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PADTHAWAY PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Preparing for the future...today"



From the Principal

"The joy of life comes from our encounters with new experiences and hence there is no greater joy than to have an endlessly changing horizon, for each day to have a new and different sun."

- Chris McCandless

Pancake Day

On Tuesday the SRC held their annual Pancake Day to raise money for the Padthaway Uniting Church. On the day they raised \$324 by selling 108 pancakes. We had a lucky winner from each class for their Pancake Day Colouring Competition entries and they received an extra pancake on Tuesday as their prize. Congratulations to Latoya Smith, Ashley Ortlepp and Lucy Tiver for being the SRC's chosen winners of the competition. Well done to everyone who submitted a colouring competition entry this year, we had a variety of styles from fluro, to 3D and glittery. Special thanks to Lisa for helping us with the Pancake day making and serving on Tuesday and to each of our SRC members for outstanding team work and communication. All student reports about the pancakes were positive and the SRC received many compliments about how delicious they were. Another successful Pancake Day!

Cutlery Donations

With the distribution of single use plastic straws, coffee stirrers and cutlery banned in South Australia as of March 1st this year, the Enviro Warriors had been seeking donations of second-hand reusable cutlery over the past few weeks. The cutlery collected can now be used for class parties and whole school Tuck Days. With your help we have enough for all of the staff and students at our school! SRC Pancake Day was our first time using the new sets of donated cutlery, with a class monitor in charge of washing or drying their class

cutlery afterwards. It was fantastic to see so much less rubbish and waste on Tuck Day. Thank you to everyone who made donations over the past few weeks and supported our Enviro Warriors to help the school and environment! Your donations have already been put to good use and are greatly appreciated.

Nut Aware School

As we have a student attending our school who has a nut allergy, we are now a Nut Aware School and appreciate your consideration in supporting the health and safety needs of all our students by ensuring that your child/ren do not bring foods that contain nuts, or are nut based. If you have any questions about foods or ingredients, please contact the school. We appreciate your support and understanding.

SAPSASA Swimming Trials

On Friday of Week 4, Henry Orton, Elsie Orton, Toby Longbottom, Anna Orton, Digby McGregor, Alex Charlick, Gus Brooksby and Jack Orton competed in the Upper South East SAPSASA Swimming Trials. They had plenty of fun and put in a stellar effort from all reports. Congratulations to Alex, Jack and Elsie who have since been selected to represent the Upper South East in the next stage. They will now have the opportunity to compete in the SAPSASA State Country Swimming Championship in Adelaide in Week 9. We wish them the very best of luck!

Sharing Information

A reminder of the importance of early notification for any changes to routine regarding your child or their absence. Staff carry a duty of care for the children at our school and need to be aware of any changes or reasons for absences. Please remember the protocols regarding exchanging this information should flow from parents to the Front Office or teacher. We are unable to accept information told to us by your child. A phone call to the Front Office, notification in

person, via Skoolbag or a parent note in your child's diary are all acceptable.

Lost Property

There is still a great number of unclaimed items in the Lost Property. If your child has lost any items, please contact the Front Office, drop in to check the cupboard or send your child to check in Lost Property.

Student Free Day

Tomorrow is a Student Free Day. While the students begin an extra long weekend with the Adelaide Cup public holiday on Monday as well, the teaching staff and I will be travelling to Adelaide for a day of Professional Development. This day will be the second workshop for the 7 Steps To Writing Success. We attended the first workshop last year and began implementing the program shortly after. This second workshop will continue to strengthen our site improvement focus on student growth with writing. It will give the teaching staff an even deeper knowledge of how writing skills develop across primary schooling and how to support students to make critical and reflective goals for writing through individual writing conferences. We look forward to seeing all the students again next Tuesday, ready to jump back into some fantastic, focused learning!

Parents To Be

Last fortnight, I shared some exciting news with the students which brought huge smiles to their faces. As some of you may already be aware as good news travels fast, my husband and I are thrilled to be expecting our first child at the end of July. It has already been an interesting new journey for us, with plenty of different experiences ahead. We would like to thank all those who have already expressed your excitement and congratulations. We are exceptionally grateful for your support and well wishes during this special time.

