

Numbat News

STRIVE TO EXCEL



Pingelly PS 29 July 2020



Administration:

Phone: (08) 9887-2000 **Email:** pingelly.ps@education.wa.edu.au
Webpage: www.pingellyps.wa.edu.au

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.

Dates to Remember

- * **Friday July 31**
Interschool x-country Brookton
- * **Friday August 7**
Jeans 4 Genes Day
- * **Monday August 10**
NSHS Information session

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 to everybody after the recent holiday break. Week 1 got the term off to a great start with students settling back in to school rhythm with ease. There were some wonderful stories about holiday adventures, with everyone quite excited to see Mr Cowcher back at Pingelly. Welcome also to the couple of new students joining our school at the start of this term. The Monday before students returned saw staff come together and spend some time planning for the term ahead. We began the morning with a new *Play is the Way* game which provided a nice degree of challenge for staff returning after the holiday break. The STRIVE values were on full display as the staff's patience and strength was tested as we learned the new game. Although a very challenging game, staff persevered making strong progress whilst relying heavily on their knowledge of our STRIVE values.

As they returned to school last Tuesday, our K, PP and year 1 students were very excited at the new electronic whiteboards that arrived during the holidays. These devices are a big update from the existing hardware, providing greater functionality and support throughout teaching and learning.

COVID-19 Update

As we've become quite accustomed to this year, there's rarely a newsletter without some mention of COVID-19. We are still in Phase 4 of the WA Government's Roadmap to Recovery. Phase 5 has been pushed further back to Saturday, 15th August 2020. Until then and for the foreseeable future, physical distancing and increased hygiene and cleaning practices are normal, ongoing features of our daily operations.

Thank you also to our families for your support with keeping sick children at home.

Morning Assemblies

We had our first morning assembly since term 1 on Monday, signalling a return to 'normal' school operations. Well done to all of the students who received STRIVE certificates in acknowledgement of their efforts across week 1. Your ongoing display of our STRIVE values really stood out, with the acknowledgement well deserved.

Cross Country

Last Wednesday's faction cross country ran wonderfully with beautiful weather across the afternoon. Well done to our year 1 to 6 students for their huge effort running the course. It was great to have parents and families back on site to help with the cheering and overall atmosphere. Thanks Mrs Mills and to all the supporting staff for organising the afternoon.

Interschool cross country takes place this Friday at Brookton DHS with 24 students selected to represent Pingelly PS. We wish those students all the best as they prepare for this challenging event.



Building / Maintenance Update

The ceiling replacement in the year 2/3 classroom is now complete, after a last minute decision to remove and replace this during the holidays. The year 2/3s made the best of their temporary home, however will be glad to be back in their regular classroom.

The science lab upgrade commenced during the holiday break with some minor demolition and preparation taking place. This project is due for completion by the end of term, resulting in a full upgrade with modern facilities to support primary school science.

National School Opinion Survey

The National School Opinion Survey (NSOS) is a Department of Education endorsed survey providing parents, staff and year 5 and up students, the opportunity to provide feedback about our school. The NSOS will open in week 4 term 3 with further information and instructions provided in week 3. The NSOS covers a range of operational areas and gives everyone a great opportunity to share their opinions and comments on our performance in meeting our strategic and operational priorities. The NSOS was last run in term 3 2018, so please use this opportunity to provide honest feedback on our performance and progress since 2018.

Take care,

Rob McArdle
Principal

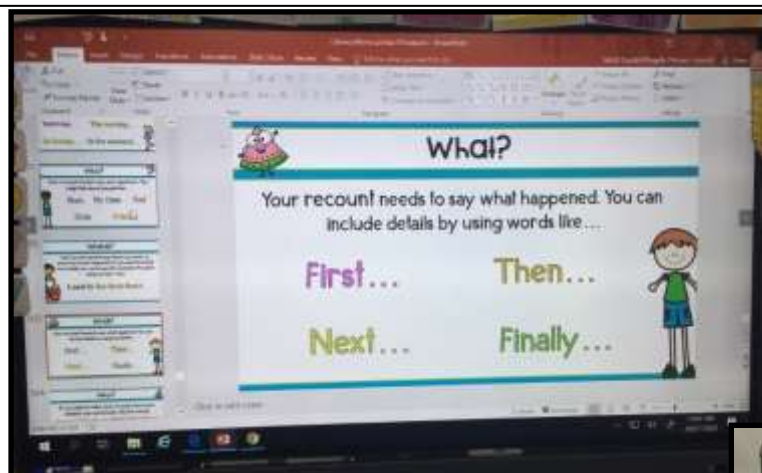


Deputy Principal's Message

After an interesting semester over at Wandering Primary School, I am pleased to be back here at Pingelly and amazed to see how much you have all grown up! I have been flattered by the welcome back by so many people and realise that 6 months is a long time. Putting names to faces can sometimes stretch my memory a little, given how quickly life goes on. I am also pleased to see new faces both in Kindy and throughout the school and happy to see how well everyone has settled in. It appears by the size of some of our year sixes that I have made it back just in time. It won't be long before they will be looking down at me!

I am looking forward to an exciting semester as things start heading back to near normal and we hopefully can put Covid-19 behind us. In the meantime we will make the most of our circumstances. Stay safe and keep Pingelly Primary School a great place to be.

