



Amethyst May

I am proud of myself for reading big novels with no illustrations because not many people in Year 2 can usually do it which shows I've been practising really hard.

My favourite subject is Maths because I really like working with numbers and it's fun.

I look forward to doing Fitness at school because I want to be fit and strong. Fitness is good for me.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to remember my 12 times tables without help because I'd like to be able to say all the times tables.

A skill I would like to develop is writing because I'd like to be using more vocabulary to make my sentences better.

A goal for myself this term is to use positive words to solve problems because I want to be kind to others so everyone can be happy.

So far this year I have loved doing Health because I like learning how to protect my body.

Amethyst, Year 2



Albie Hancock

I am proud of myself for creating a drawing of Eggman and Toastman for a special plate design. It has taken me a long time to finish because I've been taking my time. I'm going to eat breakfast off

my plate!

My favourite subject is Art because we have to draw and help other students. This year I have made a cotton monster that was red and orange. They are both warm colours.

I look forward to doing Science experiments as we get to test the temperature of water to find out how long it takes to cool down. It would be exciting to test melting styrofoam next!

By the end of the year I hope to be able to finish all the reading levels at school. I feel like my chunking of tricky words has improved. The coolest book I've read this year is *The Midnight Gang* by David Walliams.

A skill I would like to develop is my writing stamina and speed when I am writing neatly. It takes me a long time when I am trying to be neat. This will help me in the Big Writes.

A goal for myself this term is to be respectful towards others for the whole day because people become upset if you aren't. I'm keeping track of my goal in my diary with stickers.

So far this year I have loved doing PE because it helps me get fit and be quicker when chasing other people.

Albie, Year 4



Blake Healy

I am proud of myself for reading Harry Potter because I don't read a lot of books normally and Harry Potter is really good.

My favourite subject is Physical Education. I am really enjoying lacrosse because it is a team sport and I haven't done it before. It's great to learn the rules of a different sport apart from the normal sports like football and cricket that I play on the weekend.

I look forward to doing \$20 Boss because it is really fun to sell things to people and make money for the School.

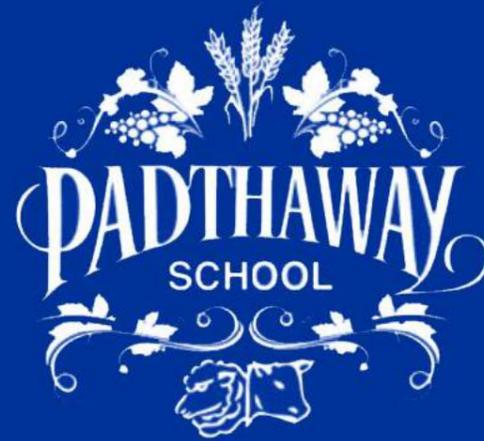
By the end of the year I hope to be able to read the whole series of Harry Potter and other similar books. I also hope to be good at Gaelic football.

A skill I would like to develop is to write neater because I am not writing very neatly and I would like to write on the lines.

A goal for myself this term is to be able to kick a ball 50 metres because I want to kick further which will help me with School Football.

So far this year I have loved writing because I think I have got a lot neater than I was at the start of the year.

Blake, Year 6



PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"

Be Respectful
Act Responsibly
Strive for Excellence



From the Principal

"Education is the passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to those who prepare for it today."

What amazing discussions I am hearing in class between the students this term! When I visit each class, students are discussing the definition for the focus reading comprehension strategy or they are discussing the importance of using correct punctuation in their writing. Students are sharing their opinions, learning how to accept the opinion of others and learning to take into account that not everyone has to agree. This shows how Padthaway is not only preparing students academically for the future, but building their social and emotional capacity as well. To hear these discussions, it can sound noisy or challenge our beliefs, especially as many adults are perhaps used to a more traditional classroom – rows of desks and complete silence!

To truly understand what is happening in the classroom, we first need to understand the intent of what staff are doing and how this supports students to be *preparing for the future...today*.

Dyslexia Information Night

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Sharing of Information

Please remember the importance of early notification of changes to routine regarding your child/ren. Staff carry a duty of care for your children when they are attending school. Please remember the protocols for our

students regarding information flows from the School Front Office to staff. We are unable to accept information passed through your child/ren. A phone call to the Front Office or a note in your child's diary is acceptable.

Road Upgrade

Week 3 saw the beginning to the road upgrade in front of the school. The upgrade is part of the community 'Way to Go' programme the Department of Planning and Infrastructure sought applications for in 2016. The Department of Planning and Infrastructure is working with the Tatiara District Council to improve the safety of Vogelsang Road in front of Padthaway School.

Improvements include a wider footpath on both sides of the road, concrete protuberances to form part of a 'crossing' to keep children safe when crossing the road, improved signage along the road and a change to parking. The School was fortunate to receive a new front fence which acts as part of the beautification of Padthaway School. How fortunate we are that DPTI and the Tatiara District Council recognise the importance of keeping children safe in Padthaway. The upgrade works will continue until approximately Week 6 or 7.

