

Diary Dates:

August

Thursday 16

- Living Kurna excursion LA1-9

Friday 17

- Assembly hosted by LA1-7

Saturday 18

- Quiz Night

Monday 20

- Book Week
- SAPSASA Volleyball
- Parent Workshop – Google 7pm

Tuesday 21

- Parent Workshop – Google 2pm

Thursday 23

- SAPSASA Athletics

Friday 24

- Roald Dahl performance R-5
- Book Week Dress Up Day

Friday 31

- Assembly hosted by LA1-9 & LA1-13

2018 Pupil Free Days

Monday 3 September
Friday 2 November

2018 School Closure

Friday 7 September

SMS Number for Absences

0476 857 224

*** New Number ***

SA Term Dates for 2018

Term 1	29 Jan to	13 April
Term 2	30 Apr to	6 July
Term 3	23 Jul to	28 Sept
Term 4	15 Oct to	14 Dec

School Values

Bravery - Care - Challenge – Trust

Traffic Monitors

Week 4

Morning: Paige K & Megan T
Afternoon: Mahika C & Armaan C

Week 5

Morning: Rhys M & Harry P
Afternoon: Eva D & Paris M

Dear Families,

It has been wonderful to see how engaged the children have been in the learning over the past few weeks since returning to school. When visiting classes each week, it is obvious that our staff are providing a wide range of rich, relevant and challenging learning experiences for the children across Reception to Year 7. I have noticed an increase in the number of children coming to school appropriately dressed (eg: more coats and gumboots) to allow for learning and play outdoors in the cooler weather and some classes have already had the opportunity to engage in camps and excursions - and it's only week 3! So we are in for another exciting term!

Principal's Day

Last Friday we celebrated the inaugural Principal's Day which is an initiative of the South Australian Primary Principals Association (SAPPA) aiming to recognise the work of site leaders in our schools. This is to complement World Teacher's Day which is celebrated annually (later in the year) and SSO Recognition Week which is celebrated next week (refer below). We had a lovely staff morning tea provided by Anita Trainor, our PCW, Reverend Barb Paull and the ladies from St Phillip's parish. They also presented us with chocolates and flowers which was a wonderful gesture and very much appreciated.



Website

We are very close to launching our new website which will replace the one that is currently on the web. This website will form the hub of all things related to our school and will be dynamic as information is constantly updated. This process has taken somewhat longer than we had hoped but it is now very close...watch the newsletter for more details very soon!

Policy updates

We are currently working our way through updating all of the policies in the school. This is a significant job and one that requires appropriate consultation with staff and feedback from Governing Council. Currently we are putting together the draft Camps and Excursions Policy and Procedure and the Home Learning/Homework Policy both of which we hope will go to Governing Council later this term. Once ratified these will be made available to all families via the (new) website.

Master Plan and additional accommodation update

The detailed drawings for the 2 major areas we are hoping to redevelop over the next 2-3 years (the relocation of the existing nature play area and the JP COLA) have been reviewed by staff and the Environment Committee, with feedback being provided to PSLA next week. I still do not have any further information from the Department re the timeline for the additional accommodation but will let you know as soon as I have any news to share.

Quiz Night

Don't forget our major school fundraising event for this year, our Quiz Night is fast approaching on **Saturday 18 August**. I hope you have got your ticket organised as they are selling fast! There are a huge range of prizes and auction items (something for everyone!) and it is always a fun night so we look forward to seeing you there.

SSO Recognition Week

Next week we will acknowledge the work and efforts of our School Services Officers (SSOs) for SSO Recognition Week. At Paringa Park Primary School we are very fortunate to have a fabulous team of support staff helping to care for and educate our children and run our school. We'd be absolutely lost without them. In recognition of their efforts there will be a few surprise happenings throughout next week to acknowledge and celebrate these people:

- Erica Staude, Linda Chambers, Susan Lane - Front Office and Business Management
- Annette Stagg, Vivonne Amoy, Melanie Milne, Jane Davies, Caroline Cobb - Learning Support
- Anne Dingle - Library Officer
- Murray Oliver - Groundsperson
- Anita Trainor - Pastoral Support Worker

Kind regards,
Leanne

Be in the Library Loop... with Anne and Jacquie
Funny thing about water... it's wet, and water and books usually don't mix*.

It's totally **appropriate** to bring a water bottle to school. And it's totally **appropriate** to borrow books from the library. It's only when the dribbly water bottle and the papery library book mix that we end up with **inappropriate**. A library bag can help alleviate the problem - just a plastic shopping bag will do.

*One exception being those plastic-page books that babies have in the bath.

But enough of the not so good news and on to the **VERY GOOD** news.

21 more completions for the Premier's Reading Challenge and here they are...

