



Newsletter No 19
10th December 2020

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PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"



From the Principal

"What you get by achieving your goals is not as important as what you become by achieving your goals."

- Henry David Thoreau

Concert

Last night we held our School Concert and what a night it was! The students put on 6 outstanding performances to match the Jungle Fever theme which had everyone thoroughly entertained. The evening was a wonderful celebration of the learning, resilience and achievements of our students this year. It was also a night to remember for our graduating Year 7s and the recipients of the school and community awards. As always there is a lot of time, hard work and preparation that goes into producing these excellent school events. Last night was no exception, particularly because we needed to host our concert outdoors this year. We could not have had such a successful evening without the support of the staff and members of the local community that helped put the production together. We are extremely grateful for every ounce of help from setting up sound equipment and decorating, to organising items, sponsoring awards and helping students with many practices. We would like to say a huge thank you to Kyme and Marissa Dolling who kindly provided our stage for an entire week in the form of a tautliner. This gave the children a chance to practice on stage and provided a great elevated view from the audience. We also send our sincere thanks to Johnny Orton for providing the hay bales to help keep the children safer while on stage and really brought the look of the concert together. Another important thank you is to Krysteen and Brad McElroy who allowed us to use their sheep ramp, giving everyone easier and safer

access to our stage. Each of those elements were crucial to the terrific production of our concert last night and we greatly appreciate the generous community that we have in Padthaway. The team here at school are proud of the excellent concert that we have been able to host this year. Thank you to all who were able to attend and showed our students fantastic encouragement and congratulations. Please see inside this edition of the newsletter for concert photos.

Reports

After a productive and jam-packed Term 4, it's that time of year when we celebrate all the learning our students have done and the great improvements that have been achieved in our school. Our teachers spend a great deal of time reflecting and writing about each child's learning, progress and goals in their Semester 2 Reports. When you receive the reports tomorrow, please take the time to go through them carefully with your child, supporting important reflections about their learning journey for 2020. Use this wonderful opportunity to celebrate their growth and set new goals with them for our next school year.

Well Wishes

Yesterday we celebrated the Year 7s with a lunch at Farmer's Leap in honour of their graduation from primary school. Thank you to the SRC for sponsoring this important celebration. We congratulate each of the Year 7s on their resilience and tremendous progress in 2020. They have all grown and learnt so much in a single year and should be proud of their achievements. We wish Lily, Abigail, Blake, Callum, Xavier, Chloe, Kobi and Ben every success in Year 8 and for their future. We look forward to hearing where your journeys take you and hope you remember your time at Padthaway Primary School with fond memories and laughter. Congratulations!

Farewell and Thank You

Tomorrow as we finish off the school year, we say farewell to some of the families and staff from our school community. We would like say thank you and a fond farewell to the families of Chloe Hewson and Blake Healy as they graduate and will not have younger sibling in our school next year. Although we say goodbye to both of these families from our school, we look forward to continuing our relationships and seeing all of them around Padthaway. We also must say goodbye to our Preschool teacher Nicole, who moves to the Barossa region next year with her partner, Prue one of our 6/7 Teachers as she heads off on maternity leave and the new adventure of parenthood with her partner Jake, as well as to our previous principal Olivia due to her move to Adelaide with her husband Francis and lovely daughter Henrietta. As we say farewell to these 3 dedicated staff members, we wish them each a wealth of happiness and positivity as they start new journeys and explore different opportunities. We have greatly appreciated the time they have given to our school and the efforts they have made to ensure that Padthaway Primary and Preschool is the flourishing place we have today.

Holidays

The end of the school year is upon us and Christmas and the beginning of a new year are not far away. It has been a brilliant year of learning at Padthaway and the coming holiday break has definitely been well-earned. However your family celebrates during the holiday, I wish you a safe and happy break. I hope it's filled with friends, family, quality time, laughs, rest and of course we mustn't forget some delicious Christmas food. Thank you all for your ongoing support and for an excellent 2020 school year. I look forward to seeing you all next year!

Corinne

What Have We Been Up To In Preschool?

This fortnight the Preschool children have been very enthusiastic about their transition to the R/1 classroom. They have been excited to talk about the different activities they have participated in when they have returned to the Preschool space. It has been great to see they have been confident to explore a new learning environment and beginning to learn new routines and different skills. They have especially been talking about their enjoyment with exploring different areas of the outside environment during recess and lunch. They have also been making new friends and playing with the students who will be in their class next year.

