

Penong Primary School

Newsletter

Term 2, Week 9, 27th June 2025



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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.

Welcome to our third newsletter for this term and with only one week left of Term 2. How is it possible it has moved so quickly?

I would lie to take this opportunity to congratulate the children on their efforts during this term. There has been some great learning and successes across both classes which is very pleasing.

We have a jam-packed Term 3 ahead of us and we are looking forward to it.

School Improvement Work

Staff members have been reviewing our progress and student impact over these last weeks.

As we move into our next learning cycle teachers will be focusing on observing students:

- Effectively articulating
 - What they are learning
 - Why they are learning
- How to use L.I.S.C. (Learning Intention - Success Criteria)
- Acknowledging when they have mastered a concept
- Having a go before asking for help
- Assisting in setting goals
- Using I am stuck strategies
- Further develop dispositions

Preschool Update

As you will be aware our Penong Preschool will be going into recess for the remainder of the year pending reopening in 2026 when numbers and rule changes will occur.

We greatly appreciate the understanding of parents, families and the wider community at this time.

There are great plans in the pipeline for work in the Kindy prior to the beginning of 2026.

Semester 1, 2025
Written Reports are
being sent home next
week. Please contact
the school if you have
any questions or
queries

Congratulations
Kayla W,
for representing
Western Eyre
Peninsula in SAPSASA
netball.

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

June
Ella W

July
Trey L
Blake H
Keenan M
Rory W
Albert C
Louis S
Lilly C

Assessment & Reporting Policy

Teachers have been busy working on the end of semester one student written reports.

These reports contain children's achievement grade for each curriculum area, effort information and learner qualities. They also include an English, Maths, General & Principal comment. Reports will go home at the end of the term. Please find time to discuss these with your child/children. Any queries, do not hesitate to contact the school.

Drought Funding

Organisation is currently underway for our Upper Primary camp to the Flinders Rangers in week 4 of next term. I am very happy to be able to report that our submission to the drought funding group has been successful enabling the school to be able to subsidise the camp for families.

We are looking forward to a terrific opportunity for all the children.

SAPSASA Netball, Week 9

For a second year in a row Kayla has had the honor of representing Western Eyre Peninsula in this year's girls' Netball competition.

Kayla is a fabulous ambassador, and we are very proud of her. The team won 6 out of their 9 games which was a great achievement.



The Junior Primary Students used these words to describe their afternoon:

Planting Green
Watering Mini Trees
Awesome Pots
Partners Holes
Good Activity
Great Digging
Shovels
Fun Pairs
Fluffing up the Soil
Making a Garden
Environment
Interesting

They also on mass gave the afternoon a 10 out of 10 rating.

World Environment Day

To celebrate World Environment Day, we planted some more trees in the school yard. A special thank you to Mr Clarke for organising this event.



South Australian Police Visit

On Tuesday of this week, we had visitors from the South Australian Police Force work with the children.

They spent time with both the Junior and Upper Primary children, reminding them of the importance of Road Safety and remembering the rules, thinking sensibly and cooperatively when on the road.

We appreciate this opportunity for children.



Thank you Tammy,
Emily and Tara for
visiting and showing
your support.

Visitors

Recently we have had Tammy Williams (Education Director Far West) and her leadership team Emily Seaman (Early Years) and Tara Brown (Primary Curriculum).

It is always important to spend time with these people. Our main agenda revolves around school learning plans and impact on students.

Always the team brings a wealth of knowledge.

We thank them for their support

Rice Day

Thank you Lena, for working with the Rice (Remote, Isolated, Children's, Exercise).

Tricia and our preschool children travelled to Fowlers Bay to attend the session. Loads of games, fun, activities and parent involvement resulted in a busy but great day for all.

Thank you Lena for
organising the RICE
playday at Fowlers
Bay.



Moana 2, Movie Night

Student Voice - Hunting Hammerheads

The Hunting Hammerheads all worked together to present our Movie night last week.

