

Penong Primary School

— Newsletter —

Term 2, Week 3, 16th May 2025



SPECIAL POINTS

- Country & Western Disco
- Training & Development
- Small Schools Association
- Governing Council
- SAPSASA Football & Netball
- National Careers Week
- Student Free Day Training
- Volunteers Week
- Marc McBride Visit
- Aquatics
- Kindy/Playgroup

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.

Salty Seahorses, Country & Western Disco

Congratulations to the Salty Seahorses Student Voice group; Kayla, Blake, Ellileyre, Vedder, Connor, Leo, Keenan, Ivey & John for their fabulous organisation of our Country & Western Disco that was held at the end of last term.

Everyone had a great time with the whip cracking as a favourite. I was very proud of the lead roles the children took and the fabulous outcomes for everyone.

The group raised \$146 towards our new playground. Well done the "Salty Seahorses" (please see our photo gallery attached).

Training & Development - Australian Curriculum

Last term teaching staff travelled to Koonibba to engage in initial training and development regarding the new South Australian Curriculum.

This curriculum is very similar in context to the Australian Curriculum but it has been refined to be more in line with our South Australian Public Education Strategy.

There is a greater emphasis on capabilities related to specific curriculum areas and dispositions rather than general capabilities and learning being relevant to each individual. How we value the learning process is also a focus. Teachers will continue their training throughout the year.

Small Schools Association

This week I attended a state Small Schools Executive meeting in Adelaide.

Important & relevant issues discussed included: Country Strategy Issues, Curriculum & Learning, Small School Impact, Staffing & Facilities.

There were members from across the state in attendance and representatives from the department.



Congratulations to our
Bake Sale Money
Board Winners
1st Prize, \$70 Cash -
Helen Dunn
2nd Prize, \$30 Cash -
Julie & Jeno

Congratulations to all
our Mother's Day
Raffle winners

Governing Council met
this week to discuss
issues including:

- Our playground
- Fundraising
- School Excursions
- Classrooms
- School/Pre School
learning plans

Council have been
working really hard on
our fund raising for
our new playground.
Please see our success
up until now.



Governing Council

Our Governing Council met this week after a very busy end of term with the Golf Partee & Bake Sale. These two events raised over \$6,000 towards our new playground.

What a fabulous load of fun that the Golf Partee gave us. The costumes, games, amazing catering and terrific organisation. A special thank you to Ali and her team, Nicole, Danielle and Kirby for their energy & commitment towards the day.

Thank you to all families who supplied the wonderful food we all had the opportunity to share. It was a wonderful community event.

Our Mums are beginning to get a reputation for fabulous produce and our Bake Sale in week 11 was no exception. The team was busy all morning serving locals & tourists alike with their wonderful cakes and savoury baked goods.

A special thank you to all those who baked and manned the stall on the day. A job well done.

This term a very successful Mother's Day Raffle was run. We thank all staff members and families who contributed prizes towards this. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets and supported the event.

Gift Basket

Donated by: School Families

Won by: Comet Cafe



Potted Plant

Donated by: Alli Shipard

Won by: Jacinta Binsted



Gift Basket

Donated by: Mrs Murray &
School Families

Won by: Bron Workman



Picnic Pack

Donated by: Nicole Warmington

Won by: Johnny Duregon



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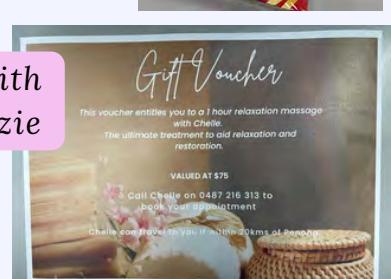
Won by: Aileen Marks



1 hour Massage

Donated by: Chelle Smith

Won by: Archer McKenzie



Sponge Roll

Donated by: Tricia Shipard

Won by: Dianne Smith

Congratulations
Koby & Kayla on your
SAPSASA selections

Thank you to
everyone who
supported our annual
Book Fair. There were
lots of interesting
options for children.

Our commission
allowed us to add to
our book resources.

Thank you to
Mrs Nielsen for her
organisation.

Thank you to our
Careers Week
visitors:
Alli Shipard
Michelle Anderson
Lorrayne Balharry
for giving up your
time to spend time
with our children
talking about your
career pathways.



