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PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"



From the Principal

"Vision without action is a dream. Action without vision is simply passing time. Action with vision is making a positive difference."

- Joel Barker

As we near the end of Semester 1 and have reached the middle of 2020, it is a great time to reflect on the year we've had so far. The challenges, changes, learning and growth that has occurred have been like never before for each and every one of us. Reflecting about our challenges and progress provides the opportunity to re-evaluate our goals too. We may need to tick some goals off the list and set new ones or refocus to take the next steps towards an existing goal. As teachers support students to reflect, set goals and take the next steps with learning as the term ends, it is important to remember that from these conversations the students must drive the follow-up actions to ensure change and growth. We encourage our students to choose their words carefully, to make the most impact on their learning and be thoughtful about what actions to take to achieve their greatest potential.

Reporting

Our teachers are hard at work, writing the Semester 1 reports and Preschool Statements of Learning to send out at the end of this term. The Preschool Learning Statements share information about how children are progressing using the 5 Outcomes of the Early Years Learning Framework and the Preschool Literacy/Numeracy Indicators. The R-7 teachers report on student achievement according to the Australian Curriculum Achievement Standards for each year level. These standards are required to be met at the end of the year and this semester report provides parents with a progress report as to how their child is progressing towards those

standards in their current year. Be assured that whether learners were at school or at home during Semester 1, they will still receive the same quality of reporting. When statements of learning and reports are delivered on Friday, Week 10, we encourage meaningful, reflective conversations about children's progress and their next steps towards success as they head into Term 3.

Lost Property

With the Winter weather settled in there have been a number of unlabelled jumpers handed in to Lost Property. To avoid students losing items, it would be greatly appreciated if belongings could be clearly labelled. If your child has lost any items, please contact the Front Office or send children to check in Lost Property.

Sharing of Information

A reminder of the importance of early notification of any changes to routine regarding your child or their absence. Staff carry a duty of care for the children at our school and need to be aware of any changes or reasons for absence. Please remember the protocols regarding exchanging this information should flow from parents to the Front Office. We are unable to accept information passed on by your child. A phone call to the Front Office, notification in person, via Skoolbag or a parent note in your child's diary are all acceptable.

Parents and Volunteers

As of June the 29th (Monday, Week 10), parents and volunteers are welcomed back into schools. Adults entering the site must still adhere to the hygiene protocols and apply the 1.5m social distancing requirements with other adults. Whether you are a parent or a member of the public, if you'd like to volunteer you will need a Working With Children Check. Please contact the Front Office or go on the website (<https://screening.sa.gov.au/applications/application-information-for-individuals>) to

complete the check or renew if needed. The students and staff are looking forward to having you back!

Playgroup

Fortnightly Playgroup resumes in Week 10. On Tuesday the 30th of June, we will be running Playgroup in the Preschool space from 9 -10:30am as normal. Anyone attending Playgroup will need to ensure our hygiene protocols are followed and that the 1.5m social distancing requirement between adults is adhered to. We look forward to seeing you in Week 10!

Assembly - Closed Event

Our Term 2 Assembly will once again be a closed event with only staff and students able to attend. Unfortunately, if the assembly were open to the community as normal, there would not be adequate space allowing all adults the 1.5m distancing between each other that is required. All performances and awards will be shared on the school Facebook page on Thursday, 2nd of July. We appreciate your understanding with this and hope to run our regular Term 3 Assembly with members of the community in attendance.

Celebrity Day

Next Tuesday, 23rd of June, the SRC are hosting Celebrity Day. All students are invited to dress up as their favourite celebrity for a gold coin donation. There will be a costume parade and the best-dressed celebrity from each class will receive a prize. There will also be 3 sessions of celebrity activities in the afternoon! The SRC will hold their Tuck Day the same day, cooking up sausages in bread with toppings for lunch and Milo Balls for dessert. Please have all Tuck Day orders returned to the Front Office by tomorrow to ensure you don't miss out. I am absolutely positive that I'll be star struck by all our celebrities on Tuesday!

