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PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"



From the Principal

"Learning is not cumulative, it is a movement of knowing that has no beginning and no end."

- Bruce Lee

We have had a wonderful beginning to Term 3. The students came back from the break eager to be involved in new learning and projects for the term. It was a pleasure to spend some time in each class and see them engaging with new concepts and ideas so enthusiastically. Across the school the students have shown me the brilliant learning they have already started to focus on. I recently saw some very caring vets in the R/1 Class. They were making appointments for sick animals, taking x-rays, helping injured pets and sending them home with happy owners in their Dramatic Play area. Some of the 2/3 students were bursting with excitement to show me their reading achievements for comprehension activities or their levelled testing. Experiments in the 4/5 Class for Science were very impressive as they explored force. They had some creative ideas about making a product that would protect an egg from the force of impact. They had a great time trialling the effectiveness of their designs. Our 6/7 students have shared some of their detailed and informative work on comparing different countries demographics. It was a pleasure to see that the 6/7 students were eager to learn more about other countries as well as our own. With all of this fantastic learning already happening in just the first two weeks of the term, it appears our students will be producing some of their best work and projects yet. I look forward to seeing how their learning changes and progresses throughout the term.

Shade Structure

Our basketball shade structure was completed during the school break! This

replaces the previous structure which was removed in recent years after being damaged by some wild weather. The new shade structure looks excellent and will provide some much needed protection on rainy Winter days so the students can still get outside and be active. It will also provide some magnificent shade as the warmer months head our way. The students are very impressed by the size of the structure and that they can once again have somewhere to play under cover, out of the weather. We are very pleased to finally have our shade structure back.

Welcome

We have two new students who started at our school this term. Ceejay and Latoya Smith have joined us at Padthaway Primary. They have already made some great friends and settled into their classes nicely. Ceejay has been working hard in the 2/3 Class and Latoya is enjoying being a part of the R/1 Class. We welcome them and their family as a part of our Padthaway Primary School community. If you see them around the school, please say hello.

SFD

Monday, August 10th (Week 4), will be a Student Free Day. The teachers will be attending the Big Write Assessment and Data Analysis Training. This will be the final training of three for the Big Write and VCOP programme. The day will allow our teachers to refine their assessments of Big Write, to ensure they are interpreting student data in the most relevant and critically reflective way. This will further support class learning focuses, individual student goal setting and reflective feedback to students about writing. The teachers are looking forward to an insightful and productive training day.

Enviro Excursion

Tomorrow our Enviro Warriors will be travelling to the Naracoorte Caves for their excursion. This was planned for Term 2 but

needed to be postponed. They are very pleased that it can once again go ahead. The Enviro Warriors are eager to go to the Naracoorte Caves to learn about the flora and fauna of the area and work with Natasha Dawson. We can't wait to hear all about it when the warriors return.

Choir

In the latest update, the South East Music Festival in Mt Gambier will be going ahead. The Choir students are excited to perform and share all of their hard work and practice with an audience. In Semester 1, our team learnt the 7 core choir songs with great commitment to practice, singing beautifully and without needing to read from the books by mid-Term 2 which they were very proud of. This term they will be designing and creating our school choir banner and focusing our lessons on learning the 3 new songs for the SE Music Festival. The 3 song additions, *Best Day of My Life*, *Crocodile Rock* and *70s Dance Medley*, have been a hit with the choir already. The choreography practice is coming along nicely and we will continue our work on that this term too. Although we are yet to find out the performance date in Term 4 and are still awaiting details of how the evening will run as it will be an altered program from previous years, the students are really looking forward to having the opportunity to be on stage. We wish Nirvana and Ned luck with their compere auditions tomorrow and Grace, Lucy, Nirvana and Anna with their solo auditions next Wednesday.

Furniture Fundraiser

Thank you to all those who have already purchased furniture as a part of the school fundraiser! There are still a number of furniture items available to purchase. If you would like to know or look at what is available, please contact the Front Office.

Corinne

What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

For the new term, the Preschool children have started to learn about boats and water. We experimented with different objects to observe which of them floated or sunk. Throughout this, we discussed what the similarities and differences of these objects were. The Preschool children were excited to use this knowledge to make their own boats in two different teams. It was great to see the children sharing their different ideas and working together. This was especially apparent when they were discussing what materials they could use that would float, as well as utilising their prior knowledge of boats for the designs. Afterwards, we tested the boats to see if they floated in the water. The children became very excited and cheered when they saw their boats floating. They blew through straws to see whose boat would travel to the end of the tray the fastest. They were all very engaged and continued to keep racing their boats until they eventually sunk.

Nicole, Preschool



R/1 News

In the classroom we have a pretend vet shop. In the vet shop there are puppies, horses, snakes and bears. We get to be the customers or the vet and fix up all the sick and injured animals. In Maths we are learning about weight. On the scales the heavier things go down and the lighter things go up. If they weigh the same the scales look even. In Geography we are learning about where we live. We have learnt about houses and our town, Padthaway. We have been practicing our writing and we are all getting much better at doing lots.