Mr Cowcher



The year one class has been making great use of the new electronic whiteboards whilst learning about recounts.

Today they were recounting what they did during the school holidays.

A holiday snapshot with illustrations of the 4Ws - "when, who, where and what", was used as a plan to help them recall their activities.

They then wrote their recount, making use of prompts from the whiteboard.

Pre-Primary STEM Challenge

Integrating Science and Technologies

Design a Hat for the Weather



After a semester of science, learning about materials and the weather, the Pre-Primary class were challenged to design and create a hat for the weather. Ideas of solar powered in-built fans and heaters, brims large enough to keep the sun off the face and designs catering for pony-tails, aesthetically pleasing colours and decorations filled the room!

Using materials available to them, and some interesting techniques to form the shape, the students created and decorated their hats, culminating in a marvellous hat parade, with the wonderful Mrs DeGroot as MC. Reviews and feedback inspired their plans to improve their next hat design ...another time.

Mrs Bassett



PPS Faction Cross Country Carnival 2020

Award Recipients

PRIMARY					
AGE GROUP		CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	THIRD	FOURTH
Year 2 & Under Boys	NAME	Jace H	Logan M	Noah T	Tristan T
	FACTION	Falcons	Falcons	Hawks	Eagles
Year 2 & Under Girls	NAME	Sofia O	Penelope W	Evie P	Bridgette R
	FACTION	Eagles	Falcons	Falcons	Eagles
Year 4 & Under Boys	NAME	Flynn M	Clay H	EQUAL THIRD	
	FACTION	Falcons	Hawks	Kobi B - Eagles Marcus L - Falcons	
Year 4 & Under Girls	NAME	Jenaveve P	Phoebe K-M	Lukah S	Myla A
	FACTION	Hawks	Falcons	Falcons	Hawks
Year 6 & Under Boys	NAME	Cameron J	Kyreece W	Samiel P	Aiden N
	FACTION	Eagles	Falcons	Falcons	Falcons
Year 6 & Under Girls	NAME	Ava H	Annalyce P	Imogen W	Abbey L
	FACTION	Hawks	Hawks	Falcons	Falcons

Primary Championship Shield

Results

FACTION	POINTS
Falcons	442
Eagles	304
Hawks	255



Well done to all who participated in the Faction x-country event held at school last week.

We send our best wishes to all those who will be participating at the Interschool x-country in Brookton this Friday.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, parents, caregivers and spectators are unable to attend this event.

TERM PLANNER UPDATE

There has been a few minor changes and additions to the Term 3 planner.

Due to Covid-19, the CBCA (Children's Book Council of Australia) has decided to postpone Book Week, (which was originally planned for Week 6 of this term), until Week 2 of Term 4.

An updated Term 3 planner has been attached to this newsletter.



Advance Notice!



Scholastic Book Fair



Tuesday September 15 to Friday September 18



"The Arctic" theme



Further information will be released closer to the date, but get your creative ideas flowing for

Inuit/polar bear/orca/narwhal/Arctic inspired costumes.



Narrogin Senior High School



A presentation by staff of NSHS to students, parents and caregivers to provide information and answer questions regarding the move by Year 6 students into Year 7 in 2021.

- ◆ Monday August 10
- ◆ Information session for Year 6 students
- ◆ Library
- ◆ 1.10pm

All parents and caregivers are encouraged to attend.



Help our scientists cure genetic diseases and other serious conditions affecting 1 in 20 children – that's nearly one child in every classroom.

◆ Friday August 7

◆ Wear your jeans to school

◆ Bring a gold coin to donate to *Jeans for Genes* and help find a cure for genetic diseases



STRIVE Certificates

Congratulations!

Pre Primary	Carnera W William G	Grace W
Year 1	Max M	Emma D
Year 2/3	Glen V	Holly O
Year 3/4	Jack N	Brock K-M
Year 5/6	Shardae A	Kyreece W

DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Friday	July 31	Interschool X-country Brookton
Friday	August 7	Jeans for Genes Day - gold coin donation
Monday	August 10	NSHS Information Day for Year 6 students/parents/caregivers
Friday	August 21	Assembly Yr 1 & Yr 3/4
Wednesday	August 26	Factions - jump events
Friday	August 28	Faction Athletic Carnival

Term 3	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	20 July SSD	21 Term 3 Commences	22 Faction X Country	23	24
Week 2	27	28	29 Newsletter	30	31 Interschool X-country Brookton
Week 3	3 AUGUST	4 School Council 6pm	5	6	7 Jeans for Genes Day
Week 4	10 NSHS Information Day P&C Meeting (TBC)	11	12 Newsletter	13	14
Week 5	17	18	19	20	21
Week 6	24	25	26 Faction Jumps Carnival Newsletter	27	Assembly - Year 1 & Year 3/4 28
Week 7	31	1 SEPTEMBER Hockey Clinic	2	3	4
Week 8	7	8 Hockey Clinic	9 Newsletter	10	11 Interschool Athletics Beverley Primary School Event Only
Week 9	14	15 Scholastic Book Fair	16	17	18 →
Week 10	21	22	23 Newsletter	24	25 • Assembly - K & P/P • Last day Term 3