



PCC BULLETIN

TERM 4, WEEK 1
Friday 11th October, 2024

PRINCIPAL'S UPDATE

Good afternoon parents and carers,

Welcome back to term 4!

During the last week of term 3 Nicole Peters, Neelam Taneja and myself took 15 HAP and ADP students to New Zealand for a student conference. I was extremely proud of the students we took and how they conducted themselves at the conference. They really immersed themselves in the culture and made the most of each experience they had.

Over the holiday break we installed a number of new signs across the college. This has been a recommendation from College Council and our community. We also have updated some of our signs to meet our college branding which we have been working on over the last few years. The college has a long-standing history with the RAAF base, and I wanted to honour this. You will now see in our foyer a display of the Pilots which our House Colours are named after and a brief description of what they are recognised for.

October is Hidden Disabilities Month. Globally, 1 in 6 of us live with a disability. That is approximately 1.3 billion people. But while some of us experience a disability that is visible, many have a non-visible condition or experience a combination of both visible and non-visible conditions. These disabilities can be temporary, situational or permanent. They can be neurological, cognitive and neurodevelopmental as well as physical, visual, auditory and include sensory and processing difficulties. They can also be respiratory as well as chronic health conditions such as arthritis and diabetes, chronic pain and sleep disorders.

Later this month we will be highlighting Hidden Disabilities through a green and gold dress up day referencing the Sunflower. The sunflower was chosen as a discreet sign that is visible from a distance as well as being distinctive, joyful, and dynamic. We chose a sunflower as it suggests happiness, positivity, strength as well as growth and confidence and is universally known.

We have a very busy term ahead with the following events happening:

- College Production
- 5/6 Swimming
- 5/6 Canberra Camp
- Prep Breakfast
- 1/2 Sleepover
- Year 9 City Camp
- Year 6 and Year Graduation
- 5-9 Adventure Park excursion
- P-2 End of Year Celebration – Movie

Please make sure you are checking compass regularly and the college calendar on our website.

Have a great week.

Kind Regards,

Tracy Peters
College Principal





SCHOOL SAVING BONUS

As shared with you previously, parents and carers of every child enrolled in a Victorian government school in 2025 will receive the one-off School Saving Bonus \$400 support.

In the coming months, the Department of Education will send you 2 email communications for each of your children enrolled in Victorian government schools.

By Friday 18 October 2024, please ensure that your child's 2025 enrolment is completed and that your contact information is up to date.

The 2 emails from the Department of Education will:

1. Confirm your email address between mid-October and late-November.
2. Provide you with your unique \$400 School Saving Bonus code by the end of November.

If you do not receive a confirmation email from the department by late-November, please check your spam or junk folders and contact point.cook.p9.co@education.vic.gov.au or 8348 7100 if needed.

You can read more about the School Saving Bonus [on the Department of Education website](#), with key information now available in 14 different languages.

CONSENT & PAYMENT DUE DATES

13th October	• 2024 Yearbook
14th October	• Year 8/9 Indonesian Excursion
21st October	• Year 1/2 Sleepover
1st November	• Year 9 Jackets

LOCAL OCCUPATIONAL THERAPIST

Discover personalised care with our local Occupational Therapist, dedicated to helping primary students up to age 12 thrive! With a focus on enhancing skills for daily living, social interaction, and academic success, they will provide tailored strategies to support your child's unique needs. Schedule an appointment today at mppot.com.au!



COMMUNITY HUB TERM 4 CALENDAR



PROGRAM	DAY & TIME	INFORMATION
Cook & Chat Group	Monday - Fortnightly 9:00 - 10:30am	This group focusses on parent engagement, making friendships and an opportunity to practice their English.
Crochet Club	Monday 10:30 - 11:30am	You will have an opportunity to learn a new skill and form new friendships.
PCC Playgroup	Tuesday 10:00 - 11:30am	This is a fun interactive play based playgroup for Families/Carer's to interact with their little ones and other families.
Free Toy Library	Tuesday 11:30 - 12:00pm	For all PCC Families, Free membership, borrow toys to take home, exchange for new ones.
Craft on a Budget	Wednesday -Fortnightly 10:00 - 12:00pm	Learn a new craft on a small budget
Sew a Boomerang Bag	Wednesday - Fortnightly 10:00 - 12:00pm	Learn to sew a boomerang bag and tackle plastic waste!
Conversational English Classes	Thursday 12:00pm - 3:00pm	Improve your spoken English through conversation in a relaxed environment. meet like-minded adult learners too.- Free for Permanent Residence / Citizens

STUDENT FREE DAYS

MONDAY 4 NOVEMBER 2024
FRIDAY 22 NOVEMBER 2024

Monday 4 November and Friday 22 November are student free days at Point Cook P-9 College. We ask that parents/carers make alternate arrangements for your child/ren on this day. YMCA care is available should you require external care. Please contact YMCA on (03) 9395 8222 to book your child in for care.

Please note, the office will be closed on this day however enquiries can be directed to the college email address and these will be actioned appropriately.

