



Acting Principal:
Penny Wilde

Acting Deputy Principal:
To be advised

School Counsellor:
Tim Seidel

Council Chairperson:
Alison Turner

WEEK 1, TERM 4
Friday, 20th October,
2017

The next assembly will be on
Friday, 27th October, 2017, at
10:15am and will be hosted by
Mrs Yates, Miss Dixon/Mrs
Robins classes.



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Dedicated Phone Numbers

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Student Absences: 0412 089 811
Soccer Phone 0439782686

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DIARY DATES

6 Nov Governing Council Meeting
10 Nov Walkathon
14 Nov Year 6/7 Aquatics
27 Nov- 8 Dec Rec -Year 5 Swimming
13 Dec Celebration of Learning
14 Dec Year 7 Graduation
15 Dec End of Term 4 – Early Dismissal

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*** RESPONSIBILITY * RESPECT * COMMUNICATION ***
*** EXCELLENCE * FRIENDSHIP ***

Welcome to Term Four! With Ken's sad departure, there has been some staff shuffling and there will be an Acting Deputy Principal (announced next week), to enable me to be Acting Principal. I appreciate that this may create some concerns and I want to reassure everyone that the school is still heading in the same positive direction. Staff are dedicated to achieving the best outcomes for our school and I look forward to seeing what new opportunities arise and are created.

Richard Kemp and I had the great pleasure of being invited attendees at the DECD Public Education Award Dinner for one of our SSOs, Kyal Bacon. Kyal was one of three finalists in the *Performance Through Values Award*. While he did not win the category outright, Kyal is an outstanding example of the wonderful people working in the department and at Pimpala Primary School and we are all very proud of him and appreciative of his efforts. There were short videos made of each of the finalists, to see Kyal's, visit: <https://www.decd.sa.gov.au/working-decd/working-teacher/teacher-initiatives/public-education-awards/honour-roll/performance-through-values-award>

On Monday 16th October (Student Free Day), staff were involved in a morning of Mathematical professional learning and preparing the final touches for a tri school expo occurring this term. These opportunities for collegial learning and collaboration are a vital component of the profession, and important in allowing sites to work and learn together.

Congratulations to Rachel (Bu) Pullman who was successful in her application for the permanent classroom teacher position starting in 2018. Rachel is already an integral member of our staff as our Indonesian teacher and will now become a classroom teacher next year. This means there will be a new Indonesian teacher at Pimpala in 2018.

At this time of year we are well into the planning for 2018. A form for Class Placement Information 2018 has been sent home today. If you would like to provide any information, please ensure you return the form by Friday, 3rd November, 2017 to ensure the information can be considered during the class placement process.

During this term the staff and students will be involved in many activities, including swimming and aquatics, camps, Life Education, The Walkathon, Celebration of Learning concert, Pimpala's Got Talent and end of year activities. Somewhere in amongst all of the busyness, staff will also be completing reports, ready to be sent home in Week 9. Please watch the Skoolbag app for reminders about these activities.

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KITCHEN GARDEN NEWS

What an exciting start to the term for the program! At the end of Term 3 our vegetable garden was nominated in the 2017 City of Onkaparinga Mayor's Garden Competition. Judging for the competition took place on Tuesday the 17th of October when the Mayor Lorraine Rosenberg and other judges visited our school and other worthy nominees throughout the City of Onkaparinga. Mr Burn's students Abbie, Charlotte, Jesse and Tyrone had the pleasure of meeting the Mayor herself and the other judges. The students then took our visitors on a tour of the garden and answered lots of questions about the kitchen garden program and about all the different varieties of plants we currently have growing in the garden. We were even lucky enough to have a koala in one of the gum trees within the vegetable garden compound, watching over us while the judging was taking place! The results will be announced at a civic reception on Thursday, 2nd November.

