



Be Respectful

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Strive for Excellence

PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"



From the Principal

"It's the beauty within us that makes it possible for us to recognise the beauty around us. The question is not what you look at but what you see."
- Henry David Thoreau

Throughout the school this term, our students have been learning about poetic devices and how these can be used to evoke emotion, connection and interest within a text. Over the past 4 weeks, I have had a number of students in my office visiting to read their Big Writes aloud. They have been eager to share them with me and point out the various poetic devices they have used to enhance their narratives. It has been a pleasure to read their stories and celebrate their growth with writing goals. A favourite poetic device of mine to find in their Big Writes has been onomatopoeia. This device also seems to be a big hit with students. They often use it to create the Sizzling Starts to their narratives, drawing the reader in using words relating to a sound such as *Bang! CRASH! or Sizzzzzzle*. It is brilliant to see our students being creative and enhancing their writing with similes, metaphors, onomatopoeia, alliteration and more. I look forward to celebrating many more students and their writing this term.

Budding Artists

In Week 1, a number of the students from our school entered their 2D or 3D artworks into the 2020 South Australian Living Artist Exhibition. We are so proud of all the students who entered a piece to be judged and displayed in the Naracoorte Regional Art Gallery. A special congratulations goes to Lily Mathews who was highly commended for her 2D artwork submitted in the *Year 5-7* category, Brandon Cooper who was also highly commended for his 2D piece and Clayton Parham for his 3D work which won

equal 1st Place, both entered in the *Up to Year 4* category. If you have the chance to take a look, all the competition entries will be displayed in the gallery until the 27th of September.

Uniform

A reminder that the School Uniform is the school dress, the navy and yellow school polo shirt, school jumper or navy jumper with small to no detail and navy or black skirt, shorts or pants. Jumpers with hoods are not allowed due to the possibility of strangulation. This is the same for long cords on jumpers and hats with toggles under the chin. Information about the school uniform can be found in the Parent Handbook or by ringing the School.

School Times

The office hours are from 8:30am to 4pm. If you need to contact the school please do so during this time as it can not guaranteed that someone will be available outside of these hours. Please be reminded that there are no staff on duty until 8:30am and that children should not be on site prior to this time as there is no supervision.

Three Way Conferences

The next two weeks will be busy, with 3 Way Conferences for R-7 children. These conferences present families with the opportunity to share with their child and child's teacher about the school year so far and goals moving forward. Conferences are an important aspect of the reporting process and are designed to give a clear picture of children's successes and challenges with learning. Holding 3 Way Conferences ensures open communication between school and home, supporting each student's needs and learning.

Enviro Warrior Colouring Competition

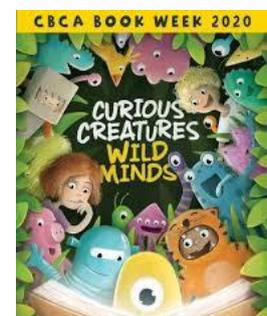
This week, the Enviro Warriors are sending out a Colouring Competition. It will cost 50c to enter the competition and the money raised will be used to support the

Naracoorte Caves. Our Enviro Warriors visited the caves for one of their excursions and believe such a wonderful natural resource should be supported to ensure others can enjoy the experiences there, just as the Enviro Warriors did. The Colouring Competition with 50c entry cost are due back to the Front Office by Week 7 Friday, 4th of September. The Enviro Warriors will then deliberate and choose a winner from each class. The winners will be announced on Tuesday the 8th of September and the winning artists will receive a special prize. Happy colouring!

Book Week and Fair

Week 6 is not far away and it will be a week of celebrating books, reading and creativity. The Book Fair will be held in the Library from Monday 24th—Friday 28th of August. Children will only be able to make purchases before and after school, with adults welcome to come in to make a purchase at any time throughout the day. Book Fair payments can be made by cash or card and there will be an exciting and vast range of books on offer. Tuesday, 25th of August will be the Book Week Dress Up Day with a number of wonderful activities planned for the afternoon. The theme for this year's Book Week dress up is *Curious Creatures, Wild Minds*. We can't wait to see all of the weird, wacky, wild and wonderful costumes on the run way.

We love the excitement of Book Week!



What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

The Preschool children are continuing to engage with their learning about boats. Throughout their play they have started to role play as different characters such as pirates, mermaids and sailors. This has furthered the children's creativity and imagination throughout their play and has provided them with opportunities to enhance their communication skills. I have also added mark making tools and a recipe book in our mud kitchen area, where the children have enjoyed making connections from home to Preschool as well as having the opportunity to explore and express their ideas in different ways.

We also had a wonderful morning with the Playgroup children on Tuesday. They all played together nicely as they took turns, socialised and explored different play areas. When the Playgroup children needed assistance with things like climbing, jumping or building, it was fantastic to see the Preschool children were happy to assist.

