

# Penong Primary School

## Newsletter

Term 1, Week 6, 7th March 2025



### SPECIAL POINTS

- Welcome
- Water Detectives
- Student Free Day
- Parent Interviews
- Governing Council
- NAPLAN
- State Leaders Day
- School/Preschool Learning Plan work

Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Monday 10th March

Please Note:  
Our School is a Nut aware School.  
We encourage families to avoid sending nuts or nut products to school.

Our school is on Wirangu land and we acknowledge the traditional owners of this country, the nations first people. We recognise their continuing connection to land, water and the community. We pay respect to them and their culture and to elders both past and present.

Dear Parents

Welcome to our second newsletter for the term.

Week 6! How is it possible that the term is moving so very quickly. We have been busy in our classrooms with lots of great learning and there have been many extra-curricular opportunities for our students also.

Please remember to check our calendar for upcoming events over the next weeks.

#### Student Free Day

Our Student Free Day last week saw staff engaged in further student regulation training.

State of the art research is the basis for this training and we looked at energy levels and understanding what is happening in students bodies and them being able to articulate this. All energy levels are O.K., it is important to understand calming strategies and alerting strategies.

We worked on a whole school agreement addressing issues across the school.

A worthwhile day for everyone.

#### Parent Interviews

Thank you to all those parents who engaged with parent interviews this week. Interviews play an important role in our reporting to parents procedure and it is timely at this time of the year for teachers and parents to touch base.

Thank you to the teachers for their energy and commitment in this area.



### SCHOOL VALUES

Respect - Community - Achievement

## NAPLAN

Testing runs from  
Wednesday 12th March  
-  
Friday 21st March

Congratulations to our  
2025 Governing  
Council Members:

Alli  
Jo  
Mel  
Fran  
Danielle  
Soraya  
Nicole  
Kirby  
Jacinta

## Governing Council

Our Governing Council A.G.M. and General Meeting were held recently. Thank you to those who attended.

This year's council is made up of:

Chairperson - Alli Shipard

Vice Chairperson - Jo Ormsby

Secretary - Mel Haines

Assistant Secretary - Fran Seemann

Treasurer - Danielle Warmington

Councilors - Soraya Smith, Nicole Warmington, Kirby Purcell,  
Jacinta Binsted

Governing Council is on a mission to raise money for our new playground.

Please keep your eye out of upcoming events.

## NAPLAN

This week Ms Ettridge has been engaged in NAPLAN Coordinator training. The year 3s and 5s will sit the various tests next week along with children from across the nation.

## State Leaders' Day

Last week I had the pleasure of attending the annual Leaders' Day in Adelaide, where leaders from across the state gather to listen, share and learn about the directions of our department.

We had the opportunity to hear from the Educational Minister, our department C.E.O. and various internationally acclaimed specialists.

## School/Preschool Learning Plan work

Staff have continued work on our School/Preschool Learning Plans which focus on how we work in our spaces and design learning for all children.

One of the strategies we have been employing has been the clear use of Learning Intentions and Success Criteria in classrooms.

This refers to what we are learning and how do we know if we have achieved it. Using these strategies helps children to understand their learning goal, have more control in understanding their progress and help to build independence and confidence. Working in this way helps children to take a more active role in their education.

Some examples of success criteria are:

- I can use capital letters & full stops in my writing.
- I can rename 3-digit numbers.
- I can skip count by 2s to 50.
- I can use adjectives to improve my sentence.
- I can identify tens & ones in 2-digit numbers.

## April

Mathew C  
Ellieyre B



## March

Malea W  
John S  
Eddierose B  
Mrs Shipard  
Ms Ormsby

Open Your Eyes  
Be Water Wise!

### Water Detectives

We were lucky enough recently to have representatives from South Australia Water come to visit our students. The men engaged our children in an entertaining presentation "Water Detectives". The show was displayed with humor and wit. The visitors explained all things water wise to the children and the importance of this important resource.



