# Peg's Creek Primary School Newsletter

*Term 4, Week 6, 2026*





## UPCOMING EVENTS

Assembly "The Year that Was" Friday 27 November

Year 6 Graduation Friday 4 December



# PBS update

We continue striving to be our BEST in PBS at Peg's Creek. Faction tokens are now collected in the front office according to value - excellence, respect, safety or responsibility. This helps us to keep track of which values are being positively demonstrated at school. Check out the PBS mascots looking after the tokens! Positive behaviour was also acknowledged at the end of last term with a whole school team colours dress up day and a cool treat at the end of the day.

Our committee is always working on creating and tweaking our lesson bank to teach expected behaviours. Our children love watching the videos and recognising the 'stars' in them. Check out classroom noticeboards and charts inside rooms to see our latest behaviour focus. We can be our BEST at school and at home and in the community, too!






**Full time Kindergarten Pilot Update**

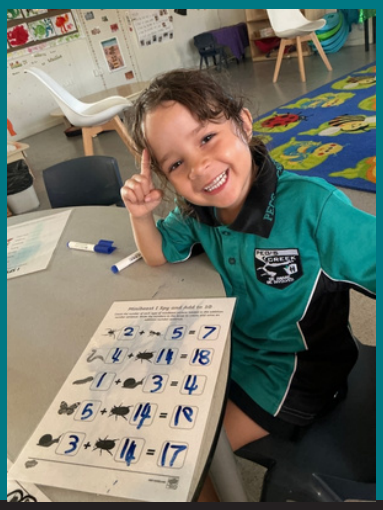
As part of the preparation for the fulltime kindergarten pilot next year admin, teaching staff and allied professionals have been participating in early childhood professional learning. The learning so far has included:

- professional learning in Perth for admin and next years kindergarten teachers. This was to further increase understanding of what best practise in early childhood is. They even got to meet the Minister for Education, Sabine Winton.
- Our K-2 staff attended PL that was focused on reviewing early childhood pedagogy along with EYLF and Kindergarten and Pre-primary curriculum.

There are two more days of learning scheduled this term, including a planning day and a sharing day with 2025 pilot schools.







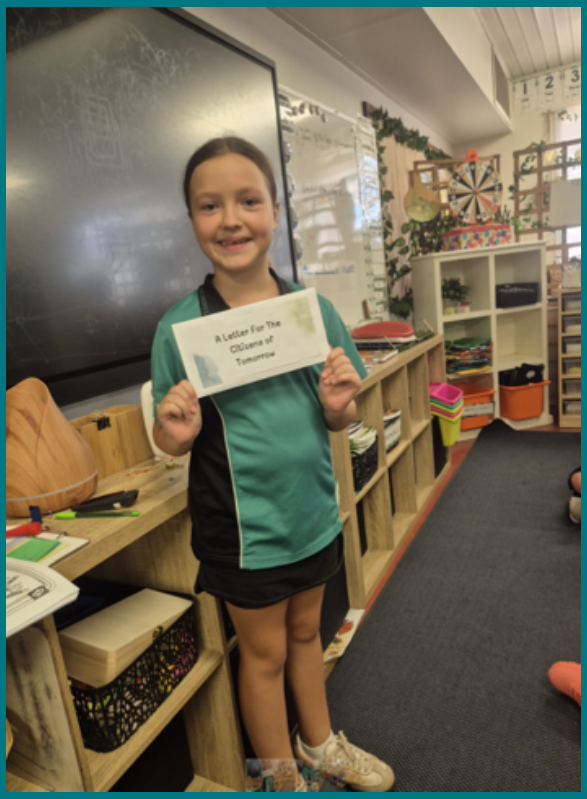
# Inquiry: Genius Hour

Dear Students,
I am the Earth.
You know me as the place where you live, play, explore and grow. I give you oceans to swim in, trees to climb, animals to discover and places to call home.
But I have a question for you.
Have you ever noticed something in the world that you wished you could change?
Perhaps you have seen rubbish on a beach, a garden without flowers, an animal losing its home, or someone who doesn't feel included in their community.
You might have wondered, Why doesn't someone do something?
Here is my secret: that someone could be you.
You don't have to be famous. You don't have to be an adult. And you certainly don't have to change the whole world in one day.
You just need to notice, to care, to ask questions and to be brave enough to try.
So I am writing to ask you:
What matters to you? What needs to change? And what will you do about it?
I can't wait to see what you discover.
With hope,
Earth

We're wrapping up a year of Inquiry at Peg's Creek Primary School with another Genius Hour project! This time, our students are approaching their inquiry through the lens of active citizenship.

