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Primary School**

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Term :3 Week : 6

August 27th 2015

~**Diary Dates**~

August

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

Recent Notes

Date	Note
19/8	Yr 5/6/7 Focus Day
19/8	R/1 Focus Day
24/8	Flu Information
26/8	R/1/2 Excursion

Principal's Report

The last two weeks have been extremely busy. With very successful Pinnaroo Athletics day being held, a student free day for staff learning, a visit from the Black Dog Riders raising money for Beyond Blue along with a couple of Focus days and Kindy transitions! The next two weeks promise to be just as full with an Arts Performance, school photos, a school closure and a couple of excursions! Hold onto your hats it's going to be busy!! Enjoy.



Students Cooper Nickolls and Angus Schiller took the opportunity to jump on a bike when the Black Dog riders came to visit.

Pinnaroo PS Athletics Day

We had a cool day for sports day a fortnight ago, with a heavy track a students still managed to break 2 records. Thanks to all the parents, grandparents and carers that came along to support the students and help on the day, it was greatly appreciated. See more details later in the newsletter.

Good Luck to the eight competitors that travel to Lameroo this Friday to compete in the SAPSASA Athletics trials. We know that they will represent themselves and the school well.

Thanks to the parents who continually make the effort to support their children achieve their best.

The Importance of Executive Functions

A fortnight ago staff had a training day on how to improve students 'Executive Functions' and I said I would try to update you more on these highly important skills that **all** people need to develop.

Sometimes it is hard to transfer the information we get in a short newsletter article effectively, So below I have included a link that you can follow with 3 short videos and extra reading material we were provided with at the training.

I will be showing our students these videos and it will also be beneficial for you as parents and caregivers to watch and talk about with your children.

These functions are something you as parents have more opportunity to develop in children's everyday lives than we can influence here at school, but have an enormous effect on every aspect of your children's life and future.

I encourage you to take a look. If you have any issues with accessing this please let me know.

Please copy and paste the following link into your web browser to view the



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 Department for Education and Child Development

www.pinnarooops.sa.edu.au



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videos and readings.

<http://myfuture.edu.au/tools-and-resources/learning-tools-for-secondary-students/the-adventures-of-you>

Focus Days

On Tuesday our 5/6/7 students travelled to Geranium Primary School for our term three Highway 12 Focus day. The students participated in Literacy learning from the focus on Book Week, splitting into mixed groups with Lameroo and Geranium students to read and focus on three texts 'One Minute's Silence', 'Tea and Sugar Christmas' and 'Meet Douglas Mawson'. The students enjoyed the day, mixing with different students and catching up with and making new friends.

Today the R/1 Class travelled to Lameroo Regional Community School for the first H12 Junior Primary Focus Day. They were involved in Art, Craft, Cooking and Drama activities. This provided another great opportunity for our students to make links with other children and enjoy the making new friends and challenging themselves in a new environment.

These Focus Days are coordinated by the three schools to provide and improve social and learning opportunities for our students in place of the H12 Sports day.

"Aim High" Sunyl Vogt
Principal

For Sale by Tender

6 evaporative air conditioners with ducting. Available for pick up during September/October holiday break. Tenders close Monday 21st September.
No tender necessarily accepted.

Contact the school if you wish to inspect.

Student Awards

~ Student of the Week ~

Term 3 Week 5

R/1 Angus Schiller-for his extra effort in reading.

2/3 Isabel Jolley-for working and trying hard to be organised.

4 Elsie Nickolls-being friendly towards others, using initiative and showing good organisational skills.

5/6/7 Kelsey Penney-for her improved communication.

Principal Kelsey Penney- For her continued effort to improve; setting personal goals and achieving personal bests.

~ Parent Club Award ~

Term 3 Week 5

R/1 Max Dabinett & Jasmine Thiel-for their persistence in reading/writing.

2/3 Lana White-always thinking of others and putting others before herself.

4 Ruby Schiller-her effort in all subject areas this week, particularly in Science & Poetry performance.

5/6/7 Ryan Angel-for his effort on sports day.

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

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PPS Athletics Day

Pinnaroo Primary School held its annual Athletics day on Thursday 13th August in cool and cloudy conditions for competition.

There was plenty of support for the students with many parents, caregivers, grandparents and community members assisting with the running of the day and in attendance.

The following records were broken Isabelle Moyle 9yo Girls 800m, Tilly Nickolls Open Girls Discus and Nicole Ribbons equalled the 10yo Girls High Jump record.

The Dot Venning Shield was awarded to the Venning house-captains for the first time since 2009 with a closely fought out 889 to 883 win over Hensley.



Age Group Champions 2015

9yo Girls

Champion: Isabelle Moyle & Georgie Jenzen
Runner Up: Lana White

9yo Boys

Champion: Jack Hyde & Owen Gum

10yo Girls

Champion: Nicole Ribbons
Runner Up: Elsie Nickolls

10yo Boys

Champion: Tristan Pearson
Runner Up: Ryan Angel

11yo Girls

Champion: Elli Jenzen
Runner Up: Angel Joseph

11yo Boys

Champion: Jaylen Vogt
Runner Up: Riley Kulper

Open Girls

Champion: Emmerson Thiel
Runner Up: Bailey Vogt

Open Boys

Champion: Harry Ribbons
Runner Up: Will Colwill

School Notices

Red Cross Coin Line

Thank you to all those families who supported our red Cross coin line which was held at assembly last Friday. We have been able to make a donation of \$86.20 towards this worthy organisation.

