



Term 3  
Week 10  
25 September  
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

### SEPTEMBER

**Thursday 26**—Creative & Performing Arts Showcase at Petersham Town Hall

**Friday 27**—Last day of Term 3

### OCTOBER

**Monday 14**—Students return to school

**Wednesday 16**—silver Coin Day

**Friday 18**— Halloween Howler

**Monday 27 - Wednesday 23**—Stage 3 Camp

### Office Hours

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

# Petersham Public School

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER



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This term has been jam packed with quality teaching and learning experiences, representative opportunities, parent workshops, excursions and we still haven't finished! From all of the staff to you, thank you for the incredible support and input into making our school so special. Due to our partnership, the students are known, cared for and thriving.

### Primary Proms

Last night, our junior choir performed at the Sydney Town Hall as part of the Primary Proms Festival. The Primary Proms features a Combined Primary Choir of 450 voices from Years 3 to 4, together with outstanding instrumental and vocal items from public schools across NSW. We are seriously considering calling the evening The "Petersham Proms", as not only did we perform, but our Assistant Principal Jess Clay was one of the conductors and students Arthur and Skye compered the evening! It was an extraordinary event and we are so proud of our staff and students. Special mention to Ms Matthews and Ms Tawinwong for supervising the students and taking them to Pancakes on the Rocks for dinner.



### Our Creative and Performing Arts Showcase is tomorrow night!

We look forward to seeing everyone tomorrow night at our Creative and Performing Arts Showcase.


From 5:30pm we will be hosting an art show. Special art pieces prepared by each class will be on display at the event, and **auctioned online as a school fundraiser**. Money raised from the auction will go to our school building fund, with these donations potentially tax deductible (depending on your personal circumstances). All items already have bids! Visit: <https://www.32auctions.com/petershamartshowcase>

Artworks by every student across the school will also be on display at the event. The artworks will be available to buy on the night for \$10 as an additional school fundraiser, and will be sent home from school early next term. Unfortunately these purchases will not be tax deductible. If you are unable to attend the Showcase, you can still buy your child's artwork here: <https://square.link/u/qzvzQ508>


All performers are due at Petersham Town Hall by 6pm. Students wear their performance outfit to the event. The concert commences at 6.45pm sharp. At the end of the event, we would love some help packing up the hall and driving equipment back to school. There is no need to RSVP, its simply "all hands on deck" when the event wraps.



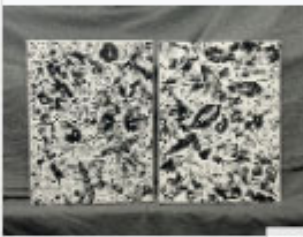
Welcome to the Petersham Public School Art Showcase Auction, where student imagination, individual creativity and class teamwork have combined to produce a collection of incredible unique pieces. Each class has worked together to create a single artwork to be auctioned as a school fundraiser. Don't miss out on owning a piece of your child's history, start the bidding now... <https://www.32auctions.com/petershamartshowcase>




**1/2D - Spread Your Wings**  
Framed 3D collection of colourful butter...  
**\$105.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 3




**1/2M - Potting Around**  
Terracotta pot decorated with mosaic til...  
**\$161.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 16




**1/2N - Look Around**  
Two canvases asking us to create with w...  
**\$50.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 2




**3/4C - Ready To Blossom**  
Two ceramic vases inspired by Yayoi Ku...  
**\$60.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 3




**3/4T - Tiles of Native Wonders**  
Collection of ceramic tiles decorated wit...  
**\$201.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 14



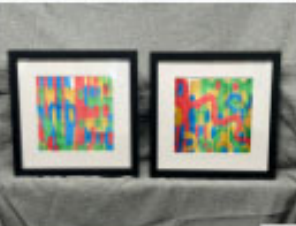
**4/5PA - Rainbow Chess**  
Fully functioning clay chess set, includes ...  
**\$150.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 3




**5/6B - Charcoal Pyramid**  
Hanging collection of paper pyramids co...  
**\$29.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 3



**5/6M - Together**  
Three canvases representing the art of ...  
**\$50.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 4



**KB - Push and Pull**  
Two framed pictures exploring the cola...  
**\$99.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 13



**KM - Cityscape**  
Framed picture depicting Sydney create...  
**\$80.00 AUD**  
value: Priceless  
bids: 3

## Grounds and Building maintenance

You may have noticed some machinery and scaffolding onsite this week. This is because we have some ground and maintenance work occurring. All work should be finished by the end of the school holidays. Over the next few weeks, the following will be taking place:

