

# Kareela Courier

Penrose Public School

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Term 1 Week 6

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## Our Penrose Students Are Like Fish To Water

It was a great day at the Mini Swimming Carnival this year with our friends from Wingello. We had races in Breaststroke, freestyle and backstroke. "When we swam we would cheer each other on by yelling out each other's names from the edge of the pool" tells Amelie. "I felt I swam really fast on the day and Charlotte swam well too." Go Penrose!!

### Hot Off The Press

Our "Kindy Kids" will feature in the Southern Highland News on Monday 24th March. We have been told that this issue sells quick and we advise families to get the shop to put a copy aside for them, so they don't miss out. Also school photos will be returned to the school to hand out on Friday 14th March.

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## Diary Dates For Next Four Weeks

<b>Week 7</b>	10-Mar	11-Mar P&C AGM 3.15pm @ Lauren's Cafe	12-Mar Scripture Music Tuition	13-Mar	14-Mar "Barber of Seville" Opera @ Exeter PS	15/16 Mar
<b>Week 8</b>	17-Mar	18-Mar	19-Mar Scripture Music Tuition	20-Mar	21-Mar Library Sport	22/23 Mar
<b>Week 9</b>	24-Mar	25-Mar	26-Mar Scripture Music Tuition	27-Mar	28-Mar Library Sport	29/30 Mar
<b>Week 10</b>	31-Mar	1-Apr	2-Apr Scripture Music Tuition	3-Apr	4-Apr Bong Bong Cross Country @ Berrima PS	05/06 Apr
<b>Week 11</b>	7-Apr	8-Apr	9-Apr Scripture Music Tuition	10-Apr	11-Apr Library Sport	12/13 Apr Term Break

### Crunch&Sip

Just a reminder to parents regarding our Crunch&Sip program. This is a small snack, such as a piece of FRESH fruit, a small cup of RAW vegetable, or dried fruit that is to be eaten in class mid morning around 10 am. The purpose of this is to maintain energy levels and alertness in class. The children are not to bring any form of packaged foods, biscuits, dips, breakfast cereal, chips nor any food eaten with a spoon such as yogurts. It needs to be Raw, Fresh and be able to be eaten with fingers only with minimal mess, that they eat while doing their school work.

Thank you.

### Fruito

Please pay for this terms Fruito if you have not done so already. Each term we ask families to contribute \$20 for the term.

### Maths A to Z

Brush up on some of the maths terms your child uses in the classroom. The Maths A to Z glossary provides straightforward explanations and illustrated examples.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/maths/maths-a-to-z>

### Great Books For Tweens To Read

Favourite books from the Premier's Reading Challenge team that will inspire kids aged between nine and 13 to read read read!

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/hu/homework-and-study/english/my-book-club/helping-tweens-to-love-reading/ideal-books-for-tweens-to-read>

**THE MORE THAT YOU READ,  
THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL KNOW.  
THE MORE THAT YOU LEARN,  
THE MORE PLACES YOU GO.**

**- Dr Seuss**

### Science Assignment Starters

Not sure where to go to help your child find out about electricity, natural disasters, the solar system or other science projects? Have a look at our project starters.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/other-subjects-and-projects/science/science-project-starters>

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As numbers increase, so to does our staff numbers. Over the coming weeks The Kareela Courier will introduce them to you.



### Meet Margy Bevan One Of Our 3-6 Teachers

Margy will job share with Megan Pemberton. Her days are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday. Every Thursdays we watch BTN ( Behind The News) and bring world issues into classroom discussion. Currently for English we are reading "The Refugee", and working on Grammar and Punctuation. The class is also Bloging with both Mrs Bevan and Mrs Pemberton.

In Maths, Mrs Bevan will teach Measurement and Space. The students will be doing Art, Sports and Library with her as well.

Mrs Bevan is married with 2 daughters (ages 13 and 15) and loves camping, bushwalking, travelling, as well as doing lots of arts and crafts things. One of her life goals is to walk the Great Wall of China. All our teachers are approachable and if there are any concerns please always see your child's class teacher as the first point of contact.

