



# ADELONG PUBLIC SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

THURSDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2018

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DATES TO  
REMEMBER  
NEXT WEEK

2018

### February

#### Friday 23

- Highlands Swimming Carnival, Gundagai
- P&C working bee in the canteen at 3.30 pm

### MARCH

#### Wednesday 7

- P&C Annual General Meeting at 6.30 pm

#### Sunday 11

- Adelong Show

#### Wednesday 14

- Riverina Swimming Carnival

## The Principal's Post

### Attendance

Attendance is one of the schools main focus points for 2018.

Over the Christmas holiday break I have been examining our school students assessment data in order to ensure all of our student's achieve to their highest potential.

Through this data examination, I have found a strong correlation between poor academic achievement and high absences (*including partial absences*). I will, and have been contacting families of students who show a high pattern of poor attendance.

In 2017 Adelong PS attendance rates was below the State average (*of like size schools*).

Whilst I understand that the flu season was exceptionally bad, other non-sick, unexplained or unacceptable absences were still higher than normal.

These absence not only directly impact the student that has been away, it also impacts on the teacher's flow of the lesson by forcing the teacher to go over content that has already been taught whilst not forgetting that this then also impacts indirectly on the learning of other students in the class.

School attendance is compulsory. For further information

<https://education.nsw.gov.au/policy-library/policies/school-attendance-policy>

If you have any further questions or concerns please do not hesitate in contacting me.

Peter A Pilgrim



### EVERY DAY COUNTS...

A day here or there doesn't seem like much, but...

When your child misses just...	that equals...	which is...	and therefore, from Kindy to Year 12, that is...	This means that the best your child can achieve is...
1 day each fortnight	20 days per year	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 ½ a years of school	Equal to finishing Year 11
1 day a week	40 days per year	8 weeks per year	Over 2 ½ years of school	Equal to finishing Year 10
2 days a week	80 days per year	16 weeks per year	Over 5 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 7
3 days a week	120 days per year	24 weeks per year	Nearly 8 years of learning	Equal to finishing Year 4

Give your child every chance to succeed...

Every day counts!



## MONDAY MORNING FRUIT BREAK

Once again the Adelong SPAR supermarket is providing the school with a box of fruit and vegetables every Monday. This is then cut up and given to the students at Fruit Break time.

The students love being able to have a variety of different fruits and veg to try.

All the students would like to thank Sam and the staff at the Adelong SPAR supermarket for making this available to us.



## Coles "Sports for Schools"



I went to Coles last night to empty our "Sports for Schools" box and I was blown away....

Your support of our school is fantastic. Thank you so much. The older volunteer students are having a great time sorting them out.

Thank you again. Please keep collecting!

Mrs Hall and 4/5/6



### Kindergarten Parents

A Kindergarten parent meeting will be held next Wednesday 21 February at 3.15 pm in the Kinder Classroom.

All parents are welcome to come along.

*Heidi Casey, K/1 Teacher*

### RADIO NEWS

Tune into 96.3 - Sounds of the Mountains, Tuesday 28 February at 10.45am to hear **Lilly and Byrom** bring you the news from Adelong PS.



**Bendigo Bank**

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# P&C News

The Start of the school year is always busy but don't forget your P&C membership fee of \$5.00 per family is due. The slip can be returned to the office. If you didn't get your note please email [juzang@bigpond.com](mailto:juzang@bigpond.com) for a copy.

As a result of the Canteen Meeting on Monday a survey has been created to gauge if the Canteen will be able to operate into the future. Please fill out the information required and return as soon as possible.

On Wednesday 28 February there is an information session at Franklin Public School from 10:00 am till 12:30 pm for anyone interested in learning more about the NSW healthy school canteen strategy. It is free to attend but you will need to RSVP to Alex Walker know by 19/2/18 on 0477378888.

The Adelong Preschool is co-ordinating a combined **Adelong Schools Fete** in October. A planning meeting will be held at the preschool on Wednesday 28 March at 5.00 pm. If you think you would like to be involved in the fete you are welcome to attend the meeting. All money raised will be divided between the 3 schools so it is important that we pool our resources and help where we can.

**The P&C AGM** will be held on Wednesday 7 March the Library at 6:30pm. All positions will be declared vacant and anyone can be nominated. If you are planning on accepting a nomination but cannot make it on the night the association requires a written letter stating you will accept a nomination in your absence. Everyone is welcome to attend even if you do not want a position.

If you would like more information about the roles you can ask any committee members or email Ang [juzang@bigpond.com](mailto:juzang@bigpond.com)

**The Adelong Show** is on Sunday 11 March and P&C hold an all day BBQ as a fundraiser. It requires many hours to coordinate so we are sending out the roster now to lock in helpers. If you cannot help on the day many families donated a box of soft drink instead which we will gratefully accept again this year as well, these can be left at the office.

At least 3 helpers needed for each time slot for everything from set up, serving, cooking, cash handling & even cutting up the hot dog rolls.

Please return this to the office ASAP so the roster can be finalised at least a week prior to the event.

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## P&C BBQ HELPERS ROSTER

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

First time preference: \_\_\_\_\_ Second time preference: \_\_\_\_\_

Time slots will be:

- 6.00 to 8.00 am
- 8.00 to 10.00 am
- 10.00 am to 12.00 pm
- 12.00 to 2.00 pm
- 2.00 to 3.00 pm
- 3.00 to 5.00 pm

Students can help if they are over 10 yrs, but a parent/guardian must sign the permission slip.

I \_\_\_\_\_ (parent/carer) give permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
(student name) to help in the indicated times on a volunteer basis for the Adelong Show P&C BBQ.

Parent./Carer Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



## NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

Thank you again to those families that have returned their newsletter surveys. Paper copies are now available from the front office for those families wishing to have a paper copy.

The newsletter is available from the SKOOLBAG app or the schools website page.

<http://www.adelong-p.schools.nsw.edu.au/>

The instructions on how to download the Skoolbag app has been sent home today.

I will be still emailing to the parents who have requested this. If you wish to have the newsletter emailed to you, please contact Rose in the office to organise this.

## SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

The first Issue Book Club order form will be sent home today and are to be returned the following Thursday to allow ample time for ordering.

- Please mark your orders clearly with your child's name on it.
- Orders can also be done online via the Scholastic website.
- Payments can be made to the school via cheque, EPOS, School online Parent Portal via the school website or cash.
- Cheques must be made payable to Adelong Public School.

If you have any further enquiries please contact the school office.

► **BE RESPECTFUL** ► **BE A LEARNER** ► **BE RESPONSIBLE** ► **BE SAFE**



## Children's Mosaic Classes

Every Monday and Wednesday at 3.45-5.15 pm

\$25.00 per Class including afternoon Tea.

The Art of Hair and Mosaic

143 Wynyard Street, Tumut

Call Kerrie 0407 265 828