UNSW Competitions

Congratulations to those children who participated in the UNSW Digital Technologies tests. Their results are as follows:

Credit: Owen Gum and Amber Tyler

Participation: Sharon Joseph, Elsie Nickolls, Tristan Pearson, Sophie Sharrad, Estella Gum, Tahli Ireland, Abbey Thiel, Angel Joseph, Tilly Nickolls and Emmerson Thiel.

Congratulations to those children who participated in the UNSW Science tests. Their results are as follows:

Credit : Owen Gum, Zac White, Tristan Pearson (Yr5) & Abbey Thiel.

Merit; Tristan Pearson (Yr4).

Participation; Lana White, Cody Bennier, Sharon Joseph, Elsie Nickolls, Amber Tyler, Estella Gum, Angel Joseph, Tilly Nickolls & Emmerson Thiel.

Children's Book Week 2015

BOOKS

Light Up Our World
Saturday 22 – Friday 28 August 2015

Friday 28th August

Dress as your favourite Book Character!

Fancy Dress Parade after assembly 9:30am – Prizes for favourite costumes, reading raffle and for those who correctly guessed the book category winners!

Gold Coin Donation (1st \$1 = a donation to Australian Literacy and Numeracy Foundation. For those who bring a 2nd \$1 = receive a daffodil pin for daffodil day).



For more info. Contact Trish Hamidi
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PCW Corner

Dear Families,

Welcome to a new and exciting school program! This term we are implementing a new character education and social-emotional learning program that teaches children positive habits to lead happy and success lives. This new program uses Kimochis.....Toys with Feeling Inside ®.

Kimochi means 'feelings' in Japanese, and the curriculum is based on research that tells us that a strong social-emotional learning foundation is essential to academic and life success. Research also shows that teaching social-emotional skills in school increases academic test scores by 11%! In our school we will be using Kimochis™ characters, feelings and lessons from the Kimochis Feel Guide: Teacher's Edition to teach character education along with our regular academic curriculum. We refer to these important life skills as the 'fourth R', not just reading, writing and arithmetic, but also relationships.

The lessons in the Kimochis™ curriculum teach real life skills, such as communication, self management, decision making, problem solving, resilience and responsibility. These are the skills that help us all become successful in life and in school. When children learn to communicate their feelings effectively, they build confidence, self esteem and strong relationships.

Ask your children about what they learned in their Kimochis™ lesson when they come home from school. Talk to them about their feelings and plan family time to practice communication skills and expressing emotions appropriately. Occasionally, you will receive a special visit from a Kimochis™ character or a note telling you something positive about your child's day. Schedule a time to join us during our Kimochis™ lessons and learn how we can partner in teaching these important life skills. Kimochis™ has a website just for parents or join them on Facebook. Celebrate your child's success.

The purchase of Kimochis™ program has been made possible by the generous funding of Bendigo Bank, Pinnaroo & Murrayville Connected Community. We can't thank you enough!



More words from your PCW

What have we been doing?

Through part of last term I have been teaching children to do tomboy stitch. If they would like to bring it back to school we can work at helping the children finish them and make them into a pot mate for the table. If you have a piece of material at home that will match the wool, you can send it to school so they can finish it with the chance for you to enter it into the Show! I want to encourage you in doing this, it will give them satisfaction in completing the craft and seeing it on display. We will be working on these pot mats next Monday and Wednesday.

Last week was School Ministry Week and we were very blessed to have Paul Hodgson, my regional manager, and Jenni from Schools Ministries Group (SMG) to support our school.

We also had 5 people from Youth with a Mission come for the day. They all helped by washing a school bus and some staff cars, making pancakes for all students and staff at recess. YWAM played and talked with the children at lunchtime and ran RE (Religious Education) sessions in the afternoon. Thanks must also go to Rosita Loyde who came and helped on the day. The biscuits you enjoyed were made by local church ladies. I hope you enjoyed them.

What's coming up?

Next Thursday Mrs Chris Jenzen is going to be showing the children how to make some icing decorations for cup cakes.



On Wednesday September 9th you are invited to a coffee morning in my room. I will share a bit more about the Kimochis characters and we will do a couple of activities. I look forward to seeing you there.

September 16th and 17th we will be guiding teams of students who have chosen to make scarecrows to enter in the Pinnaroo Show

If your children are interested in forming a group could you please help them gather recycled materials that will make them long lasting scarecrows! They will need to bring the materials to school on the day or even prior to making them. Thank you.

On either 21st, 22nd or 23rd of September I have organised for a couple of ladies to come from the Floral Arts Group to teach the children how to make a buttonhole arrangement and little vase or basin arrangement. This will be a lunchtime activity and will teach the children the skills they need to enter into the floral section of the Show.

We have a busy term ahead of us but we are looking forward to it.

Blessings to you all and may peace rule in your hearts.

From your PCW

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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

SKILLS FOR LIFE

1800 655 306
saambulance.com.au



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

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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.

