FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our Pupil Free Day learning last Friday was highly successful. Staff worked together to set the direction for English and Literacy at our school. We have been working in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) regularly since the start of last year and these have been a highly useful structure when making decisions and sharing understandings about teaching and learning.

The morning session on Friday was spent working in PLCs under the guidance and leadership of Kingsley Heard. We then had presentations on 4 different aspects of English learning at our school. These presentations were delivered by members of staff in their areas of expertise. All were highly beneficial and assisted in adding to the picture we are building.

The last part of the day was in the form of a Treasure Hunt both in and out of the school. This activity was organised by Victoria Corbett and had the dual purpose of building understanding of specific areas of English and building a cohesive and happy staff team. Both outcomes were achieved easily.

I am super impressed by the way that our staff team have come together this term with the sole purpose of improving the lives of our students. It is certainly a great time to be at PNPS.

Take care,
Marie
ATTENDANCE

Year to Date (2018)
The average daily attendance rate:
Year to Date: derived from student attendance data sourced from the
school systems as at 24/08/2018

Previous Week
Attendance rate derived from student attendance data sourced from the
school systems as at 24/08/2018

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
At this week’s school assembly the following students received an award acknowledging their hard work, perseverance and use of positive strategies in developing a Growth Mindset for their learning and community participation:

- Xavier Heisen, Hunter Jones (Mrs Gwatkin)
- Jackson Rowlands, Coby Forde (Ms Newbery)
- Elliot Eriksson, Jordy Tucker (Mr MacWilliams)
- Cody Hoet, Marty Yates, Georgia Moulds, Maya Disley (Ms Burt)
- Kayla Carter, Summer Withers (Mr Ratcliff)
- Charlee Howard, Oscar Berryman (Mrs Ehlers)
- Bella Monier, Elsie Schmid (Ms Baumann / Ms Haddad)
- Abbey Hill, Cleo Higgins (Ms Orrin)
- Maleah Jeffery, Noah Howard, Max Berryman (Mrs True / Ms McFarlane)
- Alex Pinno, Jai Rushby, Mick van de Laar (Mrs McMillan)
- Tayne Lines, Amber Mulligan (Mr Letcher / Ms Cross)
- Tessa Inverarity, Jayden Lodge (Miss Thompson)
- Emma Anderson, Lacey Zivkov (Mrs Gotley / Mrs Fullerton)
- Hermoine McInnes, Cooper Bowey (Mrs Sander)
- Evie Bergman, Ben Purdy (Mr Horfall)
- Stella Shugg, Maya Harrison (Ms Gregory)
- Jan Jelinik, Tanayah McIay (Ms Eldridge)
- Clayton Snelling, Charlize Akers (Mr Wakefield)

The award for 100% attendance goes to Ryley Lynch and the Aussie of the Month Award went to Lolita Casey.

RRICH Award for audience manners went to Ms Letcher’s and Ms Burtt’s classes.
Each student who receives an award earns a point for their school team.
The team totals are as follows:
- Stingrays – 633
- Sharks – 639
- Dolphins – 603
- Swordfish – 605

Congratulations to all of these students!

ADVANCED NOTICE

- Governing Council have approved Monday 12th November as the 2018 School Closure Day. The school will be closed on this day. OSHC will be available but places are strictly limited so book now to ensure a place.

- A whole school end of year concert will be held on Tuesday 4th December on the school oval. Further information will be available early in Term 4.

- Year 7 Graduation celebrations will be held on Wednesday 12th December.

PEOPLE’S CHOICE COMMUNITY LOTTERY
Don’t forget that this Friday 31st August is your last opportunity to buy tickets for the People’s Choice Community Lottery to help with our fundraising efforts. 100% of all ticket sales will help us improve the grounds of the school through development of themed gardens - a Sensory Garden, a Traditional Foods garden and a Fruit and Vegetables garden and also improve our Nature Play area. Tickets are just $2.00 each and are available to purchase from the front office or online by clicking here https://www.peopleschoicecou.com.au/port-noarlunga-primary-...

Please help us make this a huge success by sharing this information with your family and friends. Tickets will be on sale until midnight Friday August 31 2018 and the prize draw will take place on October 9 2018.

