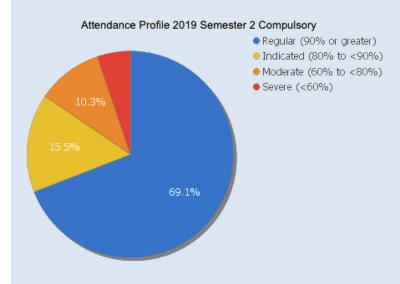


Dear PPS Families,

Another term is about to come to an end with the year quickly disappearing. Friday's Pre-primary assembly and STRIVE colour run will be a great way to end this busy term 3. Term 4 commences for all students on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October with the Monday a school development day for staff.

#### Semester 2 Attendance Update



Our overall attendance at the end of week 9 is 89.7%. Regular attendance (90% or more) has increased from 66% to 69.1%. Year 2 students continue to be our best attenders with a small increase from 94.1% to 94.3%. Not far behind are our year 3s with an attendance rate of 92.7%.

#### **Digital Technologies Grant**

We recently received notification that a grant application to the Pingelly Brookton Bendigo Bank had been successful. I'd like to thank the Bendigo Bank board for approving the \$1000 grant application to go towards the introduction of digital technology resources to the Kindergarten and Pre-primary classes. Thank you also to our P&C who will be donating \$850 towards this project to provide additional funding.

#### **Interschool Carnival**

A big well done to all of our participating students at the recent interschool athletics carnival. It was excellent to see our students striving for individual and team glory on the big interschool stage. I was pleased with the wonderful display of effort, team work and school pride as Pingelly PS cheered loudly and behaved beautifully. It was another great effort from Pingelly PS to finish the day on 211 points to claim the handicap shield. Well done to York Blue who won the day on 226 points. A huge thank you to our many helpers who worked tirelessly across the day, particularly our P&C for providing morning tea, lunch and general help across the day. Thanks especially to Mr Robert Lee who was early to arrive, before 7:30am, and last to leave once all the packing up had been done. Thank you to Mrs Mills for the enormous effort of coordinating an interschool carnival, to Mrs Parsons and Mrs Ward, and to all the Pingelly PS staff for their role in the lead up and on the day.

#### **STRIVE Colour Run**

Our second STRIVE Colour Run will be this Friday, 27<sup>th</sup> September. Miss Dodd and her helpers have been very busy preparing for this year's colour run and are very excited for it. As indicated in recent correspondence, fundraising from the colour run will go towards beautifying the students' toilets with new paint and inspirational messages on walls and doors.

Last week we received a visit from Sergeant Whitney who came to speak to the students about being safe when knocking on doors for sponsors, and that any money collected through sponsors is not personal spending money. As students collect sponsorship money for this year's colour run, we ask that they are accompanied by an adult or travelling together in a large group.

## **Religious Education**

Pingelly PS has had a long association with local churches for the provision of religious education classes. More recently, we have had Mrs Di Cousins and Mrs Marion Morrison deliver the Treasure Hunters program across our primary year levels. Last week I was informed that Di and Marion could no longer continue with the Treasure Hunters program at Pingelly PS. I want to thank Di and Marion for their contribution to Pingelly PS over their years of volunteering and dedicated service.

### NAPLAN

NAPLAN reports for year 3 and 5 students will be sent home today. The student NAPLAN report provides information relating to a student's performance in the NAPLAN assessments earlier in term 2. Please read through your child's NAPLAN report and do not hesitate to speak to your child's teacher if further clarification is needed.

Have a great rest of the week, and enjoy the upcoming holiday break.

Rob McArdle Principal



# Services



## Will your child/children be needing transport to school next year on a bus?

Orange School Bus Services is accepting transport assistance applications for 2020. A transport assistance application needs to be approved by School Bus Services prior to students using a bus <u>if they</u> <u>are starting school for the first time, changing schools or moving address</u>. Students who are already approved to use an orange school bus and are not changing their arrangements do not need to re-register. Students also do not need to re-register if they are transitioning from kindergarten hours to standard pre-primary hours.

Parents can fill out applications either online at <u>www.schoolbuses.wa.gov.au</u>, or can contact School Bus Services on 9326 2463 for a paper application form.

Mr Cowcher has recently been busy supervising students as they build scarecrows for entry in to the Royal Show *Sustainable Scarecrow* competition. These are made from recycled materials.

"The aim of the Sustainable Scarecrow Competition is to involve children in aspects of sustainability and to encourage their interest in the concept of growing their own edible plants and keeping the plants safe from predatory birds.

We would like to create an interest in the next generation about where their food comes from and how to keep it safe while growing."



Currently the scarecrows are doing a great job, keeping Mr Cowcher's lunch safe, while they await delivery to the Claremont Showgrounds for judging!

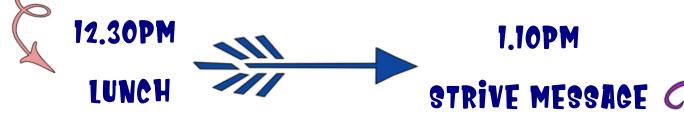
Pingelly PS was very fortunate to have Jenna Sparks from *Tennis West* come and spend some time with our classes this week as part of a "Come and try tennis" promotion.

Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 students participated in skills and games using modified tennis rules including a shortened match format, smaller courts, smaller racquets and softer balls to suit the students age and skill level.

#### Marni & Lily with Jenna









**1.10PM** 



# **Super Starters**

# **Preparing your Child for Kindy**

# Parents along with children who are due to be starting Kindy in 2020 are invited to "Super Starters".

*This is* a 4-week group that works with families to help them prepare for Kindy and the years beyond.

Super Starters provides an opportunity to:

- Get used to the school setting.
- Enhance development of fine motor, gross motor, language, social, and attention skills needed for Kindy.
- Learn strategies and activities that can be used at home to prepare your child further for starting school.
- Have fun and learn with your child.

# Where

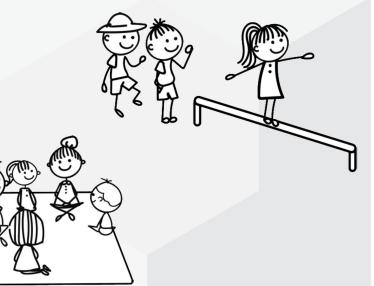
Pingelly Primary School Kindy Room

# When

9:30am - 11:00am

# Dates

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October Monday 28<sup>th</sup> October Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November



Parents are requested to contact Reception at Southern Wheatbelt Primary Health Service

on 9881 0385 or southernwheatbelt.phs@health.wa.gov.au

if they are interested in registering their child for the program.

# e-Primary Max M

Year 2/3	Noah L	Pearl H
Year 5/6	Daniel M	Abbey L





Our new style STRIVE tags have arrived and look great! The large letters will easily identify the appropriate STRIVE value.

CONGRATULATIONS to this week's golden broom recipient, Katelyn H.

The Year 1 science class this week was doing an experiment by combining ingredients to make bubble mix, then using different shapes to blow bubbles.

The students used pipe cleaners to form squares, circles or triangles.

They then observed the results of blowing bubbles through the different shaped pipe cleaners.





# Week 9 morning assembly

# **Congratulations** to the STRIVE certificate recipients at our recent morning assembly.



Well done to Ava H, Phoebe K-M & Hannah W. As there were three divisions with equal runners-up at our recent faction athletics carnival, extra medals were required for the recipients. These girls were presented with their medals at the morning assembly on Monday August 16.



Ninja Maths is a mental maths program running in all classes from Year 1 - Year 6.

On morning assembly days, Mr Cowcher has been promoting the program getting Ninjas from the audience to participate in a Ninja maths-off. At last week's assembly the Ninja Maths competitors were Harry L and Charlie S.

DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Friday	September 27	Pre-primary assembly - 11.45am
Friday	September 27	Colour run
Friday	September 27	Last day of term 3
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 15	FIRST DAY OF TERM 4 for students

"Have a safe and happy holiday! See you back at school on "Tuesday October 15.



# **Pingelly Primary School**

# Term 4, 2019

	Monday 14 Oct	Tuesday 15 Oct	Wednesday 16 Oct	Thursday 17 Oct	Friday 18 Oct
Week 1	School Development Day	First day of Term 4			
Week 2	Monday 21 Oct Super Starters 9.30—11.00	Tuesday 22 Oct	Wednesday 23 Oct PEYN Teddy Bears Picnic Year 5/6 School Camp Newsletter	Thursday 24 Oct	Friday 25 Oct
Week 3	Monday 28 Oct Super Starters 9.30—11.00	Tuesday 29 Oct School Photos	Wednesday 30 Oct	Thursday 31 Oct T20 cricket Yrs 3 - 6 Brookton	Friday 1 Nov Bandana Day
Week 4	Monday 4 Nov Super Starters 9.30—11.00	Tuesday 5 Nov	Wednesday 6 Nov Newsletter	Thursday 7 Nov	Friday 8 Nov
Week 5	Monday 11 Nov Super Starters 9.30—11.00 Remembrance Day	Tuesday 12 Nov	Wednesday 13 Nov	Thursday 14 Nov	Friday 15 Nov Kindy Assembly
Week 6	Monday 18 Nov	Tuesday 19 Nov	Wednesday 20 Nov Newsletter	Thursday 21 Nov	Friday 22 Nov
Week 7	Monday 25 Nov	Tuesday 26 Nov	Wednesday 27 Nov	Thursday 28 Nov	Friday 29 Nov
Week 8	Monday 2 Dec	Tuesday 3 Dec	Wednesday 4 Dec Newsletter	Thursday 5 Dec	Friday 6 Dec
Week 9	Monday 9 Dec	Tuesday 10 Dec	Wednesday 11 Dec Year 6 Graduation Dinner	Thursday 12 Dec	Friday 13 Dec Semester 2 reports NSHS Transition Day
Week 10	Monday 16 Dec End of year Concert 6.30pm	Tuesday 17 Dec	Wednesday 18 Dec Newsletter	Thursday 19 Dec Last day of term 4	Friday 20 Dec School Development Day