

# John Purchase Public School

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## THE CALENDAR

For future dates please refer to the "calendar" tab located on the school website  
[www.johnpurch-p.schools.nsw.gov.au](http://www.johnpurch-p.schools.nsw.gov.au)

<p><b><u>MON 10 DEC</u></b> 7pm P &amp; C Meeting</p>	<p><b><u>WED 12 DEC</u></b> 9:10am Yr 6 Celebration of Learning Assembly 6pm Year 6 Graduation dinner &amp; dance</p>	<p><b><u>THURS 13 DEC</u></b> 9:10am Yrs 3,4,&amp; 5 Celebration of Learning Assembly 11:30am K-2 Celebration of Learning Assembly</p>	<p><b><u>MON 17 DEC</u></b> Talent Quest Showcase for K-6 Students</p>	<p><b><u>TUES 18 DEC</u></b> Talent Quest Showcase for Parents</p>
<p><b><u>WED 19 DEC</u></b> Last day of school.  Year 6 Walkout</p>				

### School Dates 2019

Office open for new enrolments	Wed 23 January 2018
Staff return	Tues 29 January 2018
Students Years 1 to 6 begin	Wed 30 January 2018
Kindergarten Best Start Assessments	Wed 30 Jan – Fri 1 Feb
Kindergarten students begin full day of class (with staggered starting times in the morning)	Mon 4 February 2018

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### An Important Road Safety Reminder

As the school holidays approach, it is important to remember when walking near roads, on footpaths, near driveways and in car parks always:

- **hold your child's hand.** Until they are at least 8 years old children need to hold an adult's hand. Until they are at least 10, children should be closely supervised by an adult and hold hands when crossing the road.
- **talk to your child about road safety.** Talk about how to be safe when near roads. Be a good role model.
- **point out road safety dangers and differences** in new environments. This is especially important when on holidays in different surroundings. Roads, footpaths and pedestrian facilities may look different in holiday areas.

The best way to keep your child safe on or near the road is to hold their hand.

Talk with your child often about road safety.

Remind other adults and carers about this too.

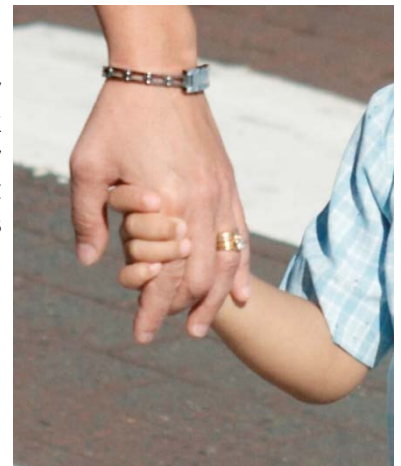
You can find out more at [Transport for NSW](http://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/stayingsafe/children/pedestriansafety.html).

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### School Uniform

This is a timely reminder to please support our fabulous school by ensuring your child comes next year in full school uniform, including black closed in shoes. Many children will be replacing shoes over the holiday break so this is a huge plea for all parents to ensure black shoes are at the top of the shopping list. In addition to black school shoes, sport shoes should also be black with black laces.

We want every child to show they are proud to be part of John Purchase Public School. I thank you, in advance, for your help with this.



**WILL YOUR CHILDREN BE LEAVING JOHN PURCHASE IN 2019?**

My family **WILL NOT** be attending John Purchase Public School in 2019.

**Child/ren's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child/ren's 2018 Class** \_\_\_\_\_

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**WILL YOUR CHILDREN BE LATE BACK TO SCHOOL IN 2019?**

We will be on holidays at the beginning of 2019 and will not return in time for the beginning of the school year on **Wednesday 30 January**. The date our child/ren will return to school is \_\_ / \_\_ /**2019**.

**OR**

We will be on holidays at the beginning of 2019 and will not return in time for the beginning of the school year on **Monday 30 January**. We are not sure of the exact date of return but can confirm that it will be during the first school term, returning to John Purchase Public School by **Friday 12 April 2019**.

**Child/ren's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Child/ren's 2018 Class** \_\_\_\_\_

**Mrs Leonie Black**  
**Principal**

## FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

### Bronze Medallion Morning Tea



Congratulations to our newest bronze medallion recipients. It was a pleasure having morning tea with you all last week!

### SRC

At the final SRC meeting for 2018, the students reflected on their learning by participating in a partner talk and then jotting down some ideas on post it notes.





