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Week 7

Diary Dates

MARCH

Friday 12th

Beach sports
day 9.30 start

APRIL

Thurs 1st

Colour Run
Ungarra

Fri 2nd

Good Friday

Mon 5th

Easter Monday

Hello everyone,

Welcome to week 7 of term 1! This week is a short week with Monday being a public holiday and Friday our Beach Sports Day!

School Improvement

The last couple of weeks have felt a bit messy with students and staff away for a variety of reasons and extra curricula activities, but we are still working towards our school improvement goals of improving student's decoding and reading comprehension skills.

Our year 3-5 students have been learning the QAR (Question, Answer and Relationship) reading strategy and practising this during their literacy block. It is expected the year 3-5 students read for a minimum of 60 minutes/week at home so I encourage parents to ask their child to create their own 'right there, think and search, author and you and on my own' questions when reading at home. You will find more information about these types of questions in the newsletter. Our R-2 students have been learning what phonemes (sounds in words) are and identifying how many words in a sentence by jumping them out using hoops. They have also been busy breaking words into syllables. All of these skills are important in learning to decode and learning to read.

Miss Sly used the classroom time at Tumby Bay Area School last week to informally observe other teachers practise their craft of teaching and to hold professional conversations with a variety teaching staff. Miss Sly and I also attended '7 Steps to Writing' training in Adelaide last week. This training was very practical and we believe it will value add to our reading to writing cycle.

On Friday I participated in a Portfolio Masterclass with Principals from the Central Eyre 2 and Far West Partnerships. Our learning focussed on gaining clarity and coherence between our Site Improvement Plan and teacher practice. We continued our learning about High Impact Teaching Strategies and planned steps towards our long term goal. At Port Neill Primary School, one of our long term goals is for all students to be critical readers, which aligns with our school vision. The High Impact Teaching Strategy of rigorously using clear Learning Intentions and Success Criteria is the first step for our educators to implement.

FOOTSTEPS DANCE

We were very fortunate to be invited by Tumby Bay Area School to participate in Footsteps Dance lessons last week. Our students travelled to Tumby Bay three times and spent time in corresponding classes, learning beside TBAS students. They learnt four dances with their peers and on Thursday students performed their dances in front of community members and parents. Besides learning new dance skills, there were many other benefits from the three days. These included our students making observations of how other students learn and being exposed to learning in a larger classroom setting, building of friendships, learning with different peers and teachers, and teachers having the opportunity to further develop professional relationships. I was very proud of all our students and how they conducted themselves in their classroom learning, during their dancing sessions and during break times. Our students excelled at displaying our school values, particularly the value of resilience. All TBAS staff and students were very welcoming and I would like to thank them for including us and for their hospitality. We hope to continue working with them.



Team Work

Respect

Kindness

Resilience

SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY MENTORING

We've had several community members enquire about volunteering at the school in a variety of ways. We are also seeking community members who would be interested in becoming a mentor/buddy with our older students. I am holding a **Volunteer Information session at the school on Monday March 22nd at 3.00pm. Please come along and hear how easy it is to volunteer at our little school and to support our students.**

BEACH SPORTS DAY

Our combined Annual Beach Sports Day with Ungarra Primary School is this Friday. We would appreciate it if parents could be at the beach to help set up at 8.30am. We look forward to a great day and would like to remind everyone to please practice social distancing and follow COVID restrictions. If you are unwell please do not attend.

Best wishes, Lisa Masters

PORT NEILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

VOLUNTEERING INFORMATION SESSION

**PORT NEILL PRIMARY SCHOOL IS HOLDING AN
INFORMAL INFORMATION SESSION ABOUT
REQUIREMENTS NEEDED TO VOLUNTEER AT THE
SCHOOL.**

**IF YOU HAVE CONSIDERED VOLUNTEERING AT
THE SCHOOL PLEASE ATTEND THIS BRIEF
INFORMATION SESSION.**

**MONDAY MARCH 22ND
3.00PM.**

Please use COVID safe
check in on arrival
Please stay home if you are unwell



Port Neill Primary School's

Beach Sports Day



Friday, March 12th

PORT NEILL FORESHORE

9.30AM START

PLEASE ENSURE COVID CHECK IN
PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING OF 1.5M
STAY HOME IF YOU ARE UNWELL



PORT NEILL
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Port Neill Primary School



A great idea to order in preparation for Easter and school holidays.



