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PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL



From the Principal

"A mind that is stretched by a new experience can never go back to its old dimensions"

- Oliver Wendell Holmes Jr.

Welcome to Term 4! I hope that all our students, staff and families had a pleasant and restful school break and are prepared for the 7 weeks of learning we have left. The first two weeks have already proven to be very busy, with students hitting the ground running, diving into new topics and learning new skills as well as preparing for the many extra events that will be happening throughout the term.

The students are all eager and enthusiastic about the upcoming Year 4-7 Aquatics Camp, Athletics Day, Outdoor Classroom Day, Wellbeing Afternoon, Transition, Concert, Graduation and all the learning in between.

Such a busy term will require students to make the best use of class time, apply great focus and problem solving, as well as continue to strive for excellence. We enjoy being able to provide these opportunities for our students, with the events allowing Padthaway students to encounter new experiences, challenge themselves, work collaboratively and take pride in their efforts and outcomes. As learners, they are ever expanding their understanding and capabilities, furthering their knowledge and contributions to the learning of themselves and others. As the term progresses the staff will continue to support children with their goals, encourage them to keep achieving their best and be the biggest advocates for students' success with learning.

Choir

Yesterday our 5/6/7 Choir Team had the opportunity to perform in Mount Gambier at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre. The students attended rehearsal on Tuesday and

many ensured they did extra practice before the day. They put on a wonderful performance enjoyed by all and it was fantastic to see our students shine on stage in both choir and solo performances. Well done Choir Team!

4-7 Camp

In Week 3, the Year 4-7 students will be attending the Murraylands Aquatics Camp from Monday through to Wednesday. Since the beginning of the term, students have all been buzzing with excitement about attending the camp and the variety of water sports they will be learning including kneeboarding, kayaking and sailing. It will be a jam packed few days and we are all looking forward to the experience.

Year 7 Transition

In Week 1, our Year 7 students were visited by the Naracoorte High School Principal to begin talking about the transition process. The students had the opportunity to ask questions and learn more about Naracoorte High School as well as different subjects offered in high school and how classes work differently. The visit was informative and helped the Year 7 students feel more supported with the lead up to transition. This year there will be 2 full days of transition in Weeks 7 & 8. The students are eager to find out more and experience what high school will be like. This is an exciting time for our Year 7s!

Woolworths Cricket Blast

Woolworths Cricket Blast (formerly know as Milo Cricket) is usually held at Padthaway Primary School in Terms 1 and 4. Unfortunately as we were unable to find a coach for Padthaway this term, we will not be hosting the sessions. We will continue to search for a coach to run it for Term 1 2020. For the remainder of this term, the Woolworths Cricket Blast Programme is available in both Naracoorte and Mundulla on Thursday afternoons and Padthaway

students are able to join these sessions. If you are able to coach Woolworths Cricket Blast in Term 1 2020, please contact the Front Office.

Athletics Day

Tomorrow we had planned to hold our annual Athletics Day. Due to forecasted unsafe weather conditions we have made the difficult decision to postpone Sports Day until Friday the 8th November. While we realise many people had made plans to come to this Friday, the safety of our students and families is paramount. We are hoping that giving you this much notice will allow for changes in your schedule. Each class has been, and will continue, putting in extra practice this term to ensure they are all at their best for competition on the day. Yellow and Blue House Captains have also been helping organise lunch time relay and 3-legged practices which have supported great improvement for each team. We look forward to seeing excellent sportsmanship and participation on Athletics Day. If you have any other questions please contact the school on 8765 5028. If you have volunteered for any duties please contact the school to confirm the changed date is still suitable. We hope to see you all there!

Concert

Padthaway's annual School Concert is only 7 weeks away. The concert will be held on Wednesday the 11th of December and begin at 6:30pm at the Padthaway Town Hall. To ensure we can begin the concert promptly at 6:30pm we ask for an arrival time of 6:15pm, allowing students to collect costumes or props before the performance starts. Our theme this year is *Blast From the Past* and classes are already deep in thought and preparation. As always our concert will celebrate the end our school year through song, dance, awards and Year 7 graduation. Thank you.

Corinne



What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

In the last week of Term 3, we sat down and talked about how we can create some new excitement in the outdoor area. The children suggested decorating the fence. We decided to start a hanging garden. We talked about reusing materials and understanding the benefits and work that goes into growing plants and why we therefore need to look after them.

In our small hanging garden, we have planted succulents, geraniums, aloe vera, agapanthus and herbs in plastic milk carton.

Projects like this will give the children an opportunity to actively learn more about nature and the environment around them while having fun in a safe outdoor space.

Hayley, Preschool



JP News

We have been practicing for Athletics Day and learning about safety in Health.

I am proud of myself for getting better at long jump because I feel like I am really improving. My favourite subject with Miss Clothier is Health because it is very good to learn about water safety and draw pictures. I look forward to doing Geography because I like learning about the world. A skill I would like to develop is marathon running because I like to do long distance running. A goal for myself this term is to learn more about natural, built and managed features because I like learning about them.

