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Pender's Grove Primary School Newsletter

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Diary Dates 2025 Term 2-3

26/6 School Photos, Winter Solstice 5-7pm
28/6 Garden Club 8am-12pm
30/6 Assembly (12L&N presenting)
3/7 Semester 1 reports sent home
4/7 Naidoc Week Celebration
End of Term 2 (2.30pm finish)

21/7 Term 3 starts
26/7 Garden Club 8am-12pm

Leadership Team Report

Term 2 finishes at the end of next week so please don't forget that we have a 2.30pm finish on Friday July 4th. School will start again on Monday July 21st at 9.00am. Thanks to all of our families, staff and students for their efforts trialling our different structure this and next week. We will be returning to our previous break timings after the holidays and will then gather some feedback about the changes. We will have an assembly next week in the last week of term at 3pm on Monday with our Year 1/2s doing a presentation.

NAIDOIC Week, which celebrates and recognises the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, will be held from July 6 – 13 and we will be holding a celebration at Pender's on **Friday July 4th** (last day of term). Everyone is welcome to come along and participate in either or both of the events below. We thank Darebin Council for their support for this through their community grants program and the Pender's parents and carers that have helped with organisation.

- **9.30-10.30am in the front yard** – Welcome to Country, Smoking Ceremony and Didgeridoo performance
- **1.45-2.30pm in the hall** – Indigenous Outreach Projects: Dance Performance

We are also very excited about our Winter Solstice event to be held tomorrow evening from 5.00-7.00pm. Please note that this event is for current families at Pender's and all children attending do need to be supervised by an adult while attending. Children have made lanterns today. It would also be a great if you could provide a battery operated tealight candle for the lantern as we will have some but some extra would help.

Don't forget that our first Garden Club will be held this Saturday from 8.00am-12.00pm. This will be a monthly event until the end of the year and the dates are all on the Pender's Audiri calendar. Thanks to parent, Itamar for organising and running this activity. Gardening tools would be great to bring if you can.

Student reports will be sent home on Thursday next week and will also be available on Compass that we will soon be sending families login details for. Mid year parent teacher interviews will be held during the day and evening on Thursday July 31st. This is a Curriculum Day and no students will be required at school. TheirCare OSHC will be open. Interviews will be held online via Webex and a note with a booking QR code will be sent home next week.

Thanks to the students and parents that came along on Tuesday to help with our first breakfast club. We had lots of students come long to join in so we hope to see lots of people when breakfast club is held again on Friday. Next week it will be held again on Tuesday and Friday between 8:30 and 8:55am.

Lastly today a reminder that our school photos have been rescheduled to tomorrow (Thursday) so please do your best to be here and in full school uniform.

Have a lovely week and weekend,
Douglas and Tessa

Pender's Grove Primary School's

Winter Solstice

**Thursday, 26 June 2025
5PM - 7PM**

**A Free Winter Celebration for
Pender's Grove Families!**

**Lantern Parade
Marshmallow Toasting
Mulled Wine & Hot Chocolate
Sausage Sizzle & Warm Soup
Face Painting and more....**

Winter fun for all ages!

Event Partners

**Loco
for Cocoa**



Winter Solstice

We have planned a beautiful event and need some hands to make it happen. **There are still a few places to fill on the roster.** We're looking for volunteers to spend 30 minutes cooking on the BBQ, making /serving soup, selling second hand uniform items and on the set up and much more.

If you can help, please add your name to the roster in the office or online here:

<https://bit.ly/penderswinter>

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out to your class rep or Anna on 0419 819 768.

The Community Events Sub-committee



DATE

SAT 28TH JUNE

TIME

8-12PM



Pender's Garden Club

We meet monthly to:

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- Plant flowers, veggies & herbs
 - Learn about sustainable gardening
 - Care for our school garden
 - Make new friends who love the earth
 - Have tons of fun outdoors!
 - Run by parent volunteer Itamar
 - All ages & no experience needed!



Grow. Learn. Connect.