May

Kylie Stra

June

Jace W
Ella W

Thereisa Davies

Boys' SAPSASA Trials

Tryouts for boys' SAPSASA football were held recently and we congratulate Koby W on being chosen to represent our school and Western Eyre Peninsula. Koby has been engaging in trainings and will go to Adelaide to compete in week 5. Well done Koby and best of luck.

Girls' SAPSASA Trials

Our year 5/6 girls were invited to try out for the SAPSASA netball team. It was a very tight tussle with over 40 girls trying out. Special congratulation to Kayla W who has been chosen as part of the team.

The girls will play in Adelaide during week 9 of this term.

National Careers Week

The children had the opportunity this week to engage with members of our community during National Careers Week.

Special thank you to Alli Shipard, Michelle Anderson & Ms Balharry who agreed to be a part of our careers panel.

The Hunting Hammerhead student voice group were responsible for the event and officiated at the afternoon.

It was fabulous that our guests could give up their time to share their experiences with us all. Careers week is an opportunity for children to learn about the many and varied options they may be able to consider in the future.

Student Free Day Staff Training

On our first day back this term staff was engaged in further regulation training. Every child experiences the world through their senses differently.

Understanding sensory threshold and behavioral responses, we can better support children's regulation, engagement and participation. We have developed a whole school plan to explicitly teach strategies to assist children to be best ready for their learning.

Volunteers Week

Next week 19th May 2025 is Volunteers Week.

We would especially like to thank our fantastic Governing Council. Alli Shipard, Jo Ormsby, Mel Haines, Danielle Warmington, Fran Seemann, Nicole Warmington, Soraya Smith, Kirby Purcell & Jacinta Binsted for all the support and work they put into the school. We also thank everyone who supports our school in any way. Volunteers make every difference

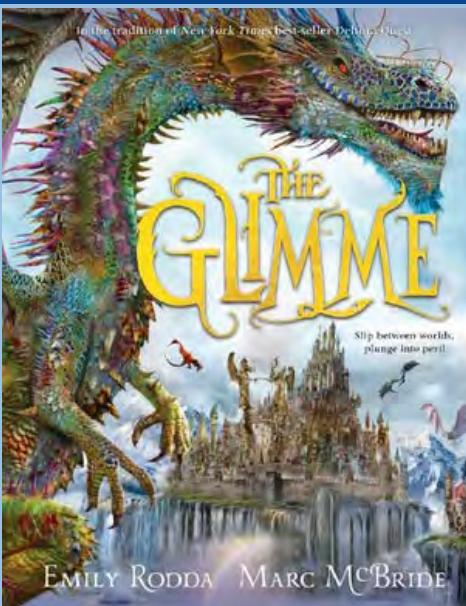


Walk to School Day

Our annual walk to school day was held today. This was the 26th Anniversary of the event. The event promotes active transport to school, road safety, health & environmental benefits.

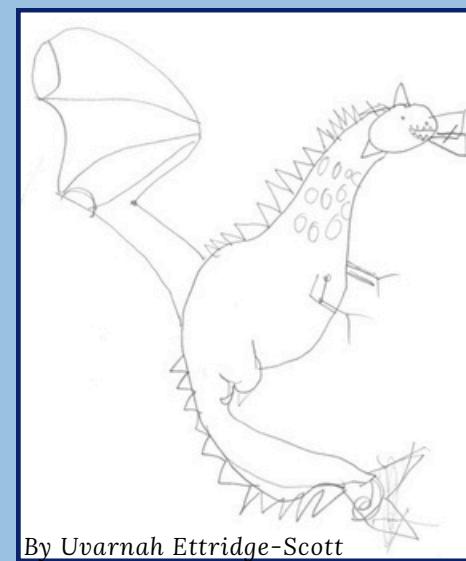
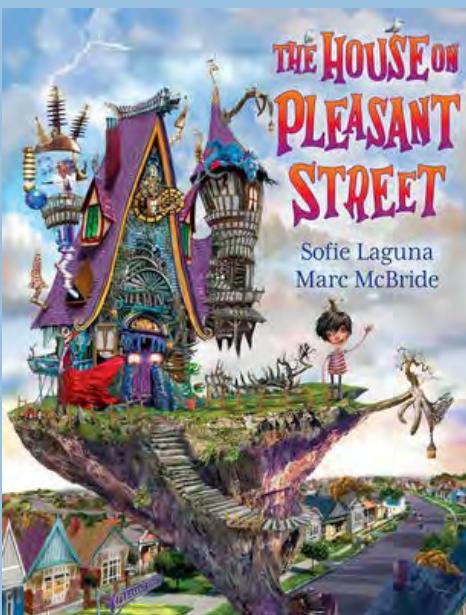
Thank you to those parents and community members who joined us.





