

From the Principal



Hello families,

Welcome back to the Poonindie Community Learning Centre for Term 3! We hope you have enjoyed the 2 week break; many of you no doubt would have continued to work through it, as my husband likes to remind me..... "Life goes on for some of us"! Whatever the case, I am sure you have appreciated having your children at home and to engage in family activities within a more relaxed routine. At the conclusion of term 3, we were sad to say goodbye to Oliver, Akeyla, Isaac, Krystal and Kaylee whose family have relocated to Tumbay Bay and Lucas who is returning to his hometown of Coober Pedy. We warmly welcome 4 new students into our school community: Aiden, Gabriel and Sarang Treagus and Tilo Schultz. We wish all of you well on your educational journey here at Poonindie School!

Over the break, we have had a small area prepared for our newly acquired wicking garden beds. The Year 6/7 class, as an integral part of their STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) learning, will be lining these beds and installing the wicking cells inside, ready for soil to be added. Once this is completed all classes will be able to engage in weekly gardening lessons including the preschool children to support their transition. Renee Turner (Governing Council Secretary and longstanding parent of Poonindie School) is passionate about this method of gardening and will support this project with her expertise. Furthermore, we will use our gardening venture to strengthen our current writing improvement focus! Students will be able to write scientific reports around the wicking process, procedures for constructing wicking beds or planting seedlings and eventually we will be writing our own Poonindie recipes from the produce that is grown.

Many thanks to those parents who took the time to reflect on our current school values and provide feedback around some possible new values. Staff will be looking at ALL of the feedback gathered through this consultation, including comments from our students and hopefully our new school values will be finalised early this term. These values will provide a framework to guide all of our school activities, decision making, interactions, policies and procedures. We are also currently in the process of refreshing our school website so that it reflects a more current and modernised interface to the community. During this first week of term, you will receive a paper version of the electronic permission form that was sent out on Skoolbag last term – requesting for permission to have your child's image used on our website. As we have only a handful back – we are sending out a paper version. Please return this form by Friday 24th of July, so that we can go 'live' in the not so distant future. Watch this space!

I look forward to a positive term ahead! On a closing COVID-19 note, we will continue to be vigilant around handwashing and we ask that parents continue to practice the ongoing social distancing requirement when onsite with a 1.5m distance between adults. 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!
(currently under review)

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

PUPIL FREE DAY

MONDAY 24th of August, 2020.

Staff will be developing on a whole of site teaching and learning plan for genre writing, informed by the year level requirements of the Australian Curriculum.

Lend a helping hand to the Roderick Family

During the school holidays Faye and Robert Roderick lost all personal contents to a fire in their rented home. This includes clothing and children's belongings. There is a "Go fund me" page set up - for anyone who would like to donate to the family who are trying to rebuild their lives.

https://www.gofundme.com/f/port-lincoln-family-home-burned-down?utm_source=messenger&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1

Alternatively, any clothing suitable for a girl size 8/10; girl size 12; girl size 14 and boy size 14... please bring into the school. Thanks a million! Your kindness is appreciated!



Getting ready for the move

Primary and high schools are working hard to plan for the move of year 7 to high school in 2022.

If your child is in year 5 or 6 this year, they'll be graduating from primary school next year. Primary schools are thinking now about how to make your child's last year in primary school a positive experience.

High school planning is also in full swing to welcome year 7s and year 8s together in 2022.

Primary and high schools are working together at every level to make the move a success for your child.

Stay engaged with your school to keep updated with the latest information.

Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: Year7toHS@sa.gov.au.

**In 2022
Government Primary
Schools across SA will no
longer have Year 7 classes
Year 7 will be moving into
high school
This move is in line with
other states and territories
across Australia**

Louth-North Shields Bus Driver required

Julie Branford will be retiring at the end of 2020! She is taking long service leave for the next 2 terms and we welcome Sandra Andrew as the temporary relief driver. Julie has been an incredible bus driver who has committed to our families and school for '35' years – a remarkable innings. We are desperately seeking a long term replacement. Please come and see Vicki if you are interested to find out what is required including heavy vehicle licenses, DFE accreditation and child related police clearances. The job is 10 hours per week and the bus can be housed on a private property or at the school. This would start from beginning of 2021.