Pre-Service Teacher

This term we welcome first year pre-service teacher Sonia Holmes to Padthaway School. Sonia is working in the Junior Primary Class with Miss Brookes. Sonia has 10 days of observation throughout the term as this is her beginning practical. She will be attending a full week in Week 8. Sonia is from Naracoorte and is studying her teaching degree part time at the University of South Australia in Mt Gambier.

NAPLAN

NAPLAN testing was completed for Years 3, 5 and 7 this week with students sitting four sessions testing their Writing, Reading,

Language Conventions (spelling and grammar) and Numeracy skills. Results will be available in Term 3. Congratulations to the Years 3, 5 and 7 students for demonstrating persistence and effort with all NAPLAN tests.

Cross Country SAPSASA

Congratulations to our cross country runners who competed in the South East Cross Country on Friday 10th May. Anna Orton placed first in the 10 year old girls, Elsie Orton placed second in the 9 year old girls, Tom Orton placed third in the 12 year old boys and Kiele Longbottom and Nirvana O'Farrell placed in the top ten in their races. Students aged 10 and older will be representing the Upper South East in SAPSASA at Oakbank in Adelaide. Well done to all students who participated and thank you to parents who helped marshal on the day.

Weeks 4 and 5

During Weeks 4 and 5 I will be taking leave. Corinne Brookes will be available in the Office every second afternoon if you need to speak with her. Corinne will be a wonderful asset during this period and I wish her all the best.

Working Bee

There will be a Working Bee to beautify our vegetable garden and chicken coop on Friday May 31st (Week 5). The afternoon will begin at 1:30pm. Students will not be involved in this Working Bee. Please bring along any items you think will help in the development of the vegetable garden and chicken coop.

Early Dismissal

On Monday 3rd June (Week 6), students will have an early dismissal at 2:00pm. This provides staff with the opportunity to attend specific dyslexia training targeted at Padthaway students. This is a wonderful opportunity for staff to develop skills in working with children with dyslexia and, in conjunction with the parent session, develops the understanding of parents in our community. Buses will run at this earlier time.

Olivia

Dates to Remember

31 May
Parent Working Bee 1:30pm

3 June
Early Dismissal 2:00pm
Parent Session—Dyslexia

10 June
Queen's Birthday Holiday

17 June
Governing Council 6:30pm

27-28 June
Life Education Visit

4 July
Assembly 9:00am

5 July
End Term 2. Early dismissal 2:30pm

Tuck Day

28th May (Week 5)
Quiche and Salad

Helper
Cate Orton
*Muffins—Tammy Mathews

4th June (Week 6)
Sausages, Spiders and Biscuits

Helpers
SRC

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Padthaway School Term 2 Calendar

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	29 April First Day Term 2	30	1 May SAPSASA Netball and Football Trails	2	3
2	6 Governing Council 6:30pm	7	8	9	10 SAPSASA Cross Country
3	13	14 NAPLAN Online Testing Begins Years 3, 5 and 7	15	16	17
4	20 NAPLAN Online Testing Continues Years 3, 5 and 7	21	22	23	24
5	27	28	29	30	31 Working Bee 1:30pm
6	3 June Early Dismissal 2:00pm Parent Session- Dyslexia	4	5	6	7
7	10 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	11	12	13	14
8	17 Governing Council 6:30pm	18	19	20	21
9	24	25	26	27 Life Education Visit	28 Life Education Visit
10	1 July	2	3	4 Assembly 9:00am	5 Early dismissal 2:30pm

South Australian School Dates 2019

Term 2 Begins	29 th April
Term 2 Ends	5 th July
Term 3 Begins	22 nd July
Term 3 Ends	27 th September
Term 4 Begins	14 th October
Term 4 Ends	13 th December



PCW Spot

One thing I enjoy doing is cooking, and it's worked well here at school as I have discovered the students also love cooking (or maybe it's just licking

the spoon at the end?). This week when cooking with the students we talked about how we can use our cooking to bless somebody else, and to thank them for being part of our school community. The students were so excited to discuss the people who they could show a 'Random Act of Kindness' to and we discussed how good we can feel when we show kindness to others. There's a quote that says "when we seek to bring out the best in others, we somehow bring out the best in ourselves."

Each day at school I see acts of kindness all around – encouraging words from peers, opening doors for each other, staff taking time to listen to students, and students showing compassion for each other in the yard when someone is hurt or feeling low. I want to acknowledge the acts of kindness that are being displayed and sometimes go unnoticed around our community, and also encourage us all to consider how we can build on this and show kindness every day. "Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless." Mother Theresa

Joke: How much fun is doing your washing?
Loads
Lisa

Learning in the Middle Primary

This term we are learning how to play dodgeball and playing various warm-up games during PE.

