



# Dolphin Echo



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## Principal's Report

It is hard to believe that we are back at school heads down and already hard at work. We have all settled to the new routines and feel like we have never been away.

Thankyou for supporting us as we establish these new routines around covid safety.

It was great to welcome back continuing and new students, families and staff on Wednesday and Thursday. Ms Fewkes and Mrs Lonergan were super excited to meet their classes and re-connect with everyone.

Covid routines continue to impact on our day to day operation especially with regard to meetings and on site visits. Signing in is a requirement for all visitors, sanitise in/sanitise out and touch point cleaning continues as does the need to limit gatherings. Un-assemblies are still the go and we will begin to film them again next week.

If you need to contact your child's teacher make a note in the student diary or phone the school so we can organize a chat.

We have planned opportunities to get to meet you all over the next fortnight be prepared to sign in and out.

On Tuesday morning Feb 2nd we are hosting an 8:15am Info Tech Information session for parents of students in Year 3 and any new families in Years 4-6 to explain how we use technology as a leaning tool and cyber safe practices at P.L.P.S. we will also send this information out to families who are unable to attend.

Getting to know your child sessions are planned for Feb 10th Home groups F/1, 1/2 & 3/4 and on Feb 11th Home groups 4/5 & 5/6 watch Skoolbag for booking forms. The purpose of thee sessions is two-fold they allow us to meet with you and you get to tell us what makes your child unique. Most importantly they support our relationships moving forward. Students do not attend these sessions.

Nippers for Years 3-6 will be Friday afternoons and a huge Thank you to all who have offered support and assistance with this fantastic program.

Our Foundation students have had a very busy start to school and seem already to be old hands at 'doing school'. Next week they will begin their Wednesdays off to break up the learning week, please remember this is a February initiative.

For those of you who are unsure who does what at P.L.P.S in 2021. The team is

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| Fay Agterhuis    | — Principal | - (creativity culture community vis arts student leadership)             |
| Sam Barry        | — F1A       | - Literacy Leader Team Leader  |
| Troy Ahearn      | — 5/6A      | - Numeracy Leader  |
| Bek Fewkes       | — 4/5A      | - Team Leader  |
| Mel Lonergan     | — 1/2A      | - Home Group Teacher   |
| Sharon Hill      | — 3/4A      | - Home Group Teacher   |
| Raelene Dennis   | — 3/4A      | - Home Group Teacher   |
| Linden McCormack | — tutor     | - teacher (creativity culture community indigenous focus)                |
| Sheridan Lang    | — Marc Van  | - teacher (literature/performing arts creativity culture community team) |



P.E—TBA

Jeanette Farrell—Business Manager

Samantha wells—Reception/Administration

Allan Summerfield—ICT (tech)

Peter Stoakes—Library/Admin

Student Leaders—Leah McCurry

—Olivia Rome

— Bailey Chapman

Over the coming weeks House leaders, student forum members and buddies will also be announced.

PLPS aims to be sustainable—our composting gets back underway on Monday and the majority of our communications will be sent via the Skoolbag app. Payments can be made via QKR, Eftpos and Bpay.

All instructions for using these applications are included with this paper newsletter. If you are a returning family has not yet paid 2020 accounts we would appreciate payment being made.

The newsletter is a fortnightly communication and is sent out via Skoolbag and posted to the school website.

We have private Face book pages set up for home groups and the school. Please accept the invitations or request access so you can learn more about what we are doing and celebrate your child's learning.

School Dental Checks (BCH) and Medical checks by the school nurse are scheduled this term. Relevant information and forms have been attached or sent home with students today.

Finally pencil into your calendars the key dates for this term:

**Curriculum day ( students not required at school ) Wednesday 24th February**

**School photos Monday March 16th**

Have a great weekend and celebrate the fact that we are back and excited to be learning and having fun together again.

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## Calendar of Events

FEBRUARY	
Tues 2nd	IT Info session Year 3 & new students 8:15am
Wed 3rd	No Foundations students at school on Wednesdays for February
Wed 10th	No Foundations students at school on Wednesdays for February Getting to know you F-4
Thurs 11th	Getting to know you 4-6
Fri 12th	Nippers program
Wed 17th	No Foundations students at school on Wednesdays for February
Fri 19th	Nippers program
<b>Wed 24th</b>	<b>Curriculum Day—students not required at school</b>
Fri 26th	Nippers program