



**Term
Week 4
6 November
2024**

At Petersham, we work to provide a happy, safe and caring environment where children have the opportunity to become responsible and independent learners and achieve to the best of their ability.

Upcoming Events

NOVEMBER

Monday 4

Eye Clinic onsite all week

Friday 8

Whole School Assembly

Wednesday 13

Silver Coin Day

Tuesday 19—Thursday 21

Kindergarten 2025

Orientation program

9:15-11:45am

Thursday 21

Y1-6 Orientation Day

DECEMBER

Monday 2

10:15 K-2 Lewisham Nursing Home visit

Tuesday 3

K-2 Christmas Concert
1:30pm—K Nursing Home visit

Wednesday 4

Presentation Day
Parent Helper Thank you
Morning Tea

Friday 6

K-6 Movie incursion & P&C Pizza lunch

Monday 9-Friday 13

9:30am-12pm Y2-6 Survival Swimming Program

Thursday 12

Year 6 Graduation
2-5pm Harbour Cruise

Tuesday 17

Talent Show

Office Hours

The School Office hours are
8:45am—3:30pm

Petersham Public School

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER



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Parent Party success!

Saturday night was a feast of 90s golden age content. Everyone from Kurt to Britney made an appearance at the parent party, as well as cameos by Scully, Mulder, Elaine, Jerry, Patsy, Selma and a whole lot more! This event was made possible due to the commitment and dedication of our P&C. In particular, the work put in by Kat, Nicole, Sean and Rob. Kat, a special shout out for making this event happen—switching venues and ensuring nearly \$20 000 worth of prizes were on offer. Thank you to those who set up on the day, packed up the following day and had a blast at the event. Due to your generosity, we raised:

\$20000

This money goes directly to our fundraising goals, which are found overpage. We have the best community! Thank you so much.

Tell Them From Me Survey—closing soon— <http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/pps>

Once per year, we send home a link to the Tell Them From Me parent survey. The survey is anonymous and takes approximately 10 minutes to complete. This information is published in our school plan and informs our goals for 2025. The parent survey asks parents/carers a range of questions related to the following drivers of student outcomes including:

- parents feel welcome
- parents are informed
- parents' participation at school
- school supports positive behaviour
- safety
- inclusion
- school supports learning

We look forward to reading your feedback.

Have you seen our parent and carer resources library?

Resources include: Neurodiversity best practice, ADHD and Autism picture books, declarative language, and much more!

Parents and carers are welcome to browse and borrow from our Petersham PS Resource Library. Once a book is selected, please remove the library card, write your initials and the date. Place the card in the Borrowed Library books Envelope. There is no time limit on use, just be mindful that others may be waiting to access a particular text.

This library is an initiative of the Excellence in Wellbeing and Inclusion body, which is a partnership between Ms Morgan, teachers, the P&C and parents and carers. If you are interested in learning more, please email Ms Morgan at beth.morgan4@det.nsw.edu.au. Thank you Tim and Greg for hanging the library.



We came 5th in NSW!

Massive congratulations to our basketball team, The Petersham Flyers, who took out the Sydney West, South West and East Championship last term which meant they progressed to the NSW State Titles. The titles were held last week and it was a very competitive day. The Flyers performed brilliantly, walking away with the honour of being named the 5th placed team in NSW! For those who know me (Ms Morgan), I love basketball and it was such an honour to coach this team and see them compete with pride, grit and determination. I would also like to thank Coach Mian for his many hours of leadership and to our incredibly supportive parent community, for driving to each game. Thank you!!!!



P&C fundraising priorities

Our P&C is committed to enriching the education, wellbeing and environment for our students, whilst creating a welcoming and supportive school community. On behalf of the school, thank you for your support with our fundraising initiatives!

