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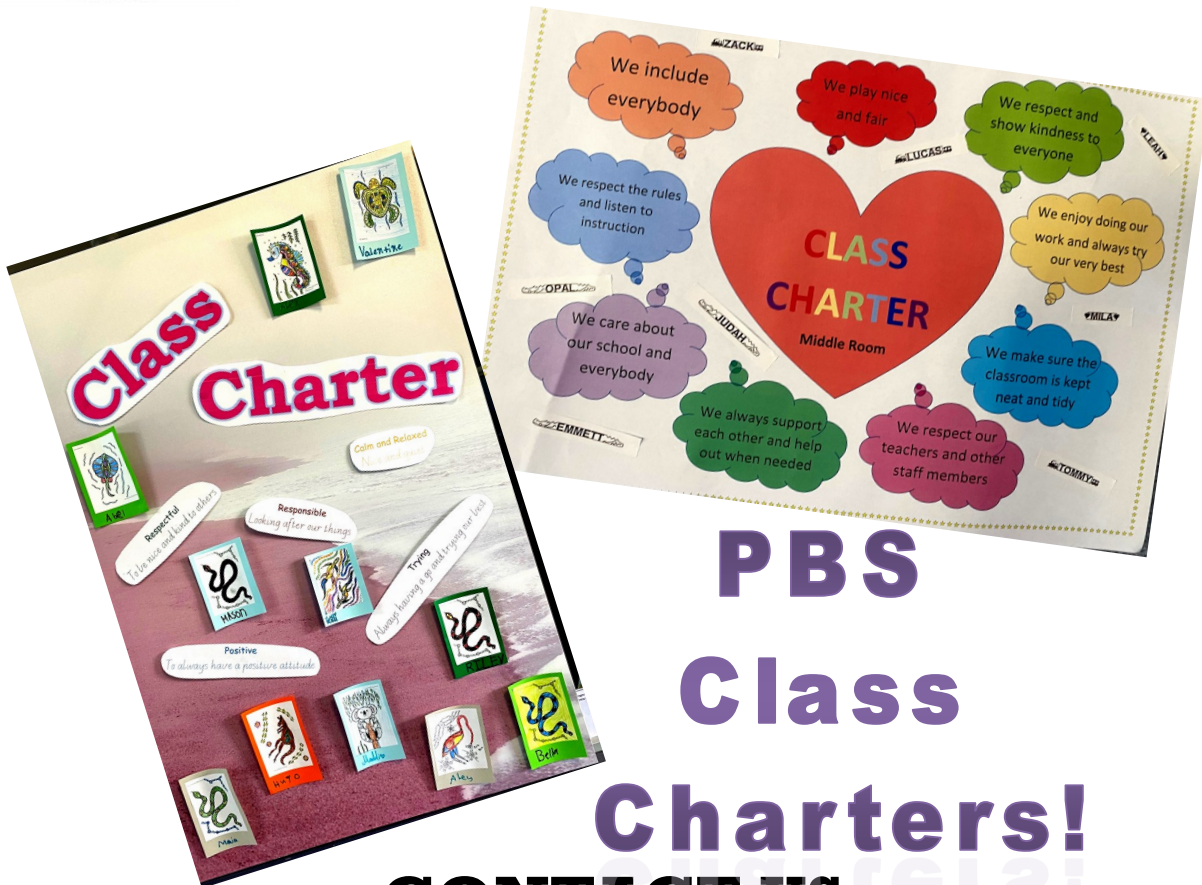
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The newsletter of Peranbin Primary College

We are four campuses working together

All campuses are child safe schools



PBS Class Charters!

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Week 8 Was GREAT!

In the Classroom

I was able to visit each campus this week—Baddaginnie on Monday morning AND Friday afternoon, Strathbogie on Tuesday and the rest of the week at Violet Town. Today I taught the Violet Town senior class about digital music creation. There are many online tools to explore, and we have uncovered some budding musical talents. Now that I have seen how much the Violet Town students enjoyed the lesson, I will give it a try at Baddaginnie and Strathbogie. On the front page this week is a copy of two class charters from Violet Town. These are part of the School Wide Positive Behaviour program we have in place and they help to remind us all about being positive and kind at school.

School Council

On Tuesday evening we held our special meeting to elect office bearers for this year's School Council. I can announce that Toree Morunga was elected as School Council President, and Jamie Ferguson as Vice-President. I also welcome Lynda Burley as our new school employee member, replacing Kimberley Amott. Four new parent members join this year, bringing our parent cohort to 6. Welcome Jamie Ferguson, Sandra Cotchin, Luke Harvey and Pieter Van Taarling. We also welcome back for another year, Monique Ringin, Robbie Rae and Chris Raeburn. We had some good discussion about how we can work together for all of the students at Peranbin over the next 12 months.

Violet Town School Bus Service

As I wrote in earlier newsletters, the bus service for our Violet Town campus was reviewed this term by the Department of Education Student Transport Unit. This review was triggered by the fact that we no longer have students travelling on the bus. The outcome of the review is the cancellation of the bus service. Applications to resume the service in the future can be explored, if there is an increase in student numbers needing bus transport.

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Peranbin PC Bus Run between Baddaginnie and Swanpool Campuses

I write to announce a change to the bus run between the Swanpool and Baddaginnie campuses, acknowledging that the changes around the bus have caused some uncertainty and anxiety in the Baddaginnie-Swanpool communities (families, students and staff). Following weeks of inconsistent bussing between the campuses, the bus run has been reviewed under the advice of the Department of Education (DE) and regional staff.

The bus review has involved consideration of the educational opportunities for the students, supervision on the bus, duty of care and student safety, along with the logistics of staffing the bus. The review determined that the bus run is not a viable option from the start of Term 2 and will cease operation.

I have spoken with the families who use the bus run between Swanpool and Baddaginnie. Peranbin PC staff and School Council have also been advised. Families who use the bus run understand the reasons why the bus is not a viable option.

From Term 2 all Baddaginnie and Swanpool students will be based at Baddaginnie. There will be no change to the two classes or to the staff at Baddaginnie. This is in response to the impacted families feeling it would be better for their children if they were to stay together and choosing to transport them to attend Baddaginnie. Being on one campus will ensure that learning time is optimised and that all the students have access to quality educational and social opportunities.

This decision brings us in line with Department of Education policy around provision of quality learning programs, transport of students, supervision and Child Safety.

Please contact me for any questions or concerns on 5798 1431 or 0437 226 693.

Newsletter this week!

The newsletter will come to you in two parts this week. We have a few people away, so I am doing my bit, and Kimberley will send out the rest of the newsletter tomorrow!!

Enjoy your weekend,

Angela

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