This term the Reception and Year 1s will participate in the Kitchen Garden Program. The program is continually looking for volunteers to help do odd jobs in the garden such as weeding as well as assisting classes in both the kitchen and garden lessons. If you have completed the RAN-EC Training and have a current DCSI clearance to work with children, we would love your help. Please ring or message me of your availability.

Term 4 Menu

Cheese and Chives Dip
Pizza of the Imagination
Rainbow Fruit Skewers

Pumpkin Dip
Salad of the Imagination
Chocolate Vegan Cupcakes

Spinach Garlic and Feta Dip
Herb and Cheese Pinwheels
Apple and Cinnamon Popcorn

Term 4 Program (Weeks 1-3)

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
|------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| 11:10 | Finlay-Smith Garden | Finlay-Smith Kitchen | Howlett Garden | Howlett Kitchen |
| 12:00 | Dobson Garden | Finlay-Smith Kitchen | | Howlett Kitchen |
| Lunch Time | | | | |
| 1:30 | | Dobson Kitchen | | |
| 2:20 | | Dobson Kitchen | | |

Term 4 Program (Weeks 4-6)

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday |
|-------|--------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|
| 11:10 | Ryles Garden | Ryles Kitchen | Lang Garden | |
| 12:00 | | Ryles Kitchen | | |
| 1:30 | | | | Lang Kitchen |
| 2:20 | | | | Lang Kitchen |

Michele Ormsby-Smith
Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program Coordinator
Volunteer Mobile 0408 637 850



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Cooper Smith who achieved the Australian Silver Medal for 10 -11years, 42kgs category in the recent National Wrestling Championships in Sydney. Well done Cooper!

PLANNING FOR 2018

Planning is continuing for 2018. We are looking at class configurations and need accurate numbers for each year level to plan for the best possible scenarios.

Please let us know if you are planning to leave the school or if you know anyone intending to enrol for next year as soon as possible.



PARENT OPINION SURVEY

Today we have sent home a "Parent Opinion Survey 2017" form asking you to provide feedback about our school.

We encourage you to complete the form, providing as much information as you like, and lodge it in the drop-off box in the Front Office **by Friday, 3rd November**. Additional forms are available from the Front Office.



CLASS PLACEMENT FEEDBACK

We also sent home a "Class Placement Information 2018" form. If you would like to provide information about your child, which you would like to be taken into consideration in the class placement process for next year, please complete the form, and lodge it in the drop-off box in the Front Office **by Friday, 3rd November**.

We would prefer all information about class placements to be provided through this process. Additional forms are available from the Front Office.



CELEBRATION OF LEARNING

Don't forget our Celebration of Learning Concert which will be held on Wednesday, 10th December, at 1:30pm. Please put this date in your diaries.

We are looking forward to our students showcasing what they have learned during the year with a variety of performances.

Some classes will perform on their own, while others will join together for a fusion of talent. The program has not been finalised yet but will include a range of genres and presentations.

Please come along to see your child and their classmates' performance. More information will be sent home as it becomes available.



YEAR 6/7 AQUATICS

The Year 6/7 Aquatics Program will be conducted on **Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th November**. The Aquatics Program is a very popular part of the compulsory curriculum and provides important skills in the ocean environments. All students in Years 6 and 7 are expected to undertake the program. Information and consent forms will be sent home early next week – additional copies will also be available from the Front Office.

Please ensure all Health Care Plans are up to date and that medications are within their use-by date. Students will take their school-based medications with them to the Aquatic Centre.

WORLD TEACHERS' DAY

World Teacher's Day is celebrated on **Friday, 27th October**, this year. It is important to acknowledge the efforts of teachers in an increasingly complex, multicultural and technological society.

World Teachers' Day symbolises a day on which students, parents and community members can demonstrate their appreciation for the contributions that teachers make and have made to their community.

This year to celebrate World Teacher's Day and to acknowledge our own teachers, non-teaching staff will provide morning tea to celebrate achievements and success.