Welcome
TO THE P&C IN 2024

OUR KEY ANNUAL COMMITMENTS

- MANAGE A THRIVING INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM (IMP)
- FACILITATE A SUCCESSFUL WEEKLY CANTEEN SERVICE
- RUN AN EFFICIENT & COST EFFECTIVE UNIFORM SHOP
- ARRANGE SOCIAL EVENTS TO CREATE A SENSE OF COMMUNITY
- CAMPAIGN FOR ROAD SAFETY ENHANCEMENTS
- PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR SCHOOL RESOURCES & GROUNDS IMPROVEMENTS
- OFFER FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR FAMILIES SUFFERING HARDSHIP

OUR ADDITIONAL PRIORITIES THIS YEAR

- COMPLETE TRANSITION OF PACC TO P&C
- SIMPLIFY VOLUNTEERING FOR THE SCHOOL AND P&C
- WORK ON WAYS TO IMPROVE SCHOOL AND P&C COMMUNICATION

OUR 2024 FUNDRAISING GOAL **\$37,500**

- \$12,000 FOR AN ADDITIONAL SCHOOL LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICER
- \$9,000 FOR CONTINUING QUICKSMART MATHS + INITIALIT PROGRAMS
- \$5,000 FOR WELLBEING & NEURODIVERSITY INCLUSION INITIATIVES
- \$4,000 FOR CLASSROOM SUPPLIES AND LUNCHTIME STUDENT CLUBS
- \$7,500 FOR REPLACING CLASSROOM SMARTBOARDS

OUR MAJOR CAMPAIGN
PLANNING AND FINANCING PHASE I OF OUR HALL RENOVATION

Icons: Petersham P&C Association, musical notes, uniform, paintbrush, heart, chicken, Petersham Public School P&C Association.

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OFFICE REMINDERS

Uniform Shop

Do you have any good quality second hand shoes? We would love them! Please drop them off to the office.


Assembly

We hold our assemblies every second Friday of the term under the COLA. Parents and carers are welcome to attend. Our next assembly will be held on **Friday 8 November 2024**.


NSW Department of Education

Why attendance matters


When your child misses school they miss important opportunities to...



Learn




Make friends






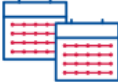
Build skills through fun

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Days missed = years lost

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

When your child misses just...	they miss weeks per year	and years over their school life
1 day per fortnight 	= 4 weeks 	= Over 1 year missed
1 day per week 	= 8 weeks 	= Over 2.5 years missed

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Do something life changing in 2024!



Volunteer as an ethics teacher

"I started for my children and stayed for myself - it's so rewarding"

Primary ETHICS
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volunteer





Parent App

Available now!

Download on the App Store or Google Play by clicking the image below.



Key Features

- Get real time push notifications from your school
- Stay signed in and save your card for secure payments for fees and excursions
- Give consent, sign forms and respond to attendance alerts
- View the school calendar and news



Help everyone at Petersham stay ALLERGY AWARE

WE KEEP EACH OTHER SAFE THROUGH...

AWARENESS

Learn the signs of an allergic reaction
Know what your classmates and friends are allergic to

AVOIDANCE

Never share food
Always wash your hands before and after you eat

ACTION

If you're unsure, ask a trusted adult if a food is safe
Tell a trusted adult if you or someone with allergies feels sick



