

# Numbat News

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Pingelly PS



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Please use your surname and initials as reference when making a payment.

## Dates to Remember

- \* **WEDNESDAY May 27**  
*NSS in-school event and DISCO*
- \* **MONDAY June 1**  
*Western Australia Day NO SCHOOL*
- \* **TUESDAY June 2**  
*School Development Day NO SCHOOL*

**UNIFORM SHOP:** The Uniform Shop is currently closed. If you require uniforms or want to place an order, please call the front office on 9887 2000.

**LUNCH ORDERS:** To place lunch orders please contact Arola's Café on 9860 6808. The school is not currently handling orders or money for orders.

Dear PPS Families,

After the upheaval of the past few months it's good to say that things are starting to feel normal again. With students in attendance and classes in full operation it's pleasing to see and hear busy classrooms and happy students. Our students have come back with plenty of enthusiasm to learn and pick up where things left off late term 1. Whilst day to day classroom operations are back to normal, there are still a number of restrictions in place following the WA Government's update last week. Until further update, restrictions still apply with the following:

- Assemblies
- Excursions
- Interschool events
- Parents and non-essential adults on grounds
- Activities that involve contact
- Any mass gathering of over 20 adults

## Classroom Happenings

Across last week, the middle and upper primary school classes spent time investigating and using a range of digital technologies including iPads to create movies and for coding, and different types of robots. The older students were challenged to create simple instructions to share with younger students and pass on their understandings of how the devices can be used to create media and other projects, and control various devices.

Digital technologies also made its way into Phys Ed. with students working in groups to create and film short fitness videos to share with others.

## National Simultaneous Storytime

Mrs Narducci has been busy transforming the library into a setting fit for a diva disco in preparation for next week's National Simultaneous Storytime event. Thank you to Mrs Amber Moulton who has kindly offered her expertise to the NSS event. This year's book is titled Chicken Divas and follows the hilarious story of Whitney and Britney – two chicken divas! Further information about next week's event can be found on our Facebook page or later in the newsletter.

## Chaplain Update

Starting next Tuesday, we welcome our new Chaplain, Mr Doug McDowell to Pingelly PS. Doug has been a Chaplain in public schools for over 10 years and comes to us with a wealth of experience. Doug's most recent experience has been at Dalyellup College where he has been working in a high school context. Doug will be at Pingelly PS each Tuesday and Friday and at Corrigin DHS on Wednesdays and Thursday. I'm looking forward to welcoming Doug to our school and the wider Pingelly community.

## Student Health

Just a reminder that any child reporting cold or flu like symptoms needs to stay at home. If a student informs their teacher of similar symptoms, parents / caregivers will be notified and required to collect their child. This also applies to staff and other adults. If sick, please remain off school grounds.

## Building Improvements

As part of our priority maintenance funding received in semester 2 last year, the following upgrades have been completed or are scheduled to be completed in the near future.

- Admin block flooring replaced in Principal, Deputy Principal and MCS offices
- Admin block lighting replaced
- Library lighting to be replaced in the coming weeks

The major flooring removal and replacement in the home economics room is now complete with all electrical and plumbing work finished.

Work is progressing on the primary science lab conversion program which should be complete by the end of 2020. Plans have been drawn up and we are now awaiting confirmation of a start date.

Take care,



Rob McArdle  
Principal

## Free Dress Day!!

It's so **Exciting!** In conjunction with **National Simultaneous Storytime**, there will be a **free-dress day** for all students on **Wednesday May 27**.

To complement the theme of NSS, the dress style will be **disco glam**, so break out the bling, sequins, glitter, feather boas, tiaras, bow ties, waist coats or anything else that helps bring out the dancing divo or diva.

Each class will attend the library individually to watch the stage performance of "*Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas*" before enjoying a mini disco.

A huge thank you to *Mrs Amber Moulton* who has written the script and is assisting in the production of the stage performance.