After reading Dear Earth, a story about a young girl named Tessa who writes a letter expressing her desire to heal the Earth, our senior students were inspired to explore the role they could play in caring for our planet. This led us to develop our essential question: “Dear Earth, what do you need from us, and what can we do about it?”
Through this inquiry, students are exploring environmental challenges, sharing ideas and investigating how they can make a meaningful difference in their community and beyond. We're excited to see where their curiosity takes them and how they turn their ideas into action.

Stay tuned for details about our Inquiry Showcase later this term!





# TALK FOR WRITING

Exciting things are continuing to happen in the Talk 4 Writing space across our whole school!

This term, students from Kindergarten to Year 6 are exploring a range of non-fiction genres, including procedures, persuasive texts, explanations and biographies.

As part of our ongoing commitment to developing confident writers, staff have been working together to continue building and refining our whole-school two-year Talk 4 Writing cycle. Through collaboration, teachers are designing engaging and purposeful units that provide students with rich experiences and meaningful opportunities to write.

Talk 4 Writing is also working hand-in-hand with our Walker Learning approach. Across the early childhood classes, dramatic play areas and hands-on learning experiences have been thoughtfully set up to spark curiosity, build oral language and ignite creativity in our writers.

We look forward to watching their confidence grow and seeing the high-quality non-fiction writing that develops throughout the term.




















Karratha Primary Academy
October 2026
Written by Liam Coomer

# Week 3 Friday Good Bunch Lunch

## Teacher Appreciation Day

For Week 3's Friday Good Bunch Lunch, the boys at Pegs Creek celebrated Teacher Appreciation Day by putting their amazing cooking skills to the test!

The boys fired up the BBQ and prepared a delicious lunch of homemade burgers, showcasing their teamwork, cooking skills, and willingness to give back to the teachers who support them.

To make the day extra special, the boys took pride in serving the teachers, personally crafting their burgers just the way they liked them. They also ensured that freshly cooked burgers were delivered to teachers on lunch duty and those working in the front office.

It was a fantastic opportunity for the boys to express their appreciation through a thoughtful gesture while also building their confidence, independence, and practical life skills.

A big well done to all the boys for their effort in making Teacher Appreciation Day such a special occasion!







## Clontarf Karratha Primary Academy Awards Night 2026




Congratulations to Knox, Blair and Luca who were the major award winners at the recent Clontarf Karratha Primary Academy Awards Night.

Clontarf supports 3 local primary schools and currently has 96 boys engaged in the program. With an average attendance rate of 81%, the Academy has enjoyed another busy and successful year. The boys have made more than 600 toasties, participated in 55 morning training sessions and 31 after-school activities, and enjoyed Big Day Outs to local destinations including 40 Mile Beach, Cleaverville and Hearsons Cove.

# REMINDER

Booklists for 2027 are now available - please contact the office if you have not received one for your child/children. Orders must be made online with Campion by 4th December for free delivery to school, otherwise there will be an additional delivery charge for home delivered lists.





# Principals Update

Student Numbers: 234

**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

**School Survey** - Please see overview of survey results from the school community. We will be breaking down the feedback and looking as a staff on how we can improve in our school improvement journey.

**Staff Wellbeing** - Decisions around staff Health and Wellbeing- Start to look at the incursions and excursion we commit to in 2027. Thank you to everyone who responded, we will be locking in incursions and excursions at the beginning of the year and attempting to stick to these unless there is an incredible opportunity that comes to Karratha for our students.

**Aussie Optimism Facilitator Training** - This will role out in 2027 for K-Yr 6. There are 10 lessons each year that will be presented in tandem with Protective Behaviours in term 2 and 3. The themes are 'I spy my feelings for K and PP, Feeling and friends for Year 1-3, Making Positive Decisions for Year 4 and Social Life Skills for Year 5-6. These are created by a psychologist.





# Principals Update
# School Survey Results



# Engagement

**Fulltime Kindergarten update** - All current enrolments have been accepted so we are now currently sitting on 34 for 2 classrooms. Staff have been presented with some incredible Professional Learning for this initiative around Early Years Learning Framework and Kindergarten Guidelines.

The second **PBS Mascot Reggie the Respectful Tata** has now been ordered. This will make an appearance in 2027 at one of the first few assemblies. The school will be funding this mascot so we can get it in time for 2027.

**Faction Shirts** - The school board has made the decision that the names of the faction shirts need to be changed but made the recommendation that we do some more education and engagement around what 'On Country' means to us all. The reconciliation is engaging an artist to commence this process with our students, and an art piece will be created from this work and the grant we have received, will go towards this creation. Next year we will have an incursion to explore this theme even more and from there gather more feedback from local people, parents and community about possibilities for names of the factions. I want to thank everyone for their courage to discuss and present their points of views respectfully on this change because reconciliation isn't easy if it is authentic.

