

Numbat News

STRIVE TO EXCEL

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Lunch Orders

MON - FRI - 6 Seasons Café
6317 0988

P&C Uniform Shop

Alternate Tuesdays from 9am - 10am
Top veranda near Rm 14

Dates to Remember

- **Friday May 27**
Faction X-country 1pm
- **Thursday June 2**
Interschool X-country - Beverley
- **Friday June 3**
Spare Parts Puppet Theatre
- **Monday June 6**
NO SCHOOL
- **Tuesday June 7**
NO SCHOOL
- **Wed - Fri June 8 - 10**
BOOK FAIR 8.30am - 3.30pm

Dear Parents & Carers

Over the last fortnight we have seen COVID-19 having a greater impact on our school with many staff, students and families unwell and isolating as a result of COVID-19. We also have students and staff who have returned to school, some having significant time away, as they recovered from COVID-19. I hope that those families who are currently affected are managing and that your family situation returns to normal as soon as possible.

Currently at school we have a number of our staff at home because they are sick, have COVID-19 or are looking after their children who have COVID-19. It has not been possible to find a relief person for every staff member who is away. Student attendance across the school is at an all-time low of 75.5% with some classes having 50% of students away.

I would like to reassure parents and carers that we are doing our best as we navigate through the current circumstances. Our staff have been fantastic and very supportive in adapting to the staffing changes made from one day to the next. I am so grateful that we have a staff who are committed to doing whatever it takes (even if it is outside their job description) to ensure continuity of our high-quality learning programs here at Pingelly PS.

COVID-19 challenges aside, we do already have so much to celebrate this term. We have implemented two new whole school literacy programs - *Talk 4 Reading* and *Seven Steps to Writing Success* and are beginning to see the impact that these powerful evidence-based programs are having on the quality of our students' writing and their levels of reading comprehension.

Our year threes and fives have been challenging themselves with the completion of the NAPLAN testing over the last two weeks. The results are expected to be released in term three and I am very much looking forward to analysing the results and celebrating the progress that our students have made. I wish to extend a big thank you to our Deputy Principal, Kellie Shaw, for her efforts in ensuring that all students were provided with an opportunity to achieve their personal best.

In conclusion, I wish to acknowledge the efforts of Mrs Moulton & Mrs Jennings and congratulate them and our choir, on being nominated to perform at the WAPPA (Western Australian Primary Principals) Conference this year. It is a huge honour and if we make the selection, our students will be travelling to Perth to perform in front of hundreds of school principals from throughout the state. I wish them every success with their audition tape, that I believe needs to be submitted to the judges by the middle of June.

Stay safe & keep well

Sam Goodlad

Principal Pingelly PS





Blowing up balloons using vinegar and bi-carb.

Making crystals with pipe cleaners and borax.

The Year 5/6 class spent time in their outdoor laboratory last week, putting science into action. The chemical reaction between vinegar and bi-carb resulted in the gas produced inflating their balloons.

They also combined borax with very hot water to produce some very cool crystals on pipe cleaners!

Prac student Jemma Caldwell, also said a sad farewell to Ms Dodd and the Year 5/6 class, after completing her practicum. Thank you Ms Caldwell!

SPARE PARTS PUPPET THEATRE performing *Hachiko*

- * **Friday June 3**
- * **Undercover area**
- * **Years PP to 6**
- * **Cost: \$6.50 per child.**
- * **Money due: Monday 30th May.**



Hachiko and his Master, Professor Ueno, had a daily routine: every morning the pair travelled to Shibuya train station and every evening Hachiko would wait on the platform to meet his master. Then one day, the Professor did not return ... but that didn't stop faithful Hachiko!

Based on a true story from Japan, Hachiko is a celebration of the joy and companionship that a pet can bring to our lives.



Thank you very much to Mrs Jennings who kindly donated some pre-loved games to the library recently.

The games will really be appreciated by those students who frequently come to the library at lunch time break (especially in these cooler months!)

ATTENDANCE AWARD

TUESDAY 17TH MAY – FUN AT THE MEMORIAL
PARK PLAYGROUND



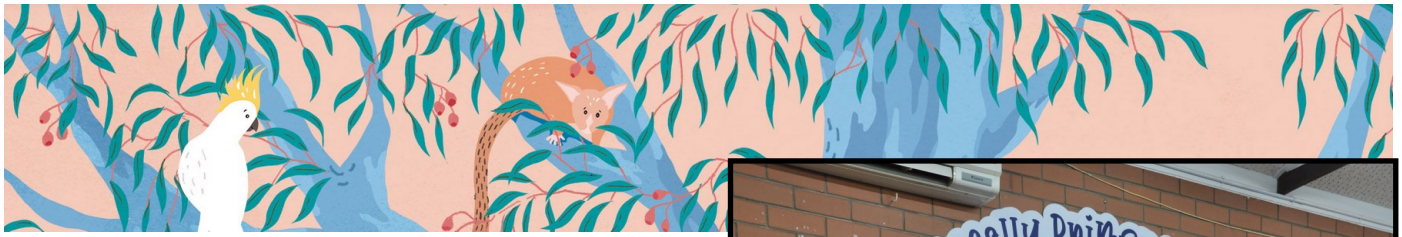
**CONGRATULATIONS to the PP/Year 1 class for winning the
attendance award for Week 3!**

