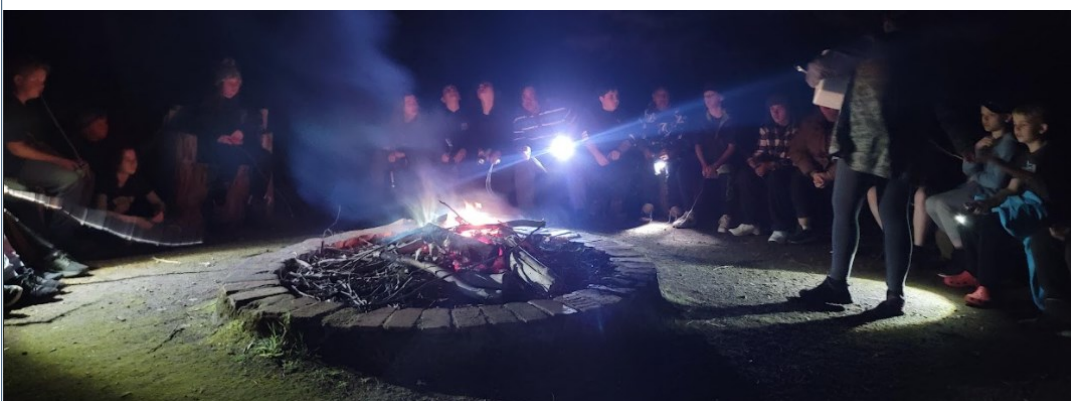
After lunch we all participated in initiative activities where we had to work together as a team to achieve several goals. One challenge saw us having to get all our team members over a wall whilst on another one we all had to swap places on a balance beam without our team members touching the ground.



Over the next two days, we participated in activities such as damper making, the Giant Swing, the Flying Fox, a ropes course, and indoor archery. We had perfect weather for our Wednesday activities and even though it rained on Thursday, we still got to complete the activities which was good.



On Wednesday night, we went on a night scavenger/trail walk and finished with toasting marshmallows over the campfire. Some people stayed up very late talking in their cabin but most of us managed to get a bit of sleep.



Life is for Learning



Grade 5/6 Camp to Gundiwindi Lodge cont.



Free time is a highlight at Gundiwindi. There are two trampolines, a volleyball court, a big oval, a horse, donkey, cows and sheep to feed, a yabby pond to go yabby catching in and a big indoor recreation hall to play in. We had lots of fun during free time sessions. We had a trivia night on Thursday night which was very entertaining....especially when someone from each group had to impersonate a turkey!!



The meals were excellent at camp, and everyone ate well. We finished our camp with a trip on the Puffing Billy train on Friday which everyone enjoyed despite the wet weather.

Thank you to all of the staff who came to camp and gave up their time away from their own families to give our 5/6 students a great camp.



Life is for Learning



Thanks for buying
books from

 SCHOLASTIC

Book Club

they help build our
classroom resources



Book Club

Thank you to all the families who ordered books from
Issue 7 of the catalogue.

We look forward to distributing your orders as soon as
they arrive.



Life is for Learning



PHPS Swimming Lessons

Well done to all our students across the School who have participated in the Swimming Program at Cardinia Life.



GET ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER PROGRAM

Apply for up to \$200 to support your child's participation in swim lessons, sport and recreation activities

Visit getactive.vic.gov.au



Victorian families with a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card can apply for up to \$200 to support their child's sport and active recreation activities. Apply now at www.getactive.vic.gov.au/vouchers

Phone: 1800 325 206 for the cost of a local call (except from mobile phones)



Life is for Learning

Thank to Ultimate Tiles

We were lucky enough to be contacted by **Ultimate Tiles** in Pakenham last week. They had some tiles they wanted to donate to our art department. Mrs H is very thankful (and also excited that we will have to learn how to mosaic!).



Here are our Art captains Jaylee (5/6L) and Eve (5/6J) receiving our delivery from PHPS former student Jordan Interland.

A HUGE thank you to Sean and the team at Ultimate Tiles Pakenham.

Mrs H

Visual Arts and Auslan Teacher



PHPS Sensory Garden

First week back from holidays and straight into the garden for 5/6L.

We had a "The Block 2023" style challenge where team captains Nylah, Yvarra, Tyson and Nash selected teams and got the existing four veggie gardens re-stained, turned over, mulched and ready for planting and composting. Teams only had approximately an hour, and did a great job!






Our next steps are to have the rest of the area excavated so we can start of the layout of benches and sensory garden beds. Hopefully the weather is on our side.

Great work 56L!



Student of The Week



	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3
00A		Alex A	
00E			
00K	Melody L & Aurora F		Adiyat R & Ethan K
01OH			
12M			
12J	Reksshana V		
12K			
12X	Caelen G		Mikaella C
12R			Virsat M
34C	Mohammad B I &		Laila G
34L			
34M			
34W			
45B			
45J			
56D			
56L	Nylah C	Mantej G	Ethan M
56J	Indi C		Ashlyn M
			

Community News



Drawing with Georgia

SAKURA CREATIONS
PRESENTS CREATIVE DRAWING
CLASSES



Encourage your child to explore their creativity

During Term 4, 2023 - Private Art Classes for children who are looking to develop their skills in the Visual Arts.

