



2022

TERM 1 WEEK 9

PORT NEILL PRIMARY SCHOOL



RESPECT

TEAMWORK

RESILIENCE

KINDNESS

Hello everyone,

What a busy world we live in! It seems like each day we are facing new challenges and adapting plans to accommodate changing circumstances. Resilience, is one of our school values, and it is being displayed across communities far and wide at the moment. We are very fortunate to live in a supportive and safe community.

Last week, we had a very productive working bee. Many thanks to Deb Davey, Caleb Prime, Jodie Francis, Ned & Hannah Lienert, Lauren & Evan Hunt, Flash Clarke, Andrew Liddicoat, Vinnie & Harry, staff and students for all their efforts and hard work. We put up screening which has improved the look of the front yard, cleaned out and added storage to the shed and cemented the nature play creek. The upper primary students have applied their skill of writing with modal verbs by writing a 'thank you' to working bee volunteers, which are included in the newsletter.

Our school visited Ungarra Primary last week to attend a religious education session by SMG. The session was interactive and told the Easter story, with a message of the positive impacts we can all have on others, if we choose to be kind. Students then participated in a combined sports day practice, which they all enjoyed. We have some great high jumpers in our school! Many thanks to Ungarra for hosting us, and we look forward to coming together for more learning opportunities.

If you have driven past the school recently, you would have noticed the cones on the oval. As part of a maths lesson, Kaizer and Mrs Hunt marked out the oval; 1 lap equates to 200m. Students and staff have been walking/running the oval during break times to contribute to the 'Enhance Pt Neill & People – 5604 Movement Challenge.' Students have also been practising their marathon & sprint running. Unfortunately, our **combined sports day with Ungarra and Poonindie Schools**, which was to be held this Friday, **has been cancelled**. We will run our own mini sports day event at school on Friday, information will be sent home to parents soon.

On Monday, Mrs Leonard, will be teaching students the Arts and we have illustrator, Paul Rutter, visiting. Unfortunately, Ungarra are now unable to join us for Paul's session, due to COVID. Staff will be making a decision about Beach Sports Day over the next week, and will share this information with families as soon as possible.

Thank you to those families who have booked their parent/teacher interview time. These important discussions provide an opportunity for parents and teachers to share information about each child, gain clarity on student learning, plan next steps and celebrate successes. Whilst we prioritise a time in terms 1 & 3 for parent/teacher interviews, we encourage parents to make an appointment at any time throughout the year to discuss their child's education.

COVID is very present in our communities at the moment and this can impact people differently. Please be mindful of others and 'check in' on each other. Thank you to community members and parents for following the school COVID requirements and for staying home when unwell.

Take Care & Best wishes,
Lisa Masters



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THANK YOU TO OUR COMMUNITY!



On Wednesday we had the most powerful Working Bee in Port Neil Primary School. Everyone was working as a team and helping others the best they could and even the Upper Primary's offered to help. We planted Lilly Pillys and cleaned out Flash's shed, the kids Playcentre and did some weeding.

Kaizer



Estelle

Thank you to the amazing fabulous hard working parents that helped us make our school better on the working bee last Wednesday. We really absolutely appreciate your help. We achieved so much. We planted new trees in our garden called Lilly Pillys. We built a fence around the garden to stop the wind from getting to our fruit trees. We also cemented the kids play creek. And lastly we weeded the front garden. Thank you again for all of your hard work .

Hello my name is Alexis and I'm thanking the wonderful beautiful parents who helped to clean the shed near the sand pit. Now the shed is spotless and they helped to spread the cement.





WORKING BEE

23 APRIL, 2022



Caitlin

We would like to thank the wonderful group of parents and staff who came to our school on Wednesday to do a working bee. They were very thoughtful and did way more than what they wished to achieve. At the end of a hot and sweaty day we completed five important things.

1. We cleaned out Flash's cleaning shed
 2. We had a concreter come and help us concrete the garden screens
 3. We also concreted the little creek near the back of the school which was used before as 'the yabby farm', the yabbies being the barkchips
 4. We planted some lilly pillys which are a type of shrub
 5. We did some very influential weeding
- And we would just like to say thank you



Thank you so much for helping us put up a screen and building a creek. You've been strong and hardworking. We are so happy for you helping clean out the shed and everything else.

Gypsy



The Upper Primary students are learning about adding more detail to their work by using adjectives, verbs and by attaching modality verbs.



