

Poonindie Community Learning Centre Newsletter

Week 7 Term 4 2022



From the Principal

3 weeks until the end of the school year!

Hello families, we are most certainly on a countdown now as the school year starts to wind up and we move into the end of year celebrations and festivities.

Last week our school went through a routine Department for Education External Review process. It was a really positive experience, and the review officers (2 school principals from the Fleurieu Peninsula) undertook a thorough look into the quality of the teaching and learning and school leadership practices. They talked with students, teachers, parents and our Governing Council to gain their perspectives and were **very impressed with the positive and inclusive small school climate and rigor of teaching exists in our school.** Like any school, we have some areas to improve in and we were all open to the feedback provided; demonstrating our commitment to continuous improvement. Soon we will receive some recommendations moving forward for the next 3 years.

Class structures for 2023

We will be maintaining 5 classes again for 2023. At this present moment, we are just 1 student short of being funded for this by the department. If you are aware of a family/families who are keen to enroll at our school, please urge them to contact Sally as soon as possible. Our Governing Council have supported to fund the 5th class regardless, however if we can get the extra number/s this will be funded by the department and will allow us to have more flexibility in our school budget for 2023, for much needed facility improvements.

2023 ENROLMENTS

*Our PCLC School
Values are:*

Accountability

Innovation

Respect

Resilience

Our school motto is: Fly High, See Far.

End of year event:

On **Friday the 9th of December**, we will be hosting our end of year concert onsite in our outdoor area. The evening will start at **5.30pm** with a sausage sizzle on the lawned area near the Nature Play, ready for the concert to start at 6pm. Families will need to bring a rug to sit on and some snacks/drinks for the evening (no alcohol please). To manage the carparking issue on this evening, parents will be able to use our back carpark on this evening as a **once off**, we will have Governing Council members ensuring that it is safe as part of our risk assessment. Classes are busy working through their performances; please watch out for notes coming home about costumes. As the event comes closer, we will be keeping a close eye on the weather forecast and will make alternative arrangements should the need arise... BUT fingers crossed... hopefully not! We are looking forward to a great night of entertainment with **"Tribute to the Stars"**.



PCLC presents

TRIBUTE TO THE STARS

Friday 9th Dec
@ Poonindie
Community LC

Sausage sizzle from
5:30pm
Performance @ 6pm

BYO picnic rug & snacks,
no alcohol please

Year 6 Graduation

This weekend coming, **Saturday the 3rd of November** we will be celebrating the Graduation Ceremony of our Year 6 cohort who are moving onto High School. We have been very blessed once again to have a remarkable Year 6 cohort who have shown enormous leadership capabilities in their final year of primary school.

Best wishes - you ALL will be very sadly missed!

Angus, Jacob, Archer, Jarran, Izac, Anaru, Callum, Matthew – Port Lincoln High School
Charlotte and Heath – Tumby Bay Area School
Max and Seth – St Josephs
River – Navigators
Noah - TBC



On a final note – CONGRATULATIONS to Kim Francis for winning the Wellbeing and Learning Improvement role back again at PCLC for next year! Kim will balance this role out with a classroom role and Autism Lead teacher role.

Have a great week everyone! Sally Cormack - Principal

6 White Boomers – year 3/4 group narrative

Early on one Australian Christmas day there lived 2 young besties - a joey named Knuckles and a Koala named Betty. They both had lost their mothers who had been captured by animal smugglers and locked up in the zoo. Knuckles was really gullible and really wanted to meet Santa Claus. Betty was a brave Koala who didn't believe in Santa at all.

Later that evening, Santa and his six white boomers flew past the full moon and Knuckles said "Its Santa Claus Betty" but she didn't believe he was there. "Betty, its Santa, its Santa!!!" he bellowed desperately. Knuckles was yelling to get Santa's attention; he yelled so loud that Santa stopped his sleigh and flew down.

He lost control and it was catastrophic! The best mates started to panic until they heard a groan and a faint "Help me". The two mates started searching like crocodiles looking for their lunch. The besties looked frantically around and around for their beloved Santa. They glimpsed a reddish sparkly hat in the bushes and sped down as fast as a peregrine falcon to get what they thought was Santa Claus.

Knuckles and Betty urgently came to his rescue. He had a gigantic graze. Knuckles and Betty helped Santa to get back on his feet and on the sleigh. They flew back into the ocean blue sky bringing presents to all of the wonderful Aussie kids. The end.



Pastoral Care Update – Helen Schramm

Well it is not long until Christmas! I have enjoyed watching the students practice their dance moves for concert night next week. They are all doing really well!

This week for craft I am offering scratch art. I hope the students enjoy this interesting technique.

Please watch out for our concert night sausage sizzle return slip that will be on its way home soon.

Kind regards, Helen QUOTE: Kindness is free. Sprinkle it everywhere!

OUR ART GALLERY
R/1 Higgins & Francis
2022
Teacher: Mrs Cormack



Racing Triangles

Accountability Innovation Respect Resilience

Students in Mrs Higgins' and Mrs Francis' classes have been working on some large canvas masterpieces in ART this term with Mrs Cormack. We will have a silent auction next Wednesday, **7th of December in Mrs Francis's class 2.30pm onward! Please come along!**

Check out some of the work that will be on display



Yummy Juicy Watermelons



Handa's Surprise



Rainbow Rectangles

Can you believe that Reception and Year 1's could produce work like this?!? It is amazing!

3 weeks to go countdown calendar

7	28 th November Year 6 Surf Safety	29 th November Year 6 Surf Safety Year 7 Transition - Tumby Bay Area School	30 th November <u>Staff meeting</u>	1 st December Year 5 Surf Safety PLHS Year 6 Transition	2 nd December Year 5 Surf Safety PLHS Year 6 Transition
8	5 th December WARM UP DAY	6 th December	7 th December <u>Staff meeting</u>	8 th December	9 th December End of Year Outdoor Concert 5.30 for a 6pm start
9	12 th December	13 th December	14 th December <u>Staff meeting</u>	15 th December	16 th December LAST DAY TERM 4 2022 ASSEMBLY 1.50pm 2.20pm dismissal Semester 2 Reports issued