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Pingelly PS 1 July 2020



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Dates to Remember

- * **Friday July 3**
Last day of Term 2
- * **Tuesday July 21**
First day of Term 3

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,

As we reach the end of an unusual and challenging semester, my hope is that during this holiday break, everyone gets a much needed rest. Take care and make the most of catching up on the things we couldn't do last holidays.

COVID-19 Update

WA has responded remarkably well to the COVID-19 pandemic and recently commenced phase 4 of the WA Roadmap. Phase 5 of the WA Roadmap is planned to commence on Saturday, 18th July with a relaxation of additional restrictions coming into effect ready for term 3.

Until phase 5 is introduced, the following hygiene and social distancing measures apply:

- Hygiene practices – handwashing, hygiene messages etc. will continue similar to term 2
- Cleaning during school hours will continue for the duration of term 3
- Events such as assemblies, faction and interschool sports and incursions and excursions can recommence. Adult attendance is in line with physical distancing requirements of one adult per two square metres
- Parents/caregivers can continue to drop off and collect children from school grounds, however at this stage, advice is that parents/caregivers refrain from entering classrooms to ensure compliance with physical distancing requirements of one adult per two square metres
- P&C and School Council meetings can occur in accordance with physical distancing requirements of one adult per two square metres

As a result of these restrictions being relaxed, our updated term 3 and 4 planner is now available on our website reflecting any changes to dates and events. To familiarise yourself with our website, see the next page of the newsletter.

The introduction of phase 5 of the WA Roadmap is proposed to commence prior to the beginning of term 3. Once schools have been notified of the changes to operations, I will communicate this to the school community. This will occur on the Monday prior to students returning to school.

Semester 1 Reports

Semester 1 reports were sent home with all students K – 6 yesterday afternoon. As communicated earlier, semester 1 reports looked different due to the COVID-19 and learning at home impact. The major impact was the removal of grades and comments for some learning areas, with teachers reporting on effort across learning areas. Parent/teacher meetings have been taking place across the week providing a great opportunity for parents/caregivers to discuss their child's progress with their classroom teacher.

Staff Update

We are all looking forward to Mr Cowcher's return to Pingelly PS next term. He has thoroughly enjoyed his time at Wandering PS, but is excited to be coming back. Thanks to Mr Steel for assuming Deputy Principal duties for the second half of this term.

Faction Cross Country

With the reintroduction of events, our faction cross country will take place on Wednesday, 22nd July. This year's faction cross country will be run at the school, with a challenging, all-terrain course mapped out for students. At this stage, parents/caregivers can attend to spectate in accordance with physical distancing requirements. If phase 5 comes into effect prior to the term 3 commencing, then this may see a removal of the 2 square metre rule assisting with the management of helpers and spectators.

Student Health

Thank you to parents/caregivers for your ongoing support with keeping sick children at home. We have definitely seen a decrease in winter sicknesses largely attributed to increased hygiene awareness and practices, and other social distancing measures. In keeping the message consistent, 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.

