# Numbat News





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**Pingelly PS** 

6 May 2020

#### Administration:

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NSS virtual in-school event

**WEDNESDAY May 27** 

\* MONDAY June 1

Western Australia Day NO SCHOOL

**Dates to Remember** 

\* 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,

A big welcome back for the start of a new term. I trust that everyone was able to make the best of a different holiday break and use the time to recharge and refresh. With students returning for the start of term, things have been slowly getting back to normal. With attendance for week 2 at close to 70%, teachers are working hard to support learning in classrooms and at home, and we thank our learning at home parents and students for all their efforts also.

Whilst some things are returning to normal, we are still impacted by the challenges and restrictions imposed by COVID-19. We have well embedded handwashing and hygiene routines, ongoing cleaning throughout the school day, restrictions on adults entering the school grounds, and all non-essential gatherings suspended until further notice. With these challenges and restrictions clearly noticed and felt by all, we have been very impressed by how well our students have returned to school and settled back into routine. Aside from some initial extra excitement and chatter, students have done well to carry on from where things were left late in term 2.

#### **Term 2 Staffing**

As mentioned in earlier communication, Mr Cowcher will remain as Principal at Wandering PS for term 2. A big thank you to Miss Tracey Watts for her contributions to PPS in term 1 and we wish her the best with her future endeavours. For term 2, we have Mrs Chris De Groot in PP each Wednesday, Ms Janette Millar who is keeping our school sparkling during the day as our additional cleaner, and from week 5 Mr Reece Overington who will be completing his final teaching prac in the year 3/4 class. Hopefully in week 5 we will have a new Chaplain commencing and once details are fully confirmed, I'll make introductions and provide further information.

#### Learning at Home Week 3

An SMS will be sent today to request parents notify the school if their learning at home children will be returning to school in week 3. To assist with the preparation of learning at home resources, please notify the school as soon as possible whether your child will be at school or home in week 3.

#### **Student Health**

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. If at all concerned about your child's symptoms – increased temperature over 38°C, respiratory infection – seek medical advice on whether your child should be tested for COVID-19

With the impending flu season bearing upon us flu vaccinations are available with health services encouraging people to book in to get these done.

#### **Attendance**

Currently, parents can send their children to school or choose to keep them at home and make use of learning at home resources. Students who are learning at home will be marked as attending but offsite. For absence due to sickness (non COVID -19 related), appointments etc., please notify the school as all standard attendance recording still applies.

Please remember to contact the school or your child's teacher regarding any COVID-19 or learning at home enquiry.

Take care,



#### **Year 5/6 Newsletter Report**

#### **Interviewing Mr Overington**

Where are you from? I grew up in Pingelly.

What do you want to achieve?
I would like to become a full time teacher



#### What made you want to become a teacher?

I want to make a difference in the next generation. I also really enjoy teaching.

What year group do you want to teach? I would really enjoy teaching years 3-6

# What advice would you give to any one who would want to become a teacher?

You need patience and confidence with speaking in front of crowds.

What was your first impression of Pingelly Primary School? I felt very comfortable and a bit nostalgic!

By Abbey and Imogen.

#### ISO PIE (aka Apple Crumble) - from Mr Hill

Spending time in isolation has produced budding chefs everywhere. Today we bring you a delicious apple crumble recipe from Mr Hill, who has perfected a recipe handed down through the generations.

#### **Filling Ingredients:**

4 green apples
3 tblspns sugar
Crumble Ingredients:
1/2 cup SR flour
1/2 tspn cinnamon
45g melted butter
1/4 cup brown sugar
(compacted)



#### Method:

- \* Stew the apples and sugar with a tablespoon of water on low heat until the apples are soft.
- \* Combine the crumble ingredients in a small bowl with a spoon until they are well mixed.
- \* Place apples in the base of a dish and sprinkle crumble mix over the apple.
- \* Bake in a 180° oven until the crumble is golden brown.
- \* Serve with cream or icecream (or BOTH!)

YUM - THANK YOU Mr Hill.

This week the Year Ones went on a nature scavenger hunt. They looked at some of the different things you can find in nature such as animals, insects, plants, etc.





After completing their nature scavenger hunt they wrote about what they saw and used photos they had taken to help them describe the things they found.





# YEAR 5/6 GRAPHIC ART

Year 5/6 students used graphic images to decorate and colour their names in art.



### **PRE-PRIMARY**

#### Kodomo no Hi



Children's Day is a very popular festival in Japan, and happens annually on the 5<sup>th</sup> May. For children it is a celebration day and giant Koinobori (carp kites) are flown all over Japan. Families often fly the *Koinobori* – (a fish flag) for every member of the family.

Why is the carp chosen as the symbol for Children's Day and the kite? The carp is one type of fish which swims upstream, even jumping over small waterfalls. Parents

wish for their children to be strong and determined like the carp.

The Pre-Primary class have been discussing their own and others' families in HASS. On the  $5^{th}$  May the students painted their own koi, ready to be made into koinobori, for our classroom display. Mrs Bassett's wish is for all her students to become strong and successful.



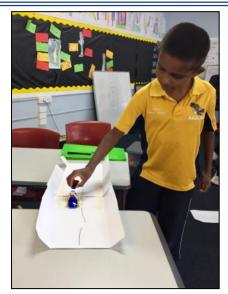








The Kindy class has been listening to the 'Three Little Pigs' story. Using the 3 little pigs felt boards, they then retold the story through play.





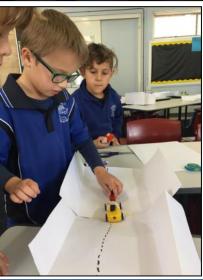




## **YEAR 2/3**

The Yr 2/3 class had a challenge to build a bridge across a 20cm span, strong enough for a small vehicle to travel across.

Using folded paper, magnets, plastic cars, LOTS of sticky tape and plenty of imagination and creativity they were all successful in driving their vehicles across their bridges.



#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

is currently closed. If you require uniforms - or want to place an order, please phone 9887 2000.

A polar fleece jumper with a half zip is now available for \$35.00. The latest order form is accessible on the Pingelly PS website at

https://www.pingellyps.wa.edu.au/parents-community/current-students/

#### **LUNCH ORDERS**

Parents / caregivers will need to place lunch orders by contacting Arola's Café on 9860 6808. For the time being the school will not be handling lunch order forms and money.

#### SCHOOL DROP OFF & PICK-UP OR VISITING THE SCHOOL

Parents / caregivers will be required to drop off and collect their children from perimeter gates. We are respectfully asking that parents / caregivers and visitors refrain going past the school gates and entering school grounds. If you need to see someone, we request that you phone the school office, where you will be met outside or instructed to enter. At pick up and drop off, staff will be posted at perimeter gates to assist with the collection of younger children.

In the event that your child needs collecting early, please phone the office and we will arrange for your child to be brought to you.

\*Please make any contact via phone 9887 2000 or email pingelly.ps@education.wa.edu.au\*



If you child is unwell it is very important that they stay at home.

If they come to school unwell you may get a phone call to come and pick them up.





If there have been any changes to your circumstances, please advise the school of any updated contact details. This includes a change in phone number, address or email address.

It is very important that we can make contact with you in the event of an emergency.







DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Wednesday	May 27	National Simultaneous Storytime virtual in-school event
Monday	June 1	Western Australia Day - NO SCHOOL
Tuesday	June 2	School Development Day - NO SCHOOL