Building Name	Location	Internal or External?	Work
Building C	Hall	External	Paint windows, doors, soffit/eaves, posts, handrails and fascia.
Building C	Hall	Internal	Paint ceiling, walls, windows and rails.
Building C	Hall	Internal	Install new carpet.
Building E	4/5PA	External	Senior deck reseal, pressure wash building and gutters, paint walls and doors.
Building F	KM, KB, 1/2D, QuickSmart office, EAL/D and Music office	External	Prepare and paint all previous painted areas, including windows, doors, posts, handrails, soffit/eaves, barge/fascia.
Building F	KM, KB, 1/2D, QuickSmart office, EAL/D and Music office	Internal	Paint ceiling, walls, windows and rails.
Building J	5/6B	Internal	Investigate the leak issues in roof above the storeroom and re-pair/paint as required.
Grounds	PACC entrance, walkway between PACC and 1/2N, 1/2N driveway, Entrance on The Boulevard near 5/6M	External	Clear, level and resurface with asphalt.  *** The P&C and school will then line mark new handball courts/hopscotch etc in 2025.
Grounds	Wall abutting neighbours on Hunter St	External	Mural installation—Ceramics made by children.
Grounds	In front of office	External	Install storm water drainage
Building B	Student Toilets	External	Prepare and paint window, barge/fascia repairs and painting, mesh fence painting
Building B	Student Toilets	Internal	Deep clean all areas

Coming soon: Keep an eye out for our new outdoor ping pong table, arriving in Term 4. A combined project between PACC and the school.



## 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



PROUDLY SUPPORTED BY **FREDERICO FRAGA-MATOS** BresicWhitney

# Why attendance matters

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



Learn



Make friends



Build skills through fun

education.nsw.gov.au



## 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



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4 weeks



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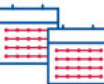
Over 1 year missed

1 day per week



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8 weeks



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Over 2.5 years missed

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## OFFICE REMINDERS

### Uniform Shop

Our uniform shop loves receiving second hand items but please only send school uniform items to school, they have been receiving a number of non school uniform items.

### 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 27th September 2024**.

### Want to do something life-changing? Why not volunteer at Petersham Public School as an ethics teacher!

Ethics classes can only be offered to our children if we have volunteer teachers. Volunteers can be parents, grandparents, friends and from the local community, from every walk of life and of all ages, 18 to 80+. Primary Ethics, the approved provider, offers full free training, lesson scripts and ongoing support.

Ethics encourages children to develop their opinions through ethical reasoning and respectful discussion. Ethics helps kids develop confidence and empathy. As a volunteer ethics teacher, you'll get a lot out of it too!

If you are available each school week on Fridays at 10:45am to facilitate a 30 minutes lesson, and want to ensure children at our school can access this valuable program, email Feyza Tuncay on [Feyza.tuncay@primaryethics.com.au](mailto:Feyza.tuncay@primaryethics.com.au) or scan this code to visit [primaryethics.com.au/volunteer](http://primaryethics.com.au/volunteer)

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  
primaryethics.com.au/volunteer