EMILY RODDA MARC McBRIDE

Books Illustrated by
Marc McBride, kindly
donated to the school
by the Morialta Trust



By Uvarnah Ettridge-Scott

Morialta Trust Children's Charity

This week our children experienced a truly fantastic opportunity. Visiting our school was Mr Marc McBride a famous children's book illustrator from Belfast, Ireland.

Marc worked with both the Junior Primary and Upper Primary for learning sessions where he stepped through how he puts his drawings together.

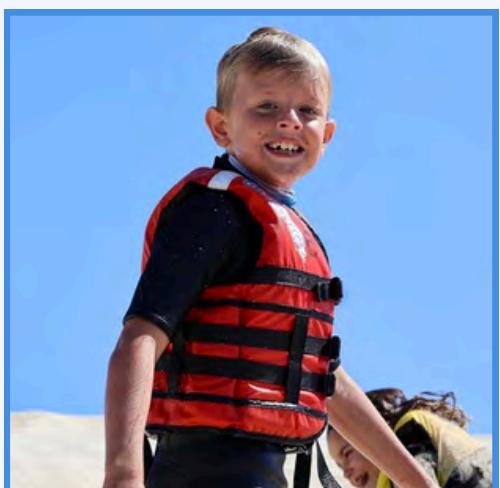
He explained to the children that today they were all going to be artists and he would help them achieve this.

The children were absolutely mesmerized by his presentation and had a truly exciting experience.

We thank the children's charity for including us in their program.