2025 CURRICULUM CONTRIBUTIONS & BOOK PACKS

To ensure that your child/ren have their book pack in their classroom on the first day of Term 1, you will need to purchase the book pack via paperchase before the 5th of January 2025. For your convenience, you are also able to pay for the 2025 Curriculum Contributions through Paperchase. Alternatively the 2025 Curriculum Contributions can be paid via Compass under the Course Confirmation tab. You only need to pay these contributions once, so we ask that you please don't pay through Compass AND Paperchase. On the first day of Term 1, 2025 Course Confirmations will be updated with those who have purchased through Paperchase.

The amazing programs we are able to offer our students would not be able to run without these contributions. Once again we would like to thank our families for your continued support in this area.

Booklists can be accessed here:

<https://www.pcc.vic.edu.au/page/45/Booklists>

Paperchase can be directly accessed here:

<https://booklist.paperchase.com.au>

WEEK 1 OF TERM 4!

YEAR 5/6 SOFTBALL FINALS

Well done to our Year 5/6 students who competed in the Hobsons Bay Softball divisional finals in Wyndham Vale on Thursday!

Another great showing of our students' talents and an excellent representation of our college!



STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN



The SAKG garden is producing excess produce due to the amazing work of our 3/4 students. This is available to our community, with items presented in our little shop of produce on the outside of the SAKG garden fence line near the science portable.

We hope you make the most of this amazing produce.



Point Cook
College



SPECIAL EVENT

**2025 PREP
FAMILIES
ONLY**

YOU ARE INVITED TO

EXCLUSIVE VIP-NIGHT SHOPPING *WITH UNIFORM GROUP*

AT OUR **HOPPERS CROSSING RETAIL OUTLET**

SCHEDULED DATE:

WEDNESDAY 4TH DECEMBER, 3:00PM – 8:00PM

SPECIAL OFFER:

SPEND OVER \$200 AND
RECEIVE A FREE PUFFER VEST*
(*WHILE STOCKS LAST, LIMITED SIZES AVAILABLE)



HOPPERS CROSSING RETAIL OUTLET

UNIT 1,195 OLD GEELONG RD, HOPPERS CROSSING VIC 3029
(03) 9768 0312

APPOINTMENT ONLY

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STAFF SPOTLIGHT

If you weren't a teacher, what job would you have?

I would be an astronaut so I can explore.

What's the funniest thing a student has ever said to you?

A student has said that they were too cold but then the next second they were too hot.

What was your favourite subject when you were in school?

My favourite subject was Psychology.

Do you have any hidden talents or hobbies outside of teaching?

I am the greatest mario cart player.

NOAH NAPIER
Classroom Teacher



If you could have any superpower, what would it be and why?

I would want to be able to teleport anywhere in the world to try all of the different foods.

If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go?

I would go to Greece to see all of the historical ruins.

What's the most interesting fact you know?

That caterpillars have 16 legs.

If you could meet any historical figure, who would it be?

I would meet Mozart to see what he was like.

If you were stranded on a deserted island, what three things would you bring?

I would bring my Air-Fryer, Coconut Water & My Nintendo Switch.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

TERM 4

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
WEEK 1	Oct-7	Oct-8	Oct-9	Oct-10	Oct-11
			Western Metro Region Athletics Finals Year 5/6 Basketball Wyndham Division Finals	Year 5/6 Softball Hobsons Bay Division Finals	Year 5/6 Writing Workshops
WEEK 2	Oct-14	Oct-15	Oct-16	Oct-17	Oct-18
				Year 5/6 Volleyball Hobsons Bay Division Finals	
WEEK 3	Oct-21	Oct-22	Oct-23	Oct-24	Oct-25
	Indonesian Year 8/9 Excursion	Prep Transition Primary Athletics Western Metro Regional Champs		College Production	College Production
WEEK 4	Oct-28	Oct-29	Oct-30	Oct-31	Nov-1
	Year 5/6 Swimming				
	Japanese Taiko Incursion				
		Prep Transition Year 5/6 Hooptime Basketball Regional Finals			
WEEK 5	Nov-4	Nov-5	Nov-6	Nov-7	Nov-8
	Year 5/6 Swimming				
	Student Free Day	Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday			
WEEK 6	Nov-11	Nov-12	Nov-13	Nov-14	Nov-15
	Year 5/6 Canberra Camp				
	Remembrance Day Ceremony - 2:20pm	Prep Transition		Year 1/2 Sleepover	Year 1/2 Sleepover House Celebration Day
WEEK 7	Nov-18	Nov-19	Nov-20	Nov-21	Nov-22
		Prep Transition Indonesian Culture Excursion			Curriculum Day (Student Free Day)
WEEK 8	Nov-25	Nov-26	Nov-27	Nov-28	Nov-29
	Year 9 Camp				
Week 9	Dec-2	Dec-3	Dec-4	Dec-5	Dec-6
		Year 9 Graduation	Year 6 Graduation		Prep Breakfast
Week 10	Dec-9	Dec-10	Dec-11	Dec-12	Dec-13
		Statewide Orientation Day		Christmas Concert	Parent Helpers Morning Tea
Week 11	Dec-16	Dec-17	Dec-18	Dec-19	Dec-20
	Prep EOY Celebration	1/2 EOY Celebration Adventure Park EOY Celebration	3/4 EOY Celebration		Last Day of Term