# Parent App

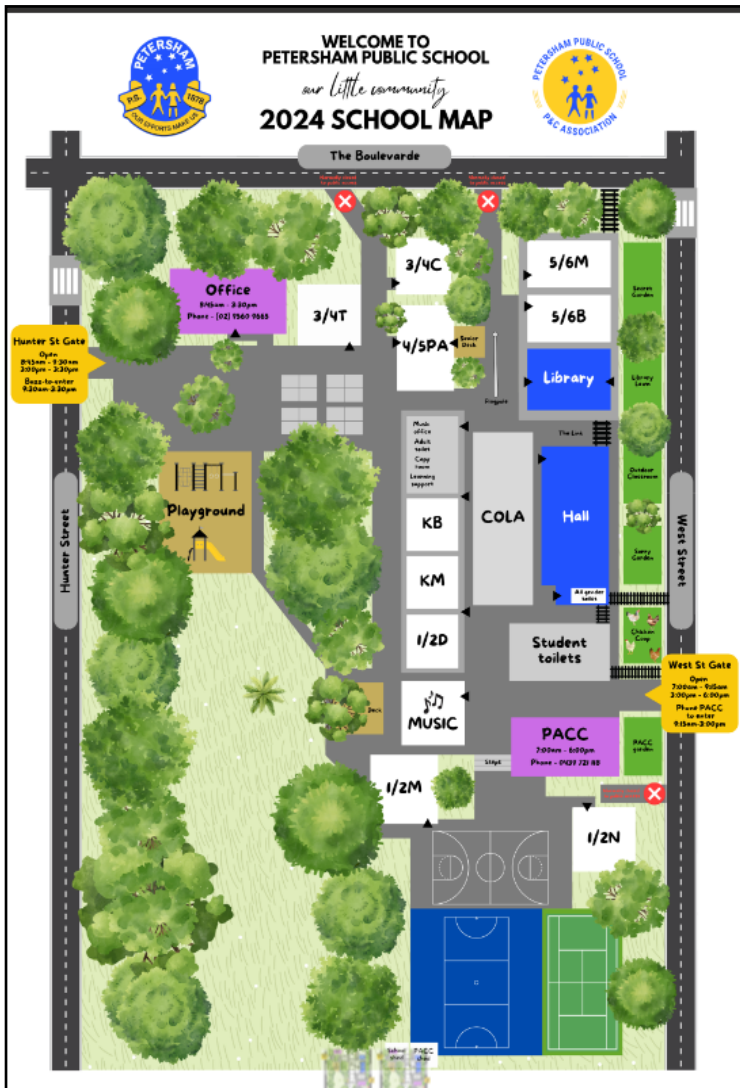
Available now!

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**







## **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>

# BKs GYMNASTICS

**PRICES**  
**HOLIDAY FUN**  
**NINJA DAY**  
**SKILLS CLINIC**  
 3.5 hours \$55.00  
 Early Bird \$50.00  
 7 hours \$95.00  
 Early Bird \$90.00

## School Holiday Programs

Early Bird Discount Ends: 19/09/2024

Date	Time	Holiday Fun Ages 5+ Years	Ninja Day Ages 5+	Skills Clinic Ages 7+
Monday 30/09/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Tuesday 1/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Wednesday 2/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Thursday 3/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Friday 4/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Monday 7/10/2024	Centre Closed due to Public Holiday			
Tuesday 8/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Wednesday 9/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Thursday 10/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			
Friday 11/10/2024	9:00am - 4:00pm			
	9:00am - 12:30pm			
	12:30pm - 4:00pm			

Before Care: 8:00am to 9:00am - \$15.00 After Care: 4:00 to 5:00 - \$15.00

**Call 9550 0088 to book NOW!**



## School Holiday Program

### PROGRAMS

-  LOWER PRIMARY (5-7 years)
-  UPPER PRIMARY (8-11 years)
-  SECONDARY (12-17 years)

**Sessions include:**

- A behind-the-scenes tour of our shelters.
- Fun and interactive animal focused activities.
- Get hands on making enrichment toys.
- Meet-and-Greet sessions with shelter animals.
- Learn how to be an animal advocate in your community.

**Sydney Education and Adoption Centre**  
 201 Rookwood Road, Yagoona NSW 2199

SCAN ME 

RSPCA NSW Education Team  
 02 9782 4478 education@rspcansw.org.au  
<https://events.humanitix.com/host/rspca-nsw>

**RSPCA** New South Wales

# Are you ready to meet your new best friend?

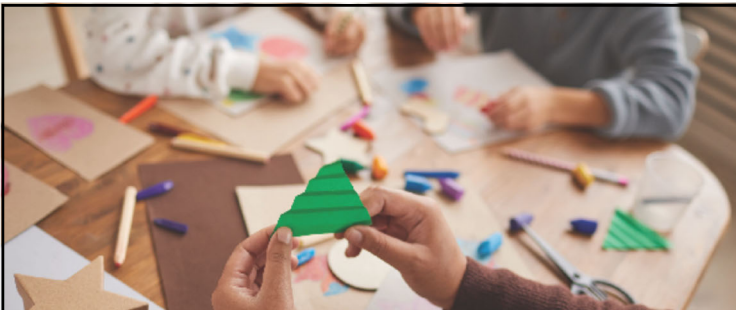


Network 10 is seeking families and individuals from all different backgrounds who would like to adopt a rescue dog! We work hand-in-hand with the Animal Welfare League NSW to match you with the best dog for your family.

