Principal’s Report

So much happens in a fortnight at school, it is hard to believe we are up to week 8 already and the school has been as busy as ever!

SAPSASA News
Good Luck to Elli Jenzen, Elsie Nickolls, Tristan Pearson and Jaylen Vogt for the State Country Swimming Championships in Adelaide next Friday 27th March. I am sure that you will enjoy the challenge and represent yourselves well.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
It has been great to see almost 70% of families in the school this week, meeting with teachers, looking in the classrooms and through their students work. There are so many positives that can come out of this communication that benefit your children’s learning and understanding. The three-way partnership between, parent, teacher and student is enormously powerful if used effectively. I encourage you if you have been unable to make it to these meetings that you set up a time with your child’s teacher at another time, we would love to give feedback to every family about how your child/ren are working. I also ask that if you have any further concerns to make an appointment with me to discuss this. Remember nothing will change if there is no problem raised.

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Get the facts before you react - try to put aside your emotions if your child complains about a teacher, other child or situation. Don’t go over the teacher’s head - try not to listen to gossip or go straight to the leadership. Talk with the teacher in an open way and if it isn’t resolved, of course talk to leadership. Respect your child’s teachers and their views - school behaviours are often different from home behaviours and teachers may sometimes need to tell you something about your child that you don’t like. Work together to find a solution. Give feedback when things are good - we all need a morale boost and if your child enjoys a class...
event or theme or you enjoy and assembly or other school event please let us know.

Get involved and get to know your child’s teacher - your partnership is the key to your child’s success. Keep in touch at regular intervals by phone, note, email.

Keep the learning going - talk about what they are learning and doing at school to show interest and build confidence

Help your child be organized - have simple morning and afternoon routines so school notices, newsletters and homework is kept up to date.

Have a quiet place at home - for your child to do homework, relax and good sleep routines - these support your child to be prepared and ready for the school day.

Understand that mistakes are ok - school is about learning so mistakes are part of that. If you feel your child is not progressing, please talk to your teacher.

Address behavioral issues at home - when children are learning to socialize and behave it is natural to get it wrong and while we as parents want to jump to our child’s defense it is important valuable life-long lessons may not occur when we rescue.

‘Aim High’

Sunyl Vogt

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### Student Awards

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#### ~ Parent Club Award ~

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To the whole school community

It is Harmony Day this Friday.

A great day to celebrate peace with the people around you, your neighbours, peace with yourself and the peace we enjoy in the wider community of the Mallee.

Last week I had the pleasure of working with the year 2/3 class as we talked about sowing and reaping in relation to cereal crops or fruit crops. With the right sunshine and rain and fertilizer we can expect a very good harvest. We talked about how the things we do and say is like planting seed. We can expect to reap or harvest, depending on our attitudes and actions for either good or bad. We talked about positive, kind, thoughtful and forgiving ways that promote healthy minds and bodies.

This week I worked with the year R/1 class where we talked about wellbeing again using pictures. It’s so important to seek peace with ourselves and others.

Have a Happy Harmony Day this Saturday!

Blessings to you and your families from your Pastoral Care Worker Dianne Nuske.

An invite is extended to Parents for a coffee morning next Wednesday the 25th March
School Announcements

Pancake Day
The SRC Fundraising group is having a Pancake Day for the students and parents to raise money for UnitingCare to support people in need.
Prices are $1 for a plain pancake, $1.50 with toppings. (Toppings include ice cream and maple syrup and lemon and sugar).
We would appreciate any donation of eggs.
SRC Fundraising Committee

Governing Council
Thanks to all of the helpers last Tuesday afternoon who were able to attend the working bee to move all of the equipment still stored in the GP room. Hopefully this will now allow the building to be used for other purposes.

Next Governing Council Meeting Monday 25th May
Finance Meeting at 7.15pm
Governing Council Meeting 7.30pm
All Apologies Please contact the school
8577 8176
**Easter raffle**

Tickets for the Year 3/4 Easter raffle are available at the Library or Front Office. Raffle to be drawn at next Friday’s assembly the 27th March.

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**Pinnaroo Year R-7 Fun Run**

Details about next Wednesday’s event.

**Special Request**

All students please wear blue (Elise and Luke’s favourite colour) - there will be a number of prizes for the best dressed.

**Picnic Recess**

Students are asked to bring along their recess for a picnic before the event. This will be a chance for students from each school to interact with students from other schools.

**“We ask that all schools ensure that students do not bring nuts or eggs as there are a number of students across each site that have SEVERE allergies.”**

**Sausage Sizzle Lunch**

The Pinnaroo Lions Club will be hosting a free sausage sizzle for all students. Each age group will be able to have a sausage once their event has concluded.

**Learning Opportunity**

SAPOL will be conducting a short talk about Road Safety. This is an excellent learning opportunity for students and will highlight the importance of road safety. Elise Summerton will also speak to the students about her accident and journey to recovery.

