



Pearcedale Post



A message from our Principal - Simon Anderson

SPECIAL VISIT

Last week we had a special visit from two former staff - Mr and Mrs MacKenzie. Don was the Principal and Annie was the Leading Teacher prior to their retirement in 2014. They were really excited to see the changes that have taken place since they left. It was so incredibly humbling for them when they realised how many of the older children remembered them. They were so excited to have a chat with Don and Annie - clearly they had developed a wonderful bond with all of the children.



FATHER'S DAY STALL

Congratulations and thanks to our Parent and Friends Reps - Kirsty Duke and Kara Webber for coordinating and surviving their first Father's Day stall! These days do not just run themselves and requires a great deal of time and energy. Thanks also to all the parents who helped on and leading up to the day - it is really appreciated!



WALKATHON

On Wednesday we held our "Book Parade" with a twist - a Walkathon too! The children looked absolutely awesome! Thank you parents for being so supportive of this wonderful fun day! It was great to see so many parents join in the fun by walking with their children. Money raised from this event will provide some new reading material for "Classroom Libraries".



CARNIVAL

Our initial planning committee meeting for next year's carnival was held this week. Thankyou to the following people for agreeing to play a leading role:

- Tanya Waller - Rides
- Hayley Bee - Marketing
- Kaylee Boyce - Internal stalls
- Tanya Graham - External Stalls

Our next meeting will be the first Tuesday of Term 4 at 2:45 pm - we encourage as many people to attend as possible - the more the merrier! If you are interested in coordinating a stall please attend or contact one of the coordinators.

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TERM 3

Fri 7th

Kids Matter
Re-Launch Day



Mon 10th

Prep Zoo Excursion
PAG, PMW & PCW

Tues 11th

- Prep Zoo Excursion
PJB, PCH,
PJG & PNL
- Wakakirri Special
School
Performance

Wed 12th

- Wakakirri Grand
Final
- District Athletics
Carnival
- Grade 2 Coal
Creek Excursion

Fri 14th

Assembly

Tues 18th

Grade 5 Sovereign Hill
Excursion

Fri 21st

Last day of Term 3
2:30pm Finish

Our mission is to enrich and equip all students with knowledge, skills and strategies that empower them to be active life-long learners, productive community members



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Wakakirri School Community Performance

Next Tuesday 11th September, we will be holding a special school community performance of our 2018 Wakakirri Story-Dance, 'Far From Home – Tale of the Red Pandas'.

This will be a great opportunity for family, friends and the wider school community to watch our story-dance before the Grand Final at The Palais Theatre, St Kilda on Wednesday 12th!

The performance will begin at 2:30pm in the PPS School Gym and is a free event! The Grade 5 and 6 Wakakirri Team will run through their story-dance twice and will be finished by 3pm. We hope you can come and support the Wakakirri students!



Walk-a-thon - Book Parade

Thank you to everyone that took part in our Walk-a-thon book parade today.

The kids all looked amazing and enjoyed walking in the beautiful sunshine.

We really appreciated seeing so many family members supporting and encouraging everyone.

Just a reminder that monies raised need to be returned to school by
Wednesday 12th September.

The student who raises the most money from each year level will receive a prize.



Compost Worms

The Student Sustainability Team would like to give a shout out to **Browns Compost Worms**. Leon Brown supplied 6000 compost worms to add to our worm farms. The worms have settled in well and are great friends with our donated compost worms. Leon shared his knowledge of worm farming and patiently answered questions ensuring that the worms had the best chance to thrive at PPS.

Thanks Mr Brown



Pearcedale PS solve Composting Challenges

Our Sustainability Committee and Student Sustainability Team (SST) have worked together to introduce and promote our school's waste reduction initiative this year. Classrooms now have waste stations with recycling, landfill and compost bins. We have been trialling and assessing the effectiveness of various composting options as we are a large school with plenty of healthy lunchboxes full of fruit and veggie snacks. Here is our story so far....

Compost Bays

Our compost bays have been in action for many years and whilst these are a large space and useful for diverting our fruit and veggie scraps from landfill, our increased focus on composting this year has meant more strong smells for nearby classrooms and tasty treats for Ratatouille and his family. We needed an enclosed solution for composting that keeps smells in and rodents out!

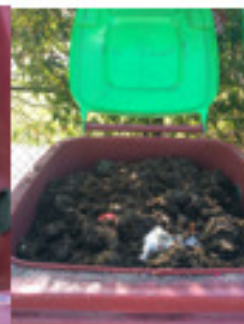


Worm Farms

Bring in the worms! In Term 2 this year, we introduced 3 large, wheelie bin worm farms with the help of the City of Casey, who kindly donated the wheelie bins and Enviro Angels, who converted the wheelie bins to worm farms using purchased kits. We have had worms, straw and manure donated, as well as purchasing 6000 worms from a local business, Browns Compost Worms. We will soon have plenty of worm castings and worm juice for our vegetables and fruit trees.