Corinne

Preschool—Yr 2 News

In Numeracy, we have been playing with the robot mice. We press the buttons and they drive around by following our directions. In Science, we have been learning about dinosaurs. Chase drew a dinosaur that has a big ball on the end of it's tail. Jack knows lots about dinosaurs. A brachiosaurus whacks the tyrannosaurus with it's tail to keep itself safe. The Receptions have been learning how to write letters and words. Mrs Mowat was really excited when a big group of us got to go and show her our sentences. She gave us a special stamp and some house points because our work was so good, and we got to choose something special from the hard work draw. Lots of us picked new pencils.

Chase and Jack, Reception

3/4/5 News

During PE, we have been doing golf with Michael Justin. I really like playing golf because you get to try to hit balls a long way with a driver club and I like hitting off the tee with a 7 iron.

In Maths lessons, we have been learning about numbers and place value using games, activity sheets and Prodigy. My favourite way to learn Maths is playing Prodigy because you get to defeat monsters by answering lots of different questions.

This week in Tech, we are up to building a model of a water transportation system. We have been learning about food and fibre production and watering systems is a major part of that. My favourite part of Tech is learning about how to build a watering system.

In Science lessons, we have been learning about life cycles and we hopefully will be going to Mrs Drury's family farm to learn about chook life cycles. So far I have learnt that a lion's life cycle is very different to ours because they can start having cubs at 3-4 years of age.

I am really enjoying Visual Arts because we have been learning about the elements of art and painting dinosaurs like the artist Jean-Michel Basquiat.

Digby, Year 5



SRC News

On Tuesday the school participated in Pancake Day. We raised \$324 towards Uniting Care. The winners for the pancake day colouring competition were Latoya, Ashley and Lucy. All of the students won a free pancake. Aussie of the Month for February was Nirvana O'Farrell. She won for helping younger students, being kind in the playground and striving for excellence with personal goals. The SRC have also been busy creating a new Acknowledgement of Country to share in our classes and at school events such as assemblies and concert. We decided to update the previous version to show a greater respect and acknowledgment of the traditional owners of the land in this area.

Anna, SRC President



Enviro News

Last week, Eliza, Grace and I went to the Naracoorte Caves for a day to share with other schools about our environmental goals at Padthaway Primary.

During this day we also went into some caves and we looked into a camera that showed us bats flying around in certain caves. The Enviro Warriors also bought a lot of tools for gardening to help with our weeding every two weeks on Wednesdays. The tools are very helpful and make weeding and cleaning up the school much easier. We used the tools the first time this week on Wednesday. We would also like to thank everyone for their donations of cutlery as the state banned soft plastics. Each class now have their own set.

Albie, Enviro Warrior



Sports News

Over the past couple of weeks the school has been getting new sports equipment. We now have new basketball nets that Troy put up and new cricket equipment. The Sports Captains have been giving out house points to people for good sportsmanship and teamwork. The Junior Primary have started to practice for the Combined School Sports Day in Mundulla at the end of the term.

Murphy, Blue House Captain



Wellbeing News

In the last two weeks the Wellbeing Ambassadors have had lots of fun teaching the 3/4/5 and 6/7 classes about kindness. We watched a short video and then got into painting kindness rocks! The 3/4/5s painted the background of the rocks and the 6/7s wrote kind messages on the rocks. The Preschool—Yr 2s will go on a treasure hunt to find them all next week after the Ambassadors hide them!

Jess, Wellbeing Ambassador



Choir News

This fortnight in Choir we have started practising a couple of the songs by looking at pages from Mrs Mowat's book. We have worked on *Water is Life* and *Mayangan*. Luckily our books arrived today so now we can practice properly in lessons, starting next week, and do our Choir practice at home too, because that's part of our homework. So far we have been practising our separate Soprano and Alto sections well. When we all try to sing our sections at the same time it can be a little tricky for some.