It has been a fantastic end to the term, and I hope that everyone has a wonderful Christmas break and a happy new year.

Nicole, Preschool



R/1 News

In the R/1 class we have been doing Art and making Christmas tree pictures. We had to use some fabric and scraps of paper to make a collage. We cut out a Christmas tree border and then they were finished. This year I have loved practicing the Concert dance with Miss Davey. I am excited to watch The Jungle Book movie on Friday so we can see our Concert song on the movie. Next year I hope we can read lots of books at school.

Skyla, Year 1

Sports News

As it comes to the end of the term, it also comes to the end of sport for 2020. The House Captains of 2020 wish the very best for the new House Captains for 2021. This

year we have had some disruptions, but we have pulled through and have had an amazing time doing as many sports as possible. Well done to all students that have participated in SAPSASA in 2020 and congratulations to those who got in, even if you weren't able to compete in your sport.

Lily, Yellow House Captain

2/3 News

In Art, we have been making a Christmas tree collage with different pieces of material such as wool, felt and string. I am really happy with how mine has turned out and I loved making it. During Geography, we have been looking at how people get to places and I really liked learning about this because we saw how some students all over the world got to school. In some schools they use a flying fox to get to school and some of them have to carry different things too. In Maths, I have loved doing Christmas activities like Colour by Numbers and using doubles to colour in a Christmas tree. My favourite topic in Maths this term was learning about angles because we were able to find different angles in our classroom. Yesterday I really enjoyed our transition morning because I was able to see my sister, spend time with my friends and suggest some ideas to Miss Clothier for next year. I am most excited about doing Tea for 2 next year. I really enjoyed our Class party and Concert this week as it was a great way to celebrate the year.

Alice, Year 2



SRC News

Welcome to the last week of school! This fortnight the SRC were getting ready for Concert and it was really exciting to see what the students have been working on. This

fortnight the SRC have been discussing new ways to be safe around the basketball court as many students are beginning to play basketball again. The Aussie of the Month for December goes to Ellis Richards for including everyone and having great manners. It has been an amazing role being your SRC president this year and thanks for all the support shown to the SRC and the feedback given from the Governing Council.

Blake, SRC President



Enviro News

In our Enviro time we have been sweeping out the water drains near the Preschool and trying to get them clean and perfect for the holidays. I have really enjoyed being an Enviro

Warrior. Have a happy holidays!

Will, Enviro Warrior



Choir News

Wow it's the last week of school! I hope you enjoyed our songs at concert last night. We worked really hard to get every thing ship shape for Concert. We would like to say a special

thank you to our guest Choir Conductor Shylie Harrison who came from Mount Gambier to support our performances. We all hope more people join Choir next year as it is a fun thing to be involved in.

Goodbye to all the Year 7s in choir and thank you to everyone for their efforts this year.

Ned, Choir Captain

6/7 News

In English, we have been looking at *how to write an explanation* and our last Big Write topic was *here's how you do it*. I chose to do *here's how you saddle up and ride a horse* other people chose *lifestyles of animals*, *how lightning is made*, *how to ride a motor bike* and *water cycles*. In Maths, we have been doing chance, decimals, percentages, and fractions. We looked at what was more likely- heads or tails on a coin. We also looked at which number was rolled more on a dice. In Dance practice, we worked on our dance moves for our Concert dance.

Kobi, Year 7



PCW Spot

We've made it! We have reached the end of the 2020 school year! What do you feel as you reflect on the year gone by? I feel pride and happiness as we farewell our Year 7's and

reflect on the wonderful young people they have become; sadness at farewelling some of our staff and school families; fondness as we remember the fun and exciting moments, and joy and relief at getting through a particularly messy year. 2020 has been a year of completely unplanned, unprecedented, messy events much like the story of the first Christmas – a surprise pregnancy, Mary and Joseph having to travel to Bethlehem, a complete muddle over the accommodation, the stable with all the smells and the animals, making a bed out of a feeding trough. It was certainly messy, and it was most probably not a 'silent night' either. The wonderful news of Christmas is that God comes to the world as it is – imperfect, frequently messy, often muddled and hectic. No place is too foreign, too dirty, too loud, too rough, too smelly, or too messy for God to enter in. Immanuel means God is with us, here in our everyday messes. May you experience his joy, hope and peace this Christmas.