Nicole, Preschool



R/1 News

This week in Geography we have been learning about the places we belong to. We got to draw a picture of our house, our town, our state, our country and our world. In Health we did a fun experiment where we put soap and glitter on our hands and rubbed them together to see how germs stick to our hands. It showed us that we have to use soap to wash our hands to get all of the germs off properly. In Maths we have been looking at different times. We got to make a clock with a paper plate and use the clock hands to change the time. We also learnt about different times of the week and the things we do at different times of the day.

Louis, Year 1



Sports News

This week some of the year 6/7s participated in SAPSASA netball and football in Naracoorte.

Both netball and football participants put in a great effort and enjoyed the day. Well done everyone!

In the 6/7 class we did our final game of soccer with Miss McFarlane this week. We all played well and gave it our best. We will be playing basketball for the rest of the term.

Lily, Yellow House Captain

2/3 News

In PE this term, I have enjoyed playing the games that we invented last term. I have loved doing this because most of the games are really fun. During Science we are learning about where water comes from and last week we did an awesome experiment to test what rain does on different surfaces. This was great because I liked seeing what rain does when it falls on the sloping cement. It creates a waterfall!

Lately in Big Write we are writing stories that have poetic devices within them like rhyming words, similes and alliteration. I wrote a story and used rhyming— *I am blowing the house up with a mouse!* During Art lessons our focus has been on learning about the different parts of music. I have learnt about rhythm and that it is the tune of music.

In Technology we have been learning about algorithms. An algorithm is a set of instructions for something to do. A map and a computer have lots of algorithms. I loved making our own algorithms and then using the robotic mice to follow our programming.

Ashley, Year 2



SRC News

This week in SRC we have been discussing new footy rules. We have discussed that if you are not already playing the game and you arrive at the 5 minute warning bell you are not

allowed to join because otherwise the teams don't work anymore and there is a lot of confusion. The SRC have also decided that if you're intentionally trying to kick/throw a ball at the shelter/lunch shed you will be banned from that area for the day. We just got the new shelter and need to take great care of it. In cubbies we have noticed that many students have been bringing rubbish down and rubbish was getting everywhere so we are reminding students to use the bins before going down. Cubbies will end in Week 6, Term 3 as Winter is coming to an end.

Blake, SRC President



Enviro News

On Friday the 31st July, the Enviro Warriors went to the Naracoorte Caves to learn about plants, caves and the environment. We learnt about bats and spiders too.

We got to see where all the cameras in the caves are so we could see what is happening in there all the time. We also went to the Nature Park which was my favourite bit. We had a tour with Mrs Mowat's mum too and she was lovely.

Will, Enviro Warrior



Choir News

Some of the Choir members have been helping design the banner for the Mount Gambier concert. They have come up with some excellent ideas. Very creative!

Nirvana and I have just done our speeches for the compere auditions and they will be posted up online to be judged. Fingers crossed!

Ned, Choir Captain



PCW Spot

This has been a tough time for many people, particularly when our travel movements have been restricted and we may have friends and family we haven't been

able to see face to face for a long time now. While it's not the same, isn't it fantastic that we have online platforms so that we can connect and share life with others. It's a real positive that our children have been able to connect with others online in a way that my generation didn't have the opportunity to. This is why it's so important for us as parents to get our heads around the online world so that we can support, guide and protect them in it. Below are 3 Online safety basic tips from the esafety commissioner:

Be engaged, open and supportive

Get involved with their online world, play online games with them, talk to them about their favourite apps and keep communication open so that they can come and talk to you about anything, especially if they are ever feeling uneasy.

Set some rules

With your child's input set age appropriate rules about how devices are used in your home. The esafety commissioner and ThinkUKnow.org.au have family tech agreements you can use. The Raising Children Network has some useful tips on how to follow through with consequences when the agreement is broken.

Set devices up for privacy and safety

Take advantage of parent controls to monitor and control access and content. Be aware of age ratings and consumer advice e.g. Minimum age for Facebook, Snapchat, Houseparty, Instagram and TikTok is 13 years old.

These 3 simple tips will do so much to help keep kids safe online.

Joke: Why was the computer cold? It left its windows open!

Lisa, PCW



4/5 News

In the 4/5 Class we have been learning how to include dynamic dialogue in our writing. We chose two different characters, such as a dog and a vet and in pairs we wrote down what each character would say. Each pair then acted out their dialogue to show how important it is to make it interesting. In Maths we have been learning about mixed numbers, improper fractions and how to convert between them. We are about to learn how to add and subtract fractions. For History we did a really interesting lesson on Aboriginal language spoken in South Australia. We went onto a website and learnt how to say and write different Aboriginal words. We also learnt about totems and drew our own totem that represented us. We have also been doing a lot of fun experiments in Science relating to understanding forces. This has included looking at friction, electrostatics and magnetism. Our last Design and Technology challenge was very interesting as we had to make a toy car move without touching it. There were lots of different designs made and some were successful.

