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Term :3 Week : 4

August 12th 2015

~**Diary Dates**~

August

- 13th PPS Sports Day
- 14th **Student Free Day**
- 24th GPS Focus Day Yr4-7
- 28th SAPSASA Athletics trials
- 31st Arts performance

September

- 4th School Photos
- 7th School Closure
- 8th R-2 Riverland Excursion

TERM DATES-2015

- Term 1. ~ 27th Jan- 10th Apr
- Term 2. ~ 27th Apr - 3rd July
- Term 3. ~ 20th July- 25th Sept
- Term 4. ~ 12th Oct- 11th Dec

TERM DATES-2016

- Term 1. ~ 1st Feb ~ 15th Apr
- Term 2. ~ 2nd May - 8th July
- Term 3. ~ 25th July- 30th Sept
- Term 4. ~ 17th Oct- 16th Dec



Don't Miss

Sports Day tomorrow.

Recent Notes

Date	Note
31st	MDI Survey

Principal's Report

Term Three is racing along, with lots of educational and extra-curricular activities occurring over the next few weeks, the first of which is athletics day tomorrow.

Pinnaroo Athletics Day

Tomorrow is Pinnaroo PS athletics day, we hope to have the school full of parents, grandparents and carers again to support the students. Today the 9-13yo groups competed in the 800m events to save time and their energy on sports day.

We look forward to having a great day where all students participate to the best of their ability with the support of everyone involved. If you haven't made yourself available to volunteer for the day because you have children in different age groups, please just assist whenever you can on the day. We look forward to seeing you there

Student Free Day

This Friday the staff will travel to Lameroo to participate in the Coorong/ Mallee Partnership of schools, student free day.

The staff learning will be focused on Executive Functions and how these can be developed through our classroom practice more prominently.

I hear you say 'what are Executive functions and why are they important?'

- The 3 core elements revolve around -
- Cognitive flexibility
 - Inhibitory control
 - Working memory

To assist learning in all people we need to be able to Think flexibly, show a certain level of self control and be able to process things quickly and

efficiently.

There are processes both we as teachers and you as parents can use to help develop these in our students. I look forward to sharing more about this with you after our training on Friday!

Parent/ Teacher Interviews

It was great to see over 70% of families in the school this week, meeting with parents, looking in the classrooms and through their students work. It was very interesting to see the dedicated staff and parents persist on Tuesday night , completing interviews by candle light! 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 children 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.

SSO Recognition Week

This week is PSA/ CPSU National Recognition week for School Service Officers. At our school we are very fortunate to have a terrific team of support staff helping to care for and educate your children, and running our school. Most parents will have met the support staff, however the



full team is: Michelle Thomas, Jade Gum, Stephanie Michell, Donna Vogt, Lynne Summerton and Bryan Michell. Please make sure you thank them next time you see them, they do an awesome job!!! Often you will see them at school and think they are working, but often they spend as much time at school volunteering as they do working!! An incredible commitment to the students and the school!!!

“Aim High”

Sunyl Vogt

REMINDER
NO SCHOOL THIS FRIDAY 14TH AUGUST.

Student Awards

~ Student of the Week ~

Term 3 Week 2

- R/1** **Jacob Daniel**-his creative and improved sentence writing.
Jack Nickolls-his positive attitude towards problem solving.
- 2/3** **Hannah Tyler**-showing initiative and being a good class member.
- 4** **Sophie Sharrad**-writing clear explanations in Science using scientific language.
- 5/6/7** **Emmerson Thiel**-for completing a high standard practical on body temperature control in the human body.

Principal **Abbey Thiel** - Consistently high level of work, imagination, creativity and persistence to improve; and Continued increase in confidence and willingness to contribute in class discussions .

Term 3 Week 3

- R/1** **James Wallis**-volunteering in his own time to help.
- 2/3** **Maya Weimans**-settling into school and always smiling.
- 4** **Amber Tyler**-persisting & having a go at all tasks, even if they are challenging.
- 5/6/7** **Tilly Nickolls**-her attitude & effort towards challenging herself in all subjects.

Principal **Jack Hyde** - Great improvement in his persistence, willingness to help others, attitude to improve himself and take on new challenges .

~ Parent Club Award ~

Term 3 Week 2

- R/1** **Maddison Gum**-extra effort in all subject areas.
- 2/3** **Grace Michell**-working hard with her Maths.
- 4** **Nathalia Mountford**-improving time on task in all lessons & completing work in the set time.
- 5/6/7** **Bailey Vogt**-for maintaining a high work rate without letting the standard of her work drop.

Term 3 Week 3

- R/1** **Jacob Daniel**-extra effort in all learning areas.
- 2/3** **Amelia Daniel**-working hard getting organised and keeping her desk clean.
- 4** **Sharon Joseph**-always trying her best & persisting with maths this week in measuring.
- 5/6/7** **Estella Gum**-for managing her personal learning while sick.

