

Poonindie Community Learning Centre Newsletter

Week 7 Term 3 2022



From the Principal

Hello families/caregivers

Welcome to week 7! I hope that our dads and male carers enjoyed a very special **Father's Day** on Sunday and took the time out to enjoy some favourite things with your family!

Last week we had the **R-6 Swimming Lessons at the Leisure Centre**. I was particularly proud of our students who demonstrated exceptional behaviour at the pool and were super keen to learn new skills in the water. It was noted by the Leisure Centre staff of how amazing our students were! Well done Poonindie Students! Your teachers will be sending home a certificate for the completion of the 3-day program. **Please pay the \$20 owing for lessons to the school as soon as possible** – this covered pool entrance and travel costs.

As we move into the last 4 weeks of term, these are some of the important things to highlight:

- Last day for ordering school photos online with Tanysha is **Tuesday 6th of September**
- **PAT-M (math) and PAT-R (reading comprehension)** assessments will commence in **Week 8 and 9** for our students. This is very important 'just in time' data that our teachers use to plan differentiated learning for our students. Students in Year 1 to 6 will be participating; our system collects the results of these assessments for students in Years 3-10 across SA Schools
- The next **Governing Council Meeting** for this term is this **Thursday 8th of September 7-8pm**.
- The next **Warm-up Day is Monday 12th of September**. Please send in pre-cooked foods wrapped in foil and clearly labelled with your child's name. Examples of foods suitable for warming in an oven include party pies, sausage rolls, savoury toast, pizza, quiche, pasta in a foil container.

PLEASE KEEP TOYS AT HOME: PCLC staff are concerned with the number of toys trickling in from home! **We have plenty of equipment for students to play with** here and when toys get lost or broken at school which does happen... it creates lots of issues! Thankyou in understanding!

Our Vision is to....

Prepare and motivate our students in a rapidly changing world; instilling the knowledge and skills they require as lifelong learners and to practice our core values of *Accountability, Innovation, Respect and Resilience*.

"Students will have success for today and be prepared for tomorrow".

Our PCLC School Values are:

- *Accountability*
- *Innovation*
- *Respect*
- *Resilience*

Thanks to our marvelous dads!

A huge thank you to

- Sam Higgins
- Kingo Habner
- Benjy McInerney

For combining their knowledge, skills and resources to build us an amazing bridge and tee-pee out of recycled pallets! We just love the result and it has been very well enjoyed!!!



LOOSE PARTS PLAY

Can you help us to get our loose parts play up and going? We need at least 10 pallets – plastic or wooden in good condition, plumbing pipes, rope, tyres, wooden reels etc. **Students love to use their imagination and STEM skills** to create all sorts of amazing things in the play yard out of these loose parts materials!

Please contact Sally or Kylie if you can help!

Have a wonderful week everyone! Talk soon,

'Sally Cormack - Principal

PASTORAL CARE UPDATE – HELEN SCHRAMM

Wow the sunshine is here & it is lovely to feel a bit warmer!

Life at Poonindie is so special! I am enjoying all the 1:1 conversations I have with the students – it warms my heart!

Lego Evening – 15th of September – thanks to all who have returned their slip. If any more families would like to come, please get your consent form in ASAP

I am enjoying participating in the EP Mentally Fit sessions at our school with a small group of parents. So far it has been very informative!

Breaky program is still popular with students and the older students who are managing the program are doing a super job!

Craft and colouring in recess times are always a buzz of activity and it is a delight to see how happy our students are when they are creating.

I hope you are all keeping well & I will see you around the place!

Wellbeing and Learning Improvement – Kim Francis

RUOK? Day is *Thursday 8th of September 2022*. It is a national day of action when we remind Australians that every day is the day to ask 'are you OK' and start a meaningful conversation with family, friends and others whenever they spot the signs that someone they care about might be struggling with life.

Research has found that in 4 in 10 Australians feel asking someone 'are you OK?' is a conversation better had with an expert. However, RUOK? want you to know you don't need qualifications to have an RUOK? conversation. Listening and giving someone your time might be just what they need to help them through.



Poonindie Kindy Disco

FRIDAY SEPT 9TH 2022

Lions Hostel – North Shields

6-7.30pm

PARENTS TO STAY

**Sweets stall, steak sandwiches,
snag in bread, fruit boxes.**

Best dressed prizes

Dance prizes.

Theme:



PORT LINCOLN LIONS CLUB HOSTEL

Market Day

1055 Lincoln Highway, North Shields

Sunday November 6th 2022

Time 9.00am till 2.00pm

RFDS Doughnut van on site

BBQ –TEA –COFFEE-CAKES from Lions Stall

Live Music on the Day

Car Boot	Outside	\$10
Car Trailer or Ute		\$15
Tables	Inside	\$15

Register your Interest by Monday 31st October 2022

Phone. Terry. 0437499094

COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS IN PLACE

SIGNS OUT ON THE DAY

MATHS AT HOME – understanding fractions

Understanding fractions

Fractions is a maths topic that is very relevant to everyday life. We use our knowledge of fractions to solve problems and make decisions all the time.

Support your child by using mathematical language to talk about fractions.

Here are some maths language terms your child uses at school:

Fraction – any part of a whole, a group or a number (for example, $\frac{3}{8}$)

Numerator – showing the number of parts of the whole (for example, in the fraction $\frac{3}{8}$, the numerator is 3)

Denominator – shows how many equal parts the whole is divided into (for example, in the fraction $\frac{3}{8}$, the denominator is 8)

Proper fraction – when the value of the numerator is less than the denominator (for example, $\frac{3}{8}$)

Improper fraction – when the numerator is greater than or equal to the denominator (for example, $\frac{5}{3}$)

Equivalent fraction – fractions that have the same value or amount (for example, $\frac{2}{3} = \frac{4}{6}$)

Mixed numbers – a whole number and a fraction (for example, $1\frac{1}{2}$)

Children begin by learning that there are many numbers between whole numbers. A number line is an effective model to help your child understand this:



Your child also begins to develop an understanding of the relationship between fractions, decimals, ratios and percentage.



$$\frac{2}{4}$$



$$\frac{4}{8}$$



$$\frac{1}{2}$$

Poonindie Community Learning Centre Calendar – Term 3 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	5 th September Commencement of PAT testing 3-5 Staff in Adelaide for Math Training ADELAIDE	6 th September	7 th September	8 th September GOVERNING COUNCIL 7pm	9 th September
8	12 th September WARM UP DAY 2	13 th September Fire Drill	14 th September	15 th September LEGO EVENING	16 th September
9	19 th September Parent Interviews - OPTIONAL	20 th September	21 st September	22 nd September	23 rd September Assembly Mrs Letton FINAL NAPLAN results
10	26 th September Parent Interviews OPTIONAL			29 th September	30 th September LAST DAY TERM 3/ 2.20pm dismissal

Life offers you so many
doors, it is up to you
which to open and
which one to close.