Numbat News







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School fees may be paid via EFT Payment BSB. 633 000 Account # 1234 71468 Please use your surname and initials as reference when making a payment.

Lunch Orders

Monday - Friday - Arola's Café Bakery

Uniform Shop

Every Wednesday - 1.30 - 2.30pm

Dates to Remember

- **Thursday April 11** P&C Easter Disco
- Friday April 12 Last day of Term 1
- **Monday April 29** First day of Term 2 ANZAC Service

Dear PPS Families,

In late 2018, the Education Minister Hon Sue Ellery MLC released a 10 point action plan addressing violence in schools. The publication made clear that every child has the right to be safe, nurtured and supported to learn, and that the school workplace is safe for all staff.

Across Public Schools, most students are able to learn in safe and supportive environments. However, at times, some students do become physically aggressive towards other students and staff. This is never acceptable as it can cause psychological and physical harm to those involved, as well as disruption to teaching and learning.

The Minister's 10 point action plan seeks to help school staff, families and communities work together on this complex issue. Schools are to respond to the action plan by ensuring their behaviour management policies and procedures reflect the Minister's statement on violence in schools. What this means for Pingelly PS is the following:

- Our behaviour management policy requires updating to reflect actions 1, 2 and 6 from the 10 point action plan.
 - 1. Principals to suspend students who attack other students or start fights (including suspension for students who film a fight rather than seek help).
 - 2. Principals to automatically move to exclude any student who physically attacks school staff.
 - 6. New 'good standing' requirements to be added to school behaviour policies.

Points 1 and 2 are straight forward and require little effort to incorporate into our behaviour management policy. Point 6 is something that requires a higher level of consideration and consultation as we seek to include good standing in our policy. It is important to note that good standing relates only to violence in schools and not all behaviour matters. What it will mean though, is that any student who starts a fight, makes physical contact with the intent to harm another student or videos a fight, is to lose good standing. What I will do is work with staff, School Council and P&C to determine how good standing is reflected in our behaviour management policy. It is also important to note the language around making physical contact with intent to harm. My role when examining the circumstances around physical contact will be to determine whether the contact is a result of intent to cause harm, or poor regulation skills. It will include factors such as the child's age, whether a disability is present, the intent of the action, and other needs of the student. Ultimately the decision to suspend a student on the grounds of violence or physical contact with intent to harm rest solely with the Principal. I will always work with families to provide support and guidance when needed, and plan accordingly for a student's return to school.

Every child and adult has the right to be safe at school. By clarifying what we will and will not tolerate and having the same expectations around violence and physical contact, together, we can do our utmost to provide the safest learning environment for our students and staff. For further information about the Minister's Statement on School Violence, please go to https://www.education.wa.edu.au/web/ newsroom/-/school-anti-violence-measures-strengthened. Also, a copy of the Minister's Statement on School Violence will be on display outside the front office.

Have a great week,

Rob McArdle Principal

STRENGTH

THOUGHT-

RESPECT

INITIATIVE

VALIANCE

EMOTIONAL INTELLIGENCE

Mr Steel & Year 3/4 - Science - chemical awareness

The Year 3/4 class compared the melting speed of chocolate with different variations in position and size of the chocolate block, in Chemical Awareness yesterday.

Solid chocolate blocks **OR** broken chocolate pieces, were placed in ziplock bags in the sun in two different locations.

The students had to measure the time it took for the chocolate to melt in each instance.

Some of the chocolate was placed on the solid concrete veranda, and some was placed on concrete

pavers.

Using stopwatches, the children timed how long each bag of chocolate took to melt.

Solid blocks of chocolate took 6 minutes to melt on the pavers, whilst taking only 4 minutes on the concrete veranda.

Broken chocolate was considerably shorter in time.

The students will graph their results in next week's lesson.







Cameron & Annalyce with their championship medallions. Marni & Lily with the Handicap Shield.

Annalyce P was a very proud champion girl who brought home the Championship medal for her division.

Cameron was also a very proud medal recipient, as runner-up in his division.

Well done to all of the children who went to the carnival. They did a fantastic job and the school is very proud of everyone's performances! Great attitude and sportsmanship was displayed all day. Mrs Mills and Mr Cowcher.



Pre-Primary	Rocco P	
Year 1	Nicola M Charlie S	
Year 2/3	Jack N Suevanna R	
Year 3/4	Miranda P Brock K-M	
Year 5/6	Marni W Daniel M	

CONGRATULATIONS to the Pingelly PS swimming team on a very successful Inter School Swimming Carnival held at York last Friday. The team competed against York, Beverley and Brookton schools in the primary school division. They were the winners of the Handicap Shield, the points being calculated using a formula based on school enrolment numbers.





Marni and Lily with the winning Handicap Shield

CONGRATULATIONS to the Year 5/6 class on their fantastic assembly item last Tuesday.