Jassen, Year 1

5/6/7 News

I can't believe it is term 4 already! In Reading, we are learning how to summarise properly. In P.E, we are practising for sports day that is now in Week 4. We are going really well with it all except for a few behaviour issues. In Science, we had to write a practical about a lava lamp. We had to make a lava lamp using oil, water, food colouring and Aspro tablets. With Miss Clothier, we have been looking at Asia and some of its features.

D'Arci, Year 6

3/4 News

The birds have been a challenging art project because there was repetitive cutting and gluing. I really liked painting the shades and tints because we were able to mix all of the colours together to make new colours. I chose the cockatoo, which went missing and we couldn't find it anywhere. Now I am doing the kingfisher, which is brown, blue, black, white and cream.

Jess, Year 4

My tip for any students who want to make a great bird is to work from the bottom of the page to the top of the page and use large cut feather shapes rather than tiny shapes. My favourite part was blending colours to make a sunset background. I made a kookaburra.

Matthew, Year 4

I'm going to frame my galah because I'm very proud of it. My background is different tints of blue.

Elsie, Year 3



SRC News

Last term we held a successful Jump off Day for Jump Rope for Heart and raised \$110 through games and a coin line. The day went well with lots of students enjoying the event. A few

parents also joined in on the skipping which was excellent. We are currently working out what we will spend our SRC profit on at the end of the year. We have many good ideas including sporting equipment but nothing is confirmed yet. If you have any other suggestions please come and see me. We still have one more Tuckday to be held this term in week 6. We are still discussing ideas at this stage.

Bailey, SRC President

Sports News

In Week 6 I will be heading to Adelaide for SAPSASA Tennis. I'm really looking forward to competing, showing good sportsmanship and putting in my



best effort.

School Cricket has also started this term and the numbers are looking great!

Athletics Day is on now going to be on Friday of Week 4 because the weather won't be safe enough tomorrow but everyone is excited about the day. We have all been practising a lot so good luck!

Kiele, Sport

Choir News

In Choir we have been working very hard to prepare for the SE music festival in Mount Gambier. On Tuesday we went to Mount Gambier for our SE festival of music rehearsal. I would



like to say a big thank you to Bec Weller and Carly Bell for taking the choir student to our Mount Gambier choir rehearsal. We all really appreciated it.

On Wednesday all the choir students participated in the SE music festival. It went really well. All the students really enjoyed it. Well done to Matilda and D'Arci. They did an excellent job in their solos. Thanks to all the parents for taking us to Mount Gambier and supporting us with driving over the year. It is always appreciated and gives us the opportunity to attend all the rehearsals.

Lily, Choir Captain



PCW Spot

As I wander through the school and greet the staff in the mornings I see them diligently preparing for the days lessons, checking in with students to ask how they are going,

photocopying and planning, setting up the classroom, changing dates on whiteboards, stopping to help tie shoe laces, and doing all this with a smile.

October 5th was World Teachers Day. So I want to say a huge thank you to all of the staff here in our school for being so dedicated, passionate, and hard working. Every day I see staff members going above and beyond for the students in their care; whether it's encouraging those who are struggling, believing in students who have lost hope, inspiring new ideas, stirring up creativity, or helping students to realise their potential. When I think about our staff the words that come to mind are: patient beyond measure, kind, generous, fun-loving, enthusiastic, thoughtful, and caring.

Let's thank our teachers and all staff for the awesome people that they are.

Happy World Teachers Day!

Joke: What do you do if your teacher rolls their eyes at you? Pick them up and roll them back.

Lisa

R/1/2 News

In Science we have been learning about mixtures. We cooked bread in a bread machine. We added water, flour and yeast. The machine stirred it around and then it started to go up, which is called rising. It went all the way up and then it got hot which means that it was cooking. When it finished cooking we took it out and Miss Davey cut it up. We got to share it and had honey or vegemite on our bread.

Witches make mixtures and so do chefs. Chefs need to read the ingredients to know what to mix together.

Shannel, Reception

Lily's Hair Chop

During the holidays I got my hair cut at Cut Loose in Bordertown. I decided to donate it to Sustainable Salons. As soon as the ponytails arrive at Sustainable Salons their team sorts and grades every ponytail by hand according to its length, hair type and colour. They don't get paid to collect and sort them. They do it so that those in need receive the maximum benefit. Once they collect and sort the ponytails they send them to different charity organisations such as Australia Alopecia Areata Foundation (AAAF) and Variety Children's Cancer Charity to be made into wigs. As high grade ponytails are super valuable these organisation sell them to wig makers and use the money to help life changing programmes and also providing wigs to children. Since 2015 Sustainable Salons have collected more than 43,700 ponytails. It takes 20 ponytails to make just one wig. I think this is an amazing programme and more people should do it.

Lily, Year 6



Community News Padthaway Playgroup

Playgroup is held on Tuesday of the even weeks of term from 9:00—10:30am. Playgroup is held during the Preschool session and allows greater social opportunities for children.

A morning tea is held in conjunction with Playgroup for any parents who are interested in attending to meet new parents at Padthaway.

If you would like more information, please contact Hayley at school.

Next Playgroup date is 22nd October.

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.