Fabian G. 1-8 (3 rd)	Harper D. 1-8 (4 th)	Riley D. 1-1 (2 nd)
Sienna C. 1-5	Lucille T. 1-2 (4 th)	Miki F. 1-2 (2 nd)
Sienna A. 1-11	Sukie L. 1-6	Jake R. 2-7
Alex V. 3-2	Ryder C-E. 1-11 (2 nd e)	Narayanan S. 1-13
Emma H. 3-2	Ruby A. 2-2	Portia G. 1-7
Zara L. 2-11	Ebony W. 3-2	Alyssa S-W. 1-8
Grace T. 2-5	William R. 1-4	Rosie L. 3-2

'Book Week' begins on Monday 24 August, but Anne has started displaying the nominated books so that teachers can help students become familiar with the titles. To support the 2018 Book Week theme, **FIND YOUR TREASURE**, Melanie Milne has supplied us with a chest which Anne has filled with reading treasures for families to borrow.

On Friday, August 24, it is Book Week dress-up day for all students R-7. We've had a few inquiries regarding the Roald Dahl theme and whether it is okay to dress as a character from another author's book. After careful consideration and consultation with staff... **YES**, children, it is ok to dress as another character from another author's book if you really do not, cannot, will not be able to dress as a Roald Dahl character. Children will parade in the gym dress-up day morning from 8.55 and 'The Wonderful World of Roald Dahl' will be performed for R-5 students that afternoon. Last day to pay \$6.60 for the performance is Thursday 16 August, before 3pm.

Jacquie and Anne

Upcoming Parent Workshops

**Getting up to Speed:
 Google Learning for Parents & Children**

We are excited to announce our next Google workshop. Come along with your child to learn more about the Google platform and how you can support them to collaborate using digital technologies! BYO Chromebook (school chromebooks will also be available for use). Don't miss this fantastic opportunity.

Monday 20 August 7pm – 8pm
 Tuesday 21 August 2pm – 3pm

Please click on this link to watch our first parent workshop: <https://vimeo.com/281714076>



Sports Update

Lacrosse

Congratulations to Kate and Jade who have been selected in the U15 Lacrosse State Development Squad. Kate has made the team and Jade is a reserve. They will be involved in the national competition in October in Melbourne. Well done girls! That is a fantastic achievement!

Swimming

In the holidays Logan qualified for the State Swimming Championships. He achieved a PB in all his events throughout the week. This is his first year of serious competition so he has made amazing progress with his results. Well done Logan!

Basketball

In the first week of term, 2 teams competed in the year 6/7 SAPSASA Basketball Carnival. The girls' team had a couple of wins and played really well. The boys' team showed some strong skills and teamwork and won 5 out of 6 games. They narrowly missed the playoff for finals. Great effort boys.



Well done to both teams and thank you to Brooke and Julie for coaching the teams.



Table Tennis

Last Sunday Max, Cam, Tom and Fariba competed in the SAPSASA Individual Table Tennis Tournament. They played well and showed great sportsmanship. They all enjoyed the competition and learned a lot, and for Tom and Fariba this was their first competition so the experience was valuable for their skill development.

Fariba finished 1st in Div C; Cam finished 2nd in Div A; Max finished 3rd in Div A; Tom had some very close games and was unlucky not to get to the finals. Well done to all of you for your great results!

Michelle Burton



French News

Bonjour tout le monde,

French Poetry Competition

This term, children in year 1 to 6 have been learning French poems from the French Poetry Competition. Children who wish to enter the competition will be reciting the poems to me in week 4, and the top students from each category will have the opportunity to enter the SAFTA state competition.

Monday: Year 1 students

Tuesday: Year 2/3 students

Wednesday: Year 4/5 students

Thursday: Year 6 students

In addition to this, students have the opportunity to enter the Poetry Art Competition, where they illustrate their French poem in their own time or at **French Club**.

French Day

On Friday 21 September (week 9), the school will partake in French Day, a celebration of all things French. We will have a number of things happening on the day, including a French theme dress up day and French activities. More information will be in the newsletters leading up to French Day.

A bientôt,

Madame Ellison

Year 6 & 7 camp

This week the year 6 and 7 classes went to Arbury Park Outdoor School. The year 7s started on Monday and ended Wednesday and the year 6s arrived Wednesday through to Friday. To begin with we did orienteering to get used to our surroundings followed by a game of web of life and looking at food chains. Other activities we participated in included Bush Survival, learning how to light a fire, survive in the wild and hike up Mount George. The food they offered was delicious and healthy. We saw koalas, a refuge possum, and a cockatoo named Claude. Thanks Arbury Park Outdoor School for letting us stay and Mr Durbridge for organising our school camp.



Paringa Park Primary School

Quiz Night

SATURDAY 18 AUGUST (IN THE GYM)
ARRIVE FROM 18:30 FOR A 19:00 START

Theme is **COLOUR**

Live & silent auctions + Door Prize
B.Y.O. drinks & nibbles
\$200 per table (10 tickets)
(for individual tickets contact office)
Dress up & decorate your table

PRIZES FOR BEST DRESSED PAY VIA QKR PRIZES FOR BEST TABLE DECORATION
PAY @ FRONT OFFICE

Bring gold coins for games & raffles

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