**LIBRARY DAY
TOMORROW**

HOP

*into the
library and
read an
Easter Book*



Beach Sports Day
Thursday April 14th



Still to be confirmed
depending on the Covid situation



THE 2022 PRC
STEM Reading and Design Challenge
 Incorporating Space and Nature

Starts 2 May and finishes 8 July
 Announcement of winners in National Science Week, August 2022



THE COMPETITION

The Premier's Reading Challenge and partners are teaming up again to challenge you to read about Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) in the lead up to National Science Week. The reading and design competition started in 2016 and last year over 2000 entries were received!

This year we have two additional themes – **NATURE & SPACE**.

As in previous years, there are great prizes to be won. To enter you need to read a STEM, nature or space themed book, preferably from the Premier's Reading Challenge booklist and then use your imagination for your entry.

GUIDELINES

Complete the task, according to your year level, listed below and send your entries to the Premier's Reading Challenge team. You may focus on STEM broadly or more specifically on SPACE or NATURE.

The NATURE theme: your entry must be inspired by a book about nature in South Australia, such as plants, animals, bushland, beaches, parks or perhaps your garden at home.

The SPACE theme: your entry must be inspired by a book about space such as human spaceflight, the planets and universe, satellites, space travel and astronomy.

THE PRIZES

All individual students will receive a certificate of participation.

A selection of prizes including passes to the Adelaide Zoo, Cleland Wildlife Park and Science Alive! and books, book vouchers, vouchers for the South Australian Museum gift shop and science magazine subscriptions will be awarded to:

- best individual entry and runner up for each age group
- the school with the most entries.

AGE CATEGORY PROJECTS

- R-2: Create** Draw a picture in response to the PRC book you have read.
- 3-5: Invent** Plan an invention (description, drawing) inspired by your PRC reading.
- 6-9: Design** Design a STEM poster, related to your PRC reading, to inspire interest in science-related fields.
- Mature: Innovate** Create an infographic to illustrate how you would solve a problem you have read about using STEM.

APPLY

Ensure each entry is accompanied by:
 Student name, Student year at school, School name, School contact details, Teacher name
 STEM Book read from Premier's Reading Challenge - include title and author
 If not an entry for the broad STEM theme, identify if the entry is intended for the SPACE theme or NATURE theme.

SEND ENTRIES TO

STEM Reading and Design Challenge
 C/O Premier's Reading Challenge
 GPO Box 1152, Adelaide, SA 5001

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 More about the Premier's Reading Challenge:
www.premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au



FREE Parent Workshops

Topics include: Dyslexia, Numeracy, Executive Functioning Skills, Building Resilience & Self-Esteem and general literacy.

April 8-9

Port Lincoln Primary School



For the full schedule and to book visit:
<https://www.speldsa.org.au/regional-parent-workshops>

Thank you to the Hon John Gardner MP for supporting this initiative.

**PORT NEILL SPORTS CLUB
 RECYCLING
 FUNDRAISER**

During April, May & June drop your cans & bottles to Eastern Eyre Recycling (Port Neill, Arno Bay or Cleve) & let them know you'd like to donate the proceeds to the Port Neill Sports Club

