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Term :1 Week : 8

March 24th 2016
~Diary Dates~

March

25th Good Friday P/HOL
 28th Easter Monday P/HOL
 31st SRC Focus Groups

April

4-5th Parent/Teacher Inter views
 15th Major Ski Trip Fundraiser
Chinese Banquet
 15th Last Day of Term 1

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

TERM DATES-2017

Term 1. ~ 30th Jan - 13th Apr
 Term 2. ~ 1st May - 7th July
 Term 3. ~ 24th July - 29th Sept
 Term 4. ~ 16th Oct - 15th Dec

Recent Notes

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Principal's Report

Even with the short weeks we have been having here at school, a whole lot of learning has been crammed into the last fortnight!

School Vision Statement

A note came home last week asking for feedback about the school vision statement. I am hoping to get lots of feedback about this! This is a great avenue for parents to have your say in the future direction of the school. I look forward to getting your thoughts before the end of the term.

SAPSASA News

Congratulations to the five swimmers from Pinnaroo who competed for the Murray and Mallee last Friday in



Adelaide. This was the most successful group of students to compete from Pinnaroo in my time as Principal.

Tristan (pictured) won gold in the 11YO boys 50m

Breaststroke, silver in the 50m Freestyle and came 5th in 50m Butterfly, an awesome achievement!!

Other great individual efforts on the day were Georgie, 4th 10YO girls 50m Freestyle and 8th in the 50m Backstroke. Elsie, 7th 11YO Girls 50m Freestyle.

These three students as well as Elli and Tilly were also involved in relays that made finals. Well Done to all these students.

Tristan was asked why he thought he

had achieved so well this year, his response was a perfect lesson for us all, "because I trained more". Tristan (and his parents) commit to training 5-6 times a week. This kind of success does not come from being a 'natural swimmer', but from hard work, sacrifice and dedication. Well done to Tristan and his family for this!

Badge Presentations

Today Jill Nickolls our current Pinnaroo Citizen of the Year presented our House Captains and SRC with their badges. Congratulations to our House Captains and SRC leaders for 2016.

President - Abbey
 Vice President - Tilly
 Secretary - Angel
 Treasurer - Estella

Parent/ Teacher/ Student Interviews

A note went home last week regarding parent / teacher interviews. It would be great to see as many parents and students attending these as possible. It is a great avenue to opening discussion about your child/rens learning. It would be great if your children attended the meetings with you. That way they can tell and show you all the great learning they are doing, allowing for excellent open learning discussions. Hope see you all there.

I hope that families enjoy the four day break ahead of us, spending time with family and friends. This is a great mini break for the students; recharging before coming back for three more weeks of exciting learning.

'AIM HIGH'
 Sunyl Vogt



Happy Easter



Student Awards

~ Student of the Week ~

Term 1 Week 6

- R/1** **Johanna Oster**-always having a go & contributing to class discussions.
- 2/3** **Lauren Angel**-for focussing on her work and for following our Golden Rules at all times.
- 4/5** **Mackayla Perry**-for being a role model everyday & presenting a high standard of work in class & for homework.
- 6/7** **Jaylen Vogt**-for his detailed factual recount on JFK.
- Principal** **Sharlene Sharp**—Fantastic effort and progress in her reading. Her willingness to always assist the teacher and students and her friendliness to the new students at PPS.

~ Parent Club Award ~

Term 1 Week 6

- R/1** **Hannah Kulper**-her extra effort with her report.
- 2/3** **Max Dabinett**-for working hard & having a go especially in Maths and for being a helpful member of the Year 2/3 team.
- 4/5** **Isabel Jolly**-for making a real effort to focus this week.
- 6/7** **Riley Kulper**-his good organisational skills and the management of his learning.

Governing Council



There will be a working bee on Monday April 4th from 4.00pm onwards.
All encouraged to attend.
Bring rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows and general yard gear.

Parent Club

Next General Meeting

Friday 6 May at 9.30am (following assembly) at the School Community Library.

Parent Club Members and all PPS Parents very welcome

Tales from the Classroom - Yr 4/5



Above: Mrs Nickolls, Zac and Isabelle drawing the raffle.

At today's assembly the Year 4/5 Class invited Mrs Jill Nickolls to draw the winners to their Easter raffle.

Raffle winners were

1st prize: Daniel Kulper
2nd prize: Mrs Nuske
3rd prize: Charitie & Leo

Mrs Nickolls also announced the winner of the Guess the Easter Eggs in the Jar competition.

Congratulations to Alisha Palmer with her correct guess of 121 eggs!

A big thank you to everyone who has supported our fundraising efforts for camp this term.

From the year 4/5 Class



School Notices

Hot Weather Policy

In extreme heat, which we hope we don't see too much more of this term, the school will implement its 'Hot Weather Policy'. This means that when it is forecast over 38° in Renmark all students will remain in their classroom or designated area eg. Assembly Room or Library for the entire lunch break. The classroom

teachers / school may also use their discretion to have modified play at the recess break if required on specific days as well.

Catastrophic Fire Days

With the Bushfire season upon us I would like to remind all parents and carers that Pinnaroo Primary School **does not close on forecast catastrophic days. However no buses will be able to run on these days.** On these days parents will need to make the decision to transport your children to school or to keep them home.

The announcement of these days cannot be made until DECD is notified of the following days forecast by the Bureau of Meteorology after 4pm. The school will make every effort to contact parents once this announcement has been made.