School Notices

SOUTHERN MALLEE DISTRICT COUNCIL POOL VACANCIES LAMEROO/PINNAROO



Life Guards

Registrations of interest are sought from suitably qualified persons to act as Life Guards for the Lameroo/Pinnaroo Pools for the 2015/2016 season.

Minimum Qualification - Bronze Medallion, First Aid, CPR [renewed yearly] and National Police Clearance.

Copies of current appropriate certificates to be enclosed with your application.

Minimum age for this position is 16 years

Applications

All applications/registrations of interest must be submitted in a sealed envelope marked "Pool Vacancies" and addressed to the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Southern Mallee District Council, PO Box 49, Pinnaroo SA 5304. Applications close 2 pm on Friday 28th August 2015

For information on the abovementioned positions, please contact Harc Wordsworth, telephone 85 763 002

Sports Day Tomorrow

Programmes were sent home today. Students are encouraged to wear their house colour t shirt. The day begins with a welcome at 9.15 am. There will be a BBQ at approx. 12 noon. Prices will be :

\$2.00 1 x sausage in bread

\$2.50 2 x sausage in bread

\$2.50 hamburger in bread

\$1.00 fruit box

You are encouraged to support the SSO room fundraiser team who will be selling temporary tattoos , Hensely and Venning, ranging from 20c to \$3.00.



We look forward to seeing many families, friends and grandparents supporting the children tomorrow.

Black Dog Riders Visit-Next Monday

The SA riders will arrive in Pinnaroo on Monday 17th August at approx. 12.30pm. A lunch will be held at Pinnaroo Primary School, cooked by the Lions Club. The lunch will be available to the riders and adults who attend but students are asked to bring their lunch as per normal. All are welcome to come and talk to the riders.

Black Dog Riders in every state and territory depart in August to ride throughout regional Australia raising awareness of depression and suicide prevention, culminating in a national meet up at Uluru in the Red Centre of our vast country. If you'd like to support the Black Dog Riders on their epic journey or make a donation please visit the website www.blackdogride.com.au. Proudly supporting Lifeline and Mental HealthFirst Aid.

Governing Council

Next Governing Council Meeting Monday 19th October

Finance Meeting at 7.45pm

Governing Council Meeting 8.00pm

All Apologies Please contact the school

8577 8176

Parent Club

Next meeting

Friday August 21st

Following Assembly (9.30 am) in PPS Library

Come along for a cuppa, be informed about what is happening in our school and help us make decisions. Everyone welcome.

Library News

Each year since 1945, the Children's Book Council of Australia has hosted Children's Book Week to honour and celebrate the work of Australian authors and illustrators.

2015 celebrates 70 years of the CBCA Book of the Year Awards.

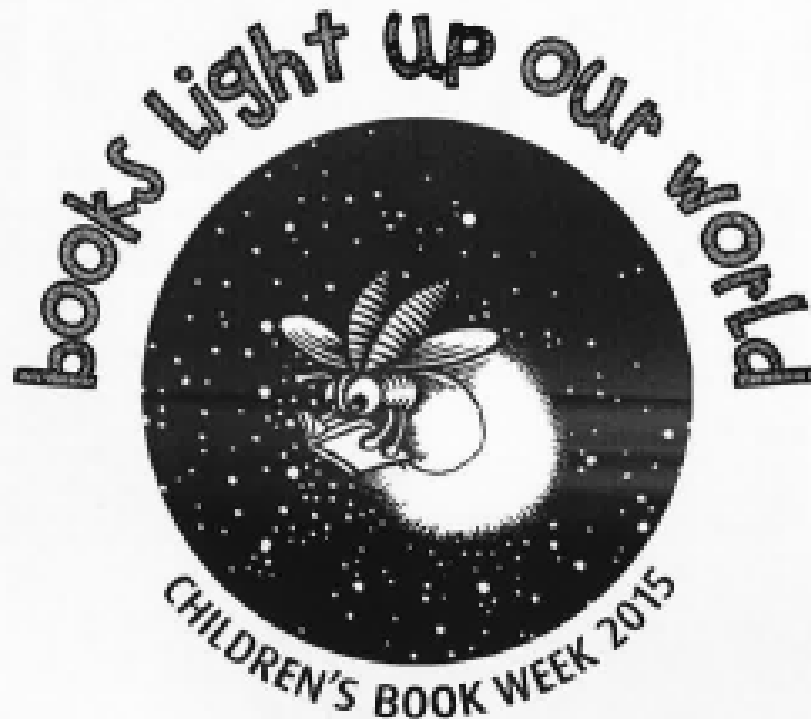


THE CHILDREN'S
BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA



1945 - 2015
YOUR CONNECTION TO STORY

Book Week will be held from August 22-28. Celebrations will focus on the announcement of the Book of the Year and this year's theme Books light up our world.

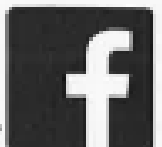


During Book Week Pinnaroo Primary School will be hosting a variety of exciting activities. One you'll need to prepare for is...

