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PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"



From the Principal

"Perseverance is the hard work you do after you get tired from doing the hard work you already did."

- Newt Gingrich

Athletics Day

On Friday of Week 4, we hosted our annual Athletics Day. It was a fantastic day, filled with sportsmanship, team spirit and persistence. It was wonderful to watch the students striving to achieve their best in each event and supporting those around them from both teams. We had some outstanding athletic performances on the day. Henry Orton equalled the Junior Boys Marathon record, completing the track in 6.33 minutes which was previously set by Nathan McCarthy in 2012. They are now co-record holders for this event. Eliza Ward set a new record for Junior Girls High Jump, clearing 120cm, beating the previous record made by Kate Sadler in 2004 at 115.5cm. Congratulations to both Henry and Eliza for these excellent accomplishments! I would like to thank everyone who donated items, or their time, to help ensure Athletics Day could run smoothly for everyone to enjoy. Thank you to all of the staff and students for their time with practices, participation and running of the day. Thanks also goes to all the Governing Council members, the Fundraising Committee and parent/family volunteers who helped with setting or packing up, making delicious items to be sold at the canteen, serving up delicious food and drinks on the day and wonderful members of the community who generously donated or sponsored the shield, trophies and medallions for our overall winners. We also greatly appreciate everyone who was able to attend and share their support for our students. What a brilliant day of Athletics for all involved! See inside this

edition of the newsletter for more details.

Hats

A reminder that in Term 4, children must wear a hat when outside. No hat means that they will have to stay under the designated shade areas.

Helmets

A reminder that children travelling to and from school by bikes, scooters and skateboards **MUST** wear a helmet when riding. This is the law and helps ensure they can travel safely. If your child travels by any of these means, it is important to have discussions with them about helmets, road safety and travelling responsibly.

SAPSASA

This week, Toby Longbottom, Anna Orton, Elsie Orton, Abigail Charlick, Jessica Frick, Henry Orton and Alex Charlick had planned to travel to Adelaide to compete in SAPSASA Swimming or Athletics. Unfortunately, these events were cancelled earlier last week due to updated health restrictions. Although these students have been unable to compete, we want to congratulate each of them once again on being selected to represent the Upper South East in these events and we are proud of their efforts as they have worked hard in trials and training sessions this term.

Next Newsletter

Our last edition of the school newsletter for 2020 will be released in Week 9 instead of Week 8 as this edition is being released later than usual after last week's school closure and to accommodate all the wonderful things we have happening in our school right up until the end of the school year.

Concert

In Week 9, we will be holding our annual School Concert which includes the Year 7 Graduation Ceremony. This year's theme is *Jungle Fever* and the students have already begun creating jungle dances and practicing choreography to jungle inspired music for

the big night. This year we will need to run the evening a little differently with an outdoor set up. With some details still being organised and more information needed about attendance limits, we will need to send out the relevant information for families closer to Week 9. This will include location, time, attendance arrangements and any clothing or costume requests.

Assembly

Our Term 4 Assembly will also be in Week 9 and will include the presentation of the Term 4 awards and Preschool Graduation Ceremony. As with the School Concert, we will send out the key information as soon as possible.

2021

Recently, we had a whole-school scavenger hunt with clues that helped the students find out which classroom and teacher they would have for 2021. We had some great help from our current Year 7s who held clues and offered some problem solving support. The students made quick work of the clues as a new class and team. At the end of the hunt the children found out that the 2021 teachers are: Pre/R/1/2-Hannah Davey, 3/4/5-Hannah Clothier, 6/7-Rebekah Duell and the HASS/Visual Art/NIT teacher for R-7-Ebony Capurso. We are very fortunate to start 2021 with so many familiar staff members including SSOs Kirilie, Byron, Tammy and Lissy and Groundsperson Troy. Sadly we will be saying farewell to some of our staff members, Nicole Bajsz, Prue McFarlane and Olivia English as they head in exciting new personal or professional directions. It has been a pleasure to work with each of them. We look forward to celebrating their contributions to our school and the important impact they have had on our students at the Week 9 School Concert.

