

# Term Four Calendar 2018

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	15 October	16 School Review	17	18	19
2	22 School Photos	23	24 Katrina out – Liz in	25	26 World Teacher's Day
3	29	30 Guided Reading PLC	31 SLC – Sam in	1 November	2
4	5	6 Governing council 3:30 pm	7	8	9
5	12	13	14 - Transition	15	16
6	19 Proposed Pupil Free Day	20	21 - Transition	22	23
7	26	27	28 – Transition SMG Christmas concert 10am	29 Birdwood HS transition	30 Mannum Christmas Tree Festival
8	3 December	4 Governing Council 3:30	5	6 MBHS transition - TBC	7
9	10	11	12 End of year production	13 End of year excursion	14 KIWANIS assembly



## PALMER PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Small School, Enormous Opportunities*

**Current Attendance rate—81%**

*Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,*

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### Sports Day

Please find attached the program for this Friday's Sports Day to be held at Springton oval. At the moment, the predicted temperature will be 13 degrees at Springton with a 60% chance of 0-3mm of rain, so it is going ahead at this stage, however there will be a final decision made by the end of school day Wednesday. If it is decided that the day will be postponed, the back up day will be Friday of week 1, Friday 19th of October. I will let all families know as soon as we find out what the final decision is regarding Sports day.

If it does go ahead this Friday, I would encourage all students to bring their jumpers as they will likely get cold in between events, and I would also encourage spectators to dress warmly and rug up! (Although I must say I'd prefer a light drizzle than a scorching hot day!)

### Interviews

Interviews have been happening over the last few weeks and those who have already had theirs would have seen the new interview companion we have developed to ensure that students and families are fully informed about where each student is currently achieving and what the next steps are in terms of their learning journey. We have included our own 'Raising the bar' document on the back of the interview companion, so that you can see the expectations of achievements for every year level.

If you have not yet made a time for an interview, you can always have one in the first or second week of next term, or arrange a mutually convenient time throughout next term with Meagan, Katrina or Pascale. Katie is also available to discuss your child's progress in MULTILIT or MINILIT if you would like more information about this.

### NAPLAN

We have received NAPLAN results from this year's round of testing and overall we have been very pleased with the results. As we are a very small school, I cannot make general comments about achievements at the risk of identifying students, however I can say that many students who sat the test either remained in higher bands or achieved them for the first time, and all students gave their best effort—well done! Student results have been sent home, please see either myself or your child's class teacher if you'd like to discuss these results—however they will be discussed during school interviews!

### Learning Teams Tally:

Blue Ice	517
White Pipeline	491
Yellow Suns	405

### Palmer School 'BEAR' Values

Being  
 Responsible  
 Excellence  
 Always Trying  
 Respect

### Reading at home

Congratulations to the following students for completing 5 consecutive nights of reading. You have all earned extra points for your learning teams.

**Week 8:** Jordan, Joel, Mia, Ana, Emily, Jackie, Hayden, Ben, Gwendolyn

**Week 9:** , Jordan, Joel, Mia, Emily, Jackie, Toby, Hayden, Ben

### School Photos

School photos will be held at school on Monday of week 2, the 22nd of October. Envelopes are being sent home today, please either arrange for online payment, or place the cash in the envelopes and bring to school prior to the day. If you would like sibling photos, these will be available from the front office.

### School Uniform

While we are on the topic of school photos, could I please ask for your support in ensuring that students are arriving in full school uniform. We have had some strange weather this term, so it is understandable hard to keep track of jackets and jumpers etc, but with the warmer weather upon us it would be lovely to see all students wearing the correct school uniform. We only have two second hand tops available for sale at the moment, but plain navy polos are also acceptable school wear. Thank you for your support in this.

### Coles vouchers

A huge thank you to everyone for bringing in the Coles school vouchers, thanks to all your efforts our delivery arrived yesterday with some great new sports equipment. We had a total of 19,949 vouchers and what you see in this photo is what we received for our school. The students are all very excited to be using them now that we have some finer weather!



### SunSmart Awareness

Just a reminder that next term students will need their school hats for all outside activities including recess, lunch and PE lessons. Sunscreen is available at any time from the front office however students need to be responsible for this themselves.

### Hot Rod Show

Just a reminder that this Sunday, the 30th of September, is the Palmer Hot Rod Show. We will be selling sausages and burgers, and if you are not busy we would love more assistance on the day, even if you can only spare an hour it would be greatly appreciated. We are trying to fundraise for upgrading student laptops and purchasing additional ipads. Thank you.

### Term 4

As you all know, Term four is always a very busy term! So far, we have celebrations including the Christmas Tree Festival and SMG performance, transitions (kindy to school, Junior to Upper class and year 7's to High School), our end of year performance night and end of term excursion. Please see the calendar on the back of this newsletter and check it regularly for updates. Before we know it, it will be Christmas time!

### Last day of term student choice

Just a reminder that due to Sports day on Friday, students have chosen to have a Pyjama and techno afternoon this Thursday. Students may bring in technology (tablets/ipod etc) and wear pyjamas, however all games must be 'G' rated. Thank you.



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*We are taking Preschool enrolments for 2019 now!*

*We offer full day Preschool programs on*

*Mondays, Tuesdays and every second Wednesday, Occasional Care on Thursday (mornings)*

*Playgroup on Fridays!*