



Welcome to week 9

Hello everyone!

With the outbreak of Coronavirus (COVID-19), it is important that we take a **dedicated and calm approach** to this community issue. For the staff, students and families here at **the Poonindie Community Learning Centre**, it is **business as usual**. The advice from the SA Department for Education is that **schools will remain open**. Individual sites will only be temporarily closed if there is a confirmed case of COVID-19. We would then follow protocol in line with SA Health.

For parents who are choosing to socially distance their child/ren, we totally understand and respect your decision. Please stay in contact with your class teacher who has prepared additional work including links and student logins to online reading and literacy portals.

Education ministers met and decided that **NAPLAN will be cancelled for 2020**. This decision was made so that school leaders, teachers and support staff can focus on the wellbeing of students and prepare for the continuity of education, including working on online and remote learning options.

In the meantime, **we continue to implement strict and vigilant hygiene practices within our little school community including:**

All children and staff instructed to:

- Wash their hands thoroughly and regularly, particularly after using the toilet and before eating. All classrooms have access to hand sanitiser;
- Avoid spreading infections to others by staying at home if unwell;
- Cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue.

Our contracted cleaner has been allocated 2 additional cleaning hours to disinfect door handles, tables, surfaces and heavily clean toilet areas. Our bus drivers have been instructed to wipe surfaces over including rails. Due to the advice around social distancing for 100 or more people indoors at any one time, our fortnightly school assemblies are cancelled. Parent interviews will be via phone - you will have a separate note for this.

Stay safe and calm and **IF your children are well**, our school is open and classes are operating.

Kind regards

Sally Cormack (Principal)

Our Vision
Our students show a high level of independence and interdependence in their learning, with strong personal resilience

Our Mission
Engaging students in active learning to become citizens who contribute to our wider community

We promote the values of:
*Responsibility
*Respect
*Relationships every day!

****In 2020, we have a whole school focus on writing improvement****

2020 Term dates:

Term 1: 28 January - 9 April

Term 2: 27 April – 3rd July

Term 3: 20 July – 25 September

Term 4: 12 October - 11 December

Governing Council 2020

The following positions were successfully filled at the Annual General Meeting on Wednesday, 4th of March, 2020.

Chair - Mark Modra

Vice Chair - Jasmine Schutz **Secretary** - Renee Turner

Finance Rep - Amanda Schlink

Principal - Sally Cormack

Antoinette Vidovich

Meagan Rodda

Tennille Shepperd

Hayley Wiseman

Jessica Collins



Congratulations to all of our new members! We hope your time with us is positive and rewarding and that we continue our strong commitment to improving the educational outcomes and opportunities here at Poonindie School. A **HUGE** thank you and acknowledgement to the outgoing office bearers and committee for their hard work and efforts 😊😊😊.

Important school reminders:

Peanut Free Site: We currently have a student with a severe allergy to raw peanuts. We are required to have a peanut free site - no raw peanuts or peanut paste please. The student is at risk if they touch peanuts as well as ingest them. Thank you for your cooperation.

Arrival and Attendance: We acknowledge the uncertainty surrounding the COVID-19 outbreak. Parents must inform the school of their child's absence and the reason for the child's absence including a social distancing choice. This may be done by either a note in the child's diary, a letter to the child's teacher, phoning the school or via the Skoolbag/Seesaw App. Thank you for your cooperation!

Our school times are **8.50am – 3.20pm**. Students who are not travelling on buses are to arrive in the morning no earlier than **8.30am** please. Students who are travelling on buses after school, will be supervised in the library by a yard duty teacher until the bus arrives. All other students will need to be promptly collected at 3.20pm, in fairness to staff who have other teaching responsibilities including training to attend. **All R-2 Students must be collected by an adult.**

SPORTSDAY 2020

Our 2020 Annual Sports Day ran like clockwork, supported by the separating of the R-2 and 3-7 students for their respective events.

By all accounts students demonstrated excellent athletic ability, positive sporting attitudes, team collaboration and willingness to participate and have a go.

