



Year 4

Pimpama State School



Term 1, 2025



Calendar for Term 1

- Week 2**—BYO Starts (Yr 1—6)
- Week 3**—(Fri) 3/4F Assembly Performance
- Week 5**—(Fri) 4A/B Assembly Performance
- Week 5**—(Fri) AST Breakfast (TBC)
- Week 5 (Fri)** - Clean Up Australia Day
- Week 6 & 7** —Book Fair
- Week 6 - 8**—Life Education
- Week 7 (Fri)** - Cross Country
- Week 8**—Yr4 Camp
- Week 8 (Mon)** - P&C Meeting
- Week 9 & 10**—Parent/Teacher Interviews

* Last day for Term 1—
Friday 4th April *



Parade

This year assembly will be held on a Friday at 8.30am. In keeping with the formality of this, the children are expected to wear their formal (checked) shirt.

A special welcome to any new families to our Pimpama school community. Should you have any questions or concerns settling into the school year, please don't hesitate to contact us. Our teaching team consists of Miss Westbury, Ms Quarman, Mrs Fletcher, Mrs Harrison, Mr Cope and Mrs Kent. We will be working collaboratively to offer quality learning opportunities, for the best learning outcomes for all students.

Water Bottles

Please remind your student to pack a water bottle each day. The weather is still very hot, and, although we have air conditioners, students are running around at play time and require a lot of water to stay hydrated.



Welcome

Bell Times

Students are asked to go to classrooms at 8:20am for quiet reading. If they arrive after 8:30am they must get a late slip from the office. Therefore, it is important students are on time each day.

Also, should you need to take your child early, please report to the office first for an early departure slip. These procedures are to ensure the safety of the students.



P+C Meeting

Everyone is welcome at the annual P&C AGM meeting on **17th February** at 6pm in the library.

Snack Shack

Our canteen (The Snack Shack) operates everyday excluding the last day of each term. You can place your orders through www.flexischools.com.au

'The Best' Award



Best Awards are handed out to any student displaying positive choices in the playground.

Uniform

It is wonderful to see so many students wearing the school uniform. At Pimpama, we are encouraging students to take pride in their school and their appearance and wearing the correct school uniform is an important part of this. Remember, checked shirt on Fridays.

The teachers and students enjoy the many positive ways that you and your family contribute to making Pimpama such a special place to be! This year we would appreciate if you could make a \$50 family contribution which goes towards your child's learning.



HASS

This term, students will dive into the journey of the First Fleet, exploring the reasons behind the voyage and who made the trip to Australia. They'll research a convict and create a detailed profile, while also comparing the perspectives of European settlers and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples during their First Contacts. Students will also uncover what daily life was like in the Botany Bay penal settlement, gaining a deeper understanding of Australia's early colonial history.

Information

Mathematics

In Number, students will use rounding and estimating to solve number problems. They will continue to use a range of strategies to calculate addition, subtraction, multiplication and division equations. In Measurement, they will convert between units of time and use scaled instruments to measure temperature and lengths. In Probability, they will use the language of chance, explain dependent and independent events and conduct chance experiences.



English



This term in English, students will write and present a book review of Roald Dahl's *The Twits*. As a class, they will read the text together, building on their understanding of narrative structure while learning to identify and use various language features to entertain and engage an audience. Students will also develop their speaking and listening skills as they learn how to present their opinions about a text to their peers. After camp, they will explore and engage with modern traditional stories, deepening their understanding of the Indigenous culture.

Homework

Each Monday students will be given Homework on either their laptop One-Note or as a paper copy. It is expected to be completed by Friday each week. Homework will consist of spelling, number facts and completing a homework task. Also students should be encouraged to read every day and utilize the online learning programmes of Reading Eggs and Mathletics.

Camp

This year, the Year 4 camp will be held in Week 8 at Currumbin Community Farm, which is situated in Currumbin Valley QLD. The programme is called 'Connecting to Country'- What might life have been like for a jarjum (child) in the many years before first contact? They will learn about the local flora and fauna and caring for 'Country' for future generations.

Attendance at school camp provides children with wonderful opportunities to experience self-reliance and co-existence in a safe environment one step from the security of home and family experiences. More information coming soon.



Communication

Communication between school and home regarding your child's learning and behaviour is vital for the best learning outcomes. The different communication methods we are offering this year; term newsletters, letters home, phone calls, reports, parent interviews, homework, email and the behaviour card. We would greatly appreciate your support and encouragement in your child's learning.

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Laptops BYO Year 4 to Year 6

The successful BYO Laptop program is designed to help students keep up with the demands of the 21st century. The laptop 'Getting Started' checklist and 'How to' guides for connecting can be located on the school website.



School Website

Please take the time to check out the school website. It is up-to-date with information of importance to you and your family. There are also photos and other things that you may find interesting.
www.pimpamass.eq.edu.au