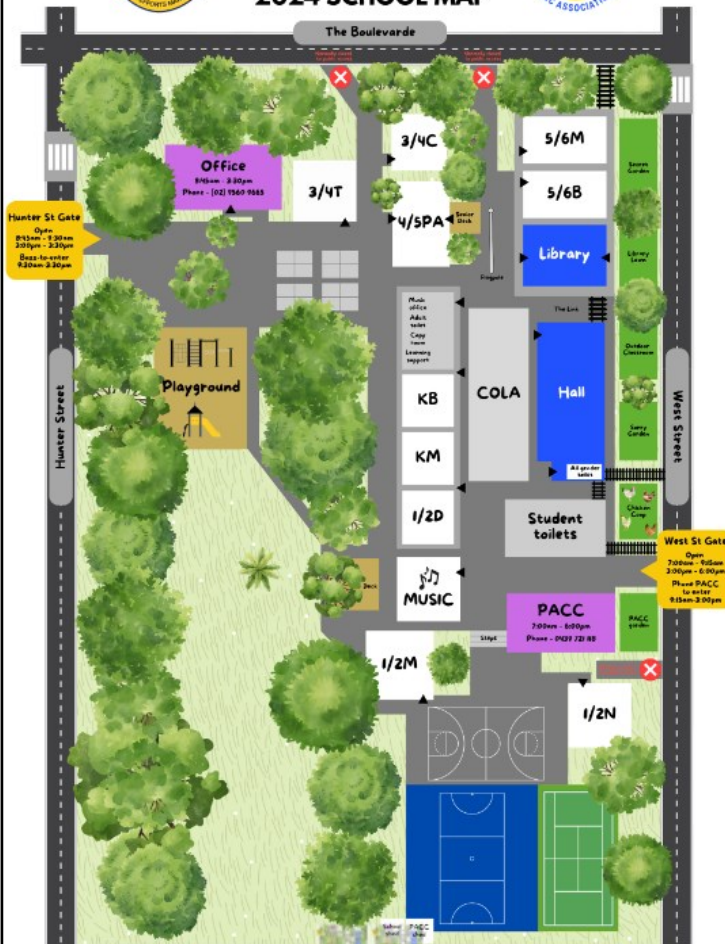
While we can't guarantee a nutfree environment at school or PACC, we ask:
PLEASE DON'T BRING ANY FOODS CONTAINING NUTS



We follow the best practice guidelines for allergen prevention and management by Schools prepared jointly in partnership with the National Allergy Council and the Australian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy (ASCI).



WELCOME TO PETERSHAM PUBLIC SCHOOL our little community 2024 SCHOOL MAP



Transport for NSW Careers

We're hiring School Crossing Supervisors



Help protect our vibrant school communities.

4Be a road safety hero for school kids, caregivers, and school staff.



Be a second set of eyes for local motorists at busy times.



Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest.

Casual roles available Inner West Local Government Area (Balmain to Newtown Area) –96843

Does this sound like you?

- Willing to work outdoors in all weather conditions.
- Able to communicate with different groups and give clear instructions.
- Community-minded.
- Friendly and positive manner.

Days and hours

- Shifts will fall between 8:00 am -9:30 am and 2:30 pm -4:00 pm, Monday to Friday during school terms with a minimum of one hour shift as required

Apply today

Applications close Sunday 3rd November 2024

Visit jobs.transport.nsw.gov.au and search for **Reference Number: 96843** or search 'School Crossing Supervisors' for a full list of vacancies or scan the QR code to apply.

For further information, contact Sandhini Chaudhary
E: Sandhini.chaudhary@transport.nsw.gov.au
P: 0466 343 704

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Excitement is building! Schools Spectacular is almost here.

Get ready for one of the biggest events of the year. Schools Spectacular is happening 29 to 30 November! We're beyond proud of our incredibly talented students and teachers. Schools Spectacular 'All4One' will showcase the result of their hard work from across the state.

Tickets

Don't miss your chance to grab tickets for the Schools Spectacular 2024. A world-class, family-friendly event that promises an uplifting experience for all.

Tickets are selling fast. Don't miss your chance to lock in the best seats. Act now and secure your spot.

Experience 2 hours of spectacular entertainment, featuring the finest young talent from NSW public schools. This is a must-see show for the entire family.

Secure your tickets now for performances at Qudos Bank Arena, Sydney Olympic Park.

- Friday 29 November at 11 am and 7 pm
- Saturday 30 November at 1 pm and 7 pm

Head to the Ticketek website to purchase your tickets!

For the best viewing of Auslan signing, we recommend seating in the following sections:

- ground level – sections 28
- level 1: sections 29 to 40
- level 3: sections 54 to 60.

These areas will offer the best sight lines to the Auslan interpretation displayed on the IMAG screens.