Corinne

What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

This fortnight the Preschool children have been purposefully playing in the new Christmas Post Office area. They have been excited to talk about Christmas and write letters to Santa. It has been great to see that the children have been applying their understanding of the basic conventions of a letter through making lists of what they want for Christmas as well as writing about what they have been doing that day. They have been using Christmas pictures and word flash cards to help them with writing the words through making visual connections to the pictures. Keep up the amazing writing Preschool!

Nicole, Preschool

Athletics Day



Championship Trophies

All students R-7 put in a outstanding effort on Athletics Day, with some very tight competition and our overall highest scoring competitors for the day from Juniors (Years 3/4/5) and Seniors (Years 6/7) awarded the Championship Trophies. Our Championship Trophies were kindly donated by Turner Livestock and the Perpetual Senior Girls Cup by the McElroy Family.

Our Trophy recipients were:

Junior Boys Runner Up - Jack Orton

Junior Boys Champion - Henry Orton

Junior Girls Runner Up - Jessica Frick

Junior Girls Champion - Anna Orton

Senior Boys Runner Up - Ned Ward

Senior Boys Champion - Murphy Heym

Senior Girls Runner Up - Lily Mathews

Senior Girls Champion - Chloe Hewson

Congratulations to all our trophy recipients for their excellent athletic performances on the day!



Sports News



This term has been full of sports, sports and more sports. Our annual Blue vs Yellow Athletics Day was a huge success. Congratulations to Yellow for winning the day and a

big thank to Blue for giving us good competition. Thank you to all the parents, siblings, grandparents and friends for helping us out on the day, supplying the food and cheering everyone on. It was great to hear so much encouragement from everyone on the day and see great sportsmanship towards each other.

Xavier, Yellow House Captain

2/3 News

During Science lessons, we have been learning about the sun. I have learnt that it takes 365 days for the earth to rotate around the sun. I am really enjoying our Reading lessons, because I like reading to my group members and our focus at the moment is summarising and looking for the key words. For Spelling, our focus sound this week is the split digraph of i-e. Spelling is great because we complete an activity in our spelling books and then we're allowed to choose another activity to practise our words outside. My favourite activity is using a ball to bounce and spell out our words at the same time. In Inquiry lessons, we are doing projects on something we are interested in. I am researching caves and what animals lived in the caves. Something I have found is that cavemen lived in caves 10,000 years ago. On our class excursion we learnt a hip-hop dance from Miss Louie and I loved learning the dance and skidding around on the floor with everyone. We had delicious pizza for lunch and then we went to a place called Clayton Farm. We got to play old-fashioned games, go on the old tractors, look through the old Clayton Farm House, eat damper and billy tea. My favourite part was watching a Blacksmith make a leaf key ring. He gave the one he had made to Miss Clothier but we were all lucky enough to get a leaf key ring of our own. It was fantastic!

Eddie, Year 2



SRC News

This fortnight in SRC we have been organising the Week 7 tuck day which we had today. We made brownies and butter chicken with pappadums. We made a profit of \$310.50! We have been discussing the rules for basketball so that the game is safer and more enjoyable. The SRC have also been working really well with each other and the meetings have been very productive. Heading towards the end of the year, the SRC will be purchasing more new chairs for outside from the money we raised on Athletics Day from the soft drinks that were purchased.

Blake, SRC President



Enviro News

The Enviro Warriors have continued to keep the school nice and tidy and we helped prepare the yard for Athletics Day. We have been making sure the weeds are being removed and making sure other students are keeping the yard tidy also.

Will, Enviro Warrior



Choir News

For Choir this week we have been practicing the four songs we are going to sing for Concert. Everyone has been doing a really good job at practicing all of the songs and it is starting to sound great. All of the Choir members are really looking forward to performing all of the songs at Concert and have been practicing really hard every fortnight.

Ned, Choir Captain



Wellbeing News

This fortnight we have been organising the end of year discos. We will be having two discos- one for JP and one for UP. There will be a casual clothes option for the Preschool- Year 3 children and a dress up option for the Year 4-7s that is 70's themed. At the discos there will be games, prizes and different songs. The Preschool-Year 3 disco is Thursday Week 7 during the last lesson and the Year 4-7 disco will be on Thursday of Week 8 at 7:30pm. The Wellbeing Ambassadors are really looking forward to hosting both of the discos and celebrating all our learning for this year!

