Peg's Creek Primary School Newsletter

Term 4, Week 3, 2026









UPCOMING EVENTS

Assembly TA5
Friday 6
November

What a wonderful start to the term it has been.
It is a very busy term so please ensure you refer to the term planner regularly!

Pegs Got Talent















Principals Update

Student Numbers: 239

Our Moral Purpose: To deliver **high quality teaching** that inspires **independent, curious lifelong** learners in a **nurturing and inclusive school community**, who will **flourish** and **aspire to success**.

Our Vision: Through **collaboration** we will provide **high quality teaching and learning** in a **safe** and **supportive** environment that will motivate **all students** to be **their best**.

Our Motto: **Be Aware, Be Involved and Be your Best!**

At Pegs Creek Primary School, we are committed to ensure that we will **be aware** of others around us and identify how our leadership and generosity can assist others to aspire to **be their best** in all learning and **be involved** to lead and collaborate in achieving the best outcomes for our students and school community.

Wellbeing

Heart Horses - We have had our final session of Heart Horses in Week 1 and I want to thank Clough for their incredible financial support of Faime Chappell in delivering this programme to our students. It is incredible rare to get this opportunity. Students have identified how important their 'energy' is when not only working with the horses but when interacting with each other. They have learnt how to identify their own emotions and how to regulate these emotions so they are productive when working with the horses. Faime and Chelses will be coming to our assembly in week 4 to present all students with certificates for participating in this wonderful programme.

School Survey - The National Opinion School Survey is out. Thank you to everyone who has taken the time to give their feedback. In the next newsletter, I will identify the areas that parents have informed that we are doing well and areas they would like to see as a focus in for our school improvement journey.







Wellbeing

Staff Wellbeing - We are starting to look at the incursions and excursions we commit to in 2027. There has been so much this year and we want feedback from our community. Also, students have had so much on offer, things have clashed and it has been incredible hard to manage our learning program, which is our core business. There will be a brief Seesaw message with a survey link sent out asking for what incursions and excursions your children valued to ensure we keep those in 2027. Please keep an eye out for this.

Aussie Optimism Facilitator Training - This is an incredible programme that has 5 focus areas that are developed from Kindergarten to Year 6. The focus areas are “I Spy Feelings, Kindy and PP Feelings and Friends, Year 1 & 2, Positive Thinking Skills Year 3 & 4, Social Life Skills Year 5 & 6”. This will run alternating possibly with Protective Behaviours in term 2 and 3 each year. The staff will be trained in term 1 on the school development day in 2027.

Engagement

NQS Verification - Feedback was timely with the Fulltime Kindy implementation. Focus on outdoor learning environments and teaching and learning in our early years to ensure that play based learning was incorporated into the student’s day. Mrs Hinchliffe advocated for a leadership role in this area and Mrs Ebony Greenham was afforded a day a week to work with staff to embed our Walker Learning in the early years and to ensure that our outdoor learning areas were engaging for our students. Mrs Greenham worked along side Toyah McCarthy to identify grants and successfully receive one to support this focus. The amazing cubby house area in the junior space was the result! We would also like to thank our local Roebourne Prison Partnership, for the wonderful, raised garden beds in both the Kindergarten and junior spaces and finally the parents and students who assisted in the painting of the rainbow and the incredible PBS wall at the entrance of the school.

When the team from Perth arrived for our NQS verification, they were so pleased to see our progress across all 7 areas of the National Quality Standards and at the end of the day, we were informed that we had successfully met all of the standards. Congratulations to everyone that has been involved in this wonderful work!



Fulltime Kindergarten update - All current enrolments have been accepted so we are now currently sitting on 34 Kindergarten students for 2027. If you know of any families that are in our catchment, please let them know they need to enrol soon.

Reporting to Parents Day Aug 25, 2026
We have sent out a brief survey about the reporting day, please access this and give us your feedback so we can improve on this in 2027.

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Engagement

Please make sure you are connected with your child's class on Seesaw to avoid missing important updates and key messages.

Together for Humanity grant Faction Shirt update - The colours have the aspect that has remained consistent, tones may be slightly altered. Design, names and materials will be improved and changed. Based on feedback from some parents, the survey was changed to add in people's thoughts about the change.