## Congratulations to:

Ellieyre B  
U9 Girls Winner

Eddierose B  
U11 Girls R/Up  
at Ceduna Sports Day



## Congratulations to:

Eddierose, Kayla,  
Koby & Ellieyre for  
their selection in the  
WCIAC team

### Ceduna Sports Day

A number of our Upper Primary children attended the Ceduna Area School annual Sports Day last Wednesday. Thank you to the parents who organised to get the children to the event. It has been reported to me that all our students were great ambassadors on the day and really did their best.

Congratulations to all medal winners on the day, and a special congratulations to Eddierose and Ellieyre who were medal winners in each of their age groups.

A special thank you to Nicole & Nathan Warmington, Mel Haines & Jacinta Binsted for their help with jobs on the day.

Top performers are chosen to go on to WCIAC at Karcultaby on Friday 7th March to represent Ceduna Area School against other schools in the region. Eddierose, Ellieyre, Kayla & Koby have been selected to compete on this day. Fantastic job by these students. We wish them all the best.





## Student Voice

### GREAT WHITE SHARKS

Mathew  
Kristella  
Lakey  
Louis  
Lilly  
Jace  
Ella  
Judd

### TERRIFIC TURTLES

Chloe  
Archer  
Siena  
David  
Caleb  
Uvarnah  
Leila  
Albert  
Rory

### SALTY SEAHORSES

Kayla  
Blake  
Ellieyre  
John  
Connor  
Ivee  
Vedder  
Keenan  
Leo

### HUNTING HAMMERHEADS

Eddierose  
Koby  
Sabella  
Trey  
Storm  
Hudson  
Malea  
Djay  
Ollie

At Penong we are committed to giving our children a voice and promoting student agency.

Our Student Voice teams have been busy planning and working on various programs around the school.

### GREAT WHITE SHARKS (GROUNDS)

This week saw the group busy sanding and preparing two mural spaces in the school yard ready for repainting to brighten up Ms Allen's fence.

### SALTY SEAHORSES (FUNDRAISING/EVENTS)

The Salty Seahorses are in amongst their organising for an end of term disco, with the theme of the Wild West. More details to follow soon.

### TERRIFIC TURTLES (COMMUNITY)

This group have organised a community Clean Up Australia Day event to be held on Friday 21st March at 11:30am followed by a community sausage sizzle. Everyone is invited to attend, keep your eye out for information.

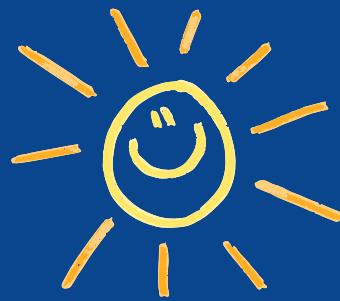
### HUNTING HAMMERHEADS (WELLBEING)

The Hunting Hammerheads have come up with the idea of spending some lunch times on the oval for a different play experience. They have surveyed the school, and it is a very popular recommendation.

**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY,  
COMMUNITY EVENT  
FRIDAY, 21ST MARCH, 11:30AM**

**Wild West  
Disco**  
Details coming soon

**Student Voice**



# Kindy News

What a busy couple of weeks we have had at Kindy.

Firstly, congratulations to Lena, Jens and Loki on the early arrival of their baby boy, Erik. We wish them all well in the big smoke!

Secondly, a big welcome to Kora Horley!! It is fantastic to have Eddie, Ashleigh and Remi join our Kindy families and look forward to working with Kora over the next couple of years.

We have been for a visit to Ceduna Kindy on Monday where we had a lovely time checking out their yard, chook shed, garden and all of the different play spaces. It was great for Rory to join the other children for mat time, and he was very interested in the urine/hydration chart. We have printed one out to put in our kindy toilet to make sure that we are drinking enough water to keep hydrated.

I have also been engaged in some training and development over the last couple of weeks. I attended a session at the CAS which focused on planning and programming. It was great to hear David Gilkes giving his ideas and I would be interested in seeing this in action! I also spent time with Emily Seaman and Clare Higgs at Koonibba to contextualize the programming in our centers.

I have been very excited to see Rory so engaged in the afternoons with the Junior Primary class. He always has some very good suggestions when we are having group discussions, and it is lovely to hear the older children encouraging him. Rory especially enjoyed making Pizza using the flour that we ground from wheat.