Congratulations to Max Rodda – 3rd place in Virtual Cross Country – SA V's WA

Last term students from years 3-7 participated in a 'Virtual' Cross Country event coordinated through School Sports SA. The course was set up within the school grounds – age levels completing a specific number of laps to replicate the distance they would cover in a real event. The participation numbers were terrific and we would like to acknowledge ALL students for their effort. On returning from holidays, we have been informed that Max Rodda came third place in his timing which was against students in SA and WA. A remarkable effort!



Boys finish order - 2008 (3km)

PLACE	FIRST	SURNAME	SCHOOL	TIME	STATE	POINTS		
1	Jack	Williams	Pedare Christian College	09:50.000	SA	1		SA points 78
2	Callum	Asling	Quinns Baptist College	10:16	WA	2		WA points 132
3	Max	Rodda	Poonindie Community Learning Centre	10:25.280	SA	3		
4	Joseph	Hewson	Unley Primary School	10:26.000	SA	4		SA total time 01:50.3
5	Jake	Mills	Mazenod College	10:58	WA	5		WA total time 02:00.4
6	Oliver	Perkis	Aquinas College	11:16	WA	6		
7	Joseph	Hewson	Unley Primary School	11:17.000	SA	7		SA Av time 11:03
8	Curtis	Bennett	Belair Primary School	11:20.000	SA	8		WA Av time 12:04
9	Ryan		Hallett Cove East Primary School	11:20.000	SA	9		
10	Josh	Bell	Belair Primary School	11:21.000	SA	10		SA Fastest Time 9:50
11	Jack	Mrozowski	Belair Primary School	11:25.000	SA	11		WA Fastest Time 10:16
12	Joseph	Hewson	Unley Primary School	11:27.000	SA	12		
13	Christian	Tassotti	St Joseph's School - Hectorville	11:39.000	SA	13		
14	Archie	Leahy	Hampton Senior High School	11:49	WA	14		
15	Owen	Preece	Butler College	11:50	WA	15		
16	James	Gray	Perth Modern School	12:43	WA	16		
17	Ray	Wani	Butler College	12:49	WA	17		
18	Patryk	Szczypkowski	Duncraig SHS	12:54	WA	18		
19	Tristan	Oesterwinter	Duncraig SHS	13:04	WA	19		
20	Xavier	Cavanna	Butler College	13:05	WA	20		

	Monday 20 July	Tuesday 21 July	Wednesday 22 July	Thursday 23 July	Friday 24 July
1	Welcome back Term 3!		Newsletter sent out Staff Meeting Night	STEM 500 Training – Clint and Tammy	STEM 500 Training – Clint and Tammy
2	27 July Sally/Emma out - Portfolio Schools Masterclass	28 July	29 July Staff Meeting Night	30 July Mel Quinn – Writing Workshop with Mr Beards 6/7 class (AM)	31 July
3	3 August	4 August National Aboriginal and Torres St Islander Children's Day 2020 	5 August Newsletter sent out Staff Meeting Night Governing Council Meeting 7pm	6 August	7 August
4	10 August	11 August	12 August Staff Meeting Night	13 August	14 August
5	17 August Year 1 Phonic Screen	18 August	19 August Staff Meeting Night	20 August	21 August School Photos
6	24 August Student teachers starting: Kate Pilgrim (Yr 5) and Lucy Kolega (Yr 6/7) ***Pupil Free Day***	25 August	26 August Newsletter sent out Staff Meeting Night	27 August	28 August
7	31 August PAT M/R window for testing opens 31/8 – 23/10 Year 1/2 Running Record Levels state-wide collection	1 September	2 September Staff Meeting Night Governing Council Meeting 7pm	3 September	4 September
8	7 September	8 September	9 September Staff Meeting Night	10 September	11 September
9	14 September 11.30 Parent Interviews – for those requested	15 September Parent Interviews – for those requested	16 September Newsletter sent out Parent Interviews – for those requested	17 September Parent Interviews – for those requested	18 September
10	21 September	22 September	23 September Final Day for Student Teachers	24 September	25 September Last Day Term 3 2020 2.20pm dismissal