Joke: What says 'Oh Oh Oh'? Santa walking backwards.

Lisa, PCW

Wellbeing News

Last week we had our Preschool to Year 3 Wellbeing Disco. It went really well and our winners of some of the dance competitions were Felicity Orton and Riley

Hayes. Jordana won the trophy for the dance off with Ellis winning for the boys. On the 3rd of December we held the Wellbeing Disco for the Year 4 to 7 classes. There were a lot of prizes won by: Murphy Heym, Eliza Ward, Xavier Rothe, Sam Hayes, Matt Robertson and Anna Orton. At the end of the disco we ended with some chasey which was really fun! Well done on all the great dancing and thanks to Mrs Mowat and Miss Duell for supervising.

Nirvana, Wellbeing Ambassador



4/5 News

Wow! We can't believe that it is the last week of school. The class is excited to be going on holidays soon.

The last couple of weeks have been busy finishing off projects. In English, we finished looking into explanation texts. For our final one we got to choose what we would like to do. I wrote an explanation about how caves are formed. We have been busy in Maths and over the last couple of weeks we have learnt about shapes, transformation and how to read and interpret maps. I liked learning how to read a compass.

We have completed a lot of fun experiments in Science. We created an Epson salt artwork to understanding evaporation and we made icecream in a bag to show the changes from a liquid to a solid.

On Tuesday morning, all the classes had a Transition morning. The Year 4s got to do lots of fun activities and suggest ideas for our class next year with our new classmates and teacher.

Dance has also been important to help the class get prepared for the Concert. We had a great time at the concert. Everyone looked great in their costumes.

Jade, Year 4

Thankyou from The Ortons

To all the fantastic students at Padthaway Primary School – thank you very much for the tremendous Get Well Card you made for me. It had pride of place on the wall at Flinders Hospital inspiring me and I had a lot of questions from nurses about if I was a teacher!

Thanks for all the cards you have written, I loved reading all of your wonderful messages and I am sure they have helped me with my recovery.

Thanks little mates,

From Andrew Orton aka Rooley

To all of our wonderful staff, parents and community at Padthaway Primary School – thank you so much for the amazing meals, baked goods, flowers, gifts and acts of service you have given to help us through the aftermath of Rooley's accident. We have been overwhelmed with the warmth and generosity of your efforts. To say that the support has been a God send is an understatement - it really has been such a wonderful help and we have a huge amount of appreciation for your thoughtfulness.

These wonderful acts of kindness have left us humbled and they highlight the caring nature of the Padthaway community, particularly at such a busy time of the year.

Cheers legends,

Love from Rooley, Cate, Fliss, Jimmy and Belle

Playgroup

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.

Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to Ellis Richards for being awarded the Aussie of the Month in November. Ellis was awarded Aussie of the Month because he always lets others join in with his games and uses excellent manners. Well done!



SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Clayton Parham

Something I am proud of myself for is getting up to Level 27 in Reading because I am almost on Level 30 and I enjoy reading at this level. My favourite

subject is PE because we get to do a lot of running around and use our energy to exercise. I look forward to doing Maths next year because we will have different groups and activities to do and I think this will be great to do in my new class.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to learn some new more complex words in my reading so I can understand them and what they mean.

A skill I would like to develop is writing more complex words because it helps me with my writing and if I can understand them in reading and writing then I know what they mean.

A goal for myself for Term 1 next year is to learn more of my times tables because it will help me to add up and understand multiplication more.

So far this year I have loved doing Maths because we have done a range of different activities and I have enjoyed playing Prodigy to help me with my Maths understanding.

Clayton, Year 2



Anna Orton

Something that I am proud of doing at school is extending myself in Maths with multiplication and other problems.

My favourite subject is

Art because we have been learning about collages. I made one with a lighthouse with a moon in the background. It is from Byron Bay.

I look forward to doing the \$20 Boss at school because I like working with money and I would like to see if my idea of something is a hit, or not.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to do all of my 6 times tables because I think I see the number 6 in a lot of my maths worksheets.

A skill I would like to develop is my homework because I could do better in my Spelling tests and in my core list words if I do more homework.

A goal for myself this term is to be able to do a front aerial and a side aerial because I have been trying to these moves for at least a whole semester.

