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Ken Smith

**Deputy Principal:**  
Michelle Smith

**School Counsellor:**  
Tim Seidel

**Council Chairperson:**  
Alison Turner

**WEEK 11, TERM 1**  
**Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> April,**  
**2017**

**The next assembly will be on**  
**Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2017, at**  
**10:15am.**



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### Dedicated Phone Numbers

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### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Mother's Day Donations
- Mother's Day Stall
- No Time to Waste -Year 5, 6 & 7 Incursion
- Personal Items at School
- Pupil Free Days
- SAPSASA Cross Country
- Sports Fees for the 2017 Season
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### DIARY DATES

1 May Pupil Free Day  
14 May Mother's Day  
12 June Queen's Birthday Public Holiday  
30 June Indonesian Day

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## PUPIL FREE DAY MONDAY, 1<sup>ST</sup> MAY, 2017

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's hard to believe that we are at the end of Term 1 and heading into the Easter break. The term has gone very quickly. There are number of people to thank and some important information below.

### NAPLAN

A reminder that students in Years 3, 5 and 7 will be participating in NAPLAN during Week 2 of Term 2. The program for NAPLAN is below:

	Tuesday, 9 <sup>th</sup> May	Wednesday, 10 <sup>th</sup> May	Thursday, 11 <sup>th</sup> May
Year 3	Language Conventions 40 Minutes Writing 40 Minutes	Reading 45 minutes	Numeracy 45 minutes
Year 5	Language Conventions 40 Minutes Writing 40 Minutes	Reading 50 minutes	Numeracy 50 minutes
Year 7	Language Conventions 45 Minutes Writing 40 Minutes	Reading 65 minutes	Numeracy 60 minutes

Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> May will be available for students to catch-up any assessments they may have been absent for during the week.

If you have any concerns about NAPLAN please speak to your child's teacher before the end of Week 1.

### Easter Raffle

Thank you to all the families who donated eggs and bought tickets for the Easter raffle. There were some very excited prize winners at the draw on Tuesday afternoon.

Thank you also to the Governing Council members for organising the raffle, putting the prizes together and wrapping them. Your support of the school is greatly appreciated.

### Deputy Principal Position

Unfortunately for us at Pimpala, Ms Smith will be taking up a position as a project officer in DECD Central Office for Terms 2 and 3. We will miss her absolute enthusiasm and strong curriculum knowledge around the school. Before she leaves I would like to thank Ms Smith for the massive support she has provided to me this term while I have settled into a new school and new school system. We look forward to her return in Term 4.

As a result of Ms Smith taking up her new role, a selection process has been conducted for the Deputy Principal position. Interviews for the position took place today and a new deputy should be on board by the start of Term 2. When I am allowed, I will inform the school community of the name of the successful applicant through the Skoolbag app.

### Pupil Free Day (Staff Development Day)

The first day of Term 2 - 1<sup>st</sup> May will be a Pupil Free Day. On this day, teachers will be involved in professional learning on collaborative moderation of student's work and learning design. Our SSOs will be involved in professional learning on phonics instruction and on managing students with diabetes. We will be working with staff from Reynella South and Coorara Primary Schools.

Finally, thank you to all staff and students for your effort during Term 1. There have been some challenges and you have shown great resilience throughout the term. I hope everyone has a happy Easter and a safe, restful Autumn holiday. I look forward to seeing all students back at school on Tuesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

Ken Smith  
**PRINCIPAL**



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## UNIFORM SHOP

From the beginning of Term 2 the Uniform Shop will only be selling embroidered stock including shirts, jumpers, jackets and hats which means we will no longer be selling skorts, shorts or pants.

In order to move the discontinued stock, we have reduced the price of all of our shorts, pants and skorts to \$10 per item and \$3.50 for scarves. Please note: there is limited stock and sizes. This sale will only continue until all sale items are sold out.

The sale starts on **Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May**. Cash only please.



## SPORTS FEES FOR THE 2017 SEASON

As you are no doubt aware the sports season is nearly upon us. Invoices have been sent home.

**Netball fees are \$55.00**, which includes the cost of court hire, equipment and trophies. Players are required to wear the Microfibre School Polo.

We still need a few players in the Year 2, 3 or 4 year levels.

**Basketball fees are \$30.00 + \$5 per week payable at the basketball stadium**, which includes the cost of equipment, basketball singlets (which are supplied on match day) and also trophies.

We still need a Team Manager for the Year 6/7 basketball team which is being coached by Gina Hunt.

**Soccer fees are \$60.00** for Registration fees payable to the NDJSA (Noarlunga Districts Junior Soccer Association), equipment, umpires, trophies and grounds preparation.

Please note the last day to pay for Sports Fees is **Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> May**. If you have trouble paying by this date please contact Front Office staff to make arrangements.

**NOTE: All sports fees must be paid prior to the first match.**



## YEAR 7/8 TRANSITION FORMS

Year 7/8 information packs were sent home yesterday. Please return the completed ED176 form to the Front Office by **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> May**.