I am proud of the way I am participating in the warm-up games during PE because they get me warmed up and I enjoy them. My favourite subject with Miss Clothier is PE because I like doing sports and I have a goal to be able to run really fast. I look forward to learning new warm-up games because I am enjoying learning the new skills. A skill I would like to develop is to be able to have more of an easy going attitude towards sports I don't necessarily like. A goal for myself this term is to put 100% effort into giving the PE games more of a go.

Henry O, Year 4



Public Education Awards

Nominate, recognise and celebrate an outstanding educator in the 2019 Public Education Awards.

Get involved and say thankyou to a leader, teacher or support staff member making a significant difference to the lives of their students and their communities.

The Public Education Awards recognise excellence in South Australian public education, and nominations are open 1 to 31 May.

Visit www.education.sa.gov.au/awards to nominate and find out more about the awards. #PublicEduAwards2019

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Community News

Padthaway Playgroup

Playgroup is held on Friday of the odd weeks of term from 10:00–11:30am. Playgroup is held during the Preschool session and allows greater social opportunities for children. Next Playgroup date is Friday May 31st.

Padthaway Medical Centre

Consulting hours with Dr Sarah Willoughby are 9:00am–5:00pm every Monday and from 2.00pm Thursday afternoons in the Padthaway Medical Centre. To make an appointment please phone Robe Medical Clinic on 8768 2012 or Padthaway Medical Centre (Mondays and Thursday afternoons only) on 8765 5063.

Country Champs

Well done Anna, Jess and Tom on your fantastic results. We are all very proud of you.





What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

The children enjoyed making chocolate chip muffins with Lisa, our Pastoral Care Worker. Cooking is a fun, engaging activity for children and is an essential life skill. We talked about the different ingredients and the order they need to be added. This cooking experience offered opportunities for children to develop their understanding of measuring, one-to-one correspondence, numbers and counting.

R/1/2 Word Work

We have been doing lots of learning. At school I like to do Word Work because it's so much fun and it helps me learn the letters properly. We say the letters and the sounds they make for practice so that we can get better at them. Miss Brookes helps us with the new letters every week and then we get to try to do them on our own. I like when I try on my own and I get it right. Writing the letters is tricky sometimes because there are still ones that I don't know yet. I will learn them all soon because I can be persistent and I like to learn them.

Chloe, Reception

3/4 Reading Rap

This term we have been learning about the *Author's Purpose*. Miss Edwards came up with a good idea for our Class to write an educational rap that will teach the R/1/2 students about PIE. We have the rap to the *Fresh Prince of Bel-Air*.

Jess, Year 4

We made a good start on our rap. We hope you like it.

*PIE, the author's purpose,
P is for P P P Persuade,
You need to agree with me,
To not climb a tree,
Or you'll fall down,
And hit the ground.*

Eliza, Year 4

Persuade is when the author is trying to make the reader agree with them. Inform is when the author is telling you facts and information. Entertain is when the fiction is trying to hook you in the book.

Elsie, Year 4



SRC News

In our last SRC meeting we discussed holding a Sports Colours Day in Week 10. Students can wear their favourite team's sports top.

In Week 6 we are having a Crazy Day. The flyer will be out next week.

There are lots of activities happening at the school at the moment so if you have any other ideas that you would like the SRC to discuss please don't hesitate to see a member of the SRC to see what we can do for you.

Bailey, SRC President

Sports News

Congratulations to Tom, Anna and Jess for participating in the Country Athletics Championships in Adelaide this week. Tom came 8th in the 1500m

and 3rd in the 800m, Anna came 2nd in the 1500m and Jessica's relay team won. Well done. Anna and Tom may have the opportunity to go to Darwin for the next stage.

Ned, Year 5

Choir News

This week we will be looking at the song *Route 66*. Route 66 was a historic highway in the United States starting in Chicago and ending on the shores of the Pacific Ocean in Santa Monica, California. It is 2,448 miles long and takes 2 weeks to travel it.

Lily, Choir Captain

5/6/7 News

Last week the Year 3s, 5s and 7s had NAPLAN, so on the Monday the Year 4s came into our class for the morning. Miss Clothier is teaching us Media Arts in her lessons. We are learning about different camera angles. We are starting to learn about scripts and script writing. She is also teaching us History. We have been learning about the Magna Carta. We are about to start a new History topic. In Technology, Mr Exton is teaching us how to type properly. A lot of us can only type with two fingers. We are using a website called typing.com. We are allowed to use this website at home. In PE we are still learning to play lacrosse. Soon we might be starting Gaelic football. Gaelic football is a soccer type of game.

D'Arci, Year 6

Nature Play Incursion-Preschool/JP Classes



The children have been experimenting with writing in the outdoors. The children have been using paintbrushes and water, chalk, clipboards with pencils and coloured markers. The children use their drawings, written marks or writing to express their ideas and feelings. The children have had opportunities to explore a variety of materials and appreciate colour and texture at vertical and horizontal levels.

Hayley

