# Numbat News





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# **Lunch Orders**

Monday - Friday - Arola's Café Bakery

# **Uniform Shop**

**Every Monday** from 2.15pm

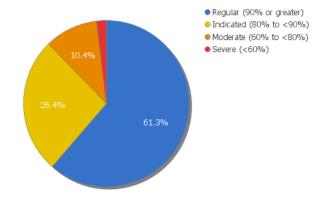
# **Dates to Remember**

- Thursday August 1 Wesley Aboriginal Dance Group
- Friday August 2
  Jeans for Genes Day
- Monday August 12
  P&C Meeting

Dear PPS Families,

Welcome back for term 3. I hope everyone had a wonderful, relaxing holiday break, enjoying a few sleep ins too. Term 3 has started well with students settling back into school routine nice and quickly. Term 3 will be another big term so please refer to your term planners for important dates and events. Any additions or changes will be communicated through the newsletter, Facebook or SMS.

## **Semester 1 Attendance**



Our regular (blue) attendance is slightly down from semester 1 2019 with the moderate (orange) category gaining the increase. It was a tricky end to term 2 with lots of germs and sickness impacting attendance, but there were also instances where this was not the case.

Year 1 finished semester 1 with the highest overall attendance percentage of 91.3% so well done to Mr Harris and our year 1 students. Year 6 students had the lowest semester 1 overall attendance percentage, ending the semester on 83.3% which is concerning as this is their final year before starting secondary school. Out of 11 year 6 students, only 4 attended regularly (blue, 90% or greater), in semester 1.

We had 3 super attendees for semester 1, all ending the semester on 100%. 2 students finished on 99.5% missing only half a day, and 7 students attend 99% of semester 1, missing only one day of school.

## **Emergency Drill**

At some point over the next week we will conduct an emergency drill as part of our whole school emergency preparedness and response. The drill will either be an evacuation or lockdown to test our responsiveness to emergency procedures. Staff and students won't know which day the drill will occur, but they will have some time to prepare students and talk about the importance of practicing these drills. If your children come home and talk about emergency evacuations and lockdowns, use it as an opportunity to share any experiences from your own workplaces.

## **NAIDOC Event**

NAIDOC celebrations will be taking place this Thursday with a dance troupe from Wesley College visiting our school. Students will watch a dance performance from the Wesley College students followed by a workshop. Mrs Jetta will be returning to assist with parents and families are encouraged to attend also.

#### **Parent Interviews**

Just a reminder that parent interviews are taking place in week 3 for all year levels other than kindergarten and pre-primary. Information relating to this was sent home last week with available days and timeslots for each of the teachers.

Take care,

Rob McArdle Principal





Did you know that 1 in 20 Aussie kids face a birth defect or genetic disease? Kids just want to be kids, but instead of playing sports with their friends or catching butterflies on a sunny day, these kids are getting liver transplants, taking dozens of medications, or getting their next dose of chemotherapy. It shouldn't be this way. You can help the scientists at *Children's Medical Research Institute* find cures, so that these kids can go back to being kids.

Pingelly PS will be fundraising **THIS FRIDAY** for Jeans for Genes. Wear you jeans on the day and make a **gold coin donation** towards the *Children's Medical Research Institute*.

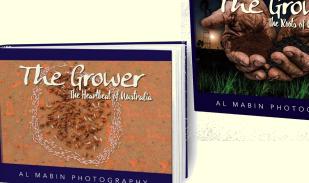
A huge thank you to Pingelly Shire Councillor, *Mrs Kacey Hastings* who ordered, then arranged the postage for two magnificent books for our school library.

The books, produced by photographer Alice Mabin, are full of beautiful photos of agriculture across Australia. They are valued at \$198.00.

The books were proudly donated by farmer John Nicoletti, to enable young Australians to connect with where their food and fibre comes from.

Mr Nicoletti donated 2000 sets of the Grower books to schools.

Please take the time to drop in to the library and have a look at them.



## **WESLEY ABORIGINAL DANCE GROUP**

Pingelly PS is very excited to announce that the Wesley Aboriginal Dance Group will be coming to Pingelly this **THURSDAY August 1**.

The school was successful in obtaining funding from PALS (Partnership, Acceptance, Learning, Sharing) which enabled us to bring the dancers to Pingelly to perform for you.

This is our school's tribute to NAIDOC, which was celebrated during the July school holidays.

- \* At **11am** there will be a *welcome* and acknowledgement of country by our Noongar students.
- This will be followed by the Wesley

  Aboriginal Dance Group performance.
- \* The dance group will then hold a workshop with our students.

All parents, caregivers and friends are invited to the undercover area on Thursday at 11am to enjoy this special cultural performance.



# **GOLF CLINIC**

Pingelly PS was very fortunate to have Jordan, from Golf WA, visit our school last week and present a golf clinic to students from Years 2 - 6.

The workshop was sponsored by Healthways.

Jordan introduced the fundamentals of stance, grip and swing, then the students attempted to chip the ball to a target.

It was a wonderful opportunity for the kids to experience a new sport under professional guidance. They all had a great time!





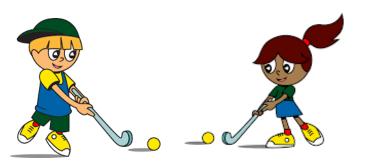
# STARTING THIS FRIDAY 2nd August at 4pm

To register for Hookin2Hockey for ages 10 & under please visit:

https://hookin2hockey.com.au/ and enter Pingelly into the program finder.

Hookin2Hockey will be held on the tennis courts at the PRACC.

Any queries please phone Mark Sewell on 0419 939 056.



# Australian Government Mobile Service Centre



## Serving Regional Australia

Visit the Mobile Service Centre to find out about Australian Government payments and services for rural families, older Australians, students, job seekers, people with disability, carers, farmers and self-employed people.

Information about Department of Veterans' Affairs programs and support services for veterans and their families will also be available.

Staff can provide you with information and support. They can also help you create a myGov account. myGov is a simple and secure way to access government services online.

## Tuesday, 13 August 2019

10 am to 4 pm

Near Memorial Park, Parade Street

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DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Thursday	August 1	Wesley Aboriginal Dance Group performance - 11am
Friday	August 2	Jeans for Genes Day - wear your jeans to school and give a gold coin donation
Monday	August 12	P&C meeting
Friday	August 23	Year 1 Assembly