NARACOORTE TENNIS CLUB

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots

ANZ Tennis Hot Shots is tennis for kids! It's a program designed to help every child, no matter their age or ability, jump in and start playing tennis.

Join us for our Term 4 and Term 1 programs:
 Term 4 2019: Saturday 26 October-Saturday 14 December
 Term 1 2020: Saturday 1 February-Saturday 7 March

Junior Competition Tennis

Join our Junior Competition teams playing in the Kowree Junior Tennis Association for players aged 12-and-over

For more information or to join our junior tennis programs, please contact:
 Rachel Mahney - 0427 564 029
 Will Malone - 0408 852 706



Miss Brookes Is Getting Married!

Miss Brookes is getting married on the 2nd November to Ricky Mowat in the Adelaide Hills and we would like to wish her all the best for her special day!

We look forward to seeing some lovely photos from the big day and hearing all about it! Congratulations Miss Brookes! Or from Week 4 she will be known as Mrs Mowat! Good luck and enjoy this very special time in your life.

From all the Staff and Students at Padthaway Primary School

SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Clayton Parham

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is working hard to improve my reading because now I can nearly read a whole book on my own.

My favourite subject is Maths because we are learning about patterns and growing patterns which is when they get bigger each time using a rule, like add one each time or add two. I am loving this!

I look forward to doing Geography at school because we are making a map of places around the world and we get to colour in and learn about different places, like countries and oceans.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to read a whole book that has 10 or more pages. I definitely think I can do this.

A skill I would like to develop is running because then I can run the marathon at Athletics Day without stopping. I am looking forward to the Athletics Day this Friday.

A goal for myself this term is colouring neater because then I can win a colouring competition like what you get from Woolworths, then I could win a cool prize like \$1000.

So far this year I have loved doing maths because I can improve at counting and telling time.

Clayton, Year 1



Anna Orton

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is making friends with new people. Some are from our school and some are from sport's activities.

My favourite subject is science and technology because we get to learn new things about digital technologies. We have been learning about programming. I can't wait until we get to try out the Ozobots. I look forward to doing visual art at school because we are feathering paper that we have painted over Australian birds—mine is a photograph of a rosella. My background is painted grey to symbolize the night landscape.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to learn my 7 and 8 times tables so I can win our class maths games, like knockout and hoop wars. It also helps with multiplying of large numbers.

A skill I would like to develop is completing all my homework because it helps with my Friday spelling test. This year I have had a lot of after school activities so I can sometimes forget.

A goal for myself this term is to write about my experiences at camp so that I can look back at the memories whenever I want.

So far this year I have loved working with Miss Duell because she was really energetic. I hope she gets to come back to our school.

Anna, Year 4



Kobi Laffan-Greenman

Something I am proud of myself for doing is maths because I have got so much better at doing fractions, Allegra and other things. These maths

concepts are so important and I know if I get better at them in Primary School it will really help me later on in life.

My favourite subject is maths because I get to learn more about numbers and fractions and it puts number knowledge in my brain.

I look forward to doing my first athletics day at my new school. PE is also really fun!

By the end of the year I hope to be able to write neater and be able to finish my work quickly.

A skill I would like to develop is to be able to write in cursive neatly because it is a great skill to have in handwriting. I am definitely getting better.

A goal for myself this term is to do my best and try and do my work quietly without getting distracted.

I would also like to be able to run the whole hurdles track at athletics day without knocking one over. I am really looking forward to Athletics Day!

So far this year I have loved doing PE because I love learning new and fun sports skills. We have been doing lots of Athletics training and I like playing sport with my friends.

Kobi, Year 6

Dates to Remember

28th—30th October
Years 4– 7 Camp

8th November
Athletics Day

13th November
Enviro Warrior Excursion

26th November
Yr 7 Transition
Pre-entry Transition
Preschool to Reception Transition

3rd December
Yr 7 Transition
Pre-entry Transition
Preschool to Reception Transition

Tuck Day

29th October (Week 3)
No Tuckday—Camp

5th November (Week 4)
Hotdogs
Reanna Metcalfe
***Muffins— Hollie Roach**

Tammy Mathews, Kirilie Turner
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Padthaway School Term 4 Calendar

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	October 14 School Begins Term 4	15	16	17	18
2	21 Governing Council at 6:30pm	22	23 Choir Performance Mt Gambier	24 School Photos	25
3	28 Year 4-7 Camp	29 Year 4-7 Camp	30 Year 4-7 Camp	31	November 1
4	4	5	6	7	8 Athletics Day
5	11	12	13 Enviro Warrior Excursion	14	15
6	18	19	20	21	22
7	25	26 Year 7 Transition Pre-Entry Transition Preschool-Reception Transition Preschool- Reception Information Afternoon	27	28 Pre-Entry Information Afternoon	29
8	December 2 Governing Council at 6:15pm	3 Year 7 Transition Pre-Entry Transition Preschool-Reception Transition	4	5	6
9	9	10 Pre-Entry Transition Preschool-Reception Transition	11 Concert at 6:30pm	12 Bordertown Pool & Movie	13 Assembly School Ends Term 4 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