Nirvana, Wellbeing Ambassador

PCW Spot

What a rollercoaster of a fortnight it has been – some enjoyed the few days of time out during lockdown, some were sad when it ended, others were hugely inconvenienced, frustrated,

or found it difficult to be 'locked' up and confined. There have been many emotions and attitudes, many ups and downs. However it has been for you, I hope that you were able to make the most of the situation. Now that we are nearing the end of term and our work, school and end of year events are mostly back on, let's count our blessings and finish off the term well.

Here are a few tips on how to survive the last stretch: eat nourishing foods (to fuel your body and mind), exercise (will actually increase energy), take a break from social media (to be present with the people around you) and talk to someone if you are feeling overwhelmed (a problem shared is a problem halved). These tips are so useful for our children too. It has been a tough year for many, full of uncertainties and changes; let's support each other and finish off well together! We can do this!

Joke: What is white when it's dirty and black when it's clean? A chalk board.

Lisa, PCW

R/1 News

We have been playing in Choice Learning. Today we had Choice Learning and it was transition so the Preschool children have been practicing to be the new Receptions. In Art, we have been drawing parrots. In the next week we are going to paint them. In Literacy, we have been making information books about animals. My book was about dolphins. Dolphins can give stuff to you and they eat jellyfish and squid. I think dolphins are really nice and smart.

Skyla, Year 1

CFS Station Opening

On Saturday the 7th of November, our local CFS brigade and the Cadets celebrated the opening of the new Padthaway CFS fire station. The cadets lead a march to the new station and showed visitors the different equipment on the water truck and how it worked. All the students that participated from our school have been grateful to be given the opportunity to join cadets this year. We congratulate Jake Rich for receiving an award in recognition for his ongoing efforts with the local CFS. Children are able to sign up for cadets at any time of the year once they have turned 11. For further information about cadets, contact Cadet Leader Bec Weller.

4/5 News

In Maths, we have finished our data collection and representation assignments. We are now learning about shapes, so far we have focused on the properties of 2D shapes and creating regular and irregular composite shapes. We have begun looking at explanation texts for English. The purpose of an explanation text is to explain how something works or why something happens. In Health, we have been learning about healthy eating and how to read food labels. The class is going well on their magazine covers and they are looking really good. We have started to research our sustainable inventions for Design and Technologies. We are researching solar panels and the drinkable water bubble. The class has started making good progress with concert practice and creating our performance.

Digby, Year 4 and Archie, Year 5

6/7 News

In English, we have been learning how to write an explanation text. Last week our topic was *How to Become Rich*. This week it will be *How to Become the Teacher's Pet*. In Maths, we have been looking at finding coordinates on the cartesian coordinate plane and shape transformations which has been really interesting. In Science, we have been looking at what chemicals and acids you can mix together to make gas and to show how much gas was made we put a balloon over the bottle that the water and the acids were in. The balloon blew up a little bit but not too much. Last Tuesday, we had Transition. It was fun because we got to meet the people that are going to be in our class next year and tried new and different activities. We go back in a week to have another visit. In Drama, we have been practicing our concert dance moves and timing.

Kobi, Year 7

Playgroup

The next and last Playgroup date for 2020 was scheduled for December 1st. Due to current health guidelines, this has had to be **cancelled**. If you would like information about Playgroup for 2021, please contact the Front Office. We will send out reminders for Playgroup when it begins again early next year.

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.

Athletics Day Win

House Captains, Lily Mathews and Xavier Rothe accepting the Verco Shield on behalf of Yellow for their team win with 340 points. Congratulations Yellow!



Athletics Sportsmanship

Sportsmanship medallions, kindly donated by Tara and Simon McCarthy, were awarded to R/1: Louis Orton, Year 2: Sam Brammer, Junior Girls: Jordana Congdon, Junior Boys: George Longbottom, Senior Girls: Nirvana O'Farrell and Senior Boys: Ben Tiver. They showed fantastic sportsmanship on Athletics Day, encouraging students from both teams and competing in all events with positivity and their best effort. Well done!



SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Louis Orton

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is making our creations in Technologies. We made a big structure that was really fancy and had lots of plasticine and straws on it. My favourite subject is Art because we get to paint parrots and tigers and draw them too. We get to do lots of cool things and learn new skills. I look forward to finishing off our big creek in the sandpit at lunch time, because we have spent lots of time on it. I have been working with Jimmy, Gus, Digby and Daisy. By the end of the year I hope to be able to write a whole page and a half in Big Write because I've almost done it already, and I really want to get there. In Big Write I like writing made up stories and telling people the stories that I write. A skill I would like to develop is doing a handstand and walking for 2 minutes so if I broke my leg again, I could just walk on my hands. A goal for myself this term is to move up to Level 20 in Reading because then I could be a very good reader, and it would be lots and lots of fun and then trickier books would make more sense. So far this year I have loved doing reading in class because Jimmy and I read *Spot the Difference*.

Louis, Year 1



Brandon Cooper

Something that I am proud of is learning is how to divide shapes equally into different parts during our fraction lessons. I am proud of this because I understand more about fractions and that they must be equal. My favourite subject is PE because we get to play lots of fun games and exercise. I made a game last week in my time with Lissy and we played it with the whole class which was fantastic! I look forward to doing computers on Fridays because we get to learn about Microsoft Word, Reading Eggs and Typing.com then play a game once we have finished. By the end of the year I hope to be able to have a disco and celebrate our learning for the year. A skill I would like to develop is telling time to the minute because I need some more practise and it's important to be able to tell the time. A goal for myself this term is get good grades in my report because I feel as though I have worked hard. So far this year I have loved doing Maths because we get to do lots of fun activities and play lots of fun Maths games.

Brandon, Year 3



Henry Orton

Something I am proud of doing at school is writing more within my Big Writes. I am more focused and positive when writing which helps me write more and make my writing interesting.

My favourite subject is PE because it's fun and you get to learn how to play different sports. I also enjoy it because we get to run around outside.

I look forward to doing different games and activities in PE and learning about sports that I wouldn't normally play.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to learn all my times tables. I have been working hard and spending time practising my different times tables, so I hope to be able to know them all soon.

A skill I would like to develop is to listen better when sitting on the floor and when others are speaking. This will help me in my learning so I understand and know what to do.

A goal for myself is to improve my listening and focus in class. I want to be able to focus on myself so that I am able to do my best work and strive for excellence.

So far this year I have loved doing PE because we have learnt to play lots of fun sports and it is good fitness.

Henry, Year 5

Dates to Remember

1st December

Yr 7 Transition—Day 2
Preschool-JP Transition until 1pm

3rd December

Yr 4-7 Wellbeing Disco 7:30-8:30pm

8th December

Preschool-JP Transition—all day

9th December

Yr 7 Graduation Lunch
Concert

10th December

R-7 Bordertown Pool/Movie
Excursion

11th December

Assembly
Early Dismissal 2:30pm

Tuck Day TERM 4

Week 8

1st December
Hot Dogs – Bec Weller
*Muffins– Kylie Pethybridge

Week 9

8th December
Pies and Sausage Rolls—Tanya Frick
*Muffins—Megan Charlick

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Athletics Day



Padthaway School Term 4 Calendar

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	October 12 School Begins Term 4	13	14	15	16
2	19	20	21	22	23
3	26 Governing Council at 6:15pm	27 Year 7 Visit to NHS	28	29	30
4	November 2	3	4	5	6 Athletics Day
5	9	10	11	12	13
6	16	17 Year 7 Transition Day 1	18	19	20
7	23 Governing Council at 6:15pm	24 SRC Tuckday Preschool – JP Transition (until 10:50am)	25	26	27
8	30	December 1 Year 7 Transition Day 2 Preschool – JP Transition (Until 1pm)	2	3 Yr. 4-7 Wellbeing Disco 7:30pm – 8:30pm	4
9	7	8 Preschool – JP Transition (All Day)	9 Yr 7 Graduation Lunch School Concert	10 R-7 Bordertown Pool/Movie Excursion	11 Assembly School Ends Term 4 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

NARACOORTE HIGH SCHOOL

YR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL IN 2022

INFORMATION NIGHT



**WEDNESDAY 25TH NOVEMBER
6PM WILLIAMSON HALL**

EVERYONE WELCOME

RSVP to 8762 1333 by Monday 23rd November 2020