**2C Inventions**

I was very interested to visit 2C in the hall last week, as the students explored the functionality of circuits, by building some very interesting inventions, using specially designed playdough!

**Year 6 Mini Fete**

What a wonderful fun event the mini fete proved to be, on Friday. I certainly enjoyed visiting all of the stalls and sharing in the delightful treats on offer, such as the international food stall. Delicious! Congratulations Year 6 students and parents, Miss Moore, who coordinated the event, with Mr Johnson, Mr Ainsworth and Miss Lau. Here are some snapshots to enjoy.











### **'Celebrations of Learning' Assemblies**

All parents are cordially invited to attend the final three assemblies of the year – our 'Celebrations of Learning', this week. On Wednesday, 12 December, the Year 6 event will be held at 9:10am under the COLA. In addition to the presentation of Year 6 awards and sporting awards, we look forward to items from the bands and senior choir.

At 9:10am on Thursday, 13 December, students in Years 3, 4 and 5 will be presented with their certificates of learning. These students will also be entertaining the audience with two items.

At 11:30am on Thursday 13 December, the learning of students in Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 will be acknowledged. K-2 students have been practising some festive songs to entertain us on the day.

Expectation of the Week: Wear our full school uniform with pride



**Congratulations** to the students who have demonstrated our school expectations of **RESPECT**, **RESPONSIBILITY** or who have tried to **ASPIRE**. The latest Purchase Pride winners are published below. Please note that all other Bronze, Silver or Gold Awards and Bronze, Silver or Gold Medallions, will now be held over until early in Term 1, 2019.

#### Purchase Pride Badges

Please note that these badges will be presented at the Week 10 Monday morning assembly (next week).

Congratulations to:

**Advay 2B, Charlotte KG, Chanya KH, Kowsik 3/4W, Ashleigh 2B**

**Mrs Adela King**  
Deputy Principal



**FROM THE TEACHERS****Premier's Reading Challenge**

The PRC committee has announced that unfortunately there has been a delay in the printing of the Gold and Platinum certificates. Once I receive the awards in the mail, they will be presented to the students who have entered the PRC for four years or seven years respectively. Thank you for your patience.

Miss Brennan

*PRC Coordinator*

**Parents and Carers**

The students are looking forward to the upcoming Year 6 farewell on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December. Below are the final details to ensure the night goes smoothly.

Venue: Castle Hill RSL

Time: 6pm – 9pm

On arrival: the event entrance is on the side of the club opposite the Castle Hill High School oval and down from the bowling club. (Do not go through the main entrance.) Please walk your child to the Phoenix Room and find your child's Year 6 teacher to sign them in.

On departure: children will be in the Phoenix room. You are invited to arrive at 8:45pm for a final dance with your child. On finishing, please find your child's Year 6 teacher to sign them out.

Pick up is from the main entrance (side entrance will be closed after you drop your kids so no pick up) - Please allow extra time to sign in for the last dance. You will need to sign in at reception to collect your children (no need to be a member).

I would like to express our thanks in advance to the decorating committee. The theme is 'Gold and Black onto the red carpet'. I know from the work they have already done that it is going to look amazing and will help create special memories of the night for the students. Thank you to all the team for the time you have spent and will spend on the day making the room look fabulous.

Miss Lau

# Thank you Telstra Kids

Last Wednesday 2C were inventors for the morning, creating whirring robots, flashing creatures and noisy dragons.

Thank you Mr Verma for applying for a Telstra Kids project for 2C. The children had a wonderful time and thoroughly enjoyed working with the "Tech will Save Us" kits. Thank you also to Mrs Verma and Mrs Chong who came along to help on the day.

Mrs Collier and 2C students





# Senior Choir

On Thursday 6th December 20 members of the John Purchase Senior choir performed at Cherrybrook Community Centre for the Cherrybrook United Probus Club. The girls sang a selection of Christmas songs and carols beautifully and received much acclaim from the Probus members. They represented our school extremely well. It was wonderful to show John Purchase Public School so favourably in our local community. Thank you also to Mrs Collier and Mrs Duce for their efforts towards this event.  
Mrs Wilson



## Working with the school

Many young people report they do not tell an adult when they are experiencing cyberbullying because they are afraid of how adults will respond. Young people report their parents often over-react and try to take control of the situation. Young people need adults to help them to deal with the problem for themselves by acting as a facilitator, listening non-judgmentally and providing support and advice when asked. Ask your child which (if any) strategies she/he has already tried, if they were helpful, what other people have tried and their usefulness, and what they would try next time.