**AFL Guest Appearance** - Miss Monique recently engaged Lawson Humphries and his sister Meeza Humphries for a quick pop in to talk to our middle and upper primary students. It was great to learn more about his journey and he gave everyone tips on how to achieve their goals. Lawson also bought along the Geelong Shirt that his sister Meeza designed for the Geelong Football team for Sir Doug Nicholls Round, we looked at how she had designed and incorporated "On Country' for this shirt.

Lawson then took an opportunity to kick the footy with the staff and students on the oval at lunch time. Thank you, Miss Monique, for organising this, the students loved it! Thank you to Lawson and Meeza for their flexibility at such short notice, we really appreciated it.









# Principals Update

## Learning

**Class Structures -** If you are leaving Peg's Creek Primary School, please let the front office know because we are planning our classroom structures for 2027.

**School Reports** - Reports will be coming out in week 9 on Wednesday. Please ensure your email address is up to date if you wish to receive an electronic copy. If you have any questions, please refer them to the classroom teachers before the end of the year.

**Term Planner -** please make sure you refer to the term planners for upcoming events like Year 6 Graduation, PBS reward, Year 6 high school transition dates, and the presentation evening.

**Reporting Days -** There will be 2 reporting days next year and the school development days will be slightly changed. As a network we are going through this process with our school boards and when they have been endorsed, we will place them on the term planners for next year and share them with the school community.

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

## 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

**General**

Mrs Jenna Heemi will be finishing up on Friday 27 November and Mrs Brooke Logan will be taking over from her. We are advertising for a school officer, as well as a library officer as Mrs Leah Chambers will be leaving us at the end of the year. Please see Jobs WA if you are interested.

I want to take this opportunity to say thank you to Jenna first for her integrity, work ethic and willingness to support our school to the best of her ability. The Pegs Picnics will never be the same so thank you for those special moments, Mrs Heemi. Jenna is leaving our community and relocating to another regional area.

Thank you to Mrs Chambers for your incredible transformation in our school library, I gave you the brief and you delivered it! Thank you for all your hard work in this area, the students and staff have both really appreciated it. Good luck with your future journey as Mrs Chambers is also relocating to another part of WA.






# 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!

*"The program was fantastic. So great that I didn't have to coax my daughter to come every week. She loved it and she couldn't wait to come. It's made a huge difference in our life!"*
- Better Health Program Parent

**Sign up today!**
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1300 822 953

**For health tips follow us:**
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Participants recieve great freebies and advice. **Plus a reward at the end!**




**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.

**Sign up today!**
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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

# Community Notices



## 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**

**ENQUIRE NOW**

saverplus

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<br>Heart Horses Session 4 | 17/18 |
| 2 | 19<br>WOW Wall ECE1/2 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23<br>Clontarf Foundation Awards Night | 24/25 |
| 3 | 26<br>WOW Wall TA11 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30<br>World Teachers Day<br>SLA Leaders Day | 31/1 NOVEMBER |
| 4 | 2<br>WOW Wall TA12 | 3<br>Board Meeting | 4<br>P&C Meeting | 5 | 6 Assembly TA5 & Newsletter<br>SLA Leaders Day | 7/8 |
| 5 | 9<br>WOW Wall TA2 | 10 | 11<br>Kindy Orientation Day<br>Remembrance Day<br>~~Year 6 Stars~~<br>~~Youth Shed~~ | 12 | 13<br>PBS Reward- Indonesian Day | 14/15 |
| 6 | 16<br>WOW Wall TA4 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20<br>Stars Foundation Awards Night | 21/22 |
| 7 | 23<br>WOW Wall TA5 | 24 | 25<br>Strong Heart on Country Stars | 26 | 27<br>Assembly Leaders - The Year That Was!<br>Newsletter<br>Year 5 Clontarf Big Day Out<br>Year 6 KSHS Transition | 28/29 |
| 8 | 30<br>WOW Wall Two Way Science<br>Year 6 KSHS Transition | 1 DECEMBER<br>Board Meeting | 2<br>Stars End of Year Party Yr 4-6 | 3<br>Year 4 Clontarf Big Day Out | 4<br>Yr 6 Graduation | 5/6 |
| 9 | 7<br>WOW Wall SLA Leadership | 8<br>Pegs Prestigious Picnic | 9<br>Reports Sent Home | 10<br>Presentation Evening at Red Earth Arts Precinct | 11<br>Year 6 Clontarf Big Day Out | 12/13 |
| 10 | 14<br>WOW Wall Graduation & Presentation Evening | 15 | 16<br>PBS Reward | 17<br>Last Day for Students<br>Assembly Teachers | 18<br>SCHOOL HOLIDAYS | 19/20 |

**SUBJECT TO CHANGE**

**SCHOOL RETURNS ON MONDAY 1 FEBRUARY 2027**

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