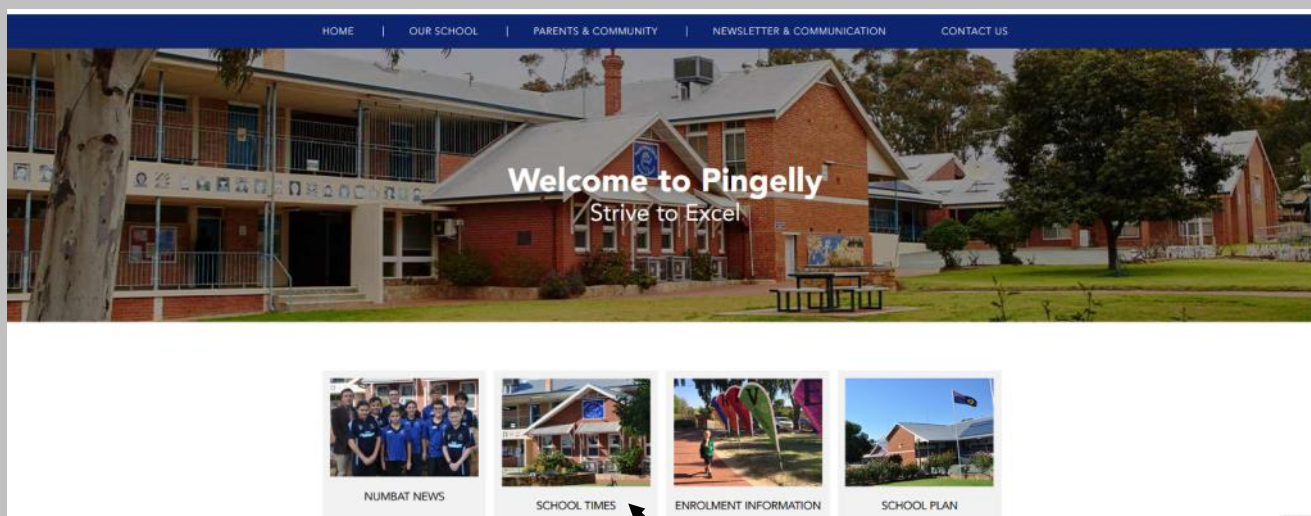
Take care,

Rob McArdle
Principal



Familiarise yourself with the Pingelly PS webpage.

Our URL (web address) is www.pingellyps.wa.edu.au



TERM PLANNERS

A quick link to the term planners (calendars) can be accessed by clicking on the School Times link, and under the 'Term planner' heading, click on 'Yearly planner 2020'.

Alternatively, click on the 'Our School' tab at the top of the site, and choose 'school information', then proceed as above.

Sat 4 Jul		22 / 13 °C	Mostly sunny.
Sun 5 Jul		19 / 13 °C	Light showers. Mostly cloudy.
Mon 6 Jul		14 / 6 °C	Sunny.
Tue 7 Jul		15 / 6 °C	Sprinkles late. Broken clouds.
Wed 8 Jul		15 / 6 °C	Morning clouds.
Thu 9 Jul		15 / 7 °C	Morning clouds.
Fri 10 Jul		18 / 5 °C	Increasing cloudiness.
Sat 11 Jul		18 / 6 °C	Morning clouds.
Sun 12 Jul		19 / 6 °C	Showers late. Afternoon clouds.
Mon 13 Jul		18 / 11 °C	Sprinkles late. Mostly cloudy.
Tue 14 Jul		19 / 12 °C	Showers late. Decreasing cloudiness.
Wed 15 Jul		20 / 13 °C	Afternoon clouds.

FACTION X COUNTRY

The long-range weather forecast, up until July 15, is variable with a mix of sun, cloud and showers.

It might be a great time to set a training schedule in preparation for the faction x-country event which will be held on Wednesday July 22.

The event will be held at school, and at this point parents/caregivers can attend in accordance with physical distancing requirements.

Get your running shoes on and get some kilometres under your belt !









When the Teachers go on Break...

The staff at our school work day in and day out. And even after all that, they still have a seed of doubt.

“What if my students don't like what I've done?”, “What if they think it's boring?”

So what exactly do they do when their school-work brain is snoring?