During and since the holidays our school has undergone a massive and sustained cleaning program. Every day the school's regular cleaning is undertaken by our permanent cleaners Lynda W, Sue C, Leanne W and Sheina D, making sure that things are scrupulously wiped, vacuumed and polished.

During the day Janette M conducts an hourly, whole school sweep, wiping light switches, iPads, keyboards, photocopiers, desks, door handles and flush buttons. Externally seating, railing, lunch benches, sports equipment and play equipment are also disinfected and sprayed. Janette is assisted by Kelly K and Mandy A in doing the outdoor cleaning.

Together they present a formidable cleaning team and we would like to thank them very much for helping make our work and play space a safe, protected environment.

**Arola's Café Ph: 98 606 808**

**Monday - Friday Menu**

*Winter Menu - Term 2*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Year: \_\_\_\_\_

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Parents / caregivers will need to place lunch orders by contacting Arola's Café on 98 606 808. For the time being the school will not be handling lunch order forms and money.

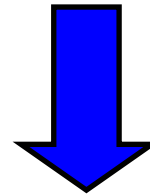
**Available Every Day**

Ham & Cheese Toastie	\$3.80	
Nuggets & Salad or Veges	\$5.20	
Pasta Bake	\$5.20	
Soup of the day	\$2.50	
Chicken & Salad Roll	\$5.20	
Chicken & Salad Wrap	\$5.20	
Chicken & Salad Sandwiches	\$4.20	
Ham & Salad Roll	\$5.20	
Ham & Salad Wrap	\$5.20	
Ham & Salad Sandwiches	\$4.20	

Spearmint Milk	\$2.30	
Choc Milk	\$2.30	
Strawberry Milk	\$2.30	
Banana Milk	\$2.30	
Orange Juice	\$2.30	
Tropical Juice	\$2.30	
Apple Juice	\$2.30	

Ice-Cream	\$2.00	
Fresh Fruit	\$1.10	
Yoghurt	\$2.80	
Muffin	\$3.80	
Apple & Cinnamon		

**Available on  
Fridays ONLY**



Potato Pie	\$4.30	
Meat Pie	\$4.30	
Sausage Roll	\$3.60	
Hot Dog	\$5.20	
Pizza	\$3.20	
Sauce— Tomato / BBQ	\$0.50	

**VISITING THE SCHOOL**

Thank you to our parents / caregivers and visitors who respectfully refrain from going past the school gates and entering school grounds.

If you need to visit, please call ahead and wait for instructions on how to enter. This restricts the amount of outside contact that our students and staff encounter throughout the day.

We are all doing our best to keep our school environment safe and your consideration and cooperation has been noted.

**Thank you.**



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## Teaching the Year 1's to use the Robots

On Tuesday, week 4, the Year 5/6s combined with the Year 1s to teach them to use the robots. We had OSMOs, Dashes, Dots, a Sphero and a few Bee Bots.

On the OSMOs, we taught the little ones how to play 3 games. These games were Tangrams, Numbers and Words.

The Bee Bots - the Year 5/6s created little games using mats. The Year 1s had to figure out how to complete the task using simple coding skills.

We also helped the Year 1s use the Dashes. With the Dashes you can connect a xylophone and make songs or listen to nursery rhymes. Dashes can also be driven and make a lot of noise!

There are also little Robots called Dot. You could say they're Dash's little brother. Unlike Dash, they cannot move but they sit on a little stand. You can make them make noises, change colour and much more!

By Abbey L and Daniel M



Sphero & Bee Bot



Dash & Dot

### A message from Chaplain Doug

Hello everyone.

I am looking forward to joining the Pingelly School community as School Chaplain and will be at school on a Tuesday and Friday each week.

I will be available as a support person to parents, staff and students.

Chaplains are placed in schools to be a positive and encouraging presence in the school, as well as being there for individuals.

We may run programs and activities which support learning and academic progress, as well as social skills.

Please say hello when you see me in the school.

I look forward to meeting you and spending time getting to know you.

Best wishes - Doug.



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