It is important to also let the school know about the bullying situation. However, before approaching the school, ask your child how s/he would like to talk about this issue with the school and discuss what outcome he/she wants as a result of involving the school.

Consider:

- Phoning the school and asking who is best placed to help your child
- Making a time to talk with this person at school
- Explaining what you know about the situation
- Describing strategies your child has tried to date
- Asking for a plan of action that can be implemented at the school and at home
- Consider setting a date and time for a follow-up meeting
- Discussing with your child what happened and what the agreed strategies are.

Leonie Cole  
Learning and Support Teacher

**FROM THE P & C****Change of Uniform Shop opening hours.**

Please be advised that the Uniform Shop will be changing to the following opening hours.

**Monday 8:30 - 9:30am**

**Wednesday 8:30 - 9:30am**

**Friday 8:30 - 9:30am**

Ordering is always available through FlexiSchools, which can be found on the JPPS website.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.  
JPPS P&C.

**FROM THE CANTEEN****Upcoming Dates:**

- Monday 17 December - Canteen Christmas Treat Day - we will be selling Christmas treats at recess on this day. Items will range in price from 50 cents to \$1.
- Last Day of Canteen Lunch Orders – Tuesday 18 December – this is the last day we will be open for lunch orders.
- Wednesday 19 December – the Canteen Volunteers Christmas Party is to be held on the last day of school due to the canteen being closed. This is our way of saying thank you to all the volunteers who have helped out over the year. Without our wonderful volunteers, we would not be able to offer the service we do. If you would like to attend, please call in or message Donna or Anna. The venue is the West Pennant Hills Sports Club from 12pm.

Canteen Lunches - Please be aware that with the end of the year rapidly approaching and the fact that we completely sell out of everything by the end of the year, canteen stocks will be running down over the next week.

2019 Roster – the roster for 2019 is now up in the canteen. If you already volunteer, or would like to volunteer again in 2019, please call in and put your name down on our roster. It only involves one day a month from 9.30-1.15 and lunch is provided. It is a great way to meet other mums and learn more about what we offer your children.



## FROM THE BAND

### Registering for Band in 2019

Our award winning JPPS Band is recruiting for 2019. If you missed our band information night in September don't worry. Registrations are still open. Details provided below:

- Register at website: <https://portal.msmusic.com.au/jppsband>
- Click on new registration. You can set up your account with your email and set your own password.
- Choose 2 instruments you would like to play. We will try to offer you your first choice, but cannot guarantee it. It's a first in first served basis...so register fast!!

Should you have any questions or need more information please feel free to contact the band committee on [jppsbandcommittee@gmail.com](mailto:jppsbandcommittee@gmail.com)

### JPPS BAND COMMITTEE

## FROM THE COMMUNITY

### Enrol Now for 2019

Learn *Music* on the Keyboard or Guitar  
at John Purchase Public School

(Lesson every Wed after school)

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Cool music knowledge!*



**Keyboard**

K - Y6 welcome!

**Guitar**  
Y2 - Y6  
welcome!

- ♪ Convenient at-school venue ♪
- ♪ Small group - 45 min weekly lesson ♪
- ♪ Competitive rate - \$29 per session ♪

(GST incl. Please do not forward payment to the school office.)

- ♪ Instrument not required initially ♪

**To enrol, please call 9411 3122 or visit  
[www.learnmusicatschool.com.au](http://www.learnmusicatschool.com.au)**

Limited vacancy!

Please note our school publishes events for the convenience of families but does not endorse any activity, person, product

**YEAR 1 & 2, 2019**

# HOLIDAY HANDWRITING WORKSHOPS



The Program will run for four consecutive days;  
**21st, 22nd, 23rd and 24th of January 2019.**  
 Each session will be 1.5 to 2 hours duration.

**Why should I bring my child?**

The program is run by a qualified Occupational Therapist, assisted by a fourth year Occupational Therapy Student, with the aim of developing your child's pencil control, letter/number formation, handwriting skills and general gross motor skills through enjoyable and engaging activities, such as fun handwriting activities, games and many more exciting things!

**Costs**

Only \$352 per child for the duration of the program.

**Hurry, as limited spots are available!**

**Contact**

Call Craig Sutton on 0418 423 532 to register your child today!  
 Alternatively, email us at [help@childworks.com.au](mailto:help@childworks.com.au)

# childworks

Paediatric Occupational Therapy

## Carols by Candlelight

**Saturday  
15 December 2018**  
 5.30-7.30pm Family Festival  
 7.45pm Carols by Candlelight

West Pennant Hills Public School Oval  
 cnr of Church Street and Cardinal Avenue

Bring the family and join the festive activities!  
 Jumping castle, face painting, balloon animals, food and drink stalls, glow sticks, coffee cart, live camels, and heaps more!