Tallala took home the shield this year on 540 Points, Hirschausen runner up.

Good Sports Award recipients:

- R- Jacquelah Coffin
- Yr 1 - Oakley Evans
- Yr 2 - Isaac King
- Yr 3 - Wilson Dorward
- Yr 4 - Angus Rodda
- Yr 5 - Thomas Rowe Killeen
- Yr 6 - Chelsea Shepperd
- Yr 7 - Max Rodda



New event records & record breakers:

8 Yr old Girls Discus	Mia Schlink
9 yr old Girls Discus	Charlotte O'Keefe
9 yr old Boys Discus	Archer Coleman
10 yr old Boys Discus	Angus Rodda
8 Yr old Girls Long Jump	Elsa Burgar
8 Yr old Girls High Jump	Mia Schlink
9 yr old Boys High Jump	Archer Coleman
12 yr old Boys High Jump	Max Rodda
8 Yr old Girls Marathon	Elsa Burgar
8 Yr old Girls Shotput	Mia Schlink
9 yr old Girls Shotput	Charlotte O'Keefe
9 yr old Boys Shotput	Matthew Minto



HARMONY DAY 2020

Poonindie Community Learning Centre came to life last Friday 20th of March with a sea of orange colour – students embraced the HARMONY DAY theme of 'everyone belongs' with messages of kindness, inclusion, respect for diversity and bullying 'no way'! A challenging orienteering course in cross age teams took place; paper doves representing peace were hung in a tree; lanterns and paper chains made collaboratively lined our front fence...these were some of the highlights!

A special acknowledgement to all staff for their organisation and leadership in this event!



Congratulations TALLALA on 540 Points





Pastoral Care Update - Helen Schramm

Hello everyone!

I hope you are keeping yourselves safe in these times of uncertainty. I am thinking of you all as we navigate these next few weeks. I am having a meeting today with other PCW'S & our Regional Manager around our boundaries as PCW'S and keeping ourselves and others safe.

Breakfast program is at the moment fresh fruit handed out by adult wearing gloves.

The photo to the right was taken some weeks back where Mrs Cormack and I coordinated some cooking for Bunnings. Bunnings recently donated the timber wine barrels and many bags of potting mix for our plants.

The muffins were very well received!
Thankyou Bunnings ☺☺☺



Thank you for your recent support for the family of

Phillip Haereroa-Rogers

\$1,144.65

was raised at the BBQ and Cake Stall 
plus an additional \$100 from

Akenta Homelands

Many thanks to Wayne Stevens and family/friends

for getting behind this!

The family will be overwhelmed by your kindness!

 **WANTED** 

Landscaping rocks - large and small for our nature play area - see Sally

ASAP

Project ready to start!

Term 1 2020 calendar	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	27 January Australia Day Holiday	28 January 😊 Day 1 2020! Welcome Assembly 11.30	29 January	30 January	31 January
2	3 February Fire Drill Week School Census Day	4 February	5 February Governing Council Catch-up 5.30pm	6 February	7 February ASSEMBLY
3	10 February	11 February Red Cross Emergency Preparedness Programs	12 February Acquaintance Night 5.30-7.00pm	13 February	14 February
4	17 February	18 February	19 February	20 February	21 February ASSEMBLY
5	24 February Student Free Day 7 steps to Writing Success PD	25 February	26 February 5 Aquatics	27 February 6/7 Aquatics	28 February 6/7 Aquatics
6	2 March SWIMMING Fire Drill Week	3 March SWIMMING	4 March SWIMMING Governing Council AGM 7pm School Library	5 March SWIMMING	6 March SWIMMING ASSEMBLY
7	9 March Adelaide Cup	10 March	11 March	12 March	13 March Sports Day
8	16 March	17 March	18 March	19 March	20 March HARMONY DAY
9	23 March	24 March	25 March	26 March	27 March
10	30 March Parent Interviews	Parent Interviews	1 April Parent Interviews	2 April Parent Interviews	3 April
11	6 April	7 April	8 April	9 April Last Day Term 1 2.20pm dismissal	10 April Good Friday