Dress up as your favourite book character day!!!!
Friday 28th August

There will be prizes for favourite costumes from each class. A gold coin donation will be asked for on the day—fundraising goes towards literacy programs for the disadvantaged.

Find us on Facebook - Pinnaroo Community Library



Library News



Is your son or daughter taking up the Challenge in 2015?

If so, please ensure they fill in their student reading records as they read their books, gets them signed off as they go and please make sure your child hands it in to their teacher or the school contact person before: **Friday 4 September.**

The Challenge is to read **12 books in total:**

- Reception to Year 7: **8** of these books are to be from the Challenge booklists, available on our website and **4** of their own choice, which can include class novels and research texts.
- Years 8 and 9: **4** books from the Challenge lists and **8** of their own choice, which can include prescribed texts, research texts and any other texts from their studies.

Years 10 to 12: **12** books of their own choice, which can include prescribed texts, research texts and any other texts from their studies.

Student reading records are available from your child's teacher, from the school contact person, who is usually someone in the school library (ask your child's teacher) or download from the website.

Your son/daughter can also Rate a Read, reviewing the books that they are reading and send this in to us. We award a winner every month with a book prize and post their review, first name and school on our website. Also, we have a student blog section for both primary and secondary students to post and share thoughts about the Challenge and books that they are reading – encourage your son/daughter to have a go!

The Challenge website has a section for students, school staff and families. Check it out for some great ideas!

Don't forget the [GreatStart](#) website, developed to support families with ideas and activities to help make the most of everyday learning and events, especially important in the first five years of their life:

'We know families are busy so we have ideas for activities that you are already doing, ideas that may be new and will only take a few minutes and others that will take longer. We have also included extra information for you if want to learn more about the literacy and numeracy that your child will be developing and how this will link to learning in later life.'

We will continue to add new ideas and activities, including ideas to connect to particular events or occasions. We are also keen to hear from you on the site; how you went, what worked or other ideas that we can share with other families.'

Enjoy the Challenge,

Poster voting

Due to positive feedback regarding the primary and secondary posters, there will be two promotional posters once again for 2016; one to engage primary students and the other for secondary students. The voting process will be the same as last year, with an additional screen directing voters to elect the primary or secondary poster. There are two options for both school settings and we have seen the great designs which we think students will simply love.

Please urge students to go to [Kidspace](#) or [Teenspace](#) on the Challenge website and vote for the primary or secondary Premier's Reading Challenge poster for 2016. Opt for the poster you would like, and then click to register your vote from Monday 3 August to Friday 28 August 2015.

Zoomerang Survey 2015

The Challenge survey this year can be completed via the links on the News page on the Challenge website from 3 August. Students and parents are encouraged to provide your valuable feedback in the interests of ongoing improvement to the Challenge.

Dates for the survey: Monday 3 August-Friday 27 November 2015

Community Notices



**The life you change
won't just be your own.
Become an ambulance volunteer.**

The ambulance officers in Pinnaroo are all volunteers. To maintain a local 24-hour service at Pinnaroo we need more people. Don't rely on someone else to volunteer.
We need you!

For more information:
call Robert on 0427 710 049

1800 655 306
saambulance.com.au



SKILLS FOR LIFE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Murray Mallee Local Action Planning Association Inc. AGM

Sunday 13th September, 2015
Geranium Bowling Club

Annual General Meeting 11:00 am

Project site tour
Children welcome
Lunch, tea and coffee provided

Contact: MMLAP Ph: (08) 8531 2066
Email: mmlap@internode.on.net
RSVPs essential by 1st September 2015

novita
children's services

Brown's Well & Mallee Auxiliary for
Novita Children's Services invites you to

CRAFT FAIR

\$5 ENTRY
INCLUDES DEVONSHIRE
AFTERNOON TEA

HOMEMADE
SOUP \$3

10AM-3PM SUNDAY 30 AUGUST 2015

**AT THE RSL HALL, TOBRUK TCE,
LOXTON**

QUILTING DISPLAY BY LOXTON QUILTERS

MANY STALLS: FOOD, JEWELLERY, QUILTING SUPPLIES/ITEMS, CANDLES AND SOAPS,
MACHINE EMBROIDERY/DOORSTOPS, CWA STALL, SCRAPBOOKING, FLORAL ARRANGEMENTS,
HOMEMADE CARDS, INVITATIONS, STICKERS, BABY CLOTHING, GIFT BASKETS, HAND BAGS,
CHILDREN'S CLOTHING, HOMEMADE TOYS, HABERDASHERY, PLANTS, FUDGE.

Enquiries call 8587 4318 or 0427 841 374

Pinnaroo Cricket Club AGM

**Monday 31st August at 7.30pm
Golden Grain Hotel, Pinnaroo.**

**Apologies to Heath Boseley 0448 798 085
All Welcome!**

Keep your kids smiling

Dental care is FREE for most school children and
ALL preschool children at the School Dental Service.

All children aged 0-17 are welcome.

To locate your local School Dental Clinic
visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au or call us now on
8222 8222.