Skyla, Year 1



Sports News



This week we have been seeing lots of students playing games of footy on the oval. They have been playing very well together and are really looking forward to training on

Thursdays together again.

This term in PE with Miss McFarlane we will be doing soccer and basketball. So far in soccer we have been practicing our dribbling skills and shooting for goal. There are many different techniques on how to kick the ball. The most common technique is using the side of your foot to kick the ball to one another.

Lily, Yellow House Captain

2/3 News

In Maths I have enjoyed learning about mass and weighing different items. What I have enjoyed the most is trying to balance the scales to see what weighs the same amount. During Science lessons we have started learning and talking about water, where it comes from and what it can be used for. The question that I would like to find out the answer to is *How many types of water are there?*

On Monday in our Inquiry lesson we began to plan what we are researching this term. I have decided to do a project about caves. I am going to research some facts about different caves and make a model of one. We have started to write narratives in our Big Writes but we need to put in what we learn about poetry in our writing. I like writing narratives because I get to make up stories and it doesn't have to be true.

This term in PE we have started playing our games that we invented as a warm-up and we have also been learning different gymnastics moves. I like playing our games that we made up again because it is great fun playing them. The fish in our class are great because you get to watch them swim around which is quite entertaining.

Clayton, Year 2



SRC News

For this week in SRC we have been discussing when events will occur and purchasing new resources for our school. The SRC have decided to purchase some new outdoor chairs

because we do not have a wide variety of chairs and the old ones are starting to get broken. They are becoming very hard to be fix so we are looking forward to brand new ones. SRC Tuck Day has been announced for Tuesday Week 8 of Term 3. More information will be handed out on flyers closer to the date. The SRC would also like to welcome our new SRC members: Ryan Miller, Bailey Miller, Ashley Ortlepp, Indi Broad and Toby Longbottom. We hope you have fun in SRC and we congratulate you for being voted in for Semester 2.

Blake, SRC President



Enviro News

Tomorrow the Enviro Warriors will be going to Naracoorte. They are going to the Naracoorte Caves to learn about nature and animals. We hope to see some bats on the cameras.

We will get to play on the new nature play ground. That will be fun. Thanks to Miss Clothier and Mrs McGregor for taking us.

Will, Enviro Warrior



Choir News

We are learning some new songs called *Crocodile Rock* and *Best Day Of My Life*. The soloists are trying out for solos next week. We have been learning the actions for *Not Perfect* and *Cherokee Morning Song*. I will be back with the latest news next week.

Ned, Choir Captain



PCW Spot

Welcome back to Term 3. Breakfast club is back on! It's fantastic to be able to start each week (first thing Monday mornings) with the smell of freshly baked muffins or toast wafting through our school. We have some wonderful volunteers who have been busy baking breakfast muffins and help out each week warming them up, doing dishes and wiping benches. Thank you to the local Christian community who has been so super generous. Having a healthy breakfast is physically one of the best things we can do for our children to give them a kick-start to the day of learning they have ahead of them. Equally important is starting the day off right emotionally. Welcoming the students with a big smile, asking them how they are feeling, showing them that we are so glad to see them and letting them know that they are valued and appreciated can help students have a positive start to the week.

Joke: Why did the bacon laugh? Because the egg cracked a yoke.

Lisa, PCW

Wellbeing News

This term the Wellbeing Ambassadors and Lisa have all discussed what we are going to learn and teach the students. In Term 1 we made stress balls and last term we taught about gratitude and made pumpkin soup. This term we are yet to discuss what we are going to do but the topic is hopefulness. We look forward to coming up with some fun ideas.

Callum, Wellbeing Ambassador



4/5 News

Everyone in the 4/5 class is excited to be back at school and seeing their friends. Many of the boys are excited that footy is back on the weekends and some of the girls are happy to be back playing netball. In English, we are learning about poetry and poetic devices so that we can include them in our narratives during Big Write. We are learning about fractions in Maths. We got to show different fractions using play dough and now we are looking at improper fractions and mixed numbers. We have been having lots of fun in Design and Technologies. We are completing different experiments to learn how materials and force impact the systems and products we make. Last week, we had to make the tallest tower out of spaghetti and marshmallows. This week we created a product to protect an egg from cracking when we dropped it. The class is learning Music this term. At the moment we are learning dynamics and we learnt how to make a musical rainstorm as a class.

Archie and Alex, Year 5

6/7 News

In the 6/7 class this term we have been focusing on Poetry and all the different poetic devices Roald Dahl uses through out his books. We are writing and illustrating our similes and metaphors. In Maths we have been looking at fractions and all the different ways to use them from dividing to their lowest form or multiplying them together. In Drama this term we have been focusing on miming. Our Economics and Business Fair will be on soon and more details will be out later in the term. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Nirvana, Year 6



REGISTRATIONS OPEN PADTHAWAY CFS CADETS

Registrations for Padthaway CFS Cadets are open for juniors aged between 11-16. Come and meet the brigade, register and be sized for your uniform.