Lachlan, Choir Captain

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50TH SEASON CELEBRATION

PAST & CURRENT SWIMMERS, FAMILIES & FRIENDS WELCOME

SATURDAY 13TH MARCH
FROM 7:00PM

TATIARA CIVIC CENTRE, BORDERTOWN
BAR OPEN & SUPPER PROVIDED
QUENTIN ASHFIELD MUSIC

ENQUIRIES TO CATHY ON 0428720197

PRE-PURCHASE TICKETS \$10EA AVAILABLE VIA TRYBOOKING
[HTTPS://WWW.TRYBOOKING.COM/BOU](https://www.trybooking.com/bouts)

HARMONY DAY & SOCCER CARNIVAL

FOOD & DRINK AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE

SUNDAY 21st MARCH

VIRGO PARK, BORDERTOWN 10:30 AM

ALL PLAYERS MUST BE REGISTERED FOR SOCCER
CONTACT TRACEY: 0431 886 649

COVID RESTRICTIONS APPLY



PCW Spot

Have your children ever accidentally squeezed way too much toothpaste out of the tube, and made an absolute mess? I know mine have! Once the toothpaste is out, there's no getting it back into the tube. Isn't it the same with the words that come out of our mouths? They can be used to either build others up, or tear them down. Either way, once they are out we can't take them back. This is why choosing the words carefully before we say them is so important and our Wellbeing Ambassadors have been doing a wonderful job of teaching the school about how we can use our words to encourage others and radiate kindness. Together we can all THINK before we speak.

- T – is it true?
- H – is it helpful?
- I – is it inspiring?
- N – is it necessary?
- K – is it kind?

Joke: Why are pirates called pirates?
Because they arrgh

Lisa

6/7 News

The 6/7 Class have really enjoyed having Michael come in every Friday to take us for golf lessons. Last week we got to use drivers and hit off a tee. Next week, we will have our final golf lesson and we hope to be able to go over to the golf course for the session.

On Tuesday this week it was Pancake Day, which everybody loved. The Pancakes were delicious and the SRC did a great job making all of the Pancakes.

In Maths, we have started learning about negative numbers. We have been focusing on reading temperatures to identify temperature range and the fall and rise of temperature with negative numbers.

In English, we are still learning about short stories and we completed our last recount for Big Write. We will be writing narratives next. We are still using the Seven Steps to improve our writing. We have also spent some time focusing on *Show Don't Tell*, *Ban the Boring* and *Sizzling Starts*.

For Technologies, the 6/7 class has been lucky enough to have guest speakers come in to talk about food and fibre production around Padthaway. So far, we have had Sam Ward and Pete Mehlhopt come and speak to us about lamb and cattle production. It has been really interesting and we appreciate all the speakers giving up their time to come and speak in our class.

This Term in Science, we have been learning about mixtures and separating mixtures. On Wednesday, we completed an experiment to learn about solutions and what a solute and a solvent are. We created a rainbow with different solutions.

George, Year 6

Community News

Padthaway Medical Centre

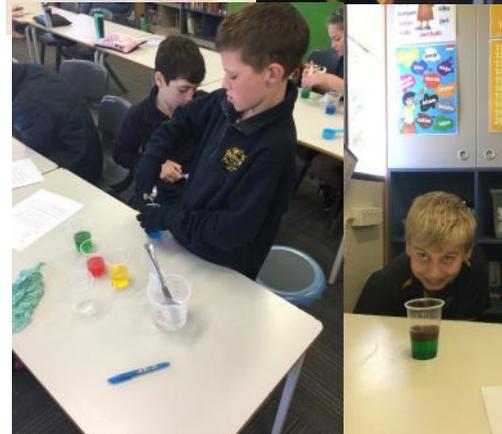
Consulting hours with Dr Sarah Willoughby are 9:00am—5:00pm every Monday and from 2.00pm Thursday afternoons in the Padthaway Medical Centre. To make an appointment please phone Robe Medical Clinic on 8768 2012 or Padthaway Medical Centre (Mondays and Thursday afternoons only) on 8765 5063.

Padthaway Playgroup

Playgroup is held on **Wednesday each week of term from 9:00—10:30am**. Playgroup allows greater social opportunities for children. A morning tea is held in conjunction with Playgroup for any parents who are interested in attending to meet with other parents from Padthaway. If you would like more information, please contact Corinne Mowat or Emma Cooper via the Front Office.