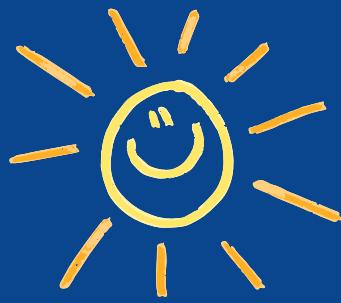
I am looking forward to the second half of the term.

Tricia



*Erik Wusson*  
born on the 27.02.25 at 5am in Adelaide.  
1.8kg and 43cm long





# Playgroup

Run every Wednesday 10am-12pm  
in the Kindy

## 54 reasons





# From Mrs Murray



## Upper Primary

*Well done to Chloe for consistently working at the highest standard.*

**-Achievement Value-**



## Junior Primary

*Well done to Jace and Hudson for finishing their heart words.*

**-Achievement Value-**



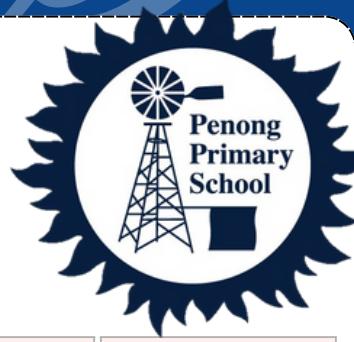
## Kindy

*Well done to Kora for settling so well into kindy.*

**-Achievement Value-**

# PENONG PRIMARY SCHOOL

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WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Jan	27 Australia Day Public Holiday	28	29	30	31
2 Feb	3	4	5	6	7
3	10	11 Parent Welcome Afternoon 1:30pm	12	13	14 Governing Council AGM, 1:30pm PP 24.2.25  Newsletter
4	17	18	19 Water Detectives Visit	20	21 Ceduna School Sports Day. Upper Primary PP 26.2.25
5	24  Governing Council AGM, 1:30pm	25	26 Ceduna School Sports Day  Student Free Day	27	28
6 Mar	3	4 Parent Interviews at School	5 Parent Interviews at Scotdesco	6	7 WCIAC @ karcultaby  Newsletter
7	10  Adeladie Cup Public Holiday	11	12 NAPLAN testing starts	13	14  Aquatics JP & UP
8	17 Paul Rutter Illustrator Visit  Harmony Week	18	19	20	21 Clean Up Australia Day Family Event  NAPLAN testing ends
9	24	25	26	27	28  Newsletter
10 Apr	31	1	2 SAPSASA Boys Football trials @ Streaky Bay	3	4 Governing Council Progressive Dinner
11	7	8	9 Governing Council Bake Sale	10	11 Last Day of Term 2pm dismissal



# Community News

## Point Sinclair Cleaning Roster

March - Nathan & Nicole / Todd & Danielle

April - Cindy & John / Shaun / Rebecca

## Uniting Church Cleaning Roster

March- Rebecca Freeman

April- Julie Jackson



Fashion on the Fields - Jumping Castles - Novelty Races

## PENONG RACES

FUN DAY OUT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

SATURDAY MARCH 8TH 2025

Gates Open 10.00

## SPONSORS

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COMPLETE BUSINESS ACCOUNTING SERVICES



# Community News

PENONG PRIMARY  
SCHOOL PRESENTS...

# GOLF

Par-tee



Everyone  
Welcome

Save the date

**FRIDAY FORE-TH APRIL**  
**DRESS UP IN YOUR BEST FUN GOLF ATTIRE**  
**NOT AN ACTUAL GOLF COMP, BUT A HOLE LOT**  
**OF FUN FOR EVERYONE!**

Penong Primary School are on a mission to raise  
money for a much needed Playground for the kids!  
Your support would be greatly appreciated!