- ♦ Well, Mrs Lee (the kindy teacher) is keeping her car engine warm. She and her family are escaping the frost, and driving to where the sun shines gold. 
- ♦ Ms Ferguson (a Kindy EA) has decided to go down south, right down to Bremer Bay, to have some time to herself.
- ♦ Mrs Peters (another EA) has bought a new set of wheels. She'll be doing skids on her quadbike, to see how freedom feels. 
- ♦ Mrs DeGroot (a relief teacher) is going to sell her house. Yes, she is moving, but not all is gloomy, because she will certainly have some help.
- ♦ Mrs Jetta (our AIEO) is going to go fishing. Trying not to hook Cameron up in her fishing line, for at least one fish she's wishing.
- ♦ Miss Anna (my gosh, another EA?) is going to just be relaxing. My guess is a hot cup of tea (or coffee), kicking back and chillaxing. 
- ♦ Miss Gale (the year 1 teacher) will be keeping her bed nice and warm. She'll see her brother for his 30th, so she definitely won't be bored.
- ♦ Mrs Mills (the 2/3 teacher) will be letting her hair down. Reading and relaxing, she'll be able to calm right down.
- ♦ Mrs McArdle (another relief teacher) will be having an unwind. Drinking coffee AND relaxing? Two great things combined.
- ♦ Mr Hill (the 3/4 teacher) MAY be a bit sick of school. He says he'll be sleeping and catching up on TV. That's pretty cool! 
- ♦ Miss Dodd (the 5/6 teacher) will be keeping the lounge warm. She'll also keep Netflix company. I bet she'll love it all!
- ♦ Mrs Parsons (she works in the office) is taking a trip to Coral Bay. I bet she and her family will have a lot of laughs along the way.
- ♦ Mrs Ward (she ALSO works in the office) will go and see her family. Seeing kids and grandkids is sure to end happily.
- ♦ Mr Steel (the tech genius) is going to jump right on his motorbike! He says he'll go to Pioneer Park and have a heck of a time!
- ♦ Mrs Nagel (seriously, how many EAs do we need?) will be going away. Just a few days of relaxing, while her children go out and play. 
- ♦ Mrs Narducci (the librarian) will be cooking, babysitting and reading. She'll also go to the optician. My, what a busy lady!
- ♦ Doug (the school chaplain) is going to get a green thumb! Gardening and sleeping, I mean, what could be more fun? 
- ♦ Mr McArdle (the principal) is going out to the farm. He's going to shoot some roos and foxes. Only a few, won't do any harm.

Now that we've informed you on what the staff are doing, perhaps when we all get back to school, not all of us will be booing.

Maybe you could ask the staff how their holiday was. Or ask them if they enjoyed it, purely because...

Our lovely staff are human too and they sometimes need to take some time off, and now I wish you all a wonderful winter break!

From, The Year 6s

Year 6 interview with Miss Matthews

What is your favourite shape? *A star.*

What is your favourite colour? *Aqua.*

Have you taught at any other school? *Yes, I have taught at Corrigin and Quairading District High Schools.*

What is your favourite thing about Pingelly PS? *The students are my favourite thing.*

What is your favourite animal? *My favourite animal is a dolphin.*

Have you been enjoying working in Pingelly? *Yes I have loved it here.*

Have you lived anywhere else? *Yes. I have lived in Denmark, Perth, Kambalda and Aldersyde*

What other jobs have you had? *I have been a swimming instructor, pool deck coordinator and have worked in a book store.*

What are you going to do on your holidays? *I am going to do some study and visit some of my family in Denmark.*



Starting Friday 24 July at 4pm on tennis Courts at the PRACC.

Register at <https://hookin2hockey.com.au/program-finder/>

Any queries phone Mark Sewell on 0419 939 056

2020 AUSKICK REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW OPEN!!!

Pingelly Auskick is calling kids aged 5-12 to join us this year! In weekly sessions, Auskickers and their families will run, jump, kick, laugh and create their own special moments playing footy. No matter their skill level, ability, or knowledge of the game, Auskick is for everyone!

WHEN: TERM 3- TUESDAY AFTERNOONS. FIRST SESSION TUESDAY 21ST JULY.

TIME: 4PM-5PM

WHERE: PINGELLY TOWN OVAL

COST: \$70 (COVERS YOUR AUSKICK PACK AND INSURANCE)

REGISTER: <https://play.afl>

KIDSPORT: <https://www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/funding/sport-and-recreation-funding/kidsport>

(KIDSPORT- You will need a valid health care/ Pension concession card and a valid email address before applying)

**** PLEASE GIVE YOUR CODE TO SHEREE BLECHYNDEN – 0402 745 401 ****

Sam Macnamara and Eddie Blechynden are head coaches, but as always, any parent assistance is welcome.

Sheree Blechynden and Kate Macnamara are your co-ordinators. Hope to see you there!



DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Friday	July 3	Last day of school Term 2
Monday	July 20	School Staff Development day
Tuesday	July 21	Term 3 commences
Wednesday	July 22	Faction X-country
Friday	July 31	Interschool X-country Brookton

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
Week 4	10 P&C Meeting (TBC)	11	12 Newsletter	13	14
Week 5	17	18	19	20	21
					Assembly
Week 6	24 Book Week	25	26	27	28
			Faction Jumps Carnival Newsletter		Faction Athletics Carnival
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 • Last day Term 3