Information will also be provided on the DECD Parent Hotline (1800 000 279), ABC Radio 891 and local

Tales from the Classroom - Yr R/1

Maths

In maths the R/1 class have been learning about shapes and patterns. The years 1's have been learning about 3D shapes, and the receptions have been learning about 2D shapes. Jacob and I made a cube and a prism out of paper. We have also been learning about patterns. We used Skittles and made a graph to show how many of each colour there were.

Written by Jasmine Thiel



R/1 Fundraiser

Next week we will be making Apricot Jam to sell. Order forms will be sent out shortly. Be sure to pick yourself up some home grown and homemade jam!



This week we have been busy making Easter baskets and cards. We wish you all a safe and Happy Easter!

Swimming

'I learnt how to use a kickboard' Johanna Oster
'I love swimming' Levi Simon
Thank you once again to all the parents who volunteered during these lessons.



Tales from SRC School Grounds Group

On Thursday the 10th of March, the school grounds SRC group invited parents and helpers to assist the students of Pinnaroo Primary in cleaning up the garden and around the school.

The students and parents had a great time helping the school environment by shovelling dirt, pulling out weeds and picking ripe fruit and vegetables. The school would like to say thank you to Giles Oster, Julie Cowley, Lelle Schiller and Di Nuske for helping out the students with cleaning up the school, they had a great time.

By Abbey Thiel, SRC President



School Notices

PPS Uniform

PPS long sleeve school polos are now reduced to \$15 each. Some sizes are already sold out so come in and grab a Bargain!!

Speld SA—Specific Learning Difficulties Association of South Australia

Did you know that SPELD SA has a free training module around 'Teaching a Child to Read and Write'. The module can be done step by step at your own pace, there are small quizzes as you progress through the modules.

Anyone can access the training for free, parents, carers, SSOs, teachers, student teachers, interested members of the community, teaching institutions such as TAFE and Universities etc.

A certificate can be printed off at the end of the training
SPELD: online training portal.
SPELDSA.E3LEARNING.COM.AU

SRC Groups-Volunteers needed

Due to the success of our SRC programme last year SRC groups will continue in 2016. 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.

We are asking for volunteers to support the various groups. SRC will run on Thursday this term from 1.40pm till 2.40pm in week 9 ie: 31st 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.

School Banking day is

TUESDAY



WANTED

Recycled Aluminium Cans

The SSO room is seeking clean food tins for a display they are making. Eg. Baked bean tins.

SA State School Term Dates

All school terms – break up 1 hour early on last day of term for school holidays

Term Dates for 2016

Term 1 1 February – 15 April
Term 2 2 May – 8 July
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Term 4 17 October – 16 December

Public Holidays 2016

Adelaide Cup – Monday 14 March
Good Friday – Friday 25 March
Easter Monday 0 Monday 28 March
Anzac Day – Monday 25 April (during school holidays)
Queen's Birthday – Monday 13 June
Labour Day – Monday 3 October (during school holidays)

Community Notices

Kids Club

Tuesday afternoons
from 3.30pm till 5.00pm
in the Lutheran hall.

Afternoon tea provided.

Gold coin donation.

There will be an adult to walk younger children over after school if required.

Pinnaroo Football & Netball Club



Junior Football Training

Mini Colts training began this week, coached by Brett Mudie.

Training changes to Thursdays starting next week, at 4pm.
Any enquiries phone Heath Nickolls on 0407 270016

Junior Netball Training

There is no junior netball training tonight 24th March.

E & D Grades recommence next Thursday @ 4.30pm,
coached by Donna V & Chloe S (E), Hannah Bailey (D)

F1 & F2 Grades begin next Thursday @ 4.00pm, coached
by Deb Colwill (F1) and Bec Oakley (F2)

Junior Joeys begins Thursday 21st April @ 4.00pm, coached
by Robyn Gum

Independent Living Centres Mobile Unit Visit

Will be at the Karoonda Farm Fair Site No. 62, Yurgo St on Friday 1st April 9am till 5pm and Saturday 2nd April 9am till 4pm.

Pinnaroo Swimming Pool **CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE** due to repairs

For further information please contact the Council

FREE Parenting SA seminar



Presented by Dr Justin Coulson

- Nationally recognised parenting speaker
- Newspaper columnist
- TV commentator, author and researcher

Toddlers and touch screens: What should I do?

- the pros and cons of the digital age for children 0-5 years
- how and when to introduce phones, tablets, apps, e-games
- how to manage electronic media use

Tuesday 5 April

When: 7.00 - 9.00pm

Where: City Rooms, Adelaide Convention Centre, North Terrace, Adelaide

Register to attend in person or view the live webcasts at:
<http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au>

Phone: 8303 1660
Email: health.parentingsa@sa.gov.au

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Children, teens and pornography: What every parent should know

- the alarming statistics
- are we becoming desensitised?
- the impact on boys and girls
- how parents can guide children and teens

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Major Ski Trip Fundraiser



ASIAN BANQUET & GAMES NIGHT & AUCTION

Friday 15th April – 6:00pm

@ The Pinnaroo Institute

\$45 per head – Catered by Salt n Pepper Catering

Includes – Entree, Main & Dessert

Book a table of 10, with family & friends & come along
for wonderful evening of fun filled games, & bag an Auction bargain
There will be a table 'play-off', please bring your gold coins to participate.

Great prizes and cash to be won.

Fantastic Auction Items up for grabs –
including a signed Gary Ablett Guernsey

Fundraiser for Pinnaroo Primary School Year 6/7 Class Snow Trip

Bookings & Payment Essential prior to Wednesday 6th April-

To book your table and for any further enquiries please contact PPS -

Ph 08 85 778 176