### 2014 Homework Planner

The best homework help you can give your child is to teach them to be organised. Print out the 2014 homework and study calendar, which includes key dates and school holidays. Stick them on the fridge and above their desk.

Find out more: <http://www.schoolatoz.nsw.edu.au/homework-and-study/homework-tips/2013-homework-planner>

## School Attendance

The Home School Liaison Officer has asked us to remind Parent/Caregivers that children must attend school on every school day unless they have a reasonable excuse for being away, such as illness. Visiting family, being tired, and staying home on birthdays are not acceptable reasons to be away from school.

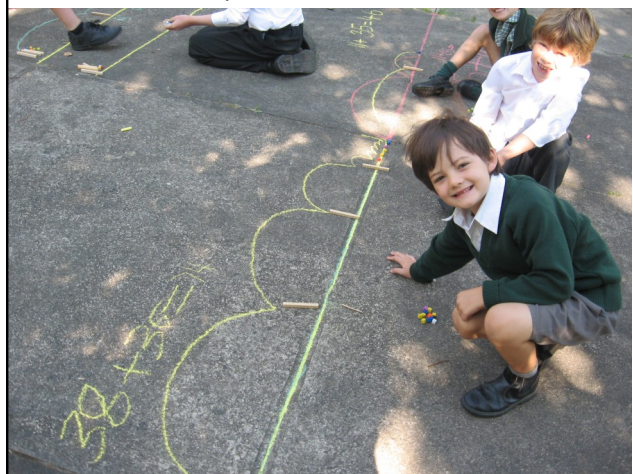


### Seeing The Bigger Picture When 3-6 Learn Maths

(David Gillis Explains)

Mrs Pemberton's purpose for this experiment was to make number lines so we could learn to count on, not just by ones but also by skip count such as in two or threes. With even bigger numbers we were able skip counted by tens.

I found that by drawing it on the ground, we were able to stand back to see and understand more clearly what we were doing. From the lesson I was able to walk away with the ability to now process it in my head, as I can use the visual pictures we made on the pavement to work it out.



Oscar and David show off their workings.



## Inspired by The Winter Olympics

We have been discussing in class world events and news in Mrs Bevan's class. This included the winter Olympics in Sochi, which inspired us recently in training for the Cross Country coming up. It was decided that we would all run 5 laps around the school and be rewarded according to our scholastic year, receiving a gold, silver or bronze medallion. See the next page for the results.



*May K and Thomas playing on a mini court.*



*Jim Luck from the Penrose Tennis Club guides the students.*

### Active After School Program Tennis For Term 1

This term, we have again received a grant for an Active After Schools Program. The Penrose Tennis Club will instruct and guide the children this term, and this will have great benefit not only for the children but also the community. We have twenty students altogether attending the program, from the local preschool and Penrose School. We are so grateful for the wonderful support our community provides for us. The Grant is through the Tennis Australia's National School Partnership Program (NSPP) which means students will experience the national kids starter program "Tennis Hot Shots" in the health and physical education curriculum.



### Introducing Our New School Leader Shayanne Cummings

Shayanne will make a wonderful school leader, she has all the attributes of what it takes to be a successful leader. She is kind and polite to all she meets, caring for her other classmates and gives her best in all areas of school life, especially in art, sport and school work. A few weeks ago we held an Afternoon Tea for Shayanne to celebrate with our community her new role at the school. Congratulations Shayanne.

### Amelie and Shayanne Represent our School

(From Shayanne, our School Leader's perspective)

Amelie and I were selected to participate in the small schools Bong Bong Swimming Carnival. I swam in the 50m Freestyle and was happy how I went. There were about 6 other school competing on the day. Amelie swam really well and came third in her freestyle race. Both of our mum's were there to support us in our event.

Both Amelie and I swim a lot outside school, I swim with my family a lot at Paddy's river especially over the holidays.