Aussie of the Month

Congratulations to Nirvana O'Farrell for being awarded the Aussie of the Month in February. Nirvana was awarded Aussie of the Month because she has been helping younger students, being kind in the playground and striving for excellence with personal goals. Well done!



SPOTLIGHT ON LEARNING



Shannel Santillan

Something I am proud of doing at school is reading hard books. It is fun because they have funny sentences sometimes. My favourite book is *Liar Bird* because it makes me

laugh.

My favourite subject is PE because we have to practice for the Combined Schools Sports Day. I really like long jump because we jump long and land in the sand. I like hurdles too because you learn to jump high.

I look forward to doing music at school because I like doing music and when I grow up I would like to learn how to play the violin.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to tell the time so then I can remember what time I need to go to school. I will need to learn the quarter past and half past.

A skill I would like to develop is writing sentences and stories with happy endings. I need to remember to use punctuation like capital letters and full stops.

A goal for myself this term is to use computers better because then I can do lots of typing and type my stories. I like playing games on the computer, like Reading Eggs.

So far I have loved doing Science because we get to watch *Sci Show Kids* and learn about dinosaurs. We have been listening to lots of different dinosaurs. Stegosaurus is my favourite kind of dinosaur.

Shannel, Year 2



Elsie Orton

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is bringing constructive ideas to my group during Tech lessons and our great team work. I am proud because we have a

great group and I am looking forward to building our irrigation system. My favourite subject is Visual Art because we have a different teacher, being Mrs Capurso and she is a great teacher for Visual Art because she is so creative. So far we have been drawing monsters of one of Mrs Capurso's favourite artists and we have learnt about the elements of visual arts.

I look forward to doing Combined School Sports Day for school because I would like Padthaway to win and I'd like to see how everyone has developed their skills over the last 2 years. By the end of the year I hope to be able to complete all of my goals in Macqlit so I don't have to do it next year. A skill I would like to develop is writing neat all of the time so then I can get my pen license by the end of the year. I am going to reach this goal by trying to keep all of my work neat and always remember my margins and the date.

A goal for myself this term is to get to reading Level 28 because I like to improve my reading skills to make it easier for writing and reading. So far this year I have loved doing Choir because the songs are catchy, I love singing with the group and I already know two of the songs.

Elsie, Year 5



George Longbottom

Something I am proud of myself for doing at school is my writing during Big Write. I am more focused and productive in this time so I am writing a lot more, I am also being more

accurate with my punctuation.

My favourite subject is Drama because I really enjoy acting and being able to be funny with the different roles that I play. I am looking forward to starting our Drama lessons with Mrs Capurso. I look forward to Visual Art lessons on Wednesdays because I enjoy drawing and being creative. At the moment I am making a pumpkin out of clay, that I have to wait to air-dry and then I will be able to paint it.

By the end of the year I hope to be able to improve my recall of my times tables. Several times a week we practise our times tables at the beginning of the lesson, and I want to be able to get them all correct in a shorter time.

A skill I would like to develop is my touch typing. We are having some time each week to go on a touch typing program, this is helping us to type quicker and more accurately.

A goal for myself this term is to improve my understanding of negative numbers. We have started learning about negative numbers, so they I can easily find the difference in temperatures.

So far this year I have loved doing golf during PE because golf is one of my favourite sports to play.

George, Year 6

Dates to Remember

5th March
Student Free Day

8th March
Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

15th March
Governing Council at 6:15pm

23rd March
Choir Rehearsal Mundulla

25th March
NAPLAN Practice Test Yrs 3, 5 and 7

Tuck Day

Week 7
Pies/Sausage Rolls
Reanna Metcalfe
*Muffins: Kylie Pethybridge

Week 8
Ham and Cheese Sandwiches
Emma Cooper
*Muffins: Kat Hadfield

Kirilie Turner
Tuck Day Coordinator
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Sam Ward



