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Term 4 Week 10

Friday 2nd November 2012



*Above: Flynn, Grace and Mischa ready for another day at school. Below: Will checking out the surprise left by Lotta.*

## Another Successful Kindergarten 2013 Orientation Day

This week Mrs Armida was able to give some "one on one" with our Kinder 2013 children. The children were able to get into their Maths - learning counting and adding strategies by looking at a "Tens" Frame. Our three enthusiastic students were also able to complete their yellow book that they have been working on over the last 4 weeks. Every Wednesday this term the children attend school with their friends and siblings to see what school is all about.



*Will was brave to press the button on the canteen wall.*

See page 2 for the wonderful things that our Lotta did for the children this Halloween.

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## Diary Dates For Next 4 Weeks

<b>Week 5</b>	5-Nov	6-Nov Music Gardening	7-Nov Kindergarten Orientation	8-Nov	9-Nov Library Tennis	10/11 Nov
<b>Week 6</b>	12-Nov P&C Meeting	13-Nov Music Baby Clinic Gardening	14-Nov Kindergarten Orientation	15-Nov	16-Nov Library Cricket Gala Day	17/18 Nov
<b>Week 7</b>	19-Nov	20-Nov Music Baby Clinic Gardening	21-Nov Kindergarten Orientation	22-Nov	23-Nov Library Tennis	24/25 Nov
<b>Week 8</b>	26-Nov	27-Nov Music Baby Clinic Gardening	28-Nov Kindergarten Orientation	29-Nov	30-Nov Library Tennis	1/2 Dec



*Lotta made Halloween treats for the students*

## Everyone Loves to Celebrate Halloween

Especially when it is a surprise. On Wednesday the students found Halloween novelties and treats left by our very loved cleaner Lotta, who is not only the best at her job, but she makes our school a lovely place to come to. She also brings in plants to brighten up our work space. She is definitely a treasured gem and we are lucky to have her. There were squeals of excitement as the children went out to lunch on Wednesday and found what Lotta had left behind for them for Halloween. Last year Mrs Mabbutt found a spider on her seat which has now made her office it's permanent home. Here are some of the students comments:



*Halloween novelties for the children to enjoy.*

**Lilly-Beth:** "I had fun that day because Lotta left us things to take home and she is a really nice lady".

**David:** "The cupcakes were really yummy and the bats on top looked like they were about to fly off. The ghost-shaped twisties were tasty".

**Ben:** "The cakes were yummy and I LOVED them. Thanks Lotta. When you pressed the button on the canteen wall a spider came out and tried to eat you for dinner."

## Fire Myths

**A house can explode if it catches on fire.**

**Fact:** This depends on what is stored in the house. You should consider removing flammables or explosive objects from your home.



## Quenching Your Child's Thirst

In the coming summer months what are the best drinks to prevent dehydration? And do you know the recommended daily intake of water for your child's age?

Find out the facts:

<http://www.healthykids.nsw.gov.au/kids-teens/stats-and-facts-teens/teens-nutrition/drinks-for-hydration.aspx>

Please ensure that a water bottle is brought each day to school with their name on it, especially during fitness and sport.

## Children Excited To Beat Their Personal Best

This term Miss Fredericks has been teaching the students about achieving their personal best in fitness by encouraging each child to improve on their previous running times. Even the least enthusiastic runners have eagerly picked up the pace to beat their personal best. All the children are really enjoying these lessons and run with smiles as they cross the finish line. The other children encourage each other to the finish line and give each other praise and recognition on the improvements each has made. The children have their times charted in class. This has encouraged the students and built on their self confidence by creating enthusiasm to participate.



*Brenden and Ben approaching the finish line.*



*Dominic spending ten minutes reading.*

## D.E.A.R @ Penrose

Mrs Irvine has introduced this program to our school to encourage our students to read. Our students participate every day for ten minute on DEAR (Drop Everything And Read). Children are then selected randomly to discuss with the class what they have read. This encourages the children to be accountable for what they are reading and they are able to select from a variety of genres from Fiction through to Non-fiction titles.

We also like to encourage our students that reading can be a great thing to do when we have spare time and show them that at Penrose we place importance on not just reading, but also what we can learn when we reading.

**"In teaching others we teach ourselves"**

*- Proverb*

## Penrose Events Coming Up

\*Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November, **Penrose Hall Committee AGM** 7pm at the Hall. All welcome.

\*10-11<sup>th</sup> November, **Highland Fling** bike ride including on Sunday the Kids Fling aged 6-12 and Kids MTB skills course on Saturday for 5-12 year olds in Bundanoon.

\*November 12<sup>th</sup>, **Penrose Community Association** committee meeting at an earlier time of 4.30pm at Lauren's Café.

\*November 17<sup>th</sup> **Penrose Spring Dinner** 7pm at the Hall for all but a great opportunity for new members of the community to get to know others. Flyer attached.

\*November 27<sup>th</sup> at 10.15 at Lauren's Cafe will be the Penrose **Tennis Club AGM**. All welcome

## Fantastic New Early Childhood Music Programme

Held At Penrose Public School 10.00 to 11.00am Every Thursday.  
To enroll please contact: The Goulburn Conservatorium Inc.

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## Miss Fredericks Finds Fun Ways To Learn

It is important that children have a good vocabulary and a greater understanding of what their spelling words mean. Miss Fredericks created for the older students a "Spelling Word Hunt" where the children match the spelling words with their definitions. At Penrose we really like to try and explore different ways of learning to engage our students. This activity reinforced what the students had done earlier in the week when they used their dictionaries to find the word meanings. Once the children had matched their words with the meanings they then were able to double check with each other to see that they got them right.



*Our Poetry wall at school where all our students can add to.*



## End of Year School Concert

This term, as previous years have shown, will fly past quickly. Each year we give awards to students that have gained achievements in various areas of their schooling. We ask that if anyone in our community would like to make a donation towards the awards, your generosity would be very much appreciated. Please speak to Gillian if you wish to assist us in this area.



## A Lesson In Spring Sowing

Students tend to the School's Kitchen Garden every Tuesday afternoon with parent volunteers. The children love it when our families join us for this weekly lesson. This week the younger children have been sowing carrot seeds collected from last year's crop and some herbs. The older children turn the soil and mix in fertiliser and compost (which we produce from all the lawn clippings, mulched leaves and twigs, and food scraps in our composting area). Students get very excited when they see the seeds they sow start to shoot up.



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