Congratulations to Djay, Oliver, Eddierose, Sabella, Storm, Hudson, Trey & Koby for their efforts.

The group did a great job planning, organising and preparing the food for the event.

Moana 2 was a great hit, and it was a lovely afternoon. A special thank you to Mr Clarke for his support on the afternoon and Mrs Nicole Warmington for her fabulous technology and time. The Hunting Hammerheads raised \$150 for our playground fund.



Thank you Fran, Louis, Leila & Kai for your donation of eggs for our pancake day.

Pajama & Pancake Breakfast

Well done to the Great White Sharks for their organising of our wellbeing PJ Day and pancake breakfast.

A great time was had by all, and the pancakes were delicious.

A special thank you to Fran for donating the eggs for the pancakes and Ms Ettridge for picking up Ms Allen's role in this activity.



End Of Term Arrangements

Next Friday the 4th July will be the last day of this Term 2.

This will be a normal school day, lunch orders will be available as normal, and children will be expected to wear school uniform.

There will be an early dismissal at 2pm on this day

LAST DAY OF TERM 2
FRIDAY, 4TH JULY 2025

FIRST DAY OF TERM 3
MONDAY, 21ST JULY 2025

NAIDOC WEEK - 6-13th July 2025

Our children have been celebrating NAIDOC Week (National Aboriginal and Islanders Day Observance Committee) during the last two weeks of this term with a NAIDOC week poster competition and the Junior Primary class involved in NAIDOC Week activities on Thursday of Week 10.

The 2025 theme:

“The Next Generation: Strength, Vision and Legacy” celebrates not only the achievements of the past but the bright future ahead, empowered by the strength of our young leaders, the vision of our communities and the legacy of our ancestors.



**THE NEXT
GENERATION:
STRENGTH,
VISION &
LEGACY**
6-13 JULY 2025

Ancestral Lines by Jeremy Morgan Worrall

This artwork is a visual representation of the generational lines that carry through my mob. When I think of the next generation, I think towards my ancestors—Lucy Wright, Enock Wright, Norrie Wright—through to my Nanna Audrie and my Mother Vanessa. Looking back gives me the strength and vision to look forward. Each figure in the painting is tied to family lines, like songlines, reflecting what they knew and what they passed on. The first represents love, hunting, and tracking. The second reflects care, weaving, and love. The third shows the two combined, while the final two carry unfinished elements—symbols of knowledge and care in motion. Above them sits the essence of Country—swirling skies and a giant moon over Emmaville. It is by the fire, under these cool skies, where the next generation finds their strength, vision, and legacy.



Aboriginal flag designed by Sir Ronald Thomas. Torres Strait Islander flag reproduced by kind permission of the Torres Strait Island Regional Council, designed by the late Mr Bernard Namuk.

#NAIDOC2025

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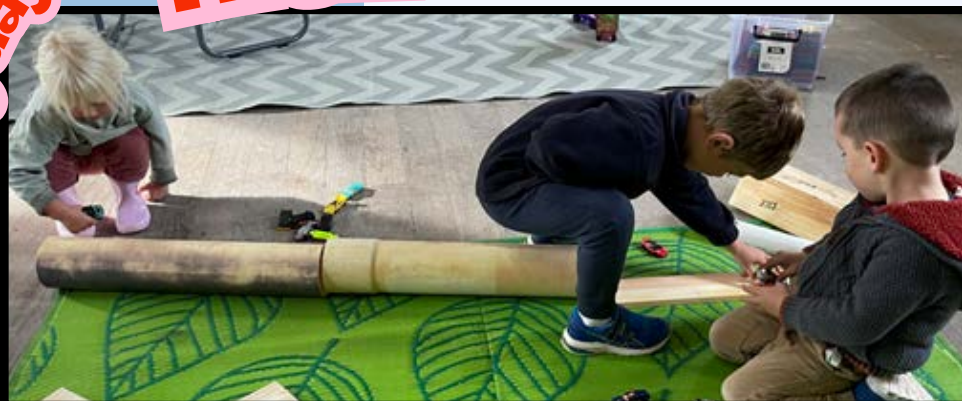
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We had a fantastic trip to Fowlers to participate in the RICE Play Day. We left Kindy at 9 on the yellow school bus to go to Fowlers with 5 kids and two mums. The RICE ladies always have great toys and activities for the kids to engage in. Rory and Loki had a great time with the PVC tunnels and cars. Poppy loved the farm yard and Kora had a great time with the new puzzles. It was a great day!