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Department for Education



South Australian School Dates 2021

Term 1 Begins	27 th January	Term 3 Begins	19 th July
Term 1 Ends	9 th April	Term 3 Ends	24 th September
Term 2 Begins	27 th April	Term 4 Begins	11 th October
Term 2 Ends	2 nd July	Term 4 Ends	10 th December

Padthaway School Term 1 Calendar

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
1	January 25 STUDENT FREE DAY	26 AUSTRALIA DAY	27 School Begins Term 1	28 Cold Write	29
2	February 1 SWIMMING	2 SWIMMING	3 SWIMMING	4 SWIMMING	5 SWIMMING
3	8 Governing Council AGM 6:30pm	9	10 Parent Information Afternoon	11 Big Write	12
4	15	16	17 Playgroup 9-10:30am	18	19
5	22	23	24 Playgroup	25 Big Write	26
6	March 1	2 SRC Pancake Day	3 Playgroup	4	5 STUDENT FREE DAY
7	8 ADELAIDE CUP	9	10 Playgroup	11 Milo Cricket 3:45 – 4:30pm Big Write	12
8	15 Governing Council at 6:15pm	16	17 Playgroup	18 Milo Cricket	19
9	22	23 Combined Choir Rehearsal – Mundulla	24 Playgroup	25 Milo Cricket Yr 3/5/7 NAPLAN Practise Test Cold Write	26
10	29	30	31 Playgroup	April 1 Milo Cricket	2 GOOD FRIDAY
11	5 EASTER MONDAY	6	7 Playgroup Big Write	8 Combined School Sports Day - Mundulla	9 Assembly School Ends Term 1 Early Dismissal 2:30pm

**NARACOORTE DISTRICT HOCKEY ASSOCIATION
WITH THE SUPPORT OF
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PRESENTS**

JUNIOR HOCKEY CLINICS 2021

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**SATURDAY AND SUNDAY CLINICS • 9AM
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CHILDREN CAN PARTICIPATE IN ONE OR BOTH CLINICS**

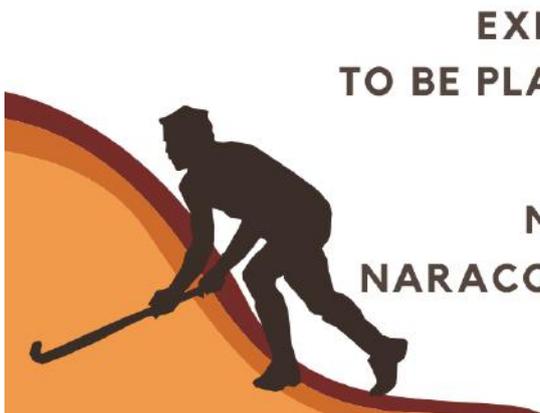
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**NEW AND CURRENT PLAYERS
ARE ALL ENCOURAGED AND WELCOME TO ATTEND** ★

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**ELITE COACHES FROM ADELAIDE PROVIDING JUNIOR CLINICS
REGIONALLY • A RARE OPPORTUNITY TO AVOID TRAVEL**

**COME AND TRY SESSIONS • 9AM • GOLD COIN DONATION
EXHIBITION MATCHES
TO BE PLAYED IN THE AFTERNOONS**

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**MARCH 6TH & 7TH
NARACOORTE HOCKEY GROUNDS**

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2021 PADTHAWAY GENERAL STORE

SCHOOL LUNCH PRICE LIST

Available Thursdays Only

Cold Foods

Baguettes	\$8.50
Salad Rolls	\$8.50

Hot Foods

Plain Pies/Pasties	\$5.50
Sausage Rolls	\$4.50
Cheese Sausage Rolls	\$5.00
Chicken Pie	\$6.00
Potato Pie	\$6.00
Chicken Triangle	\$6.00

Drinks

Big M 250ml (chocolate, strawberry)	\$3.00
Nippy Juice 500ml (orange, orange/mango, apple)	\$3.50
Nippy Juice 350ml (orange, orange/mango, apple)	\$3.00

Ice-creams

Icy Pole \$1.30	Callipo \$2.30
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**ANY QUERIES PLEASE CONTACT PADTHAWAY GENERAL
STORE 8765 5020**