**February**
- **24th**: SAPSASA Swim trials @ Lam.
- **March**
  - 3-5th: Yr 3/4 Camp
  - 7th: Student free day
  - 10th: Public holiday
  - 12th: Pancake Day
  - 17th-19th: Parent/Teacher interviews
  - 25-26th: Yr 6 Leadership Camp

**TERM DATES - 2014**
- ** Term 1.**: 28th Jan - 11th Apr
- ** Term 2.**: 28th Apr - 4th July
- ** Term 3.**: 21st July - 26th Sept
- ** Term 4.**: 13th Oct - 12th Dec

**TERM DATES - 2015**
- ** Term 1.**: 20th Jan - 10th Apr
- ** Term 2.**: 20th Apr - 3rd July
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**Recent Notes**

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**Principal’s Report**

**Swimming Carnival**

Our annual swimming carnival was held at the town pool on Monday 17th February. The change of date worked out very well, with a fine and warm day, even if the water was a bit cool. All students participated very well, with great family and community support. Special congratulations must go to Tristan Pearson who broke a record on the day in the 9yo boys 25m Breast stroke beating Kade Richardson’s record from 1997 of 34.09s. Tristan’s new record is 30.78s!

More results are on the next page.

A huge thank you must go to all parents and carers who assisted. In particular I would like to thank the swimming pool committee for providing a BBQ and drinks, and parents who volunteered to be class helpers, timers and in packing up after the event. Special thanks to Deb Colwill for her fantastic job with swimming lessons and life guard on the day.

A mention must be made of the victorious staff relay team who fought off the valiant opposition of parents and students.

**SAPSASA Swimming**

Next Monday 11 of our students will travel to Lameroo in an attempt to make the Murray and Mallee SAPSASA swimming team. Good Luck to those students. Those students who qualify will then compete in Adelaide later in the term.

**School Crossing**

A reminder for all parents and students that when they are crossing Bundey Tce, that they must use the pedestrian crossing, both in the morning and afternoon.

I have been made aware of a couple of near incidents in the first few weeks of school. Students on bicycles are reminded that they are to get off their bikes and walk them across and also walk them inside the school yard. Bundey Tce is a very busy place before and after school and I’m sure we would all like to see users of the area kept safe.

**SRC Elections**

Congratulations to our SRC leaders for 2013.
  - President - Blake Virgo
  - Vice President - Tom Wurfel
  - Secretary - Jade Bennier
  - Treasurer - Emmerson Thiel

As you can see by the reports later in our newsletter our SRC are already very busy and looking forward to making great changes and having a say in what happens at Pinnaroo Primary School.

**Governing Council AGM**

Thank you to all those parents and carers who attended the Governing Council AGM. It is always pleasing to see you going the extra mile to support your children’s education and the school. At the meeting I presented the 2013 Annual report which will soon be available to the community. Please contact the school if you would like a copy. I look forward to working with all parents and carers to continually improve the fantastic school we have at Pinnaroo.

**Parent Club AGM**

Parent Club AGM is planned for next Monday the 24th February. All parents are invited to attend this meeting. The Parent Club provides a fantastic avenue for parents to become more
involved in the School.

I look forward to seeing more great learning occurring in the classes for the remainder of the term.

AIM HIGH’
Sunyl Vogt

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Student Awards

~ Student of the Week ~

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<td>Bailey Vogt - a very good effort in art completing a high standard drawing.</td>
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Principal

No awards given in weeks 1 and 2 due to swimming.

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Governing Council

On Tuesday 18th February Governing Council held its Annual General Meeting before a good attendance with positions readily filled for the coming year. Council members are as follows:

Chairperson : Matthew Thiel  
Vice Chair : Wade Nickolls  
Secretary : Amanda Tyler  
Treasurer : Craig Gum & Sara Jenzen  
Council members : Daniel Schiller, Daryl Bennier, Heath Nickolls, Mark Gum, Mark White, Barbara Pearson & Ros Wurfel.

Sunyl Vogt remains on Council as our Principal, Candice Milford continues as staff rep and Parent Club yet to be advised.

Retiring member was Shona Hyde. We thank her for her efforts as secretary and appreciate that she will continue to help in other capacities at school.

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Parent Club

Annual General Meeting

Parent Club will hold its Annual General Meeting on Monday 24th February
At 2.00pm  
In the Library  
Sunny will present the Annual School Report at the meeting.