Secondary School open dates and times are available from individual school websites. Please see Barb in the Front Office if you require any further information about the process.

## PERSONAL ITEMS AT SCHOOL

Please do not let students bring personal items including toys, sporting equipment or Pokemon cards to school. Items brought to school for "sharing" during class times should be given to the teacher for safe-keeping and not played with during the day.

Student mobile phones are given to teachers at the start of the day and returned at the end of the day.

The school does not take any responsibility for lost personal items including phones, toys, sports equipment, Pokemon cards or trading cards.



## PUPIL FREE DAYS

We have scheduled 2 Pupil Free Days during Term 2.

On **Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> May, 2017**, the first day of Term 2, Pimpala staff will be involved in Tri-Schools training and development with Coorara PS and Reynella South PS.

As in past years, on **Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June, 2017**, there will be a Pupil Free Day to enable staff from schools in the Panalatinga Partnership to attend annual training and development. This will involve up to 18 schools.

POSHC will be available if required. Please contact Hazel.Godfrey850@schools.sa.edu.au or phone 0413 482 521 for bookings.



## MOTHER'S DAY DONATIONS

It's not far away now! Mother's Day is on Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> May. If you would still like to contribute donations to sell on our stall, please bring them to the Front Office by Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> May.

Thank you for all the wonderful Mother's Day Stall donations we have already received. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



## MOTHER'S DAY STALL

The Mother's Day stall will be held on **Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> May** – each class will be given the opportunity to purchase items during the day, and then students and parents may purchase after school on Thursday, 11<sup>th</sup> May and then before and after school on Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> May.

## **"NO TIME TO WASTE" YEAR 5, 6 & 7 INCURSION**

Students in Years 5, 6 and 7 are invited to be part of renowned environmentalist Tim Silverwood's highly engaging and intriguing presentation "No Time To Waste", on reducing waste and how it affects the natural environment. Students will learn about the impact of unsustainable consumption on people and the planet, addressing: pollution, oceans, energy, resource depletion, climate change and social disadvantage.

Tim, an ordinary beach-loving Australian surfer, will inspire and remind us that anyone and everyone can be a change maker.

The cost of the incursion is \$5.50 per student, to be paid to the Finance Window or online **by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May**.



## **SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY**

On Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 20 students went to Noarlunga Downs Primary School to compete in the Onkaparinga North and Onkaparinga South District Cross Country Day.

The students born in 2007 had to run 2km, while the students born in 2006, 2005 or 2004 had to run the 3km course. The course was a little dry with some tough hills, but the Pimpala students ran very well.

We had some great results, with Silas finishing 1<sup>st</sup>, and Brooke finishing 3<sup>rd</sup>. We came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 11 year old girls team event, 2<sup>nd</sup> in the 12 year old boys event, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the 13 year old boys event.

All students represented Pimpala fantastically, showing great sportsmanship and encouraging all our participants. For the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row, it was mentioned from teachers and officials on the day that Pimpala had some of the best sportsmanship they had ever seen, encouraging our own school but also other schools too.

Special mention to the drivers who were able to take our students to the event and parents who assisted on the day. Without your support we wouldn't have been able to compete. Thanks to Maggie, Georgina Rowland, Kylie Morehouse, Julie Seed, Michelle Raymond, Kate Job, Tim Seidel and all the parents who drove their own students to and from the event. Thank you.

Well done everyone, another great day.

Michael Sboro  
**PE TEACHER**

## **UNIFORM POLICY**

Recently a number of students have started straying from the defined uniform policy, so we would like to remind everyone of school expectations:

- Wear the school uniform which includes the microfibre polo shirt, navy shorts, skirts or pants or a navy check dress. The jacket can be a school hoodie, jacket or track top (which are sold in the Uniform Shop) or plain navy blue.
- No nail polish.
- No or minimum jewellery.
- No jeans or denim.
- No logos.
- Long hair must be worn in a pony tail(s).
- No coloured hair eg pink or blue.
- Coloured headbands or scrunchies must be navy or red.

The School Uniform Policy will be reviewed next term. However, we ask that all students comply with the policy.



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## **COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD**

Onkaparinga Libraries – April School Holiday Activities. Willunga and Woodcroft Libraries are offering a number of fun and interesting activities during the school holidays. Please visit [onkaparingacity.com/libraries](http://onkaparingacity.com/libraries) for further information.

Mother's Day Classic – Walk all over Breast Cancer. This is the 20th anniversary of this event. If you would like to participate go to <http://www.mothersdayclassic.com.au/register> Ways you can help include putting together a team, fundraising, volunteering or starting a local event. Go to <http://www.mothersdayclassic.com.au> for further information.

Just N2 Tennis coaching is held at Southbank Tennis Club, Hessian Crescent, Trott Park in the April School Holidays and during Term 2. Contact Just N@ Tennis on 0415289733. Starting from age 3. Email [hotshots@justn2tennis.com.au](mailto:hotshots@justn2tennis.com.au)



Mr Burns' Class

STEM projects

Here are some photos from Term 1 for the different challenges set!