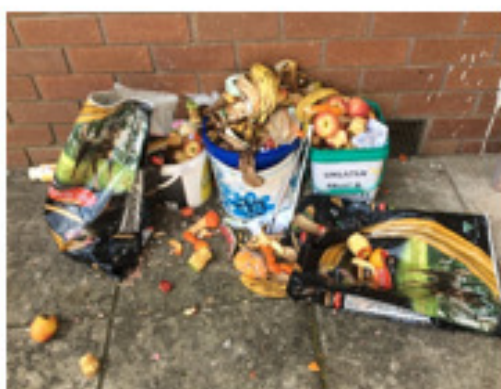
Our SST reps became the expert leaders in worm farming after participating in an Enviro Angels worm farming incursion. They educate classmates about the various green and brown foods that worms can and cannot eat. Classroom compost bins now appropriately include pencil shavings and small scraps of paper and the staff have been adding teabags.

However, our large school of 850 students have filled these farms quickly. We plan to make another 3 farms to manage the amount of compostable material that our school creates, but with our worm farms full and new bins not yet ready, we needed to quickly find a solution to avoid our compostable materials going to landfill.



Waste Sharing

Sharing our surplus scraps with our school families' animals was a win-win solution. We started by separating whole fruits to measure how much fruit was being wasted (approx. 5kg per day) and then bagging it with the scraps. The initial mess and difficulty in transporting heavy bags has been rectified by using a small wheelie bin. Horses, Charlie the rescued pig and chickens are now eating our scraps. As we continue to divert this waste from landfill, we can now focus on reducing the amount of whole fruits going to waste in the first place. The cost and waste of healthy food is important to highlight and improve over the next few months.



Charlie the rescued Pig's rise to Fame

Charlie was sold as a 'miniature pig' and was living in a suburban backyard. As Charlie grew, the owners realised that he was not going to stay small and would need a few acres to live happily. Charlie has now been living at 4 Paws Kennels & Cattery in Pearcevale for about five years, rescued by this family devoted to caring for animals. He has become a treasured pet to the family and can be seen in the spacious paddock as pet owners drop off their dogs and cats for boarding.

When we approached the family to ask if they would be able to use our compost scraps, they were a resounding YES! Charlie eats a lot and they need the additional food and stimulation for him. Snuffling through the banana skins, apple cores, carrot ends and tea bags provides mental activity as well as tasty treats.

The students are thrilled to be sharing the scraps with Charlie. Students are asking about his favourite foods, size and what colour he is. There is even talk of visiting Charlie. And how is Charlie coping with all this attention? He's as happy as a pig in mud!



Carolyn French- PPS Sustainability Leader

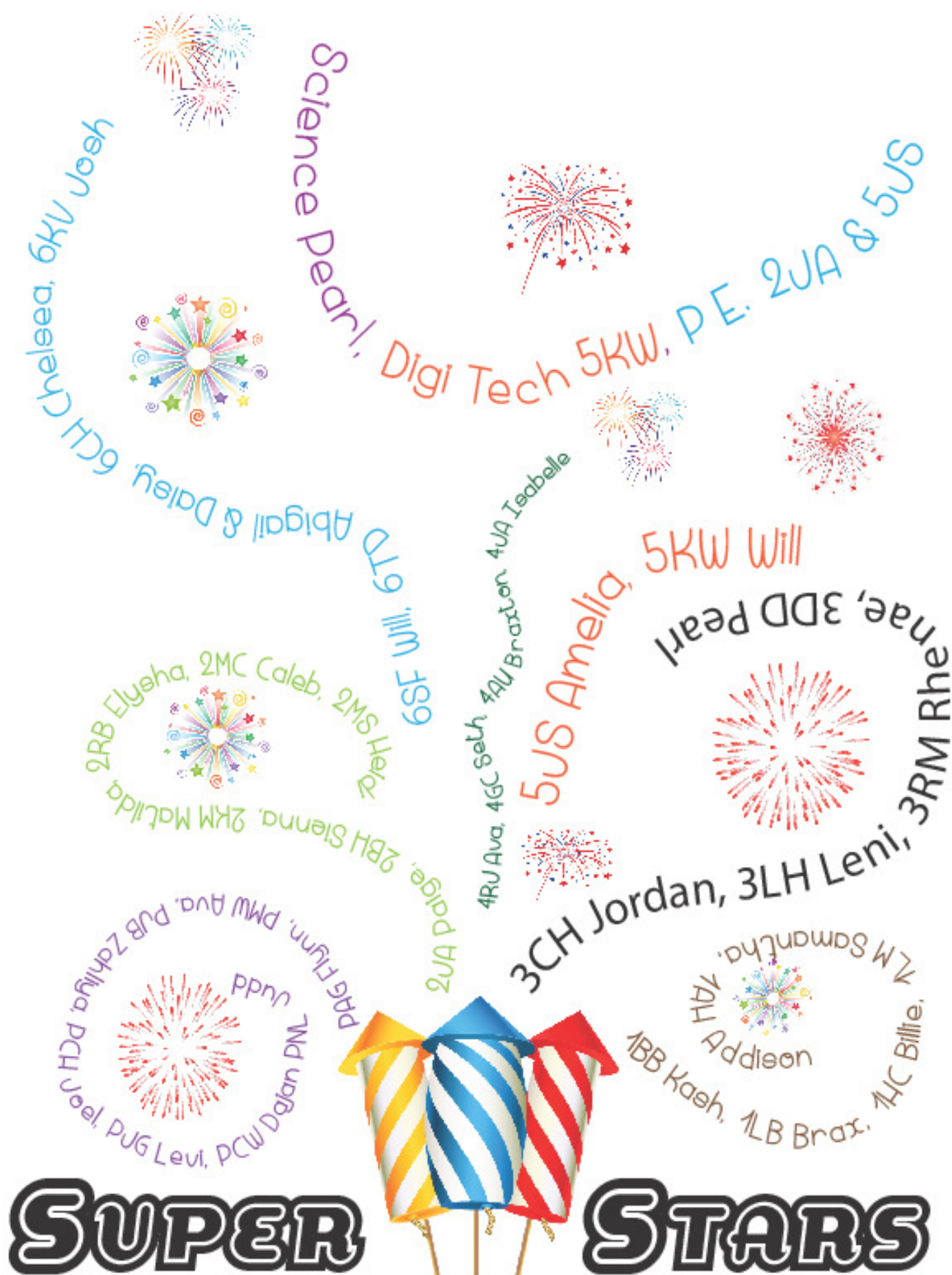
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 P.E. PMW, 1BB & 5NH
 6SF Kaitlin
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 4GC Brady
 5JM Anthony
 5US Layla
 3DD Mia
 3RM Gabby
 3LH Isaac
 4RU Molly
 2BH Ruby
 2KM Callum
 2RB Mitchell
 2MC Chevy
 2MS Jordan
 1AH Max
 1LB Tristan
 1BB Amber
 1LC Malachi
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 1PW David

