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PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"



From the Principal

"Kindness is more than deeds. It is an attitude, an expression, a look, a touch. It is anything that lifts another person."
- Plato

As we head off into the mid-year school break, it is the perfect time to take some much needed rest to feel revitalised, ready for the already busy term ahead. Over the break I hope you all get some much needed R&R. Teachers, SSOs, parents, students, grandparents and everyone in our community, please take time to be kind to yourselves and others. Make sure you take opportunities to lift yourself up, rest, put your feet up, enjoy that cup of coffee or tea, try something new that you've been waiting to do for a while and find time for some great laughs. You can also share kindness with friends, family and people in the community to help lift them up too. A simple gesture such as a coffee, card, compliment, conversation, listening or an invitation can make all the difference to someone else's day. You never know who might need it most. When we are kind to ourselves and others it is an opportunity to build positivity, happiness and connection. With all the busyness of life we must remember to take our own time out, be thoughtful, considerate and kind. I hope you all get the rest and kindness you need over the break.

Playgroup

On Tuesday, we had Playgroup start again. It was wonderful to see some of our local families and younger children from the community back in the Preschool. Everyone enjoyed working with some brushes and rollers to make paintings and using the playdough to make whatever they could imagine. It was lovely to watch the Playgroup and Preschool children working together on some of their paintings.

Graduation

As with many of the things that have been postponed over the past few months, so too was our teacher, Rebekah Duell's University Graduation Ceremony. During Assembly this morning we took the opportunity to hold our own graduation for her. We presented Miss Duell with a graduation certificate and cap at assembly, celebrating her fantastic achievements and congratulating her on a brilliant start to her teaching career. We all wish her a fulfilling and joyous journey as a teacher. Happy Graduation!

SRC Thank you

After a busy first semester of work as a Student Representative Council, we would like to thank the following SRC members for their great efforts over the last two terms, Jimmy Orton, Louis Orton, Felicity Orton, Sam Brammer and Alex Charlick. We have appreciated your work and contributions to the SRC meetings, fundraisers and cubby duties in Semester 1. Thank you for working with us as a team and ensuring student voices contribute to our school.

Semester 2 SRC

We would like to congratulate and welcome the new SRC members for Semester 2, Bailey Miller, Indi Broad, Ryan Miller, Ashley Ortlepp and Toby Longbottom. They will have the opportunity to support our school through their leadership for the remainder of the year. Blake, Lily and Matthew will continue their SRC roles for the remainder of the year as President, Vice President and Secretary. We look forward to starting our work with the new class representatives next term.

Celebrity Day

Last Tuesday, 23rd of June, the SRC held a Celebrity Dress Up and Activity Day in conjunction with their Tuck Day. It was wonderful to see so many stellar celebrities around our school on the day. We had a wide variety of celebrities including Queen

Elizabeth, Mr Bean, Boy George, Chad Reed and Emma Wiggle to name just a few. The students had a fantastic day of dressing up, with Harlyn Congdon, Indi Broad, Brandon Cooper, Grace Mathews and Will Turner taking out the class prizes for best dressed. The students enjoyed their lunch of sausages in bread with toppings and milo balls before participating in the afternoon activities. In mixed year level groups, the students rotated through a catwalk/ photo booth, a disco and Celebrity Heads. The students showed off their best celebrity struts and poses on the catwalk and enjoyed the challenge of limbo at their disco. A brilliant day was had by all! Thank you to everyone who dressed up on the day, donated ingredients for lunch or joined in the activities. The day supported the SRC to raise \$420.60 for our school. Another successful day for the SRC. They did an outstanding job of organisation and team work on the day. Well done!



School Break

During the school break we hope everyone stays safe and well. We hope that the break provides an opportunity to enjoy quality time with family and friends. Please take care of yourselves and we look forward to seeing our wonderful students, school families and volunteers for a busy Semester 2.

Corinne

What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

The Preschool children enjoyed participating in Celebrity Day last Tuesday. Everyone looked fantastic in their outfits! Congratulations to Harlyn for winning the best dressed prize for the Preschool class. We also had the opportunity to participate in Celebrity Day activities where the children showed their confidence while they were socialising and joining in with the older classes.

I would also like to welcome back the Playgroup children and parents. We had a wonderful first session back. It was great to see all of the children playing, communicating and sharing with one another nicely. We have had an exciting end to Term 2 and I would like to wish everyone a happy holidays before coming back for Term 3.

Nicole, Preschool



R/1 News

In Maths we have been making board games where we have to add and subtract numbers. I worked with Shannel and in our game you have to roll the dice and add or take away counters. It was fun to make the games because we got to draw things. I made a track and so did everyone else. The track helps you to know where to go and it makes it more exciting. Our game was called *Under The Sea* and I drew a mermaid, a submarine and a fish. In Inquiry I worked with Eddie to learn all about cheetahs. Cheetahs can run about 200km per hour. That is super fast!

Daisy, Reception



Sports News



The Junior Colts, school and Auskick football have finally started up again. More people are playing football at recess and lunch now to practice.