All welcome
Swimming Carnival

VICTORIOUS VENNING’S 2014 HOUSE CAPTIONS

L to R: Blake Virgo (Vce Capt), Emmerson Thiel (Capt), Thomas Wurfel (Capt) and Tilly Nickolls (Vce Capt)

New Staff From Left: Trisha Hamidi and Kathleen McGuire
### House scores

**Venning 412**  **Hensley 283**

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**New Record**  **Tristan Pearson 9YO Boys 25m Breast stroke**
Library News

Library’s Latest releases

ADULT NON-FICTION
To the end they shall remain Memoirs of South Australian War Veterans and their Families
Australian Women’s Weekly Superfoods

ADULT FICTION
Meet me under the Clock by Annie Murray
Reach for the dream by Anne McCullagh Rennie
A Question of Identity by Anthea Fraser

ADULT FICTION – Large Print
Montaine’s Revenge by Dale Graham
The Venom of Iron Eyes by Rory Black
Heartbeat by Anna Ramsay

CHILDREN’S
Fariy Animals: Sophie the Squirrel by Lily Small
EJ Spy School: The Test by Susannah McFarlane
EJ Spy School: The Race by Susannah McFarlane

DVD
Private Peaceful (M)
Cinderella Man (M)
Collector’s 2 Pack The Guardian and Ladder 49 (M)

School Announcements

Pancake Day
Wednesday March 12th
at Lunch time
$1 per pancake, choice of toppings (jam, maple syrup, icecream)
SRC Community and Fundraising

SRC Groups-Volunteers needed

Due to the success of our SRC programme last year SRC groups will continue in 2014. Groups are as follows, School Grounds, School Pride, School Community and School Activities. Students from Reception to Year 7 are allocated into the 4 different areas where they will remain for a semester. An executive SRC member will be in each group. This year we are asking for volunteer support to the various groups. SRC will run on Wednesday this term from 1.40pm till 2.40pm in weeks 3, 6 and 9 ie: 12th Feb, 5th and 29th March. If you are able to help out please contact either the teacher in charge of the group or alternatively the front office.

We thank the school community for your continued support.

Exchange Teacher Returning

There will be some members of the community who remember Canadian exchange teacher Georgette Clayton, who taught the Year 4/5 class here in 1989. Georgette, her husband Rudy and son George lived in Hensley Street for a year, exchanging jobs and houses with then Deputy John Crook and his family. Many of you may have travelled in 4 wheel drives on Georgette’s outback camp that year through central and northern South Australia. Rudy passed away suddenly a few years ago. George is married with own children. Georgette and her partner Tom are planning to come to Australia, and in particular Pinnaroo, to re-visit the places she remembers from so long ago! They are planning to be here around early April. As time gets closer we will hopefully be able to inform you of their travels and where you can catch up with Georgette should you like to do so.

Please see Barb Tyler for more information.
Community Announcements

Oven and large kitchen bench for Sale

The Pinnaroo Kindergarten is selling its oven and large kitchen bench, through tender. If you are interested in the oven and/or the kitchen bench please write a letter of tender, addressed to the Kindergarten Director, with your offer.

Please note that no tender is necessarily accepted.

All tenders need to be received by Monday 24th February 2014.

If you are successful with your tender, you are responsible for removing the oven and/or kitchen bench from the Kindergarten grounds. These need to be removed on Monday 3rd March.

Tenders can either be dropped off to the Kindergarten on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday or posted to the following address:

Pinnaroo Kindergarten
Tender
PO Box 117
Pinnaroo SA 5304

If you have any questions or would like any more information, please contact Amanda Nickolls or Hedy Hawthorne (Kindergarten Director) on 85 778 227 Mondays, Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

Pinnaroo Choir Event

Marie Angel and Manuela Ochakovski

Monday 24th February ‘14
at 4.30pm...

Uniting Church, Pinnaroo

Gold coin donation would be most welcome.

Supported by Mallee Sustainable Farming
~Strengthening Communities ~Pinnaroo Cluster

A rare chance for expert vocal tuition by two outstanding professionals. Extend your skills with renowned European vocal coach Manuela Ochakovski and international contemporary dramatic soprano Pinnaroo born Marie Angel.

‘Manuela believes everybody has a voice and will help people access the voice within them.’

Murray Mallee Gymnastics

Colours and Numbers

This Term at Kindergarten we will be exploring Colours and Numbers.

Help your child develop their coordination, confidence, creativity and self-esteem through this fun and exciting program. All programs for five to nine year old children and men. The aims are:

- Bring joyful experiences for the child through music, games, song and dance.
- Kindergarten is a great way to start developing from early play development ready for academic learning.

The BENEFITS OF UNIDIRECTIONAL COLOURS

Kindergym is a program for children 0-6 years of age and is on offer Mondays at 11.00am to 11.45pm during school terms in the Pinnaroo Hall—On The Street. Please enter down the side near the Council Chambers.

Please note Committee for 2014...

President: Lane Camp
Secretary: Jeannie Zelen
Treasurer: Caroline Phillips
Committee Members:
Kylie Martin, Abi Martin, Jane Zelen

For more information please feel free to call Abi Martin on 040 709 547.

Kindergym is also available to kindergartners on Mondays and Wednesdays from 11.00am during the school term. This is held in the Karoonda Old People’s Lodge next to the Institute.

Pinnaroo Wetlands

"Day on the Green"
Official Opening
with free
Family and Children’s Entertainment
Sunday May 4th 2014
Family Maths Challenge #1

There are exactly nine 2-digit numbers which have two digits the same: 11, 22, ......., 99.
How many 3-digit numbers have two digits the same?

Family Maths Challenge #2

There are some children and donkeys on a beach. Together they have 25 heads and 64 legs.

How many children? How many donkeys?

Record how you do the challenges and then bring it in to school (with name and class) for your entry ticket in this term’s Family Challenge Raffle.