

School wins top Queensland award!

Pormpuraaw State School has topped a regional win with a prestigious statewide win in The Teachers Mutual Bank Showcase Award for Excellence in Rural and Remote Education for effectively transitioning primary students into high school.

Education Minister Grace Grace said the Showcase Awards were the State's most prestigious in recognising and rewarding innovation in teaching and leadership practices.

"I am very pleased to say the calibre of submissions and finalists was simply outstanding once again this year, with entries from right across the state," she said.

"All of our winners and finalists should be incredibly proud of all they have achieved to enhance students' learning experiences and advance Queensland's future through quality public education."

Ms Grace said as well as rewarding

outstanding state school teachers and principals, the awards recognised schools for delivering innovative programs that lifted the standards of education and educational outcomes.

"Queensland state schools have continued to do inspirational work whilst maintaining the key priority of improving student outcomes.

"Today's award recipients are clear examples of this

dedication and adaptability."

PPAC CEO Ganthi Kuppusamy said the win was great recognition for the school and the community.

"Congratulations to Ann and her team from all our management and staff," she said.



OSHC audit 'went well'

Pormpur Paanthu's Outside School Hours Care has only a few boxes left to tick to complete an audit which will ensure their ongoing operation as an approved Queensland Education & Care (QEC) service.

Last week the regulatory authority conducted an on-site visit, leaving instructions for further staff development in the near to immediate future.

CEO Ganthi Kuppusamy said overall the audit went well.

"We have already organised training in early childhood education and

care through TAFE for up to six of our staff members from the OSHC and Long Day Care Centre," she said.

"The new training will provide opportunities to develop their capacity to deliver quality services, ensuring children are engaged in evidence-based early years learning program and activities."

PPAC PLAYGROUP



Monday:

10am-Midday: Corner Shed

Wednesday:

10am-Midday: School (join us afterwards for light snacks @ Corner Shed)

Friday:

10am-Midday: Maantchang Women's Shelter and/or down at the beach

Playgroups can be attended by mothers, fathers, grandparents, nannies or other carers and the babies, toddlers and preschool aged children in their care - it is important for parents and carers to engage with their child's learning and development.

If you need transport contact Sandra on 4060401.

Time extension granted for stolen wages claimants

Stolen wages claimants and registered representatives now have extra time to provide their information to the Stolen Wages Information Centre after the Federal Court extended the time for them to provide claim data to the administrators.

His Honour Justice Murphy made the order that they now have until 5pm on Friday 9 October earlier this month.

Grant Thornton partner Anthony Beven told *PPAC News Week* they were still planning on making payments by the first week of December.

"We said to the judge if there was to be an extension the payment date shouldn't be changed or altered because that was the most important thing, so we've deleted some of the appeal period from approximately 67 days to 28 days," he said.

He said the judge had also made some changes to allow for registered claimants who have passed away since 21 November 2019.

"The Federal Court has amended the Settlement Distribution Scheme to allow a living spouse (husband or wife), or if there is no living spouse, a living child to register to continue the claim of the deceased claimant," he said.



Members of Grant Thornton's Stolen Wages team in Cairns

"No other relatives are eligible to register to continue such a claim.

"A living spouse or living child, if there is no living spouse, must complete a Continuing registration form - deceased Claimant, which can be downloaded from the website, www.stolenwages.com.au or obtained by contacting the Stolen Wages Information Centre.

"The completed form and supporting documents must be received by the Stolen Wages Information Centre before 5pm on 9 October 2020."

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Who to call and when...

If the situation is serious and urgent call our local Police on **4060 4004** or **000**.

Community members can remain anonymous when reporting illicit activity by calling the 'sly grog' hotline on **1800 500 815**.

To report other crime anonymously call Crime Stoppers on **1800 333 000**.

For non-urgent incidents, crimes or police inquiries call Police Link on **131 444**.

PPAC Contacts

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Healing	4060 4001
Services	Women's
4060 4260	Shelter Admin
Long Day Care	Office
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Feedback forms are available from PPAC, completed forms can be handed into the CEO or emailed to admin@ppac.org.au

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