LOST PROPERTY
Despite our regular pleas to name your child’s belongings there continues to be a large quantity of lost property handed in with no means of identification. There are a large number of windcheaters and jumpers handed in every week. Please ask your children to regularly check lost property in the front office for their belongings and remember that if they are clearly labelled we are able to return them to your children as soon as they are handed in. Please help us to help you.

BOOK FAIR
Thank you to everyone who supported this year’s Book Fair. We are still tallying the sales but we do look forward to knowing how many wonderful new resources we will be able to purchase to further support student learning.

FUN RUN
The annual Fun Run is planned for Friday 21st September (Week 9). Included with this week’s newsletter is a flyer with more information. Sponsorship forms have been distributed to students and the unique code is need to set up the student profile page.

2019 ENROLMENTS AND PLANNING
As we plan ahead for 2019, it is vital that we know of any students who will not be attending our school next year. Please inform the front office as soon as possible if your child will be leaving the school at the end of 2018. YOU can let us know by emailing dl.0362.admin@schools.sa.edu.au or phoning 83822455.
BACK PACKS FOR KIDS SA

Don’t forget to send in your donations for Mrs Baumann’s and Mrs Haddad’s charity drive for Backpacks for Kids SA. Donations can be left in the boxes in the front office or with Mrs Baumann’s and Mrs Haddad’s class. Thanks to everyone who has already donated. Your generosity is very much appreciated. A pyjama day will be held on Thursday 6th September as an added fundraiser for this worthwhile cause. Students and staff may wear their pyjamas to school in lieu of school uniform and make a gold coin donation. 100% of the proceeds to go to the charity.

SO WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE

The students in Ms Haddad / Mrs Baumann’s class are going to collect and make up backpacks for Backpacks for Kids SA.

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Items can be dropped off in the office or Ms Haddad/Mrs Baumann’s classroom.

BOOKWEEK ASSEMBLY PARADE

It was great to see so many of our staff and students in costume for the Annual Book Week Costume Parade at the special assembly last Tuesday 21st August. A huge thank you to all the parents, carers, grandparents and friends who attended our Book Week Assembly. Lots of imagination went into costumes and the children looked great. A big thank you to students who created their costumes and went to the effort of joining in our whole school fun. Prizes were awarded for best costumes on the day.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Lolita Casey from Mrs Haddad & Mrs Baumann’s class who has won the 2018 Credit Union Christmas Pageant “Design a Mini Float” competition. Her winning design, ‘The Kindness Tree’ “shows love for ALL people. It has a rainbow flag because anyone can love anyone they want to. It has a peace sign and hearts because we should all be kind. It has people with different skin colours because all people can be friends with each other.” We are super excited for Lolita and can’t wait to see the float in this year’s pageant. Check out some more photos of Lolita’s artwork on our Facebook page – https://www.facebook.com/portnoarlungaprimar yschool

SA WATER EXCURSION

Ms Eldridge’s Year 6/7 recently went to SA Water for a behind the scenes look at how waste is processed – The Poo-Do Gurus Programme. Gui Oliveria said “It was a fun science based excursion and it was enlightening learning about what goes down the toilet”.

Cody Horewood-Gitsham said “It was fun that there were separate activities such as identifying germs and bacteria for us to do”.

Mathilde Verrall said “It was a weird experience looking into a fake toilet with waste made from common food products such as chocolate cake, banana and baked beans”.

SCHOOL HATS AND DRESS CODE COMPLIANCE

As per our school policy and guidelines from the Cancer Council the wearing of school hats is now compulsory. New hats can be purchased at the Front Office for $11.50. Please also write your child’s name in their hat as these are always over represented in our lost property baskets. Students not wearing hats need to be in delegated shade areas at recess and lunch. A reminder to everyone that our school dress code does not include jeans or items of clothing that contain colours other than navy blue and gold (yellow). An increasing number of our students are coming to school wearing items of clothing that don’t meet our school dress code. Please check that your child is dressed appropriately. Parkas or heavier jackets that are worn over windcheaters on very cold days do not need to be dress code compliant, but windcheaters most certainly do need to be in school colours only.
This year’s Book Week Book Fair ran for 4 days. We had a great response from parents and visitors with $2973.45 in sales. This means that we now have $700 to purchase new books and resources for our library.

Assembly dressing up was the excitement of the day, with exceptional involvement from students and staff. Lots of Pirates and Wallys for the theme of Find Your Treasure!

Book Week is always so much fun!