So far this year I have loved doing Concert practise because I feel no one has heard our song before and it will be different and unique.

Anna, Year 5



Kobi Laffan-Greenman

Something I am proud of doing at school is trying harder things in Maths that I haven't done before. I am pushing myself to learn.

My favourite subject is PE because I get to exercise and I like doing exercise because it is good for your health.

I look forward to doing Big Write because I get to write down things that interest me and things that engage the reader.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to write neater and to be able to write interesting facts. I would like to be able to edit and use the correct spelling and punctuation.

A skill I would like to develop is writing because it makes me happy to see that I can write an interesting story that engages the reader.

A goal for myself next term when I am in High School is to read with expression and to write neatly.

So far this year I have loved English, reading and Concert practice because it is fun to try things that are new to me and challenging. I am looking forward to taking everything I have learnt in Primary School to High School.

Kobi, Year 7

Dates to Remember

11th December

Assembly

Early Dismissal 2:30pm

Tuck Day TERM 4

THANK YOU!

A big thank you to everyone who has assisted with Tuck Day this year! Without your help we would not be able to offer Tuck Day.

Thank you!
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SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Harlyn Congdon

Something I am proud of myself for doing at Preschool is learning the dance for the Concert. We all had lots of fun dancing and

being in front of lots of people especially my mum and dad.

I look forward to finding the Elf of the Shelf every day. It is fun to see what naughty things he has been up to when I have been in bed at my home.

A skill I want to develop is painting different dinosaurs. I love dinosaurs so it is fun to think of all the colours they are and draw them.

This year I have loved playing doctors with everyone to fix all the animals.

I have really liked having Nicole as my Preschool Teacher. I will miss her.

I am looking forward to being in Preschool in the R-2 class with Miss Davey next year as I will still be with my friends from this year and my brother Zeke. I look forward to making new friends also and learning new things from them.

I am looking forward to the holidays and getting some presents from Father Christmas.

Harlyn, Preschool



Henry Roach

Something that I am proud of is my learning in Maths because I've been learning all my times tables. I'm also proud of learning my fractions and knowing

halves, quarters and thirds. Halves are two equal parts of something.

My favourite subject is PE because we are able to learn new sports that we don't normally play. My favourite was netball.

I look forward to doing Science at school because we always get to do a lot of fun experiments and learn interesting things.

By the end of the year I hope to improve my handwriting skills so that I always write neatly and clearly.

A skill I would like to develop is my long distance running so that I can run faster in the Marathon next year and beat my record from this year.

A goal for myself this term was to reach my reading goal set in Term 3. I was able to beat this goal by two levels.

So far this year I have loved doing swimming at the start of the year because I learnt new skills and how to be safe in the water. I was proud that I could float on my back by myself.

Henry, Year 4



George Longbottom

Something I am proud of doing at school is the improvements I have made in Big Write. I am now writing a lot more and finishing my writing

on time, which gives me more time to edit my work. I am liking the topics we get to write about and I like using my imagination to come up with text that is engaging to the readers.

My favourite subject is Drama because we get to act and play different roles. I also enjoy it because I am able to make people laugh.

I look forward to spending time at school with my friends in class and during breaks.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to improve my spelling skills so that I am able to spell more challenging words on my own.

A skill I would like to develop is to improve my knowledge of times tables so that I am able to do them quicker and out of order.

A goal for myself this term is to make sure I am focused on my work and to not talk to others. This is because it will help me to finish my work on time.

So far this year I have loved doing lots of fun things with my friends, especially playing games in fitness and at recess.

George, Year 5



2020 School Concert

Jungle Fever

CHOIR

HIGHER GROUND

SING

RAINING ON THE PLAINS



I like to Move It -
Madagascar

Preschool



R/1



I Wanna Be Like You – Jungle Book



2/3 - Jungle Jive



Jungle Drums

4/5



6/7 Beautiful Creatures - Rio



Dance Club Eye of the Tiger



RUDOLPH THE RED-NOSED REINDEER



Class Awards

R/1 Skyla Cooper 2/3 Felicity Orton 4/5 Sam Hayes 6/7 Lily Mathews



WAB Junior Achiever Award –
Clayton Parham
Treasury Wine Estate Sports Award –
Murphy Heym
Apex Club Citizenship Award –
Lily Mathews
Principal's Academic Achievement
Award –
Abigail Charlick



Thank You & Farewell

Nicole - Preschool Teacher
Prue - 6/7 Teacher
Olivia - Principal



A promotional image for the Adelaide Strikers Holiday Programs. On the left, a large blue mascot with a white 'X' on its chest stands next to a group of six children. The children are wearing blue and white cricket uniforms, including blue bucket hats and white t-shirts with 'Woolworths CRICKET BLAST' logos. One child in the foreground is holding a cricket bat. Above the mascot is a 'Woolworths CRICKET BLAST' logo. The background is a solid blue.