SUPER STARS

Term 3
Week 6



24.08.18

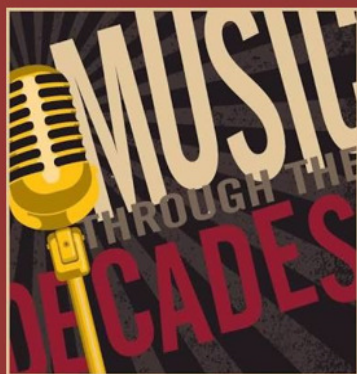


SUPER STARS

Term 3
Week 7



31.08.18



An Evening of Entertainment Showcasing
“Music Through The Decades”

When: Thursday 15th November 2018

Time: 6.30-8.30pm

Where: In the school hall

Featuring performances on the night from:

All students participating in Instrumental lessons, The School Band, Junior and Seniors Choir, Auslan Choir, Recorder Club and The Staff Band

SAVE THE DATE

**NOTICES FOR ATTENDANCE WILL BE GIVEN
 OUT IN THE FIRST WEEK OF TERM 4**



Bookings are now open for our latest Holiday Club – Inside Out. Full of fresh activities, Inside Out focuses on wellness inside and out that will have kids springing these school holidays.

There's something for every child including: Cooking with Jamie Oliver's Learn Your Fruit And Veg, making a working kite, planting a greenhouse, decorating yoga mats, and building Lego-compatible masterpieces.



Every session will also include a healthy breakfast before 8:45 AM and an afternoon snack.

To view what's on these school holidays and to make a booking, visit: www.campaustalia.com.au/holidayfun. Or you can call our friendly Customer Care Team on 1300 105 343 – 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

We look forward to seeing you and your family this school holidays.

The Camp Australia Team



NET SET

GO!!

**AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM -
 Term 4**

Net Set GO! is Netball Australia's Junior Netball Program. It has been developed to provide children from the age of 5 to 11 years with the best possible learning and playing experience that enables them to develop a positive introduction to netball, ensuring enjoyment and continued participation within the sport.

NETBALL is NOT just for girls, We'd LOVE to see some BOYS come along and get involved too!!

Where: **Pearcedale Netball Club Courts**

When: Commencing 4th term, Starting 18th OCT to 22nd Nov 2018.

Thursday nights 5.00pm to 5.45 and cost \$50

"If you want to do Net Set Go for a second even a third time that's OK, talk to Nadine, the more the better.

How: To register your interests please contact

Nadine on 0430 308 608 or

Vikki on 0431 366 771

Or email: pearcedalenetballclub@gmail.com

(min six for program to go ahead)



Music by
Alan Menken

Lyrics by
Howard Ashman & Tim Rice

Book by
Linda Woolverton

Originally Directed by
Robert Jess Roth

Originally Produced by
Disney Theatrical Productions

Performing these School Holidays
 At Cranbourne Community Theatre

**THURSDAY 4TH OCTOBER 7PM . FRIDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2PM & 7PM
 SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER 2PM & 7PM . CLOSING SUNDAY 7TH OCTOBER 2PM**

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT - www.trybooking.com/397299