The Board has made the decision to be culturally responsive, the names of the factions do need to change but with the recommendation to hold some more consultation with students, staff, parents and community to ensure we get full engagement with our school community. This will include an "On County Day, what does country mean to us all?" later on this term. We will invite people from all organisations to come into our school to work with us and by the end of this day hopefully have a shared understanding of what country means to us all.

The grant the school has received will be for this educational day and draft designs for the faction shirts. The design and identifying new names will still be a work in progress.

Create a New Seesaw Account

1. Download the Seesaw App or go to app.seesaw.me on a computer
2. Tap "I'm a Family Member"
   - Private Invites: Scan the QR Code
   - Text/Email Invites: Click the Link
3. Follow the prompts to create an account or sign in



Revitalisation of PCPS - I want to take the opportunity to acknowledge the students, parents who have assisted Mrs Danielle Watson in the painting over the last term with various murals around the school. The latest mural is in the Karijini block that is a landscape that represents the Karijini and animals from this area. Ningaloo block will be the next block along with the kindergarten block, which now moving forward will be known as the 'Murujuga' block and it will have a mural of this area where the dinosaur mural is currently. This was decided upon to honour Mrs Lynda Ryder and how fondly she loved to look at this area from our playground.

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Learning

Every year in NAPLAN we receive the results compared to our ICEA and other like and WA schools. As the leader of PCPS, I have been very proud of the results we have achieved from this one assessment. In year 3, we have achieved all green, which means that we are performing 1 standard deviation above what is expected of our school population. I want to take this moment to acknowledge the work of Anissa Hinchliffe and her early childhood team in leading this over the last couple of years.

In year 5, the results have still been very good, they have achieved green, which is above expected in our maths and reading and as expected in writing, spelling and grammar and punctuation.

The incredible sign project that Mrs Hinchcliffe has lead over the last three years will move to the next stage where we will teach everyone and refer to these classrooms by their language name. This will take practice and time. We will be involving students and local Ngarluma community members to assist in the pronunciation of these names and students to record them on similar devices that we have used throughout the renaming of the factions.

General

I would like to welcome Brooke Logan to our school. She will be working in two spaces in term 4, with a handover with Katrina and Jenna. Please make her feel welcome. Brooke has come from North Tom Price Primary School.

Sarah Flahavin is taking her well deserved Long Service Leave this term and Mrs Sue White and Ms Sonny Konig have taken over the delivery of the programmes in this classroom for term 4. Miss Phoebe Smith has taken on the DOTT relief role that Mrs White had in term 3 and the PE role while Mrs Minton is on personal leave this term. All staff have completed a thorough handover and the planning and assessing cycles will continue, leading into our reporting for term 4.

Sarah Goyder has been offered a secondment to our regional office because she has been recognised for her leadership in this area. From Monday 18 October 2026, she will commence as Program Coordinator – Student Wellbeing. As part of this role, Sarah will assume the Regional Attendance Coordinator role, whilst providing specialist guidance and support to schools and contributing to the region’s ongoing work in attendance, engagement and student wellbeing.

Next Board Meeting will be on Tuesday 3 November and the P&C meeting on Wednesday 4 November. We look forward to seeing everyone there.

If you are leaving PCPS in 2027, please can let us know? It is crucial that we are aware of approximately how many students we will have in each year level for classroom structures in 2027. I can share with staff and community that due to the success we have had with our split groups in middle and upper primary this year, this will be adopted and trialled in our year 1 and 2 classes for 2027. The collaboration between the teachers is high and the opportunities for learning for all students is increased, due to the ability to equitable support all class structures.

P&C Update

Uniform Shop

Uniforms can be ordered online at www.pegscreek.pc.com.au.

Please put your child's name and class in the comments.

Orders will be packed and delivered to your child's classroom each week.

Community Notices

BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

Want to prepare your kids for a healthier future?

Is your child...

- 6-12yrs old?
- Above a healthy weight?
- In need of support to improve eating and activity habits?



The *Better Health Program* is a free, flexible healthy lifestyle program for you and your child.

Meet regularly with a personal health coach to cover topics such as good nutrition, forming positive habits, becoming a healthier family and being physically active.