ADELAIDE Strikers

HOLIDAY PROGRAMS

NARACOORTE
Wortley Oval
Thursday 7 & Friday 8 January
9:30am – 12:00pm

TO REGISTER, GO TO
ADELAIDESTRIKERS.COM.AU
AND VISIT THE FAN ZONE

2021 TUCK DAY ROSTER

Term 1

Many thanks for your support, assistance and donations. **If you are unable to do your allotted shift, please organise to swap with someone.** Please notify the Front Office of any swaps so that we can adjust the roster and be sure of volunteers each week. Any queries, please contact Kirilie at the office on 8765 5028.

HELPERS **PLEASE START AT 10.30 AM**

26th January Week 1	<u>NO TUCKDAY</u>
2nd February Week 2	<u>NO TUCKDAY-SWIMMING</u>
9th February Week 3	<u>Pizza</u> Kate McGregor *Muffins- Kathy Hayes
16th February Week 4	<u>Hot Dogs</u> Fi Ward *Muffins – Robyn Kirkham
23rd February Week 5	<u>Quiche & Salad</u> Cate Orton *Muffins- Tammy Parham
2nd March Week 6	<u>SRC Day</u>
9th March Week 7	<u>Pies/Sausage Rolls</u> Reanna Metcalfe *Muffins- Kylie Pethybridge
16th March Week 8	<u>Ham and Cheese Sandwiches</u> Emma Cooper *Muffins- Kat Hadfield
23rd March Week 9	<u>Nuggets and Salad</u> Kate McGregor *Muffins- Lissy Orton
30th March Week 10	<u>Lasagne and Salad</u> Emily Congdon * Muffins- Hannah Orton
6th April Week 11	<u>Pies/Sausage Rolls</u> Tanya Frick *Muffins- Brenna Brooksby

Note that those with * are for supply of muffins/ biscuits/cake/slice only; not Tuck Day Duty. Please deliver to school by 11 am on Tuck Day.

DONATIONS (Please name, date & deliver to school by specified week)

Kylie Pethybridge	QUICHE Wk 5
Hannah Orton	QUICHE Wk 5
Kirilie Turner	QUICHE Wk 5
Tammy Mathews	QUICHE Wk 5
Hollie Roach	QUICHE Wk 5
Mel Tiver	LASAGNE Wk 10
Kate Hayes	LASAGNE Wk 10
Emily Congdon	LASAGNE Wk 10
Brenna Brooksby	LASAGNE Wk 10
Sam Rothe	LASAGNE Wk 10
Tanya Frick	Quelches x 2
Kathy Hayes	Sauce 2L

******2021 PRICES******

Please ensure name, class and item cost is written on bag to make it easier for volunteers. Students can bring extra money for items in their lunch bag. This will be stuck on the front of the lunch bag for them to spend after the lunch bell goes.

LUNCH ORDER PRICE LIST

W1)	NO TUCKDAY	
W2)	NO TUCKDAY	
W3)	Pizza	\$3.50
W4)	Hot Dogs	\$3.50
W5)	Quiche and Salad	\$3.50
W6)	SRC	TBC
W7)	Pies/Sausage Rolls	\$3.00
W8)	Ham and Cheese Sandwiches	\$3.00
W9)	Nuggets and Salad	\$3.50
W10)	Lasagne and Salad	\$3.50
W11)	Pies/SR	\$3.00

DRINKS

Fruit juice		\$2.00
Flavoured milk	250mL (choc, straw)	\$2.00
	375mL (choc, straw)	\$3.00

PRICE OF ITEMS FOR SALE ON TUCK DAY

Moosies	\$1.00
Cake/slice	\$0.50
Quelches	\$0.50