Corinne

What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

As part of the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum, the Preschool children have been learning about relationships and trust. As a group we have had discussions about who we can trust and why. I introduced a trust game to the children which they were very excited to engage in. This involved the children choosing a partner who they could trust to walk them around the room while they were blindfolded. From this, we discussed how tricky it would be to do the activity without someone we trust.

The Preschool children were also eager to start our new space focus. So far, we have looked at what is in space, the different planets and that we live on the planet Earth. We have listened to different songs about Space which the children have enjoyed engaging with. They noticed and described the different planets they saw and we are very excited to make a big rocket next week for our new space area.

Nicole, Preschool

R/1 News

We have been learning about dinosaurs and learning about the size of some dinosaurs. A stegosaurus is as big as our classroom. We got to read lots of dinosaurs books. We have been doing Choice Learning and the Preschool children are doing it with us now. In Brain Break we have been practicing our skipping which is good for all our muscles. We play games like 'helicopter' and we jump with the big rope too. Some people didn't know how to skip and now they do.

Belle, Reception



Sports News

We have now got more people playing football during breaks with the possibility of school footy practice starting again. There is a bit of a split between how many people play down at cubbies and how many play footy now. Some of the students have made up a new game called *Soccy*. The game involves 12 people, 6 on each team. There is 1 goalie, 2 people at the front and 3 people in the middle for each team. With *Soccy* it has been an alternative for goalie/4 square. People have become really good at getting along during recess and lunch together.

Callum, Blue House Captain

2/3 News

In Maths we have been busy learning about subtracting by playing games and I have learnt the strategies of borrowing, counting on and counting back. During Wellbeing a few weeks ago I loved the balloon stack challenge because we had to use our problem solving skills as we weren't allowed to talk! Making helicopters in Science was fantastic because we got to test their flight speed before and after we cut their wings. I am looking forward to PE this week as we had to create our own PE games in groups and I get to teach my game to the class which is called Mixed Up Mayhem. The other groups' games have been fantastic to play. Lately in Art we've been learning about music and dancing to songs. I have learnt about crescendo and decrescendo which means going up and down in music. We have been learning about celebrations and commemorations in other countries. With Clayton, I have started researching about The Moon Festival and we have learnt that it is in China. Chloe and I have been researching about fish in Inquiry lessons and we are almost ready to present our poster to the class.

Jordana, Year 3



SRC News

For this week in SRC, we have been preparing for Celebrity Day and students are very excited for the activities and food. Just remember to bring your orders back so that you don't miss out. The SRC and Enviro Warriors have been discussing a combined dress up and Tuck Day which will happen in Term 3. SRC will run Tuck Day and the Enviro Warriors will do the dress up organising. More information will be sent out closer to the day in Term 3. SRC are also discussing buying new, larger footballs as most of ours are quite old or damaged.

Blake, SRC President



Enviro News

We have decided to get some more supplies for the scarecrow so that we can work on it. Some of the Enviro Warriors have donated hay, old pants, old shirts and also some outgrown or broken rubber boots. We have weeded our gardens again and made sure we put all the scraps in the green bin so we dispose of it properly. We have been discussing a dress up day with the SRC which will happen in Week 8 next term.

Xavier, Enviro Warrior



Choir News

Wow! Its Week 8 already. In Choir this week we had a special guest Shylie Harrison, the Musical Director for choir. She came today to hear us practice the songs and work on holding our notes and breathing. We are about to try out for compering for the Mount Gambier performance next week.

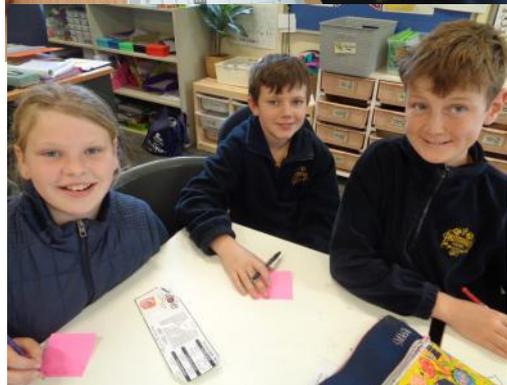
Ned, Choir Captain



Wellbeing News

Last week the Wellbeing Ambassadors had a Stone Soup Day where everyone enjoyed warm soup and a day focusing on gratefulness and sharing. We hope everyone enjoyed the pumpkin soup which was made by the Ambassadors and Lisa. We also donated some of our soup to members of the Padthaway community. Thank you to everyone who donated the pumpkins.