# Community News



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## CEDUNA COMMUNITY EARLY YEARS TIMETABLE

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>OCCASIONAL CARE</b> 8:45 - 11:45am Children 6months-4yrs \$5 per session or \$1.50 for Health Care Card Holders. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: (08) 86262294 *Bookings Essential	<b>OCCASIONAL CARE</b> 8:45 - 11:45am Children 6months-4yrs \$5 per session or \$1.50 for Health Care Card Holders. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: (08) 86262294 *Bookings Essential	<b>JUMP 'N' JIVE</b> 10 - 11am For ages 2-5 Big movement supported playgroup to build confidence & skill. NYCFC 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: (08) 86262294	<b>MINYA GIDYA - MUGA</b> 10am - 12:00pm Aboriginal children 0-5 years and their families. Art & Craft activities, free play, singing and mat time. Healthy snack provided. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: Fiona 0423883397	<b>BABY MASSAGE</b> 9:30 - 10:30am *Bookings Essential A special time for you and your baby. Free creche available for children 0-5 years. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: (08) 86262294
<b>LEARNING TOGETHER PLAYGROUP</b> 9:30 - 11:00am For children birth - 5 years and their parents/ carers to play and learn. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: (08) 86262294	<b>STORY TIME</b> 10 - 11am Rhymes and craft for parents & children 0-5 MONDAY DURING SCHOOL TERM CEDUNA AREA SCHOOL LIBRARY BERGMANN DRIVE, CEDUNA Contact: (08) 86262294	<b>54 REASONS</b> PLAYGROUP 10 - 11am FREE - Playgroup for families with children aged 0-5 years old. Penone Early Learning Centre Eye Highway Penone, 5660 Staffed by: Petrina, Donna and Bianca Contact: 0436116073	<b>54 REASONS</b> PLAYGROUP 10:30 - 11:30am FREE - Playgroup for families with children aged 0-5 years old. Ceduna School Community Library Monday 24th March 10am - Birth - 5 years 1:30pm Reception Classes Limited spaces Bookings Essential Phone 86262294	<b>SCREEPERS IN CRAWLERS</b> PLAYGROUP 10:30 - 11:30am A playgroup for pre-walkers and their parents or caregivers. Free creche available for children 0-5 years. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: (08) 86262294
<b>QUALITY TIME WITH FAMILY</b> 10am - 12:00pm A playgroup for Aboriginal children and their families. Learning Hub (45 McKenzie Street) Contact: Fiona 0423883397	<b>CUPPA &amp; CHAT</b> 1 - 2:30pm A safe space to connect with other caregivers of babies under 12 months. Facilitated by the Ceduna Midwives. Bookings required for creche. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna CONTACT: (08) 86262294	<b>MUMS WITH YOUNG NUNGA BUBS</b> 1 - 2:30pm A safe place for mums with Aboriginal bubs to chat about parenting. Pregnant - 3 years. Transport and refreshments. Creche provided for children. NYCFC - 2 Kelly Street, Ceduna Contact: Vicki Coleman (08) 86262294	<b>KOONIBBA STOP &amp; PLAY</b> 2:30 - 4:30pm Art & craft activities & free play Children 0-5yrs. Koondibba Community Hall. Parental supervision a requirement. Facilitated by Fiona Contact 0496728444	<b>KOONIBBA STOP &amp; PLAY</b> 2:30 - 4:30pm Art & craft activities & free play Children 0-5yrs. Koondibba Community Hall. Parental supervision a requirement. Facilitated by Fiona Contact 0496728444
<b>LITTLE ATHLETICS</b> TINY TOTS 5 - 6pm A modified little athletics program for 3-5 year olds to develop fundamental movement skills. Ceduna Area School Oval COST: \$10 for the season See Facebook page for more information	<b>JUMP N' JIVE ON THE FORESHORE</b> PEDESTRIAN LAWNS, ALBION HARBOR 10AM - 11:30AM A FUN & ACTIVE PLAYGROUND FOR ALL FAMILIES AGED 0-5 YEARS. SNACKS AND SONGS TO FINISH	<b>54 REASONS</b> VILLAGE PLAYGROUP 9:30 - 11:30am Week 11, Friday 11th April 2025 FREE - Playgroup for families with children aged 0-5 years old. 34 Savile Terrace, Theverard 5690 Staffed by: Petrina, Donna and Bianca Contact: 0436116073	<b>HARMONY DAY 21 MARCH</b> 	



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