Soccie isn't played as much anymore but it is still very fun. We all can't wait for the holidays to begin so we can rest up but I can't wait to hear all the stories of people's adventures from during the two week break. As a result of local footy beginning again the training is happening and there is a chance of a game happening for the Junior Colts. It's great that we can get back into some local sport!

Callum, Blue House Captain

2/3 News

In Inquiry we showed our PowerPoints and posters on what we had been researching during the term. I was with Louis and we did a poster about Pigs. I have been enjoying handwriting because we have been learning uppercase letters. During Big Write editing we have been highlighting our wow words and punctuation and I love doing this because my teacher helps me get better. We have been making up and playing lots of different games in PE and I like learning other peoples games that they have made up. In Maths lessons we have started learning about length and I really like doing this because we have been using our bodies to measure and we even got to measure our arm spans. For Science we have been learning about different forces like push, pull, gravity and friction. I like how we have been able to draw pictures of different forces. I really liked drawing pictures on a paper hand for Reconciliation Week because we got to draw the flags and learnt about the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags more. I love feeding the class fish because I enjoy watching them come to the top to eat their food.

Jassen, Year 2



SRC News

Woo Hoo! It's Week 10 already! It has been a very exciting first semester with all the teachers and it has been great being able to play with friends again after Covid-19 restrictions. Last week the SRC had great news, our Celebrity Day raised a whopping \$420.60 which is one of the higher fundraisers for SRC at our school. The SRC worked very hard to cook the snags and make the milo balls which was a very messy task. The students were also happy about the activities we organised including the disco, catwalk and Celebrity Heads. The SRC have also decided rules for Soccie. Soccie is a game where you kick a soccer ball across the basketball court and have to kick it into the semi-circle to get a goal. It is working much better now that we have set some rules. I would like to say a big thank you to our outgoing SRC members for Semester 1- Louis Orton, Jimmy Orton, Felicity Orton, Sam Brammer and Alex Charlick. We look forward to welcoming a new group of students for Semester 2.

Blake, SRC President



Enviro News

The Enviro Warriors have been weeding around the school. We have been discussing more projects in the Enviro Warrior meetings every Thursday and getting some supplies to make the rest of the scarecrow. Some of the Enviro Warriors have been watering the garden with staff and they have just started to sprout. Will and I have been taking care of our gardens and are very happy with the results. Some vegies are almost ready to pull out and either give to the school or take home.

Xavier, Enviro Warrior



Choir News

It's Week 10 already! The Choir students who tried out to be the comperes last week were Albie, Nirvana and I. Nirvana and I will now have a chance to audition next term for the Mt Gambier performance.

Ned, Choir Captain





PCW Spot

It's school holidays! Ever wish you got a dollar for every time you heard the words "I'm bored" during the holidays? Experts suggest that boredom, where children have to rely on themselves for entertainment, is essential to a healthy childhood. Boredom sparks creativity, it teaches resilience, develops problem solving skills, helps children in relationships, builds their confidence, improves mental health and it creates a sense of belonging. So don't be afraid to have days with no structured activities. If you do give your children ideas, make them inventive and open ended such as creating an obstacle course or a treasure hunt where they can use their imaginations and go for it. Put a coat and beanie on and make the most of our beautiful outdoors here in Padthaway. If all else fails, stick a list of 'jobs to do around the house' (including cleaning the toilet) on the fridge and point them to it whenever they are feeling bored – this will be sure to spark their creativity instead!

Well done to everyone for overcoming many challenges this term. Wishing you all a safe and restful holiday and I'm looking forward to seeing you all again in Term 3.

Joke: What is more amazing than a talking dog? A spelling bee.

Lisa, PCW



Wellbeing News

This week the Wellbeing Ambassadors are doing a lesson that we are thankful for. We will be going round to every class and everyone has to

write a letter to who they are thankful for. It was nice to receive letters and phone calls from people in the community who received soup from our Stone Soup Day. Remember saying thank you is a great way to brighten someone's day.

Nirvana, Wellbeing Ambassador

4/5 News

We can't believe that it is already the last week of Term 2. Over the last couple of weeks we have all been busy finishing off our projects for different subjects, including our models of the solar system and our collages for Art. In Maths, we have been looking at capacity and mass. We were given the task of selecting certain items to take on a camping trip and finding the total mass and capacity of these items. We are now looking at time and converting to 24 hour time. For English, we are still writing discussions and have been learning how to use *Dynamic Dialogue* and *Show, Don't Tell* strategies in our discussions. In Science, we learnt about the different phases of the moon and how this relates to the months. In reading, we are working on creating deep questions for different texts to help us understand them. We all enjoyed the Celebrity Day! There were some great costumes and fun activities. It has been a busy and fun term and we are all looking forward to the holidays.