The Harmony Day assembly incorporated Welcome to Country followed by greetings in Noongar, Polish, Japanese, Maori and English languages.

The students then recited the words....

*** WELCOME *** WE ARE ONE *** WE ARE MANY *** WE ARE AUSTRALIAN

They then sang the song "I am Australian", performed in both Noongar and English, accompanied by clapping sticks. The audience was invited to join in with the chorus. Ms Anna was then invited to tell a story from her native Poland, and Mr Cowcher talked about his family's colourful mix of heritage.

Once the Certificates of Commendation were presented to some very worthy students, the classes then enjoyed some very exciting activities organised by Mrs Kristy Jetta, Mr Paul Standish and staff, in recognition of Harmony Day.































Arrangements for the Pingelly PS **ANZAC Day** service have been changed to

- * MONDAY April 29 the first day back of Term 2.
 - * The service will begin at **9.45am**.
- Parents and community members are encouraged to attend.
- Guests on the day will include ex-service women and men.
- Student leaders will host a morning tea at the conclusion of the service.
 - Please join us for morning tea.





Private Lessons
Commencing Monday May 6

a Pingelly PS

piano/guitar/singing

Register your interest now with

Leigh Jennings on 0428 280 700



Do you have family members who have served in the defence forces?

A *Roll of Honour* of service - men and service - women will be created in the library.

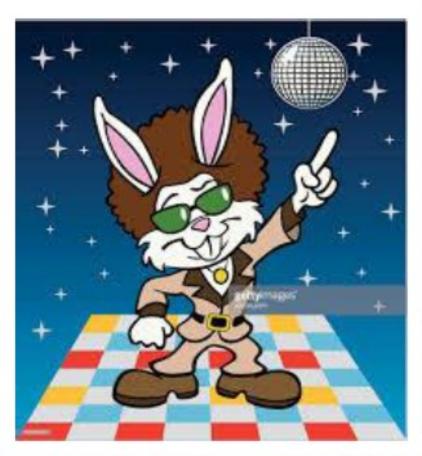
If you would like your family members to be honoured, please send their names to school, with a brief outline of when and where they served, and they will be included on the Roll.

The Roll will be on display in the library until our ANZAC day service on April 29.

DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Monday	April 1	Cuppa with the Principals - 2.15pm
Thursday	April 11	P&C Easter Disco —undercover area — 5 - 7pm
Friday	April 12	LAST DAY OF TERM 1
Monday	April 29	FIRST DAY OF TERM 2 ANZAC Service - Pingelly PS

EVERY BUNNY DANCE NOW!!

HIP HOPPING EASTER DISCO!



DJ GAMES PRIZES DANCE -OFF

* Parent Helpers required on the night. Please phone Kate Macnamara on 0409777335 or Charissa Parsons on 0428473035 if you are available to help*

The P&C would like to invite all Pingelly Primary School students - Kindy - Yr 6 - to the

Hip Hopping Easter Disco!!

There will be a DJ to help dance the evening away with games, prizes, dance-offs and a sausage sizzle! To be held in the undercover area at school.

Thursday 11th April 2019. From 5pm to 7pm. Entry fee: \$5.00 per child, sausage sizzle and juice included.

There will be soft drinks, chips and lolly bags available for purchase on the night.

** UPCOMING EVENTS IN PINGELLY **







This topic was formerly known as The Importance of Silence, Stillness & Calmness in Our Children's Lives.

It is so challenging for modern parents to create calmness, silence and stillness in their homes but this is an important and inspirational life resilience skill for children to develop. In this seminar, you will learn about the main causes of childhood stress, anxiety and disruptive behaviour and what you can do to prevent it. Maggie will explore how to calm hyperactive children, how to change emotional states and what are the best ways to maximise the brain's capacity to learn in a safe environment. Calmness can be learned! This seminar explores cognitive and emotional benefits and is full of practical tips to get the magic into your home.

Date: Wednesday 10 April 2019

5.30pm

Pingelly Recreation and Cultural Centre

Somerset Street, Pingelly

Cost: FREE

FREE
Complementary tickets can be reserved online prior to the event at https://www.trybooking.com/BBRPD. The PRACC Bar and Stringybark Bistro will be open for dinner and drink purchases on the night.
(08) 9887 0092

Inquiries:

Tickets:









FOR PARENTS WORKING TO SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN'S SLEEP TIMES

Know what to look for and understand how routines help children learn skills to sleep. Discuss practical ways to support your children's sleep.







AGE RANGE: 6m-6vrs

DURATION: 2 hours

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FOR PARENTS WORKING TO SUPPORT A CHILD EXPERIENCING FEAR AND ANXIETY

Know what to look for, understand how that impacts thoughts, feelings and behavior so you can assist your children manage their fears and anxiety







AGE RANGE: 2-12yrs

DURATION: 2 hours

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