PIMPALA'S GOT TALENT

Pimpala's Got Talent (PGT) is a well-known, yearly talent show held under the COLA during lunch times. Students from Reception to Year 7 are encouraged to participate and showcase their special talents.

This year, the PGT organising committee consists of student volunteers from year 4-7. The main committee members are Alexa B, Sarah H, Chelsea B, Charlie D, Michaela T and Tiana S.

The popular talent show is to be hosted under the COLA. The Grand Final winners will be announced at the assembly on the last day of school. The three finalists from categories R-1, Year 2-4 and Year 5-7 will also perform. Parents are invited to attend the assembly but **not** to the audition process. The timetable for students is below.

| Week | PROGRAM Monday – Friday in the COLA |
|------|--|
| 1 | Practice/Fun |
| 2 | School Camp 5/6 |
| 3 | Practice/Fun |
| 4 | Rec/Year 1 Auditions |
| 5 | Year 2-4 Auditions |
| 6 | Year 5-7 Auditions |
| 7 | Top 10 Rec - Year 1 & Year 2-4 |
| 8 | Top 10 Year 5-7 |
| 9 | Finals |



WALKATHON

Get ready for our annual Walkathon which will be held on **Tuesday, 10th November** and is one of our major fundraising events for the year. The aim of the Walkathon is for the students to be active and promote a healthy lifestyle. All students complete a walking course especially designed for their age group with each student anticipated to complete a maximum of 5 laps in the time available.

Each student is asked to find sponsors for the Walkathon including family, friends or neighbours. Sponsors can either give a donation or promise a specific amount of money for each lap of the course completed by the student to a maximum of 5 laps. Sponsor Cards will be sent home next week.



CARLY RYAN FOUNDATION ATTACHMENT

At the Carly Ryan Foundation presentation last term, the school was provided with a number of information sheets which we will be including in the Newsletters this term. This week the information provided is about "Identifying a Fake On-line Profile". We hope you find it useful.

SCHOOL VALUES AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have been recognised as worthy recipients of the School Values Award for Respect as voted by their classmates.

| RESPONSIBILITY | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------|
| CLASS | NAME |
| Pam Ryles | Oscar Emmerson |
| Hazel Dobson | Jenna Farrelly |
| Silvia Lang | Madison Bonard |
| Sandra Howlett | Vanessa Mahina |
| Belinda Finlay-Smith | Chelsea Wilson |
| Ekira Dixon / Lauren Robins | Elouise Roney |
| Mel Yates | Maddy Cooper |
| Susan Kaye / Alena Birss | Lila Shutter |
| Peter Lucas | Thayne Neill |
| Nigel Branson | Elaina Thomas |
| Gerry Lewis / Tanjie Brown | Emmaiya Shutter |
| Jo Power | Thomas Courage |
| Christine Seyfang | Emily Roney |
| Neil Lohmeyer / Jordan Wheatcroft | Jaxon Williams |
| Richard Kemp | Levi Swan |
| Chris Burns | Charlotte Greenslade |
| Alyssa Rigney | Kayla Martinen |



EXCELLENCE IN AUDIENCE SKILLS AWARD

Each fortnight the class with the best audience skills at the Assembly will be awarded the Class Award. At the last assembly, Mrs Ryles Reception class impressed us with their excellent audience skills. Congratulations Mrs Ryles' class.



CASUAL STAFF REQUIRED

POSHC has 2 vacancies for casual staff to work in Vacation Care. The successful applicant must have a current DCSI clearance to work with children, have completed the full RAN training (Responding to Abuse and Neglect – Education Care), have a current First Aid Certificate and have completed SMART training.

