Welcome to another fantastic year at Pambula Public School. The staff and I are looking forward to an exciting year of sharing and celebrating your child’s learning.

Each year brings change to every school and this year is no different. The classes have been set and they are as follows:

Principal - Mrs Meg Couvee
KB - Miss Georgia Brown
KG - Mr Ben Grant
K-1E - Miss Emma Whitbread
1-2B - Miss Joan Brown
1-2V - Mrs Van O’Halloran
1-2W - Mrs Lisa Wright
3-4H - Mrs Mariclare Houssenloge
3-4M - Mr Paddy McAlpin
3-4K - Mrs Kim Murphy
4-5R - Mr Matt Robb
5-6B - Miss Amelia Thomas
5-6L - Mr Richard Lane
5-6R - Mr Tony Russell
MC - Mrs Sally Chaplin
Blue - Mrs Trudy Trickey
Silver - Miss Jenny Edwards
Library - Mrs Karen Tarpey
Music - Mrs Liz Thomas
RFF - Miss Leah Ashe, Mrs Liz Fackerell, Mrs Annie Hay, Mrs Merrill Ralfs
Learning Support - Mrs Pru Leone
Reading Recovery - Mrs Margaret Woodward
Itinerant Teachers - Mr Ian Nazer, Mrs Wendy Wait
School Counsellor - Mr Andrew Wright
Learning Support Officers - Mrs Sue Beasley, Mrs Kerryn Howker, Ms Cheryl Johnson,
                          Mrs Debbie Redman, Mrs Trish Constance
General Assistant - Mr Ross Cooper
Office - Mrs Leah Dirou, Mrs Leonie Kent, Mrs Lisa Williams,
Canteen - Mrs Jo Blanch

As we no longer have a school newsletter, our information for upcoming events and happenings are posted on our Facebook page and also on our school website.

https://www.facebook.com/PambulaPublicSchool or www.pambula-p.schools.nsw.edu.au

NOTES
All notes are sent home with the eldest student in each family. Please ensure you sign the note and return money to school by the date stated on the note. This ensures that your child will not miss out on the excursion or the event. There is a silver box in the front office to place notes and money in. Make sure your child’s name, class and what the event is, also the amount of money enclosed, is written on the envelope.

The Office does not as yet have EFTPOS facilities, however, you can direct deposit using the BSB 032-001 and account number 144555. Please use your child’s name and what the payment is for as a reference.

SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
Whole School Assemblies are held fortnightly at 12:30pm. Assemblies usually go for 45 minutes so the children are out in time for lunch. They fall on the even weeks of term. This week being Week 2, an assembly for our new Captains and Prefects will be held.

What’s coming up?

- Thursday 4th Feb
  Swimming Carnival – Candelo
- Friday 5th Feb
  Captains/Prefect Induction Assembly 12:30pm
- Wednesday 17th Feb
  Parent/Teacher Information Evening

EASTER 2016
25th March – Good Friday
28th March – Easter Monday (Public holiday)

- Dates to be confirmed

Disco

- Whole School Assembly Dates
  19th Feb
  4th March
  18th March
  1st April

‘Like’ our school facebook page to see what’s happening & what’s coming up at PPS.

PPS Values

Please don’t hesitate to get in touch at any time by phone on 6495 6006, email pambula-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au or visit our school website www.pambula-p.schools.nsw.edu.au.
**WORKBOOKS**
Students at Pambula Public will be using Mathletics and Reading Eggs which are online programs. Some classes will also use textbooks. These workbooks will be invoiced and parents will receive a statement of account with cost and date of payment required.

**CHANGE OF STUDENT DETAILS**
If at any time your contact details change could you please notify the school office so we can update our records. Also if your child has any changes to their medical details could you inform the school.

**STUDENT ABSENCES**
‘Reason For Absence’ booklets are enclosed with this newsletter. It is a requirement that when your child is absent from school you send a note explaining the absence. If your child is arriving late for school or leaving early please present at the office so this can be recorded. Parents/Carers must sign their child in or out.

**P&C - UNIFORMS:**
Our uniform service is operated by volunteers allowing the P&C to provide families with very low cost uniforms (by far the cheapest in the Bega Valley). For this to continue we require parents and carers to follow our ordering procedure. Collect a uniform order sheet from the sample rack outside the Staff Room or download from the school website: www.pambula.p.schools.nsw.edu.au Place the completed form in the silver box in the office foyer. Payment by cash, cheque or direct deposit is accepted. Sorry, credit card facilities are not available. Cheques are to be made out to Pambula Public School P & C.
The Uniform Shop will be open on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday’s from 9:15am until 9:45am. For any enquiries, please give Christine Smith 0413 413 483 or Tara Ingram 0466 637 582 a call.

**P&C Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in the Staff Room. All welcome**

**SPECIAL RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**
The religious education classes offered are; Catholic, Christian, Buddhist and limited Ethics. If you do not wish for your child to participate, a written letter must be provided.

**BAND PROGRAM**
The band program provides an opportunity for students to receive tuition and to experience the fun of working with others in a band or ensemble situation. Participation in this program helps your child develop a high level of self discipline and responsibility.

**Band fees for Term 1, 2016 are:**
$95 per term for students who are hiring a school instrument.
$80 per term for students who own their own instrument (Drummers and Bass Guitarists pay $80).
Band Fees must be paid in advance unless other arrangements have been made with the school.

**SCHOOL CANTEEN**
Our school canteen is open on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. A menu will be sent home and can also be downloaded from our website.
The School Canteen always needs helpers. If you can help out please contact Jo on 0448 689 029 or email joanne.blanch@bigpond.com.

**TERM DATES**

**Term 1**
28th January to 8th April

**Term 2**
27th April to 1st July

**Term 3**
19th July to 23rd September

**Term 4**
10th October to 16th December

**Pupil Free days are, Term 1 27th January, Term 2 26th April, Term 3 18th July**

**Public Holidays**
Easter – Good Friday 25th March and Easter Monday 28th March
Anzac Day – Monday 25th April
Queen’s Birthday – Monday 13th June

We would like to take this opportunity to thank our whole school community for the support they give our school and students. Many local business’s support our school in so many ways and the benefits for our students is immeasurable.