

16 June 2022



Dear PC Community

As we come to the end of our second last week of Term 2 there is much to celebrate. Our Year 3 and 5 students negotiated NAPLAN online; we acknowledged P&C appreciation day; Schools Officer's Day and Cleaners Day.

Our students had the opportunity to participate in Cluster Sports; watch a matinee performance of Matilda at Foxwell State Secondary College; and to acknowledge Fatality Free Friday and Bright for Bryn Day to support Mr Stark and Mr Epiha.

Report Cards and Parent Teacher Interviews

Next Thursday afternoon, 23 June, you will receive an e-mail of your child's report card for Semester 1. The email will come to you from OneSchool not Picnic Creek SS. Please check your junk folder if you don't see it initially.

Children have been assessed against the Australian Curriculum Achievement Standards for their year level. The Achievement Standards describe what students will know and be able to do as a result of teaching and learning in each of the key learning areas by the end of the year.

Below is a link to download a copy of the reporting standards and these will assist you to interpret your child's report card. If you have recently enrolled, your child will come home with an Interim Report, as a hard copy. A formal report card will not be generated for these students.

[Click here to download a copy of the Semester 1 Reporting Standards](#)

Parent Teacher interviews, though normally held in Term 1 were held over this year due to the COVID affected start. These have been scheduled for the beginning of next term to enable you to book a time to speak to your child's classroom teacher about the recently received report card and any thoughts ahead of Semester 2 (18-29th July). Bookings will be made through School Online Booking System (SOBS) from this Thursday (16th June). Teachers will be available by appointment. Interviews will be conducted in the classroom and are of 15 minute duration. Please click on the link below to download the SOBS system instruction sheet.

[Click here to download - SOBS Booking Instruction Sheet](#)

The procedure is as follows:-

- If you wish to see your child's teacher/s, you need to secure an appointment time using this system. If you do not have access to the internet please call the school office on 5671 9333.
- The system will be accessible for bookings from 9.00am on Thursday 16th June (Bookings will close exactly 24 hours prior to each interview date)
- You can access the booking system via this link <https://eq.sobs.com.au/pt3/parent.php?schoolid=70157> or via the school website and clicking on the 'SOBS' – Parent/Teacher Interview link under 'Quicklinks' at the bottom of the homepage. The school website address is www.picniccreekss.eq.edu.au

Teachers may request an interview with you if they feel there is a matter of importance which should be discussed.

We encourage your child to accompany you to the interview as this often assists the discussion and clarification of outcomes. If you have any issues making a booking please contact the office for assistance.

Staffing Update

Beginning Term 3 Picnic Creek SS will have a Head of Department – Curriculum position. Recently a recruitment process was held and we are pleased to welcome Suzanne Bailey to The Creek to assist our staff with all things Curriculum and Pedagogy. Suzanne has been a teacher of primary and secondary students and comes with a fabulous knowledge of curriculum from Prep – Year 12.

Mrs Amanda Shepherd will leave us at the end of Week 1 Term 3 (Friday 15th July) to go on maternity leave. We wish Amanda all the best for the next chapter with her family. Mrs Haley Rennie will continue to teach 3B Monday and Tuesday each week and will be joined by Ms Erin Hillock For Wednesday to Friday.

Picnic Creek SS Parent and Community Engagement Framework:

We are currently formalising our PACE here at Picnic Creek.

The Purpose of the PACE (Parent and Community Engagement – Framework) is:

- Parents, carers and community member playing meaningful roles in school decision making. We value two-way communication between parents and school staff to ensure both parent and school knowledge is used to inform practice.
- Develop partnerships between parents and carers, community and school to promote student learning, wellbeing and high expectations for student success. This collaboration with the community strengthens the ability of school and families to support student learning and development outcomes.
- Actively cultivate and value respectful relationships between the school, students and wider community.

At present we have a survey being undertaken to gain further information for our PACE. All parents and carers should have received this survey, if you have not please contact our office for the link.

School Opinion Survey

The annual suite of *School Opinion Surveys* will be conducted **18 July to 12 August 2022**. All families, school staff and students in target year levels (5,6,8 and 11) will be invited to participate. We encourage you to take this opportunity to have your say about what our school does well, and how we can improve. The Department of Education will commence sending email invitations to participants in the first week of term 3. *Keep an eye out for yours!*

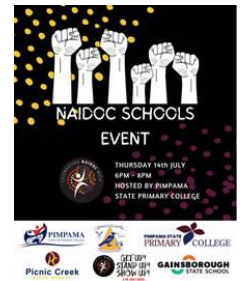
Local schools NAIDOC Event

Our schools unite for first time ever to celebrate NAIDOC within our community!

Join us for an evening of cultural celebration, as families gather from Pimpama State Primary College, Pimpama State Secondary College, Pimpama State School, Picnic Creek State School and Gainsborough State School.

We will be welcomed to country by Bullongin traditional owners, followed by student performances, student work samples and interactive activities and food.

Register via link: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/naidoc-schools-event-precinct-p-tickets-364993614727> Closing Date: 23rd June 2022



School Watch

Once again these holidays we ask your support in keeping out school safe. Helping Hands (OHSC Provider) will be onsite offering Vacation Care. Our facilities team will also do some maintenance and additional cleaning jobs. If you see or hear anything that doesn't seem right over the holidays please phone the School Watch number. Final day of Term 2 is Friday 24th June. Thanks for your ongoing support.



Dates to Remember:

Senior Athletics Carnival – postponed until Term 3. – Wednesday 13th July – 800 metres and Thursday 14th July Track and Field

Friday 24th June and Monday 11th July – Canteen Closed

Friday 24th June – Final day of Term 2

Monday 18th-22nd July – NAIDOC celebrations

Monday 18th- Friday 29th July – Parent Teacher interviews – book in through SOBS

Regards

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