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Pingelly PS



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Dates to Remember

- * **Tuesday June 30**
Semester 1 reports
- * **Friday July 3**
Last day of Term 2

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,

I hope everyone enjoyed the extra-long weekend! It came at a perfect time in the middle of the term and provided much needed rest and relaxation. As regional border restrictions have been easing, it's been great to hear stories of students travelling to Perth or beyond to see family and friends for the first time in months. The excitement shared by students as they talked about visiting grandparents, family and friends was wonderful to hear.

COVID-19 Update

From next week, Monday, 8th June, parents / carers will be able to enter school grounds to drop off and pick up their children. This is a much-welcomed announcement and a positive step in the easing of COVID-19 related restrictions.

With other restrictions relating to public gatherings also easing, we will review the school calendar for the rest of term 2 and look what these eased restrictions mean for events such as assemblies, sports, excursions etc. As plans are made, families will be updated of any additions to the school calendar.

Staff Update

For the remainder of term 2, Mr Ian Steel will provide admin support as he steps into the vacant Deputy Principal position. I thank Mr Steel for stepping into this role and the valuable knowledge and experience he will provide.

Welcome to Miss Emily Matthews who will be providing additional classroom support for the final 5 weeks of term 2 as a Mainstream Education Assistant.

Whilst not an official staff member but a much-loved member of the PPS community, Steph Cook's 8-year reign as bus driver recently came to an end. Steph will be missed by all, especially the students on her bus. We wish her all the best with her new adventures.

Semester 1 Reports

Student semester 1 reports for PP – 6 will look considerably different than usual. Due to COVID-19 related interruptions to teaching and learning, semester 1 reports will not be graded (using a 5-point scale) and comments may be more generalised as teachers have less content to report on. Comments will be provided for English, mathematics and a general comment given for overall progress. Parents / teachers interview will be offered, providing parents / carers the opportunity to discuss student progress in more detail.

National Simultaneous Story Time

Last Wednesday's National Simultaneous Story Time event showcased some amazing acting talents. Mrs Amber Moulton and Mrs Narducci created a beautiful atmosphere for Abbey, Rosie, Annalyce, Ava and Daniel to rehearse for and retell the Chicken Divas story. Across the day they performed for 5 classrooms and wider audiences and did so with great enthusiasm and effort. Thank you, Mrs Narducci and Mrs Moulton for all of your hard work and preparations, and the five students for sharing their performing talents with us all.

Chaplain Update

Doug McDowell, our new school chaplain, has settled in well and has been busy meeting staff and students. He has spent time in classrooms familiarising himself with Pingelly PS and what our school is about. With parents / carers allowed back on school grounds from next Monday, Doug is looking forward to the opportunity to be out and about meeting school families.

Student Health

Even though restrictions continue to ease, it is important to keep in mind 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.

Take care,

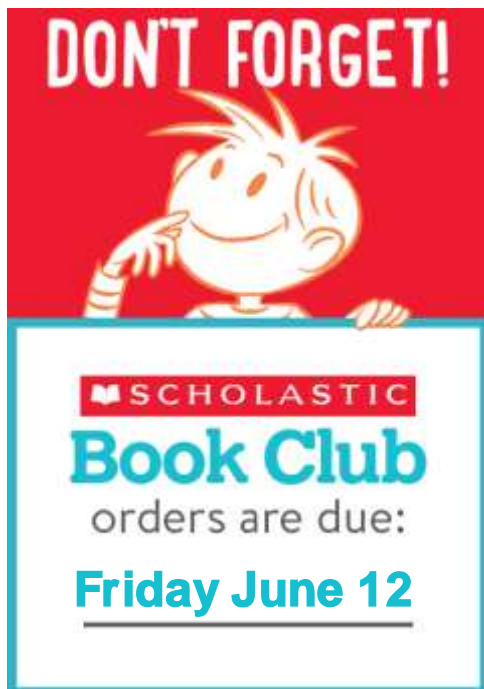
Rob McArdle



Mr Steel, acting Deputy Principal for the remainder of Term 2



Welcome to Miss Matthews, Educational Assistant.



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To maintain our current health standards in line with Covid 19 requirements
we would appreciate it if students

DO NOT BRING TOYS TO SCHOOL.

This includes sandpit toys, balls, cuddly toys etc.



National Sorry Day

The 26 of May was National Sorry Day.

National Sorry Day is when we remember the Stolen Generation.

The Stolen Generation is when the government took the Aboriginal kids away from their parents. And when the Aboriginals were talking about the Stolen Generation none of the government wanted to believe that they did this. But in 2007 Kevin Rudd the Prime Minister said sorry to all the Aboriginals and agreed that we did do the Stolen Generation. Kevin Rudd said "We today take this first step by acknowledging the past and laying claim to a future that embraces all Australians. A future where this Parliament resolves that the injustices of the past must never, never happen again. A future where we harness the determination of all Australians, Indigenous and non-Indigenous, to close the gap that lies between us in life expectancy, educational achievement and economic opportunity. A future where we embrace the possibility of new solutions to enduring problems where old approaches have failed. A

future based on mutual respect, mutual resolve and mutual responsibility. A future where all Australians, whatever their origins, are truly equal partners, with equal opportunities and with an equal stake in shaping the next chapter in the history of this great country, Australia. There comes a time in the history of nations when their people must become fully reconciled to their past future. Our nation, Australia, has reached such a time."

By Taylym F and Harry L - Year 5/6



Doing our hands

In the year 5/6 class we made hands with Aboriginal symbols and symbols that resemble us and what we like. Also the hands show that we're all different in different ways. It doesn't matter what skin colour you are, everyone's life matters. We all live and share together - AUSTRALIA.

National Simultaneous Story Time

On the 27th of May, it was National Simultaneous Story Time.

This year, the book was called '*Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas*'. Some of the year 5/6s turned the book into a play, with help from Amber Moulton. Abbey and Rosie performed as Whitney and Britney, Annalyce performed as Dora Von Dooze, (Whitney and Britney's fox friend), Ava performed as Miss Razzle, the fabulous owner of Club Sparkles, and Daniel was the sound/props/signs boy.

As well as the performance, all of the students from Pre-Primary to year 6 got to dress up in disco gear.

Everyone got their disco on, and had a great time!

- Abbey and Daniel



The cast of '*Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas*', with Mrs Moulton.



Fun at the after-show disco

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