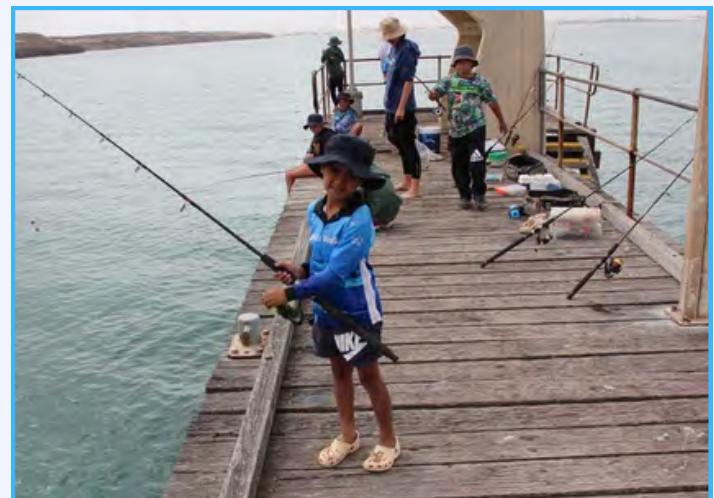


*Junior Primary
Aquatics*





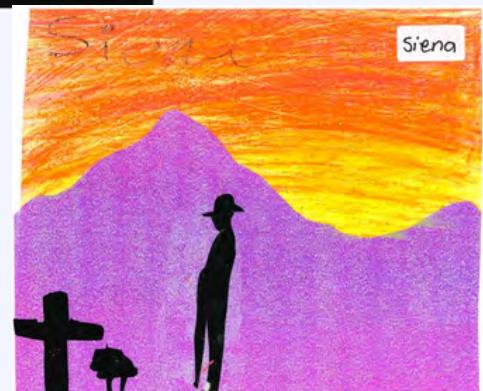
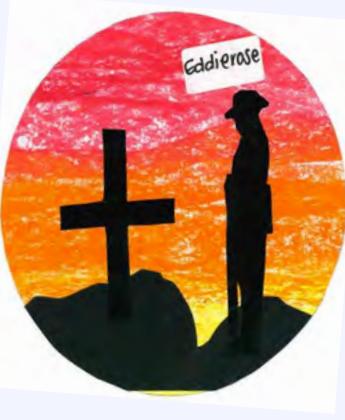
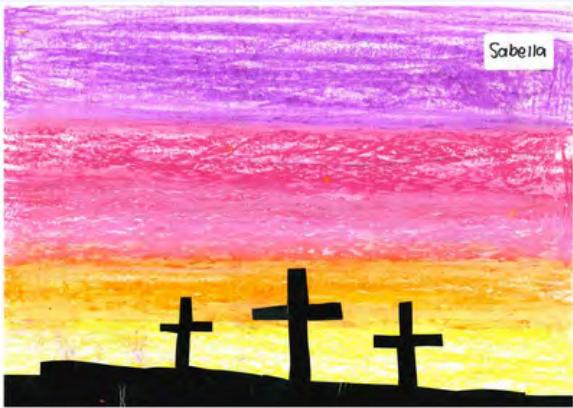
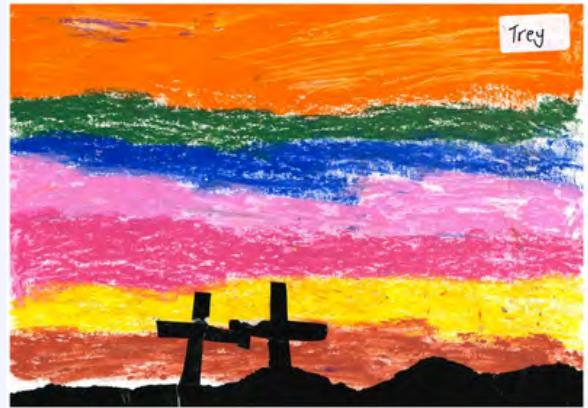




Upper Primary Fishing Comp

Point Sinclair
Week 11, Term 1

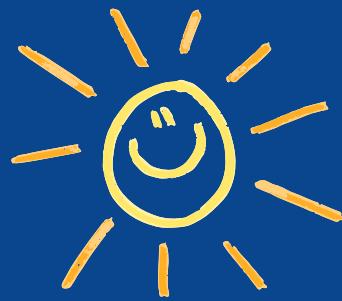




Upper Primary
Anzac Day Pictures



Congratulations to our
Upper Primary group
for their beautiful
Anzac Day art Works.



Kindy News

Welcome back for term two! It is wonderful to have Loki attending the Associate Program this term, he has joined the group seamlessly and is enjoying being at kindy! Welcome to our kindy community Lena, Jenz and Erik!

This term we have focused on our family and in particular our mum. We have been reading many different stories about mums. A favorite was called 'Some Mums!' The children were amused by all the different mums in the animal kingdom and what they do with their 'children'.

They had a great time making special gifts for mum which included threading beads to make a necklace for mum, (Loki did a fantastic job of concentrating to thread his beads!), cooking biscuits where they had to follow the recipe. They learnt about full cups, how many, different types of sugar, stirring, rolling, cracking eggs and finally eating the mixture!

They also painted a very special picture with their foot and hand prints.

Loki has shown a great interest in our garden and was keen to plant some pea and flower seedlings. He also enjoyed potting a succulent for his mum for mothers day!

I am looking forward to Kora returning from holidays and planning lots of exciting activities at kindy!

Tricia



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Playgroup

Run every Wednesday 10am-12pm
in the Kindy

54 reasons





From Mrs Murray



Upper Primary

Well done to Mathew for excellent writing using “Show don’t Tell” technique to describe a characters feelings

-Achievement Value-

Junior Primary

Well done to Storm for learning 82 heart words for Term 1

-Achievement Value-



Kindy

Well done Loki on a great start to kindy!!