Playday @ Fowlers Bay
RICE



Kindy News

It has been lovely to have all three children at kindy over the last bit of time! We have been busy doing some learning about both Reconciliation Day and NAIDOC. We enjoyed learning to master dot painting using all different materials.

We have also had a fantastic trip to Fowlers Bay for a RICE play day. It was wonderful to see all of the playgroup children jump on the school bus and participate in some different activities at a different location. I think the kids had a great time and enjoyed the trip! We have also been busy making banana muffins at kindy this week. It was great to see Rory measuring accurately one full cup of flour for the mixture. It was fun mixing in all the ingredients, Loki and Kora loved cracking the egg and adding that in! We also made some new playdough which was great to watch colours change when we mix them together!!

Kora did some great sorting and gluing the pasta, she concentrated very hard and found all of the ones that were the same. She has also been sorting all of the fish counters into their families!

Only one week to go before the Kindy goes into recess for six months. We are planning to get our kindy resources sorted out and doing some visits to other centres so we are ready and rearing for next year!!

It is also the end of Rory's time at Kindy, I am going to miss our chats! We wish him all the best with his new adventure at school, and I am sure he will be back to visit!

Tricia





From Mrs Murray

Upper Primary

Well done to David for outstanding Oral Reading fluency results

Well done to Siena for writing an interesting information report on an arctic wolf.

-Achievement Value-

Junior Primary

Well done to Judd for his efforts with dictation

-Achievement Value-



Kindy

Well done to Rory and congratulations on completing your Kindy education

-Achievement Value-



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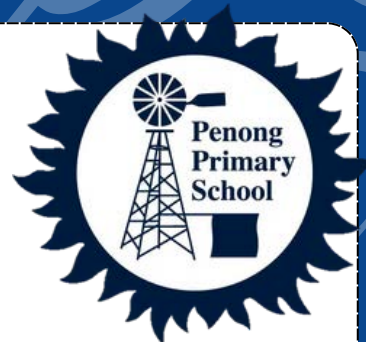
TERM 2



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 Newsletter	6 School Closure Dau. (day of local significance)
7	9 Kings Birthday Public Holiday	10	11	12	13
8	16	17	18	19	20
9	23 SAPSASA Girls Netball	24 EP Police Safety Session SAPSASA Girls Netball	25 SAPSASA Girls Netball	26	27 Newsletter
10 July	30	1	2 Governing Council, 1pm	3	4 Last Day of Term 2pm dismissal

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TERM 3



WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1 July	21	22	23	24	25 National Tree Day
2	27	28	29	30	1
3 Aug	4	5	6	7	8 Newsletter
4	11 Upper Primary Camp	12 Upper Primary Camp	13 Upper Primary Camp	14 Upper Primary Camp	15
5	18 Bookweek	19	20	21	22
6	25	26	27 SAPSASA Girls Football trials	28	29 Newsletter
7 Sep	1	2	3	4	5
8	8	9	10	11	12
9	15	16	17	18	19 Newsletter
10	22 SAPSASA Track & Field	23	24 SAPSASA Tennis trials	25	26 Last Day of Term 2pm dismissal



Community News

Point Sinclair Cleaning Roster

July- Blake Murray / Bianca W /
Peter Dobbins

August -Andrea / Emma W

Uniting Church Cleaning Roster

July- Karen Murray

August- Tricia Shipard

**thank
you**
**Sharon & Shirl
@ Comet Cafe**
**For your
ongoing
donations of
Cans &
Bottles
towards
our
playground
fundraising**



PERFORMANCE & PEACE WORKSHOP

Has your mind been racing?
Are you running on empty??

