



## TERM 3

### 2020

### Week 5

## Dairy Dates

### August

Mon 31st

School Photos

### September

Thurs 3rd

Tumby Bay  
visit—Stem day

Mon 7th, Wed  
16th, Mon 21st

Gymnastics @  
Pt Lincoln

Thurs 17th

Sports Day

Ungarra

Fri 18th

Talk Like a  
Pirate Day

Tues 22nd

Red Bull Tennis

Hello everyone,

I hope you are all enjoying the wonderful rain and muddy puddles!

Our staff have had a busy few weeks with their normal work load and the External School Review added to the mix, which was held on Monday. I will be involved in a post-review meeting next Monday and the school will receive a written report in a few weeks. A massive thank you to our staff and Governing Council for their continuous support and commitment to the school. We are very fortunate to have such a caring and dedicated staff at Port Neill Primary.

The review process was another opportunity to reflect on what is working well at Port Neill Primary and areas for the school to develop. I thought I would highlight some of the characteristics of the quality teaching and learning practice that exists at Port Neill Primary; targeted and differentiated teaching, tracking and monitoring each child's development against Learning Progressions, individualised literacy and numeracy goals for each student, clear learning intentions for all learning, students developing skills to articulate what they are learning at a deeper level, explicit teaching, the use of evidence-based teaching practices and resources, a focus on learning the skills of a powerful learner, development of social skills, integration of learning across all learning areas, educator efficacy and the list could continue. I acknowledge amongst these positives there are some challenges we face as a school, mainly due to our small enrolment numbers. We are however doing our utmost to address these and are committed to providing the best education possible for our students so they achieve their individual goals, have academic growth, develop lifelong social, emotional and wellbeing skills in a caring and supportive environment. We offer a high quality education here at Port Neill and I am proud of the changes and the progression we have made over the last couple of years, it really has been a team effort.

Last week we had teachers from Tumby Bay Area School visit to observe Miss Sly teach Spelling and to learn about the evidence-based Spell-It resource we are using. I am pleased they found the day useful and we have since organised for their year 5/6 class to visit in week 7. Mr Treasure will bring his class to our school to learn about the development of the Pick and Play garden and the solar cars our students are working on as part of their technologies learning. The Tumby Bay students will teach our students about their STEM learning including coding, Makey, Makey and 3D printing. We look forward to a day filled with shared learning.

The remainder of our term is looking busy with school photos, PAT testing occurring in week 7 & 8, Parent/teacher interviews commencing week 8, gymnastics visits to Port Lincoln, Tabloid Sports Day, Talk like a Pirate Day and tennis. Please refer to the Diary Dates for these events.

Many thanks to the parents and community members who were able to attend our school working bee last week, it was great to have a tidy up and an early spring clean. The Pick and Play garden is looking fabulous and the children are enjoying the sand boxes and picking the edible flowers.

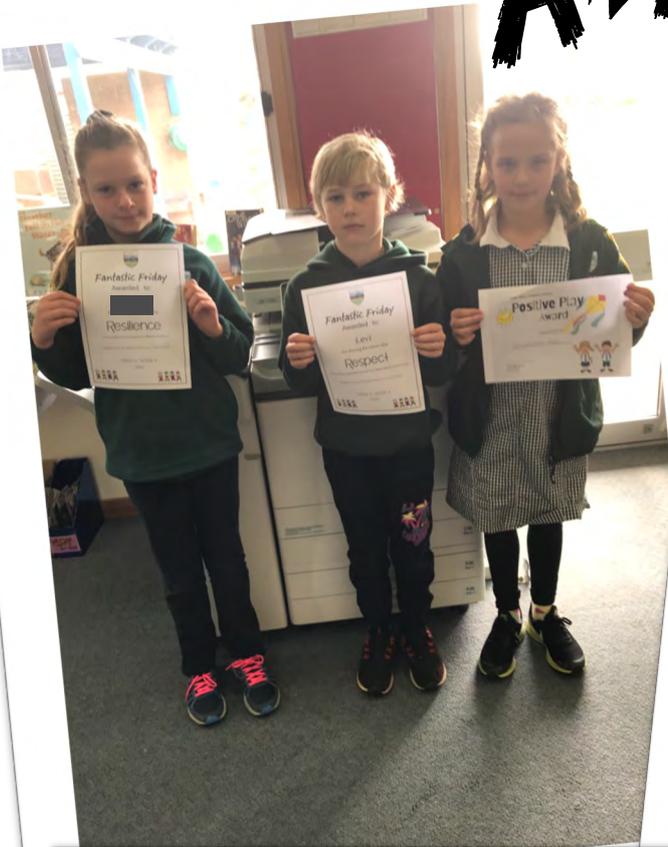
The fundraising committee has received fantastic support for their Pizza Night! Thank you to everyone who ordered pizzas and were able to support this event.

Best wishes,

Lisa Masters



# FANTASTIC FRIDAY AWARDS



In the classroom.....



## WORD OF THE WEEK

**Continent** - A continent is a very large area of land, commonly defined as a large land mass separated from other land masses by oceans. ... For example, Asia, Europe, and Africa aren't separated by oceans. Neither are North America and South America.



School photos will be taken on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> August.

Individual envelopes will be sent home as soon as they arrive from Academy.

**Please note:** *Payment is to be included with ordering, the school does not handle any payments.*

At this stage photos will be taken in the afternoon. We will update this info as it comes to hand.



# ALISON'S PAGE:

Week 5 and we are halfway through the term already! Hope you are all keeping warm in this cold Wintery weather. I have been helping the Receptions with their literacy, and helped all the children build solar cars in Technology. I can't wait to see their finished masterpieces!

Principal Appreciation Day: We surprised Lisa on Friday 7th August by showing how much we appreciate her Leadership and teaching and friendship at our school. We had blueberry muffins for Recess, everyone wore badges and we made a certificate with comments from staff and children on what she means to us all. I hope Lisa felt very loved that day!



Lunchtime activities: Last week I did some nail polish with the children, painted some more kindness rocks and gave a couple of the girls a hand spa! We have also been doing some mindful colouring.

Playcentre: The last two weeks Ang organised crafts and activities around Nursery Rhymes—Incy Wincy Spider and I'm a little teapot.



Breakfast Club: The children really enjoyed their "toad in the hole last week. This week we have pancakes with mixed berry compote and hot milo!

Meetings / Training: I wrote a report and attended Governing Council on Wed 12th August. Did Leading the Pack (RELISH) Q&A webinar on Thurs 13th Aug. Contributed to the External Review team at school last Monday.

## Upcoming Events:

- Father's Day on Sunday 6th September—I have organised some small presents for the children to purchase closer to the day.
- Pirate Day on Friday 18th September—dress up, play games, make pirate crafts to help raise money for Children's Cancer.
- I am looking into getting shoeboxes to send off overseas again.



Be Kind to each other, keep warm and stay safe ...



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## URGENT

## TEMPORARY GROUNDS PERSON 25 hours per week

TENURE: 31st August - 20th November, 2020

Please submit your resume including the names and contact numbers of two referees to the above address or email the Principal, Mr Ray Marino at [Ray.Marino639@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:Ray.Marino639@schools.sa.edu.au)

The successful applicant will need to meet DfE employment criteria to become registered in the DfE temporary pool before any offer of employment can be made.

Please contact Ray Marino on 0427900136 for further information.

Applications close: Thursday 20th August, 2020

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Thank you to everyone who came and helped out at the  
working bee last Wednesday.

The grounds are looking great!