Where: Pakenham Hills Primary School - Multipurpose room (located same building as Gymnasium)

When: Tuesdays

3:15pm - 4:15pm

Minimum of 6 students will be required for classes to run. Maximum 15 students.

CREATIVE DRAWING CLASSES

Emphasis will be on developing a wide range of drawing techniques. Classes encourage all students to expand and develop their own drawing skills. Students will learn composition skills, exploring perspective, colour and media. Classes are designed specially to develop your child's own personal drawing style. We will explore value, line, texture & shading while using different mediums such as pencils, markers & water colour.

All materials are supplied.

Price: \$180.00 for Term 4, 2023

9 Week Program

9 Sessions (\$20.00 per session - per child)

Classes Start - Tue 10th October 2023

Last Classes - Tue 5th December 2023

To Enrol:

Contact Georgia via mobile or email for an enrolment form. This will need to be completed & returned as soon as possible. Payment details are explained on the enrolment form.

Email: sakurafp20@gmail.com

Mobile: 0410 900 109

Please contact Georgia for all enquiries

Community News



PAKENHAM HILLS PRIMARY

Get school ready
& wear your school
colours with Pride!



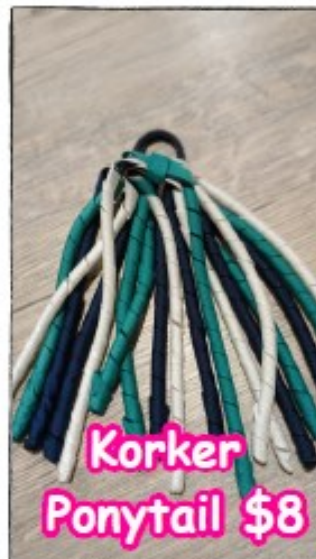
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Community News



WALK AGAINST VIOLENCE

11:30AM

24/11

2023

Meet at Pakenham Library
Activities starting at 11:30am
Walk at 12pm (noon)

Raffle, activities for families and kids,
drawing competition, guest speakers
and **FREE** sausage sizzle!

Cardinia Casey Family Violence Network
You're Not Alone

Supported by
Cardinia
Cardinia Shire Council

In support of
White Ribbon

TOGETHER we CAN
Act now to end Family Violence in Cardinia Shire

Anglicare Victoria
Cardinia Communities for Children

Community News



Money Monday Funday

Cardinia Support 

Date:

Monday 13 November,
3.30pm – 5.30pm

Location:

Crocs Playcentre,
Unit 10/99 Bald Hill Road,
Pakenham



Are you worried about the extra costs to your family over Christmas and the new year?

There are local support services that can help you.

Join us at Crocs Playcentre Pakenham and have a chat with local financial wellbeing services that can provide you with practical support.

Kids get free entry to the centre – and there will even be free party food available!

No registration required.



For more support services in Cardinia Shire,
scan the QR code or visit www.cardiniasupport.com.au

Contact Council's Community Support Facilitators on **1300 787 624**
or communitysupportadmin@cardinia.vic.gov.au.



Community News



**Karate (4-6 yrs, 7-12 yrs, Teens/Adults)
at Pakenham Hills Primary School**

4 Weeks Training + Uniform - \$39.99



• **Confidence • Focus • Resilience**
• **Commitment • Respect • FUN!!**

Register Online Now



Ph: 0467 049 139 E: pakenham@allstarsdefence.com.au

**Location: Pakenham Hills Primary School Gym - 15 Kennedy Road, Pakenham, VIC
(enter via Glenvista Rd)**

When? Friday After School Classes

www.allstarsdefence.com.au

Benefits Of Martial Arts

- **Improved physical health:** Martial arts training involves a lot of physical activity, which can help children build strength, endurance, and flexibility.
- **Increased confidence:** As children learn new skills and techniques in martial arts, they gain confidence in their abilities and become more self-assured.
- **Improved discipline and focus:** Martial arts training requires children to pay attention, follow instructions, and stay focused on their goals, which can help them develop discipline and concentration skills.
- **Enhanced social skills:** Martial arts classes provide children with the opportunity to interact with other kids in a supportive and structured environment, helping them develop social skills such as teamwork, communication, and respect for others.
- **Self-defence skills:** Martial arts training can equip children with the knowledge and skills to defend themselves if they ever need to.
- **Increased self-control:** Martial arts teaches children to control their impulses, emotions, and reactions, helping them to make better decisions and avoid impulsive behaviour.
- **Better stress management:** Martial arts training can help children learn to manage stress and anxiety by teaching them techniques such as meditation and controlled breathing.
- **Overall, martial arts training can be a great way for kids to improve their physical and mental health, gain confidence and self-discipline, and develop important life skills that can benefit them in many areas of their lives.**