**The students chose to spend time at the Memorial Park Playground
as a reward for being such great school attendees!**



**WE LOVED
GOING TO THE
PLAYGROUND!!!**





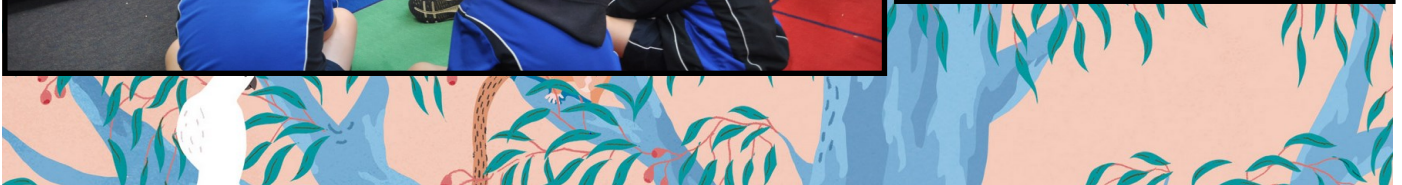
NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association . Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by Australians, is chosen and read simultaneously in libraries, schools, homes etc all over the country and the world!

This year's chosen book was 'Family Tree' written by Josh Pyke and illustrated by Ronojoy Ghosh.

Our wonderful Deputy Principal Mrs Shaw, read the story to both the lower primary and upper primary classes this morning. The story created lots of wonderful discussion, questions and answers.

Many thanks to Mrs Shaw for her fabulous rendering of the story.



COME TO OUR BOOK FAIR!



 SCHOLASTIC

DIVE INTO READING

SCHOOL LIBRARY

- * TUESDAY June 8
- * WEDNESDAY June 9
- * THURSDAY June 10
- * 8.00am until 3.00pm

EVERYONE is welcome!



PLEASE NOTE: Due to the shortened week, our annual dress-up day will be held to coincide with Book Week in term 3.



CERTIFICATES

Weeks 1 & 2

Year P/1	Lachie C	Reyne R	Seth B	Madelyn O		
Year 2/3	Jett F	Oliver B	Alannah M	Mrs Peters		
Year 3/4	Lilah-Belle C	Belle H	Abel P	Samuel D		
Year 5/6	Flynn M	Phoebe K-M	Fletcher P	Lennix P	Jack N	Brock K-M
	Clay H	Xavier T	Patrick P	Lukah S	Marcus L	Kobi B

CERTIFICATES

Weeks 3 & 4

Year P/1	Elliot C	Lachlan C	Aleah R	Reyne R		
Year 2/3	Max M	Robert B	Alannah M	Logan C	Jett F	
Year 3/4	Tiffany D-S	Logan M	Connor B	Sienna O	Summer M	Belle H
Year 5/6	Jack N	Suevanna R	Warren B	Clay H		



IMPORTANT INFORMATION

CROSS-COUNTRY NOTES

Please make sure that all permission slips are returned as soon as possible.

SPARE PARTS PUPPET THEATRE PERFORMANCE

Please ensure that all money is returned to school by Monday. \$6.50 per child.

All classes from PP to Year 5/6 were very fortunate to attend hockey clinics with Rocket over the last two Tuesdays. The hockey clinic is kindly sponsored by CSBP Wheatbelt Hockey Roadshow and gives the younger students an opportunity to learn the fundamentals of hockey and the more senior students a chance to practise new skills. The PP/Year 1 class demonstrated their hockey stick grip and their spectating skills for Ms Richardson last Tuesday. Maybe we will have some budding Kookaburras and Hockeyroos in our midst in the years to come?

DAY	DATE	EVENT CALENDAR
Friday	May 27	Faction X-country - town oval 1pm
Thursday	June 2	Interschool X-country - Beverley 9.30am
Friday	June 3	Spare Parts Puppet Theatre - undercover area
Monday	June 6	Western Australia Day - NO SCHOOL
Tuesday	June 7	Staff Development Day - NO SCHOOL
Wednesday - Friday	June 8 - June 10	Scholastic Book Fair - 8.30am - 3.30pm each day - library
Wednesday	June 15	PP/Year 1 assembly - 2.15pm
Friday	June 8	Winter carnival - Pingelly
Friday	July 1	Last day of Term 2