-Achievement Value-

PENONG PRIMARY SCHOOL

TERM 2



WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 Apr	28 Student Free Day	29 1st Day of Term 2	30	1	2
2 May	5	6	7	8 SAPSASA Girls Netball trials SAPSASA boys football training	9
3	12 Careers Week	13	14 Marc McBride Illustrator Visit Governing Council, 1pm	15	16 Walk to School Day Newsletter
4	19 Volunteers Week	20	21 Simultaneous Storytime	22	23
5	26 National Sorry Day SAPSASA Boys Football	27 Reconciliation Week SAPSASA Boys Football	28 SAPSASA Boys Football	29	30
6 June	2	3	4	5 World Environment Day	6 Newsletter
7	9 Kings Birthday Public Holiday	10	11	12	13
8	16	17	18	19	20
9	23 SAPSASA Girls Netball	24 SAPSASA Girls Netball	25 SAPSASA Girls Netball	26 EP Police Safety Session	27 Newsletter
10 July	30	1	2	3	4 Last Day of Term 2pm dismissal



Community News

Point Sinclair Cleaning Roster

May - Paul Gravelle / Lynton Murray

June - Tony Dunn / Carli & AB Blanchard

Uniting Church Cleaning Roster

May - Jill Oats

June - Sisca Seiffert

WANTED

We are calling for expressions of interest from anyone who may be interested in any relief S.S.O work.

These opportunities could come at any time and for varying periods. Applicants will require a current Working with Children Check (WWCC) and completion of mandatory notification training (RRHAN-EC).

Please contact the school as a matter of urgency.

Thank you



THANK YOU

PENONG CARAVAN PARK

For your ongoing support by your donation of cans and bottles to the School's Playground Fundraising Project.



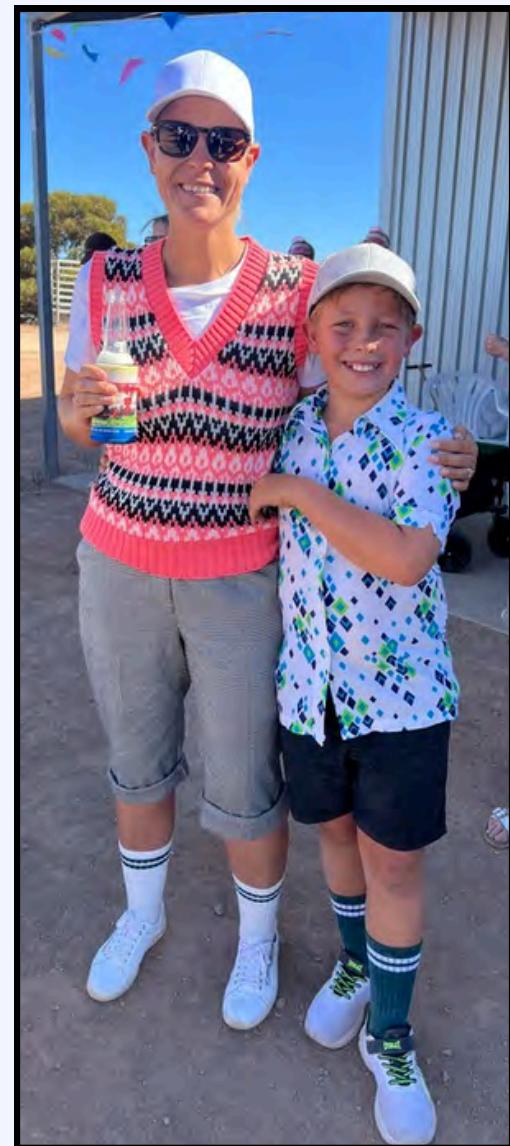
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Thank You

To all everyone who donated food, donated raffle/auction prizes or purchased tickets and enjoyed the day.

Your support is valuable and very appreciated.

We raised a Whopping \$5,000 towards our School Playground





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THANK YOU

To all Families and Community Members
who supported our recent Governing
Council Cake Stall in the Hall.

We Raised \$1631.61 towards our new
playground

Congratulations to our Lucky Square Winners

1st \$70 - Helen Dunn
2nd \$30 - Julie & Jeno





Community News



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CONNECTED BEGINNINGS CEDUNA



A central hub for all things early years in Ceduna and surrounding communities – a place where parents and caregivers can easily access information, resources, and updates.

Connected Beginnings Ceduna

2 Kelly Street, Ceduna
8625 2294



FOWLERS BAY Play Day

Join us for a **fun filled day!**

Please bring a hat, a packed nut-free lunch and wear your old clothes (things could get messy!)

A light snack, tea & coffee is provided

\$10/family
(RICE Members attend for FREE!)

RSVP to admin@rice.org.au

19th May
10AM - 2PM
Fowlers Bay Town Hall



Outback Childcare

Find out more about Play Days @ www.rice.org.au





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