**THE DOG HOUSE**  
**APPLY NOW**  
 at [10play.com.au/casting](https://10play.com.au/casting)

**10** play





## French classes at Petersham PS

**TERM 4**

Our classes are designed to be creative and playful, whilst encouraging your child to make serious progress in their ability to understand, read and speak French.

**16 October to 11 December**  
1 hr per week for 9 weeks

Wednesday afternoons  
3.25pm - 4.25pm

Wednesday afternoons  
4.30pm - 5.30pm

**Kindy - Year 1**

**Year 2 to Year 6**



Enrol before **Friday 11 October** for early bird discount

As little as \$27/hr with Early Bird and re-enrolment discount

[afsydney.com.au](http://afsydney.com.au)  
[school-activities@afsydney.com.au](mailto:school-activities@afsydney.com.au)  
(02) 9292 5700

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Go4Fun® is a 10-week healthy lifestyle program for kids aged 7-13 and their families. Sessions run once a week for two hours, during term.

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**1800 780 900**

SMS 0409 745 645 for a call back  
Register online at [www.go4fun.com.au](http://www.go4fun.com.au)  
[www.facebook.com/go4funprogram/](https://www.facebook.com/go4funprogram/)



**DENDY** NEWTOWN

## FAMILY SAVER

**\$6\***

**KIDS TICKETS**  
FOR CLUB DENDY MEMBERS



**\$8\***

**KIDS TICKETS**  
FOR NON-MEMBERS

**THURSDAY SEP 12 – SUNDAY OCT 13**

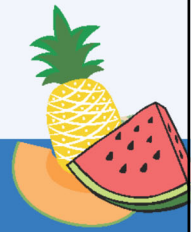
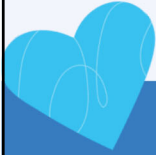
\*ONLY VALID TO FAMILY SAVER SESSIONS BEFORE 5PM  
Booking fees apply for online bookings. Not valid for special events, public holidays, or in conjunction with any other offer. Kids tickets are applicable for children 14 years and under. Offer ends Oct 13.



[dendy.com.au](http://dendy.com.au)

# KIDS GIVING BACK

The next generation of generosity



## SPRING SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMS



WANT TO KEEP YOUR CHILD BUSY DURING THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS WITH INTERESTING ACTIVITIES THAT ARE ALSO FUN AND MEANINGFUL?

Our school holiday programs are the perfect chance to introduce your child to the world of volunteering – and empower them to give back in an age-appropriate way.

- **COOK4GOOD - LITTLE HELPERS - 5-7YRS**
  - preparing easy meals for the homeless community
- **HELPING HANDS FOR THE HOMELESS - 8-14YRS**
  - making meals & essential items for vulnerable people
- **COOK4GOOD - 12YRS+**
  - preparing meals for the homeless community

BOOK NOW:

[WWW.KIDSGIVINGBACK.ORG/SCHOOL-HOLIDAY-PROGRAMS/](http://WWW.KIDSGIVINGBACK.ORG/SCHOOL-HOLIDAY-PROGRAMS/)

LOCATIONS - PADDINGTON & PARRAMATTA



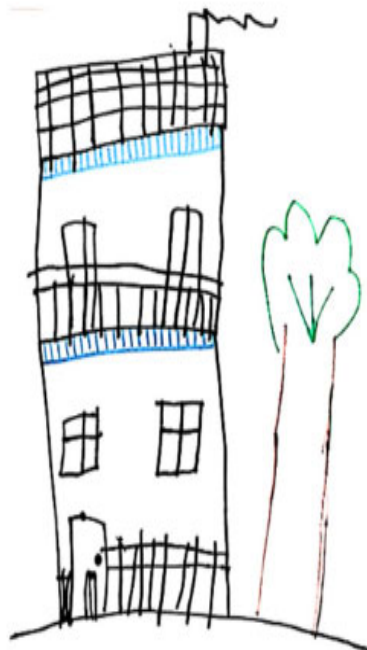
## SUMMER RENTAL AVAILABLE

7 DEC - 1 MARCH

Our home is available to rent from December to March whilst we travel. It is a 3 bedroom, furnished terrace, right near Lewisham train station.

It might suit a local family needing accommodation during a renovation or for family visiting from overseas.

Price is negotiable depending on length of stay and number of people.



FOR DETAILS OR QUESTIONS PLEASE CONTACT MAHALA ON 0420 730 277