Anna, Year 5



Wellbeing News

On Thursday last week, the Wellbeing Ambassadors went around the school and did a hopefulness activity. We are yet to decide how we are going to incorporate it further and do a future activity. In Term 1 we already made stress balls and last term we made soup for all the students to enjoy. I can't wait to teach all the students more about wellbeing for the rest of the year.

Callum, Wellbeing Ambassador



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 25th 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.

6/7 News

This week in English we have been learning about poetic devices, such as metaphors, similes and personification. We have to write down the poetic devices in Roald Dahl's book, *The BFG* and create some of our own examples. In Maths, we have started a project called *Renovate a Rug*, where we have to create a pattern on a rug and analyse the fractions. This involves comparing, simplifying, adding and subtracting fractions. On Tuesday we did PE. We had our last lesson of soccer. It worked well but we need to work on our sportsmanship and encourage one another. Despite this, it was fun learning about and playing soccer. In Drama we have been looking at music videos because we have to make a music video of us miming a song. We have to decide what song to do and then we have to dress up in costumes and perform to make the music video.

Kobi Laffan-Greenman, Year 7

SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Bailey Miller

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is reading different books because I like reading the tricky words that are in some of them. I also like looking at the different

pictures in the books.

My favourite subject is PE with Miss Clothier because we get to play all different types of games. Sometimes we play games on the oval which is really fun and we all join in.

I look forward to doing reading at school because I get to do different reading activities and read all different types of books. I love to read and I like to see what happens at the end of the book.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to pick different books that are a bit harder for me to read.

A goal for myself this term is to be able to write the letter q properly because it is a hard letter to write and sometimes I need help with it.

So far this year I have loved doing Choice Learning because I get to play with other students. I also learn to be sensible and it is fun doing the different activities.



Sam Hayes

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is being respectful and being a good role model for my class mates.

I am also proud of the effort I am putting into Big Write because I am

writing a lot more.

My favourite subject is Design and Technology because we get to do a different challenge each lesson. We can investigate the impact of forces and materials on products we make.

I look forward to seeing my friends at school because we get to have fun together and play lots of different games at lunch and recess.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to improve my grades from last semester.

A skill I would like to develop is writing neater in all my work. I want to make sure I am writing neat in every subject, not just for English.

A goal for myself this term is to use more poetic devices in my Big Write. We have been learning about them in English and how to write our own, so I want to try and put more in my writing.

So far this year I have loved doing Maths games, especially Prodigy during Maths lessons. The game is fun and we get to practise our Maths learning too.

Sam Hayes, Year 5



Lily Mathews

Something I am proud for doing at school is having a go in lessons that I normally wouldn't. I am now finding these lessons fun, enjoyable and I am learning more.

My favourite subject is Geography because I get to learn lots about different countries and the differences between them all.

I look forward to doing basketball in PE because I want to see if the other students will love it as much as I do.

By the end of this year I hope to be able to link neatly because then I will be able to write fast and neatly.

A skill I would like to develop is writing lots in my Big Write. The notes and planning for Big Write will help me in high school next year when I'll need to make sure I take lots of notes to do my best for different subjects.

A goal for myself this term is to have a go at more group games and activities because I want to challenge myself and participate in them more.

So far this year I have loved learning about all the different types of famous artists and what they do. My favourite type was the Aboriginal art because there are so many styles to learn that they use.

Lily, Year 7

Dates to Remember

17th—28th August
3 Way Conferences

24th -28th August
Book Fair

25th August
Book Week Dress Up Day

3rd September
School Photos

7th September
6.15pm Finance Advisory Meeting/6.30pm Governing Council

Tuck Day TERM 2

Week 5—18th August
Baked Potatoes (all served with ham, cheese and pineapple)

Cate Orton
Emma Cooper
Muffins— Emma Cooper

Week 6—25th August
Ham and Cheese Toasties

Emily Congdon
*Muffins—Tammy Parham

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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 School Photos	4 Enviro Warrior Colouring Competition Entries Due
8	7 Governing Council at 6:15pm	8 SRC Tuckday Enviro Warrior Dress Up Day	9	10 Big Day Out P-1	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



Community Access and Inclusion Survey

Input is sought from all members of the community to develop the Tatiara District Councils Disability Access and Inclusion Plan; the final document will include outcomes to support people with physical, mental and intellectual disabilities.

The survey is available online at
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8JF2D8B>

Alternatively, paper copies are available here or at the Keith and Bordertown Council office. Completed surveys can be handed in at the Council office or returned to the business you collected them from.

If you need assistance or would prefer to talk with someone, please contact Tracey Grosser on 0431885649 to arrange a time to meet.



Elsie Orton, Eliza Ward & Alice Ward would love to raise money for the Cancer Council. Ned Ward and Murphy Heym will join them to raise money for the Royal Flying Doctors. Every Wednesday they will have a little store, with lots of goodies to buy. There will be different items

available each week. Please follow the school Facebook page for updates. Items will cost between \$1.00 and \$8.00.

When: Every Wednesday beginning on August the 12th

Where: At the stone BBQ area

For the cancer council they will try to make \$150.



Royal Flying Doctor Service