When: 5-7pm, Wednesday 5th Aug 2020

Where: Padthaway Fire Station

For more information call Cadet Coordinators Bec Weller 0400 092 872 or Jake Rich 0418 877 506

Playgroup

Playgroup is held on Tuesday in 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 **11th August**.

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.

Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to George Longbottom for being awarded the Aussie of the Month for June. George was awarded Aussie of the Month because he is a good sport towards everyone at play time and spreads joy with his jokes. Well done!



Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to Will Turner for being awarded the Aussie of the Month for July. Will was awarded Aussie of the Month because he is always being helpful to others and putting in hard work. Well done!



SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Jimmy Orton

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is reading at Level 14. I have been reading really big words and practicing my words to get up to that level. I like to read

books about trucks.

My favourite subject is Maths because we are learning about weight. We have been using the balance scales. The heaviest thing goes down and it makes the lighter thing go up.

I look forward to doing Choice Learning at school because we haven't done it in our own class for a while. I like Choice Learning because I get to play with the Lego. I like to make Lego planes.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to write 30 sentences in my Big Write. I can do 22 sentences at the moment.

A skill I would like to develop is going across the monkey bars with my legs and feet tucked up. It is quite hard and would stretch out my body and help me to get fitter.

A goal for myself this term is to use commas in my writing. We use commas when we are listing lots of things so we don't have to keep saying *and*.

So far this year I have loved doing Big Write because it's really fun and I like writing lots of sentences. I feel really good about myself and really proud when I do lots of writing.

Jimmy, Year 1



Lucy Tiver

Something I am proud of myself doing is participating in PE because if you participate you will learn something new every time.

My favourite subject is Maths because I am getting very good at fractions and writing fractions. I also like spelling because I am getting neater.

I look forward to doing music at school because we are learning how to make thunderstorms with our own bodies!

By the end of the year I hope to be able to speak Indonesian in front of Mum and Dad to confuse them.

A skill I would like to develop is to fast write, neatly and correctly. This is because when I try to write fast it is messy.

A goal for myself this term is to get my pen licence because last year I wasn't able to write neatly and earn it.

So far this year I have loved doing Science because we are learning about the solar system, gravity and momentum. I have loved learning about this because I find it interesting.

It is good to be back at school after the holidays and be back playing with our friends.

Lucy Tiver, Year 5



Xavier Rothe

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is using my own time to finish projects so then I have time to move onto the next project.

My favourite subject is PE. I liked it last term because we got to learn how to play netball. The people that knew how to play were helping the teacher run the games.

I look forward to doing History at school because I enjoyed learning about ancient civilisation and making artefacts in Term 2 and I did really well.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to include alliteration, assonance, consonance and onomatopoeia in English.

A skill I would like to develop is being able to do fractions because I had trouble with them last year and I hope to improve in this area.

A goal for myself this term is to focus as hard as I can to get a better grade than last semester.

So far this year I have loved doing History and Tech because they both challenged me to try my best and get a good grade for my last year at Padthaway Primary School. I also liked learning about coding.

Xavier, Year 7

Dates to Remember

31st July

Enviro Warrior Excursion

3rd August

Governing Council

10th August

Student Free Day

Tuck Day TERM 2

Week 3—4th August

Nuggets and Salad

Tanya Frick

*Muffins— Kat Hadfield

Week 4—11th August

Hot Dogs

Luke Leddy

*Muffins—Robyn Kirkham

Kirilie Turner

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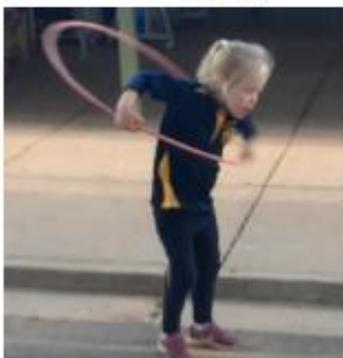


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Preschool Term 3

Engaging in a variety of activities
in the new undercover area



Padthaway School Term 3 Calendar

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	July 20 School Begins Term 3	21	22	23	24
2	27	28	29	30	31 Enviro Warrior Excursion
3	August 3 Governing Council at 6:30pm	4	5	6	7
4	10 Student Free Day	11	12	13	14
5	17 3 Way Conferences (R-7)	18	19	20	21
6	24 3 Way Conferences (4/5 Class) Book Week	25 Book Week Dress Up Day	26	27	28
7	31	September 1	2	3	4
8	7 Governing Council at 6:15pm	8 SRC Tuckday Enviro Warrior Dress Up Day	9	10	11
9	14	15	16	17	18
10	21 4-7 Camp	22 4-7 Camp	23 4-7 Camp	24 School Ends Term 2 Early Dismissal 2:30pm	25 School Closure Day

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