

PLUMPTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

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Dear Parents & Carers,

My first full year at PPS was in 2014 – the year that our current Year 6 students commenced Kindergarten. I can still see their little faces. Full of adventure and enthusiasm, it has been a pleasure watching them grow into confident, responsible young people. Year 6 leave us with our very best wishes for high school – we look forward to hearing about their achievements. We will miss them all very, very much.

I would like to congratulate our outgoing Year 6 leaders, Mikaella, Jarmain, Carissa, Jayden, Alisha, Cooper and Annacemone, for their outstanding leadership this year. I sincerely thank them; they have been outstanding leaders and role models.

Congratulations to the following students who were elected by their peers into leadership positions, and to those who were the recipients of these very special awards:

STUDENT LEADERS for 2021

Jordan 5/6C & Ysabela 5/6C (School Captains) Jericho 5/6C & Sarmad 3-5L & Anna-Belle 5/6C (Vice Captains) Jayden 5/6C & Saad 5AM & Quiana 5N & Hayden 5/6C (Prefects)

SPORT HOUSE LEADERS

Kookaburras: Kalolo 5N & Ciara 5N (House Captains) and Braiden 4L & Elena 4T (Vice Captains) Kingfishers: Haaris 4T & Sophie 5AM (House Captains) and Muhammed 4L & Amani 4T Rosellas: Jasper 5AM & Maleeha 5AM (House Captains) and Rafael 5AM & Rydah 5/6C (Vice Captains) Eagles: Usher 5N & Praise 3/4A (House Captains) and Max 4T & Alishba 5N (Vice Captains)

DUX of PPS for 2021 was awarded to Christopher from 6L

SCHOOL CITIZENSHIP AWARD was presented to Hodan from 6L

BEN CHIFLEY SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY AWARD

On behalf of Mr Ed Husic MP for Chifley, awarded to Amber from 6L

SPORT AWARDS & SYDNEY WEST RESPRESENTATIVES

Ali 6S (Premier's Sporting Medal) Evelyn 6L (Swimming Champion) Waniah 6S (Soccer) Adeb 5N (Soccer) Sophie 5AM (Soccer & Touch Football) Praise 3/4A (Touch Football) Braiiden 5AM (Soccer) Benjamin 3G (Touch Football & AFL) Callum 3/4A (AFL) Latu 3/4A (AFL) Muhammad 4L (Physical Education Award)

STAFF NEWS

We will be farewelling three of our front office staff at the end of this year. Our School Admin Manager, Mrs Paul, and our School Admin Officer, Mrs Edwards, will be taking some long service leave before officially retiring. They have both worked with commitment and dedication throughout their careers with the Department of Education. Mrs Paul has worked here at PPS for almost 30 years! Mrs Farrugia is also leaving at the end of this year to work closer to home. We thank Mrs Farrugia for caring so beautifully for our students. We wish Mrs Paul, Mrs Edwards and Mrs Farrugia all the very best for the future - it will feel really strange not seeing them every day. Mrs Jacqui Jones will be filling the School Admin Manager role from the beginning of next year. Mrs Kelly Etherington has already started in the role of School Admin Officer in the front office, and she loves it here already.

Mrs Charles has been offered the opportunity to work as an acting Assistant Principal at James Erskine P.S. next year. It was a competitive process and I know the Principal at James Erskine is absolutely thrilled to have Mrs Charles assisting her next year. She is a much loved and valued teacher at PPS. Although we are excited for her, we will miss seeing her next year. Mrs Martin will be taking a year of leave to work closer to her home in the Blue Mountains. We will miss Mrs Martin next year and we wish her all the very best. Sadly, we will be also saying farewell to Miss Scroggy. Miss Scroggy is moving to the Sutherland Shire. I know you join me in thanking Miss Scroggy for everything she has done for our students in her time here at PPS. We won't forget you, Miss Scroggy!

We will be welcoming some new teaching staff next year. Miss Emily Britton has been appointed to PPS as a targeted university graduate. She will be commencing in 2021. She is very much looking forward to working with the students and staff of PPS. Mrs Carly Meares will be joining us as well. Mrs Meares has worked at PPS in the past – she loved it so much she transferred here! Due to an increase in enrolment, we will have two more teachers to announce once they have been confirmed.

CLASSES & STAFF ROLES 2021

Our plan for 2021 is attached. Even though your children may not know whose class they will be in next year, they will see which teachers are on their year groups. As always, we will need to review these structures early in Term 1 as all enrolment information is finalised.

As the year draws to a close, I would like to thank you for all of your support in 2020, and wish you all a very merry Christmas. I hope you get to spend some precious time with the ones that you love.

Yours sincerely,

Ms M Larkin Principal 10/12/2020

Students will return to school on Friday 29th January 2021

Classroom Teachers 20	021
Kindergarten	Miss Goodman
Kindergarten	Mr Howse
Kindergarten	Mrs Hoye
Kindergarten	Miss Kaur
Year 1	Miss Elvy
Year 1	Mrs McKervey
Year 1	Teacher to be confirmed
Year 1/2	Mrs Kalule
Year 2	Miss Ilagan
Year 2	Mrs Racchi
Year 3	Teacher to be confirmed
Year 3	Miss Britton
Year 3/4	Mrs Downey
Year 4	Miss Butler
Year 4	Mr Etherington
Year 4/5	Miss Valletta
Year 5	Mrs Powell
Year 5	Mr Watts
Year 6	Mrs Lopez
Year 6	Mrs Pumipi
Year 6	Mr Robinson
Support Class	Mrs Buck
Support Class	Mrs Dunn
Support Class	Mrs Kneale
Support Class	Mrs Mackenzie
Support Class	Miss Smith

Specialist Teachers, Support Teachers, RFF & Library Teachers

Mrs Broadbent, Mrs Wozniak, Mrs Eleftheriou, Mrs Heffernan, Ms Connor, Mrs Katon, Mrs George, Mrs Meares, Mr Tribe, Mrs Crye, Mrs Heywood & Mrs Palacios

School Learning & Support Officers	
Support Unit Officers	Mr Lake, Mrs Addy, Mrs North, Mr Ford, Miss Berra
K-6 Support Officers	Mr Barnett, Mr Faauila, Mr Bonanno, Mr Breheny

School Administration Staff	
Front Office Admin	Mrs Jacqui Jones, Mrs Etherington, Mrs Lake
Library Admin	Mrs Jeanette Jones, Mrs Anderson
General Assistant	Mr Paul Fisher