Anna, Year 5

6/7 News

In the 6/7 class we have been slowly finishing off our Semester 1 projects, such as our Ancient Chinese artefacts, solar system models and collages. As the term nears its end, the students have been getting more and more excited for the Term 2 holidays. I can't wait to hear the stories at the start of Term 3 about all the adventures that the 6/7 students went on during their two week break. In English we have started our final assessment task for Term 2. Our assessment task for English is writing a free choice piece using whatever text type we want. We need to demonstrate our learning of the 'Seven Steps to Success in Writing'. As a result of being able to write about whatever we want, students have been showing more focus when writing.

Callum, Year 7

Playgroup

Playgroup is held on Tuesday of the term's even weeks from 9:00—10:30am. Playgroup is held during the Preschool session and allows greater social opportunities for children and held in conjunction with a morning tea 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 **28th July**.

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.

Year 6/7 Parents

Due to Covid-19 restrictions Naracoorte High School will not be holding Principal's Open Day Tours next term. They will be providing a virtual tour of the school. This tour will be filmed in early term 3 and the school would like to offer parents the opportunity to ask any questions that can be answered during filming. Please use the link below to assist the Naracoorte High School with this by the 13TH July.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/B22H6JX>

Literacy Awards

Congratulations to the recipients of the Literacy Awards for Term 2. Well done Skyla Cooper, Felicity Orton, Digby McGregor and Ned Ward. Keep up the persistence and effort with your reading and writing.

Numeracy Awards

Congratulations to the students who received the Numeracy Awards this term. Fantastic effort Jimmy Orton, Jordana Congdon, Bryce Rothe and Will Turner. It is wonderful that you are working so hard on your Numeracy skills.

Star Citizen Awards

Congratulations to Shannel Santillan, Brandon Cooper, Jessica Frick and Murphy Heym for receiving the Term 2 Star Citizen Award as voted by their classes. Thank you for showing outstanding commitment to the school values! You should be proud of your efforts and the example you set for others.

Kindness Award

The Kindness Award was presented to Chloe Day who always shows kindness, care and respect. Congratulations and well done!



SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Ashley Ortlepp

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is getting elected to be an SRC because I really want to be a school leader and I am excited to help the school.

My favourite lesson is Inquiry because we have been able to choose an animal or country and research facts about it so we can present our information using either a PowerPoint or poster. I really like this because I like getting to choose what we learnt about.

I look forward to doing the School Fair because we missed out on doing it the first time and I am excited to show our game to everyone and see what others have to sell.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to increase my running speed.

A skill that I would like to develop is getting better at cartwheels and handstands because I would like to be able to do them whenever I want.

A goal for myself next term is to slow down and do my writing neater because it is really messy and my teacher needs to be able to read it.

So far this year I have loved doing Art because we have been able to paint or draw and I really enjoy doing them.

Ashley, Year 2



Toby Longbottom

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is my work in Maths because I always try and challenge myself and learn new concepts. I am also proud of my

reading because I am always focused when we do sustained reading.

My favourite subjects are Maths and PE. I like Maths because I like finding the answer to different problems and I like PE because we get to run around and play different sports.

I look forward to doing Maths games at school, especially Prodigy. This is because the games are fun and they always challenge me.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to write two pages during Big Write .

A skill I would like to develop is to type faster on the computer because this will help me when typing up work or when researching.

A goal for myself this term is to make sure I get straight onto task because this will help me to finish my tasks on time and achieve my personal best.

So far this year I have loved doing Maths, Science and Reading. I loved learning about the planets in the solar system, making a farm using area and perimeter and being able to read our books in guided reading.

Toby, Year 5



Ben Tiver

Something I am proud of myself is writing a conversation in Indonesian because I didn't know how to do that last year.

My favourite subject is English because it is fun

and it comes in handy when you're older and have a job. I particularly like spelling because it is something I am good at. I have enjoyed learning about the Seven Steps to Success in Writing, in particular, *Ban the Boring* and *Sizzling Starts*. It has been engaging listening to others share their writing with the class.

I look forward to PE next term because I quite like PE even though some sports can be trickier to learn. I also look forward to Maths because I know my times tables quite well and I enjoyed designing a farm.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to improve my Big Writes and ensure that I include descriptive language, focusing on *Show, Don't Tell*.

A goal for myself this year is to get all of my Core Word List Spelling Test correct and to improve my understanding of fractions.

So far this year I have loved Lacrosse because everyone enjoyed it and we played well as a class.

Ben, Year 7

Dates to Remember

3rd July

Early Dismissal 2:30pm

20th July

Start Term 3

Tuck Day TERM 2

SEE ATTACHED TUCKDAY LIST

Week 1—21st July

Pies and Sausage Rolls

Rebecca Weller

*Muffins— Kathy Hayes

Week 2—28th July

Lasagne and Salad

Cate Orton

*Muffins-Vicki Heym

Donations of lasagne:

Hannah Orton

Megan Charlick

Hollie Roach

Emily Congdon

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Government of South Australia
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Celebrity Day!



U9s Hockey

Open to all clubs & new players

Trainings: Thursdays 4:30

Games starting Saturday Mornings -Term 3

Gold coin donation

For further information contact Matt Waugh: 0448041521

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Hockey SA for
insurance purposes (\$25)

<https://www.hockeysa.com.au/registration/>