Please have orders in by Tuesday 23rd March 2021
Delivered to school on Tuesday 30th March (Prior to Easter)

Return **Order Form with money** to the Port Neill Primary School

QR Payment can be made by EFT to:
Port Neill Primary School

BSB: 633-108 A/c 144734506



NAME		PHONE NO:		
Product		Cost	How Many	Cost \$
Family Meat Pie		\$13.50		
Family Potato Pie		\$14.50		
Pasty Slice		\$10.50		
Cocktail Pasties	Pack of 6	\$ 7.50		
Cocktail Pies	Pack of 6	\$ 7.50		
Cocktail Sausage Rolls	Pack of 6	\$ 7.50		
Cornish Pasties	Pack of 3	\$ 15.00		
Cocktail Quiche	Pack of 6	\$ 7.50		
Finger Buns	Pack of 8	\$ 8.50		
Lamingtons	Pack of 8	\$ 8.50		
Large Apple Plait Loaf		\$ 7.50		
Large Apricot Plait Loaf		\$ 7.50		
Tiger Sponge Roll		\$ 8.50		
Chocolate Sponge Roll		\$ 8.50		
Hot Cross Buns fruitless		\$8.00		
Hot Cross Buns with fruit		\$8.00		
Hot Cross Buns chocolate		\$8.00		
TOTAL				\$
PAID BY (please circle)		CASH	EFT	

PLEASE NOTE: ORDERS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP BEFORE NOON

We will ring if they are ready early

COLOUR RUN

01/04/2021

Ungarra Primary School is hosting a colour run for students and families. We are raising money for a charity called RUN DIPG. This charity is dedicated to improving outcomes for patients and their families impacted by the deadliest form of childhood cancer. As DIPG has greatly impacted our school and community we would appreciate any donations.

Please follow the link to donate

justgiving.com/campaign/ungarra

Parents are more than welcome to join in with the colour run. Please fill out form below if you wish to purchase a shirt and bring to Port Neill school with money no later than Tuesday 16th March.

Basic White Tee and retro sunglasses \$4 for both

Basic Kid's White Tee available in the following sizes:

Measured in Chest size

- 2 - (28cm across/56cm around)
- 4 - (30cm across/60cm around)
- 6 - (32cm across/64cm around)
- 8 - (34 across/68cm around)
- 10 - (36 across/72cm around)
- 12 - (38cm across/76cm around)
- 14 - (40 cm across/80cm around)

Adults Unisex - M/L/XL

Please note sizes run small

Name	Size	Name	Size
		Paid	Cash/ EFT



ALISON'S PAGE:

Happy International Woman's Day on Monday 9th March!

Firstly apologies that I was away in Week 5—this was due to unexpected family reasons. Although I was back in Week 6, that went very quickly with excursions to Tumby Bay for the Footsteps Dance Program.

Breakfast Club: We had no breakfast Club the last two weeks but the children enjoyed muesli and yoghurt and fruit yesterday and were happy to have it happening again!

Lunchtime activities: The children played with my magnetic monkey puzzle on Monday 1st March and the rest of the week they were at Tumby!

This week they decorated silver metal pots ready to grow their "Pots of Fun" seeds from Woollies. We also had fun with some bubbles as this week is National Bubble Week!



Welcome to Mel Masters who is our new Playcentre Co-ordinator and good luck to Ang for her role on Fridays at the Tumby Bay Community Library.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY:



National Appreciation Day
5th March 2021

Til the next fortnight....