THIS IS YOUR CIRCUIT BREAKER

Breathe Deep. Feel Strong. Sleep Better.

Join us for the Performance & Peace Breathwork Workshop. A practical session to reset your nervous system, improve your sleep & boost your performance where it counts.

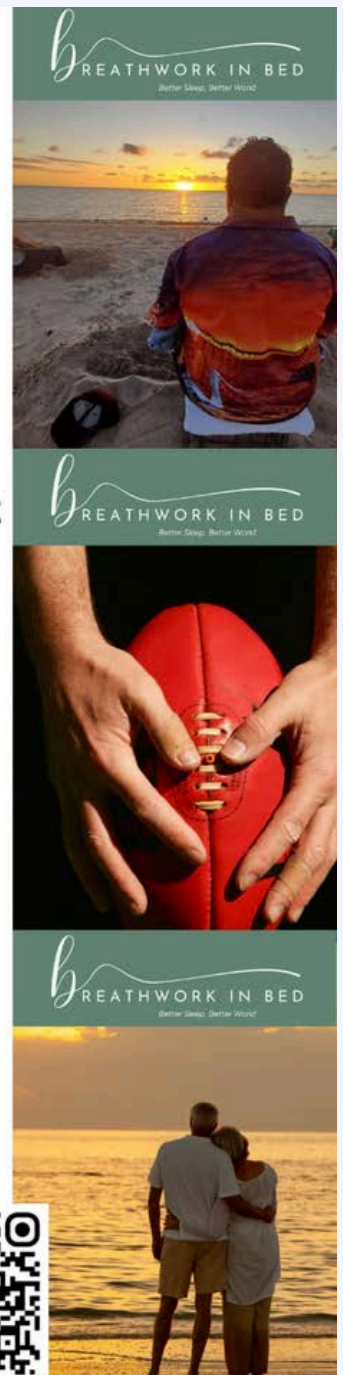
Led by Tim Thomas. Tim, founder of 'Breathwork in Bed' is a former athlete, Special Forces soldier & proud former Ceduna local. You'll learn how to use your breath to switch off stress and switch on energy.

No fluff. Just results.

Show up tired, leave switched on.

**Sunday 29th 1030am
Ceduna Sailing Club**

Tickets \$60. PreBooking \$50.
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& bonus material >>>>>
enquiries call 0409180832





Community News

Inclusive Teaching & Learning

SIES

Don't be PARENT/CARER MEET & GREET

SIES will be in Port Lincoln on 7th July 2025 for our Inclusive Education Expo, and we'd love to take the opportunity to connect with local families.

Join us for a relaxed morning tea in the Port Lincoln Hotel Boardroom, to learn more about who we are, what we do, and how we can support you and your family.

Please register via the link below—we look forward to meeting you!

Monday
7th July

11:30AM – 12:30PM

Register [HERE](https://www.sies.sa.edu.au)

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education.parentforum@sa.gov.au

www.sies.sa.edu.au

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Department for Education

2025 NAIDOC COMMUNITY ELDER'S LUNCHEON

THE NEXT GENERATION: STRENGTH, VISION & LEGACY

Get your tickets now – this is a free event for community members aged 50+ (tickets are required for catering purposes)

Wednesday, 9th July
11.30am – 2.30pm
CEDUNA FORESHORE HOTEL

Guest Speaker Byron "Choppy" Pickett
Transport to this event can be arranged

Tickets available from Ceduna Aboriginal Corporation and Yadu Health Reception

For more information or to organise transport, please call the Community Age Care Team on 0438 682 075

YADU HEALTH
Aboriginal Corporation

This event proudly hosted by YHAC and CAC as part of NAIDOC Week 2025 celebrations:

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