If you would like further information, please contact Hazel Godfrey on 0413 482 521 or email Hazel.Godfrey850@schools.sa.edu.au



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Enrol in VACSWIM today! Summer is almost here, and with that, days spent by the pool, at the beach or in the river are drawing nearer. However, the risk of accidents around the water follows suit. Ensure your children are safe this summer by enrolling them in South Australia's longest running water program, SA Water VACSWIM. Held during December and January at over 130 locations in South Australia, it's the ideal way to protect your children's safety and give you peace of mind as they make a splash. With the aim of zero drownings, your children will learn vital water skills and water safety knowledge that will stay with them for life, while also building their confidence and having an absolute blast. Grab their buddies and head to vacswimsa.com.au to find out more and enrol today.



IS THE PERSON YOU'RE SPEAKING TO ONLINE *4REAL?*

1. The perfect person is not a real person. A supermodel or retouched profile photo should raise the first red flag.
2. Be wary if the profile describes a personality that complements your own or is too good to be true. Often, imposters will create interests and activities that mirror your own in order to start a conversation.
3. Check how many friends and followers are listed in the person's network. The average Facebook user has 130 friends. An imposter will have significantly fewer.
4. Determine whether any of your "mutual friends" have actually met your newest online acquaintance in person.
5. Use search engines to do a quick background check on the name and basic information used in a profile.
6. Drag and drop the profile picture into Google image search to see if the picture is being used for multiple fake profiles online.
7. Peruse posted pictures and albums carefully. A real person will often have pictures with friends and family, who will have tagged and commented on photos. By contrast, imposters will use modelling photos featuring only glamorous shots of the individual rather than group photos.
8. Don't be tricked if your friend has multiple people who vouch for him or her online. One person can easily make multiple accounts to make it appear as if there is a support network of family and friends.
9. Imposters will often try to interact with your own friends and family members to create a broader sense of familiarity and build up a broader network of trust.
10. Use Skype or live webcam to determine if your online friend is real.
Finally, if you have been contacted by someone who posted a fake profile, report it to site monitors and authorities to help prevent others from becoming targeted.

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Pimpala Primary School students on stage at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre as part of a 1000 strong student Choir

Last Term, on Friday, 15th September, thirty of our fabulous Pimpala Festival Primary Choir students performed on stage at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre as part of the Public Primary Schools Festival of Music. The Primary Schools Festival of Music, an official state icon, is a public school-based music education program which gives all SA public primary students the opportunity to perform at a prestigious venue of which Pimpala Primary School are lucky enough to be a part of each year. This year, for the first time in many years, the choir was composed of over 1000 students returning to the past, when the choral festival was known as The Thousand Voice Choir. The performance started with a big bang, as an "Arena Percussion Group" opened the concert with fabulous drumming beats and patterns while all 1000 students filed onto stage. The commissioned work "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King" was a series of five songs based around the popular classical composition "The Nutcracker Suite", and whilst the choir sang, the story was further brought to life by the troupe dancers and actors and some fantastic staging. The concert ended with much fun and movement to the pop song, "Live Louder". Our school was also represented across three other concerts in the series by Emily C, a choir member and Year 6 student in Ms Power's class, who performed the trumpet as part of the Southern Orchestra. We congratulate her on this amazing achievement! All of our choir students worked incredibly hard to learn this year's repertoire, including those students out of our 60 strong Pimpala Choir who unfortunately were unable to perform due to the numbers restrictions set out by the Festival. We thank Mr Smith (Principal for Terms 1-3) for attending the performance and supporting their students in this amazing learning opportunity, and, also Jenny Jackson for her continued support and guidance in all things Choir. Congratulations to all of our Choir members. This year's Festival was certainly a memorable one and now it is time to keep up the hard work in preparation for our final school performances as we look towards the end of Term and the upcoming "Celebration of Learning" whole school performance in Week 9 on Wednesday, 13th December 2017.

Sarah Pearce - R-7 Music Teacher/Choir Teacher



Brayden B from Mr Kemp's class entering through Stage Door at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre



Celebrating this year's commissioned work "The Nutcracker & The Mouse King," Jenny Jackson, Kell Smith & Sarah Pearce pictured just before the fabulous performance is about to begin!