The program is available in online and face-to-face formats.

Both versions include a bunch of great freebies, and a reward at the end!

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Available in two formats

Online – complete up to 10 fun, online sessions with your child and calls with your own personal health coach over 6 months. The program flexes to your family's lifestyle so you can go as fast or as slow as you need!

In a group – attend 2-hour group sessions with your child, once a week in a local venue. Participate in family learning sessions, games and physical activity for your child.

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Worried your child's habits could be healthier?

Get support for healthy development, without judgement.

The Better Health Program is a **FREE**, online healthy lifestyle program for you and your 6–12-year-old child. You get free telephone-based coaching calls with a Health Professional to focus on nutrition, physical activity, sleep, screentime, and more.

Learn more at: betterhealthprogram.org **OR** 1300 822 953



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Community Notices



ready set thrive

Year 6 - Year 8

Free 8 Week program

Thursdays at 3.15pm

Starting Week 2 in Term 4

Registration Required



headspace Karratha has started a brand new group focusing on teaching you the 7 tips for a healthy headspace. Each week will focus on a different skill and have a different activity (think craft, sports, team building, cooking and more!)

info@headspacekarratha.org.au 1800 290 626

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Is your child heading to Primary School in 2027?

Could an **extra $500** help with their education costs?

Join Saver Plus, Australia's longest running financial education and matched savings program. Saver Plus is a free program that has supported over 68,000 people to develop lifelong savings habits and receive up to $500 to assist with education costs.

The Smith Family

is delivering Saver Plus

To support families at

All WA Schools

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Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St. Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and the Department of Social Services.

What is Saver Plus?

A free 10-month program that helps you save for your own or your children's education.

- Build lasting savings habits
- Be better prepared for unexpected expenses
- Stay in control
- Improve personal wellbeing

Who can join?

To be eligible for Saver Plus, you must meet all of the following criteria:

- Have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- Receive an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*
- Be studying yourself or have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- Have regular income from work (you or your partner)
- Be 18+ years old

*Many income types and Centrelink payments may qualify. Not sure if you qualify? Just fill out the enquiry form and a Savings Coach will reach out to you.

To confidentially find out more, call Saver Plus or fill out the enquiry form in the link.

1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au

Term 4 Community Planner

PEG'S CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL – TERM 4 COMMUNITY PLANNER 2026

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
1	12 OCTOBER **Staff Development Day NO STUDENTS**	13 **FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**	14	15	16 Assembly TA14 & Newsletter Heart Horses Session 4	17/18
2	19 WOW Wall ECE1/2	20	21	22	23 Clontarf Foundation Awards Night	24/25
3	26 WOW Wall TA11	27	28	29	30 World Teachers Day SLA Leaders Day	31/1 NOVEMBER
4	2 WOW Wall TA12	3 Board Meeting	4 P&C Meeting	5	6 Assembly TA5 & Newsletter SLA Leaders Day	7/8
5	9 WOW Wall TA2	10	11 Kindy Orientation Day Remembrance Day Year 6 Stars Youth Shed	12	13 PBS Reward- Indonesian Day	14/15
6	16 WOW Wall TA4	17	18	19	20 Stars Foundation Awards Night	21/22
7	23 WOW Wall TA5	24	25 Strong Heart on Country Stars	26	27 Assembly Leaders - The Year That Was! Newsletter Year 5 Clontarf Big Day Out Year 6 KSHS Transition	28/29
8	30 WOW Wall Two Way Science Year 6 KSHS Transition	1 DECEMBER Board Meeting	2 Stars End of Year Party Yr 4-6	3 Year 4 Clontarf Big Day Out	4 Yr 6 Graduation	5/6
9	7 WOW Wall SLA Leadership	8 Pegs Prestigious Picnic	9 Reports Sent Home	10 Presentation Evening at Red Earth Arts Precinct	11 Year 6 Clontarf Big Day Out	12/13
10	14 WOW Wall Graduation & Presentation Evening	15	16 PBS Reward	17 Last Day for Students Assembly Teachers	18 SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	19/20

SUBJECT TO CHANGE

SCHOOL RETURNS ON MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2027

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