Buy tickets here:

<https://premier.ticketek.com.au/Shows/Show.aspx?sh=SCHOOLSS24>

School Student Travel



School student travel information for parents and students

School Travel Passes

Applications are now open for 2025 School Student Transport Scheme (SSTS) travel.

Students in the Opal network applying for an Opal card (including a Term Bus Pass) for the first time will receive their School Opal card at their nominated postal address from mid-January 2025.

Students who require a School Opal card or travel pass but have not yet applied need to [apply](#) or [update](#) their details as soon as possible.

In the Opal network, students should travel with a Child/Youth Opal card until they receive their valid School Opal card. If outside Greater Sydney, parents should contact their [local bus operator](#) to discuss their travel needs.

Students living in rural and regional areas will receive their travel pass from their nominated transport operator. It may be issued via their school or be sent directly to them at home. **Note:** some rural and regional operators do not issue travel passes. Students/parents should confirm with their nominated operator if they do not receive a pass.

Terms of Use

Students using School Opal cards must tap on and tap off in line with the [Opal terms of use](#).

This includes travel within the approved times between 6.30am and 7.00pm from Monday to Friday on school days only. Students must use their Child/Youth Opal card for any travel outside these times.

All students are required to comply with the [Student code of conduct](#). The code of conduct aims to ensure the safety and well-being of school children and other passengers. It is important that parents ensure their child is aware of this, as failure to comply with the code of conduct can result in a suspension from travel.



SCHOOL ZONE RULES AND PENALTIES

Choose safety over convenience.



	<p>NO STOPPING</p> <p>What does it mean? You cannot stop for any reason (including queuing or waiting for a space).</p> <p>Why is it there? To keep sight lines clear for drivers and children so both have more time to avoid accidents.</p>	<p>Fine: \$410</p> <p>Demerit points: 2</p>
	<p>NO PARKING</p> <p>What does it mean? You may only park for two minutes to drop off or pick up children, and you have to stay within 3m of your vehicle. If no spaces are available, drive around the block and only return when there is a space.</p> <p>Why is it there? To provide a safe place for children to be set down and picked up without endangering others.</p>	<p>Fine: \$227</p> <p>Demerit points: 2</p>
	<p>BUS ZONE</p> <p>What does it mean? You must not stop your vehicle in the bus zone for any reason (including queuing and waiting for a space) unless you are driving a public bus.</p> <p>Why is it there? To provide a safe place for large buses to set down and pick up school children.</p>	<p>Fine: \$410</p> <p>Demerit points: 2</p>
	<p>PEDESTRIAN CROSSING</p> <p>What does it mean? Keep an area of 20m before and 10m after a pedestrian crossing clear. Do not let your child in or out of a vehicle at a pedestrian crossing.</p> <p>Why is it there? To ensure children can be clearly seen by vehicles approaching the crossing.</p>	<p>Fine: \$544</p> <p>Demerit points: 2</p>
	<p>DOUBLE PARKING</p> <p>What does it mean? You must not stop your vehicle, and or park in the middle of the road to drop off and pick up.</p> <p>Why is it there? Double parking forces cars to go around you causing traffic congestion. It also reduces the view of drivers and children crossing the road.</p>	<p>Fine: \$410</p> <p>Demerit points: 2</p>
	<p>DRIVEWAYS AND FOOTPATHS</p> <p>What does it mean? Do not park your vehicle on or across a driveway.</p> <p>Why is it there? To ensure that you don't force pedestrians onto the road to get around you.</p>	<p>Fine: \$410</p> <p>Demerit points: 2</p>

RPA HOSPITAL SCHOOL

CARE / CONNECTION / CONTINUITY

WALKATHON

WHEN: *Friday 29th Nov*

WHERE: *Inner West School Loop*

WHY: *Fundraiser to Support our School*

WHO: *RPA Staff & Supporters*



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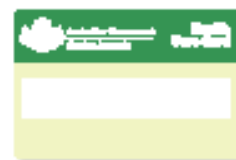
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