The carnival was held at Mittagong Pool and the day was lovely and warm.

### Sporting Quote:

"The miracle isn't that I finished. The miracle is that I had the courage to start."

*John Bingham, "No Need for Speed: A Beginner's Guide to the Joy of Running"*

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Year 3: Gold - Lilly-Beth, Silver - Heather and Bronze - Amelie



Year 4: Gold - May S, Silver - May K, Bronze - Edyn

# Our Staff are trained in Anaphylaxis *Asthma* *Management* First Aid CPR

Through R.O.B Training Solutions



Years 5 and 6: Gold - Thomas, Silver - Shyanne and Bronze - Jayke

## Reminders

Bring in Permission Notes and money for "Barber of Seville" by Wednesday. Thank you.  
Children will need to bring a hat to school each day.

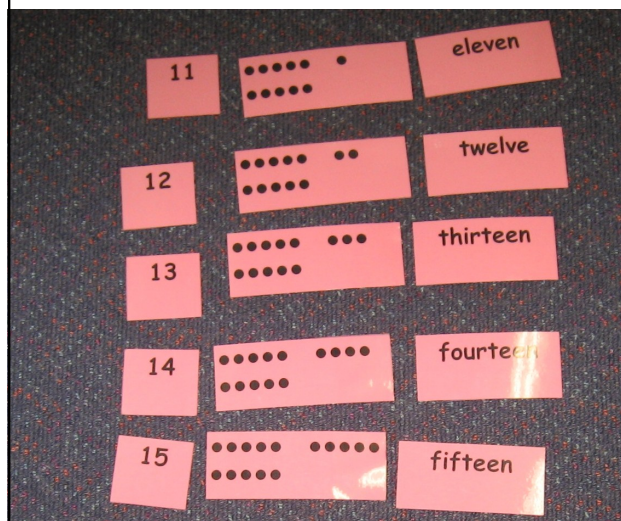
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## Counting on Maths In The K-2 Classroom

(Flynn tells the Kareela Courier)

We were given all these cards that were mixed up and we were asked to match the number with the dots and the word. For example, we matched the number 2 with “●●” and the word “two”. It got a bit more tricky when we reached the teen numbers.



## Introducing The Watanabe's Children To Our School

Mei and Luca have moved out from Japan to live in Penrose. The Kareela Courier interviewed the children.

**Mei:**

I like coming to Penrose, but I do like Japan too. The beaches are very pretty here and we love seeing nanna and pop. But we do also love the beautiful snow in Japan. I hope to bring photos in to show everyone. School is very different in Japan. We eat our lunch at our desks for 35 minutes then brush our teeth before playing outside, and there is no Kindergarten at School.



**Luca:**

Yes, school is very different to here, we speak to our friends in Japanese and here we speak to them in English. We learnt English in class in Japan. We had a really big playground in Japan and have to wear a white cap to keep the bees away. There were lots of bees in Japan. I am lucky to have lots of friends here and in Japan. Though I miss my dad and my friends who are twin boys, Kosei and Sosuke.



## WORKING TOGETHER WITH OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

### The Highlands Pipes and Drums.

We are currently seeking new members to join our steadily growing Ranks of Pipers and Drummers so if you have ever wanted to learn Piping or Drumming come along and join us - everything you need to get started can be supplied.

We practice at **The Highlands School hall, Renwick, Bong Bong Rd, Mittagong, every Thursday 7-9pm**, or if you prefer you can also contact us directly to arrange private tuition (free to band members). Call Chris Tabram - Piping Tutor & Pipe Major 0402343046 re Piping, or Call Karen Webb Drum & Pipe Sergeant 0403562327 re Drumming. Age is no barrier - we take students from 8yrs to 80yrs!

If you have ever wanted to give it a go or you know someone who does, then give us a call and we will be only too happy to talk piping and drumming.



### ***Moonlight Over The Estuary***

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tickets available at Penrose Shop.**

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