**Even Running Times**

9.30am  Students arrive @ Pinnaroo Football Oval
9.45am  Formal welcome by Elise Summerton
10.00am Road Safety talk from SAPOL
10.30am Picnic Recess (student to bring their own)
11.00am Run/Walk - A-Thon begins
12.00pm Year R/1 event concludes
12.30pm Year 2/3/4 event concludes
1.00pm  Year 5/6/7 event concludes
2.00pm  Students depart

**Sponsorship**

Students are encouraged to collect sponsorship from family, friends and members of the community before the event takes place. Thanks to the generous support of a number of locals and businesses, combined with the registration fee from each child (covered by the School), all expenses for the day have been covered. This means that all the money they collect in sponsorship will go directly to helping Elise and Luke.

_All sponsorship forms regardless to if you have not collected sponsorship MUST be returned prior to next Wednesday._
Community Notices

A Fun Run, Walk or Roll around Pinnaroo township followed by family entertainment

**Distance:** 3 km, 5 km and 10 km
**When:** Sunday 29th March 2015
**Time:** 9 am – 12pm
**Where:** Pinnaroo Football Grounds, Homburg Tce, Pinnaroo
**Cost:** Adults 3 km: $25.00, 5km: $30.00 10 km: $35.00
Children 12 y.o. -15 y.o: $15.00
Under 12 free and must be accompanied by an adult at all times

**Registration:** ONLINE WEBSITE pinnaroofunrunwalkandroll.com
Early Bird Before 1st March
Pick up pack on day if registered 1st March – 26th March

**PLEASE NOTE NO Bikes, Skateboards, Roller-skates, Children Scooters or Pets.**

**CONTACT INFORMATION:**
**Address:** PO Box 163, Pinnaroo SA 5304
**Email:** pinnaroofunrunwalkandroll@gmail.com
**Website:** pinnaroofunrunwalkandroll.com
**Mobile:** 0423 318 612

A Southern Mallee Council Event

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**PINNAROO FOOTBALL CLUB**
Training for Junior & Senior COLTS

has changed to THURSDAY NIGHTS

Juniors start at 4pm

**PINNAROO NETBALL CLUB**
Training for the Junior Grades commence:

Junior Joeys - Thursday 16th April @ 3:45pm
F1 & F2 Grade – Thursday 19th March @ 3:45pm
D & E Grade – Thursday 12th March @ 4:30pm
Pinnaroo Cricket Club Presentation Day

When: Sunday 22nd March, From 10:00am
Where: Pinnaroo Cricket Clubrooms
Father V Son/ Daughter Cricket Match

BBQ Lunch Provided
Drinks Available
Please supply a Salad or Sweet to share.

Mallee Arts is hosting a textiles workshop with the Riverland Textile Group.

9.30—11.30am FELTING
Learn the process of wool and silk felting, make a sculptured flower into a broach.

12.30—3.30pm MONO PRINTING
Have fun creating your own prints using paints and inks applied to paper or fabric. Explore the art of pattern making and collage.

COST: $20 per person per session
Friday 20th March @ the Hub Pinnaroo
BOOKINGS AT YOUR LOCAL COUNCIL OFFICE

Funding Incentives for Landholders

The Murray Mallee Local Action Planning Association is encouraging landholders to make the most of funding available through their Mallee Futures Program to help re-establish native vegetation and ecosystems on their properties. Project sites can be planted as:

- native species blocks
- windbreaks and/or shelterbelts

The re-establishment of native vegetation can provide a number of benefits to farm production and profitability through wind protection for crops, shelter for stock and encourage native pollinators. In addition native vegetation establishment stabilises the soil, alleviating the risk of soil erosion and reduces the likelihood of drift.

Remnant vegetation can often provide suitable habitat for a number of bats, birds and native insect species which are known to feed upon common agricultural pests. Furthermore native vegetation patches are important in terms of biodiversity, providing habitat for many threatened species such as the Malleefowl.

The funding incentives on offer have been provided by the Australian government and aim to support the habitat needs of nationally threatened bird species including the Malleefowl, Mallee Emu-wren, Red-lored Whistler, Regent Parrot and Western Whipbird by buffering conservation estate and enhancing the connectivity between remnants of native vegetation.

Applications for this funding must be submitted as soon as possible for planting this winter. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Melissa Peake, Implementation Officer at the Murray Mallee LAP on 8531 2066 or 8531 3075, impofficer@internode.on.net
Community Notices

Mallee Community Health Services

Diabetes Information Session

LANEROO

When: Tuesday 24 March 2015
Time: 10:00am – 2:30pm
Where: Lameroo Day Centre
Lunch: Light lunch provided following cooking demonstration

GUEST SPEAKERS:

JOCELYN GRIEGER: Diabetes Educator, Mallee Community Health Services
ANA LAGOS: Dietitian, Murray Mallee Community Health
NADINE MCDougall: ROCHE Diabetes Care Representative – Meters & Monitoring
MARGIE ARBON: Cooking Demonstration
RSVP: Tue 17 March please for catering purposes

Topics on the day:

> Understanding diabetes
> What is diabetes
> Cholesterol
> High Blood Pressure
  > salt
  > alcohol
> Physical Activity
> Monitoring
> Label Reading supermarket tour with a difference

Healthy Eating Cooking Demo:

> food groups and meal planning
> carbohydrates
> glycaemic index
> sugar
> weight loss and diets

Kindy Bakery Fundraiser

Could all bakery orders please be returned to school by next Monday

Thank you