For additional information please call 9479 3700  
[www.stmatts.org.au](http://www.stmatts.org.au)

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## PLAY NETBALL IN 2019!

Join Cherrybrook United Netball Club for the 2019 Winter season

All games are played at Pennant Hills Park

Netta 6-9 yo Friday night  
 Juniors 10-15 yo Saturday morning  
 Cadets (16/17 yo) & Seniors (+18yo) Saturday afternoon

Online registration opens 1st January, 2019

You will be able to use your 2019 Active Kids Rebate to offset registration fees with our club.  
**SEASON COMMENCES 3/4 MAY 2019**

VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION & FAQs  
[cherrybrooknc.nsw.netball.com.au](http://cherrybrooknc.nsw.netball.com.au)  
 CHERRYBROOK UNITED NETBALL CLUB

## Christmas Family Night

**FREE**

Bring the family along for a great night of fun!

- Santa's little helper workshops
- Gift wrapping station
- Meet Santa in store
- Light refreshments will be provided

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AT CHERRYBROOK COMMUNITY CENTRE  
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REGISTER ONLINE AT [CHERRYBROOKANGLICAN.ORG.AU](http://CHERRYBROOKANGLICAN.ORG.AU)

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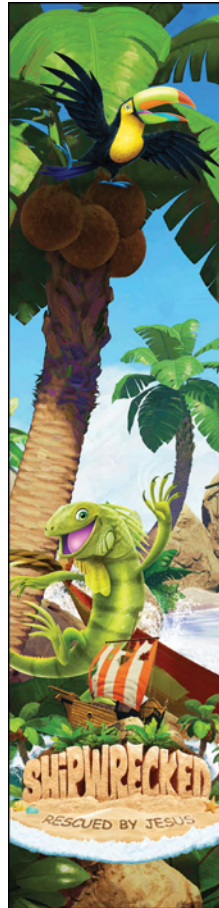
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### KIDS FUN DAYS HOLIDAY CLUB JAN 14 - 18, 2019 (MON - FRI)

Castaway Sing-and-Play • Imagination Station  
Ship Rec Games • KidVid Cinema & Movie • Water Fun  
Bible Discovery • Sail Away Send-off • New Friends

#### TIMES

- Grades 1 - 6 (2019): 8:45am - 3:00pm
- Preschool & Kindy (aged 4-6): 8:45am - 11:45am

#### VENUE

Chinese & Australian Baptist Church - Thornleigh

#### COST

PROGRAM	EARLY BIRD RATE (Ends 16/12/2018)		STANDARD RATE (Ends 30/12/2018)	
	PER DAY	PER WEEK	PER DAY	PER WEEK
2019				
GRADES 1 - 6	\$20 pp	\$85 pp	\$24 pp	\$100 pp
	Includes morning tea, lunch, Sciency-Fun Gizmos & free travel sketch pad.			
PRESCHOOL & KINDY	\$14 pp	\$50 pp	\$16 pp	\$60 pp
	Includes morning tea, craft & free travel sketch pad.			

- Please contact us for family discount (3+ kids).
- Free music CD if you register for the full week.
- Register online, download a PDF or ask the office.

#### CABC - THORNLEIGH

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f CABC Thornleigh Kids Fun Days 2019



2/3 Pennant Hills,  
West Pennant Hills Valley &  
West Pennant Hills Scout groups

Will be selling live  
Christmas Trees  
On 8th, 9th, 15th, 16th, and  
22nd December 2018  
From 8 am - 4 pm  
At Mount Wilberforce Park,  
Cnr Castle Hill Road  
and Church Street,  
West Pennant Hills

## Piano 2019

Small Group piano lesson at  
John Purchase Public School



Use our special Piano Book with  
Digital Piano, learn piano easily and fast  
Cost \$25 per 45 min Pay by Term from start lesson  
Free New piano book (was \$14)

Tuesday 3:00-3:45 and 3:45-4:30 at school Room 5  
Piano teacher pick up from school care and send back

#### Contact

Email: [je-music@live.com.au](mailto:je-music@live.com.au) with  
School & child name & mobile  
Or SMS: 0424 614 591 with  
School and child Name.

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