Nirvana, Wellbeing Ambassador





PCW Spot

Isn't it nice that restrictions are lifting and we are able to start travelling again to see our loved ones. Last weekend my family had a fantastic weekend away with

relatives in the Barossa. I know many of you have also been out and about camping and travelling. The Wellbeing Ambassadors this term have been focussing on the theme of gratitude. We already focussed on what we are grateful for and now who we are grateful for. This got me thinking about all the people I am grateful for who have been faithful in their jobs and made our travelling to see family possible.

There was the mechanic who serviced our car, the road builders and repairers who keep the roads smooth, shop attendants, supermarket stockers, petrol station operators and police officers. There were building planners, landscapers, construction workers, website designers, food preparers, waitresses, cleaners for the places we enjoyed food. This is only the beginning of the list...

I am grateful that so many people were faithful to do their jobs well. Faithful means: *able to be trusted or relied on; dependable and exact*. How about those who are faithful around us at school? There are teachers and staff, grounds people, bus drivers, cleaners, IT experts, school supply companies and delivery people, Governing Council, and you, the parents, carers and children. Just to name a few! Are you grateful? Take a moment to say *Thank you!*

Joke: What happened when the teacher tied all the students shoe laces together? They all went on a class trip.

Lisa, PCW



4/5 News

This week in the 4/5 Class we have been busy finishing off projects. We all finished our Ancient Chinese artefacts and the plaques that go with them. All of the artefacts look great and we can't wait to share them with everyone. Our class also finished off their farms for our *Design a Farm* project in Maths. All the farms needed to include area and perimeter, some even added in the volume of buildings too. We are now learning about volume and capacity. In English, we have been learning how to write about both sides of an argument to be able to write a discussion. For Reading, we are now focusing on questioning. We looked at how we can ask questions before, during and after reading and how to make thick and thin questions. In Science, we are still busy making our solar system projects. We started planning for our final piece of art for Visual Art too. For this, we have to make a landscape picture using all the collage techniques that we have been practising. The class has been doing a good job working towards our class goal and we are excited to achieve it. We are also excited about the new couch in the library. It is really cool and comfy!

Toby and Albie, Year 5

6/7 News

This week in PE we played a game of netball. We had the opportunity to play all different positions. As a warm up we played a game of *Around the World*. In *Around the World*, you start at one position in the goal ring and gradually move around until you shoot the last goal and win. Our Ancient China projects are going really well in History. We are putting our class museum together next week! People have been working really hard to put their artefacts together. Everyone has done such a good job at making their Ancient Chinese artefacts so when you can come back into school again make sure you take a look. There will probably be some friendly competition as there are a few models of the same artefact from Years 4-7. Some people have put in a lot of fine details on theirs.

Lily, Year 7



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 Nicole at school. Next Playgroup date is **30th June**.

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.



SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Isabella Verco

Something I am proud of myself for doing at Preschool is making the planet Venus out of balloons and newspaper. I look forward to painting and making unicorns and crowns. A goal for myself is to learn how to write so I can make books about unicorns. So far this year I have loved borrowing and reading books from the library with Tammy and drawing with Lauren.

Isabella, Preschool



Ellis Richards

Something I am proud of myself for doing at Preschool is making a big car track with roads and signs in the Preschool. I look forward to playing on the obstacle course with Riley and doing different jump tricks with him. A skill I want to develop is to jump on one leg and stay out of the lava on the ground. So far this year I have loved playing in the vet area where I can be a doctor for the animals.

Ellis, Preschool



Indi Broad

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is sitting nicely and listening to the teachers because then I get Dojo points and I feel proud.

My favourite subject is Art because you can do

lots of painting. I like to paint pictures of people and mermaids.

I look forward to doing Maths at school because I like putting sticks in order from the biggest to the smallest. I like playing 'Buzz' in Maths. If you say the magic number you have to sit down and the winner is the person who sits down last.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to learn about frogs and mermaids that live in other countries. I really want to see what they look like and know what they do.

A skill I would like to develop is counting because then I will be able to count to 100 and then I can get better at all my numbers.

A goal for myself next term is to climb on the monkey bars as fast as I can. I would like to get better at reading so then I can read bigger books.

So far this year I have loved doing Choice Learning because we get to work with the Preschool kids. I like to help the Preschool kids learn how to play and build things.

Indi, Reception



Bryce Rothe

Something I am proud of myself doing at school is improving my growth mindset during Visual Art lessons. If I'm not feeling happy with what I've done, I stay positive and make a change rather than starting the whole

thing again.

My favourite subject is Spelling because I enjoy doing all the activities and always stay focused to achieve a lot in Spelling lessons. Being productive helps me to have a good day afterwards.

I look forward to seeing and playing with my friends at school. We always play fun games and I enjoy spending time with them.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to get good grades in all my subjects. I am working hard to put in my best effort in all the subjects.

A skill I would like develop is my neatness in Big Write. I want to learn to take my time so my writing is neat but still make sure I am writing enough.

A goal for myself this term has been to not speak back and listen to instructions the first time. I am proud of the improvements I am making.

So far this year I have loved going to school to be able to see and play with all my friends. I have also loved Spelling lessons.

Bryce, Year 4

Dates to Remember

23rd June
SRC Celebrity Day

3rd July
Early Dismissal 2:30pm

Tuck Day

Week 9
SRC Tuckday -
Sausages in Bread & Milo Balls

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Preschool Term 2

Engaging in different play areas to develop on the children's interests



Padthaway School Term 2 Calendar

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	April 27 School Begins Term 2	28	29	30	May 1
2	4	5	6	7	8
3	11	12	13	14	15
4	18 Governing Council at 6:30pm	19	20	21	22
5	25	26	27	28	29 Tracky Dack Day
6	June 1	2	3	4	5
7	8 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	9	10	11	12
8	15 Governing Council at 6:15pm	16	17	18	19
9	22	23 SRC Celebrity Day & Tuckday	24	25	26
10	29	30	July 1	2	3 School Ends Term 2 Early Dismissal 2:30pm

South Australian School Dates 2020

Term 1 Begins	28 th January	Term 3 Begins	20 th July
Term 1 Ends	9 th April	Term 3 Ends	25 th September
Term 2 Begins	27 th April	Term 4 Begins	12 th October
Term 2 Ends	3 rd July	Term 4 Ends	11 th December

YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL

Parent Update

Week 8, Term 2 - 2020

Connecting with your local high school

We hope your child is enjoying being back at school for term 2. The lead up to the term was challenging for students, families and schools as together we responded to COVID-19.

We know some things had to be done differently, such as high school open days which were cancelled, postponed or moved online.

If you're interested in learning about your child's high school now, speak with your high school about how to best connect. If you're unsure of which high school zone you live in, use the [Find a school](#) tool on the department's website.

Getting ready for the move

Primary and high schools are working hard to plan for the move of year 7 to high school in 2022.

If your child is in year 5 or 6 this year, they'll be graduating from primary school next year. Primary schools are thinking now about how to make your child's last year in primary school a positive experience.

High school planning is also in full swing to welcome year 7s and year 8s together in 2022.

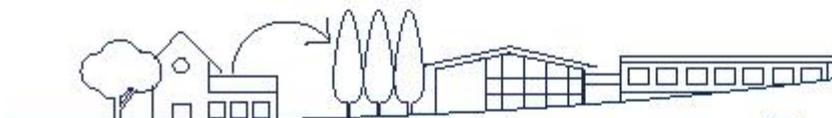
Primary and high schools are working together at every level to make the move a success for your child.

Stay engaged with your school to keep updated with the latest information.

Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: Year7toHS@sa.gov.au.



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