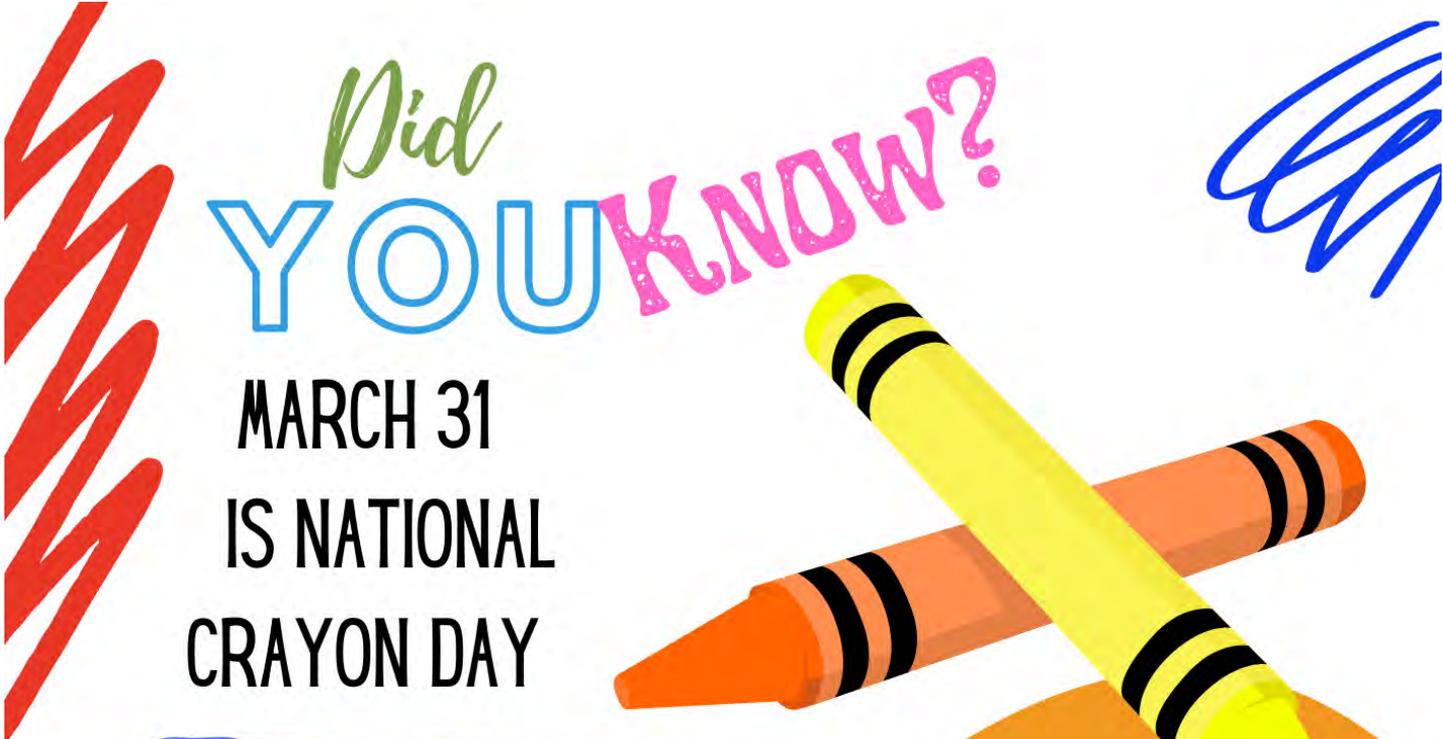
**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR CLUBROOM
 EXTENSION & FACILITY UPGRADES!**

*Port Neill Complex Fundraiser
 Seeding/Shearing Goodies*

MAIN MEALS..
 SWEETS..
 SAVOURIES..
 SNACKS..
 SOUPS..
 CASSEROLES..
 CAKES..
 SAUSAGE ROLLS..
 BISCUITS..
 PIES..
 CURRIES..
 SLICES..
 MUFFINS..
 PINWHEELS..
 WHATEVER A FARMER & THEIR FAMILY WILL EAT.

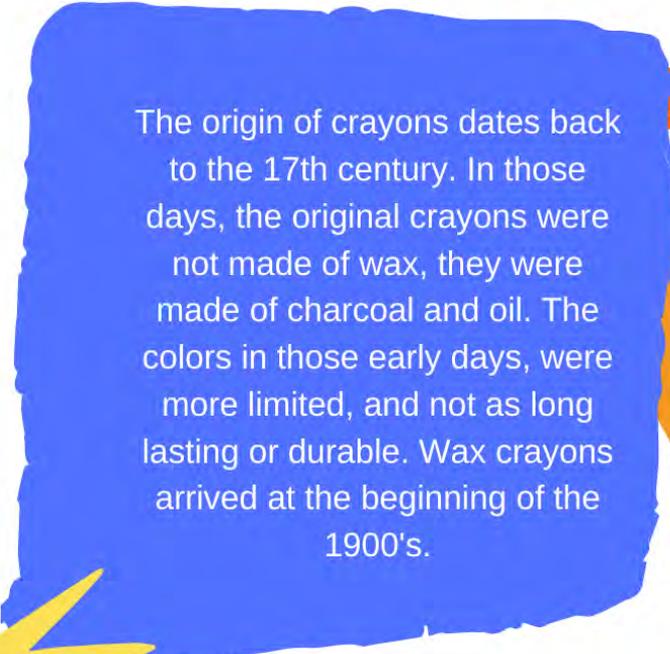
**WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS TO GO TOWARDS
 OUR FACEBOOK AUCTION. PLEASE CONTACT STACEY,
 MEL OR ABBY WITH 2-3 ITEMS THAT YOU'RE WILLING
 TO MAKE. WE WILL CONFIRM WITH YOU ONCE WE
 HAVE GAUGED SUPPLY.**

STACEY 0448030562 MEL 0429804008 ABBY 0447559040



Did
YOU KNOW?

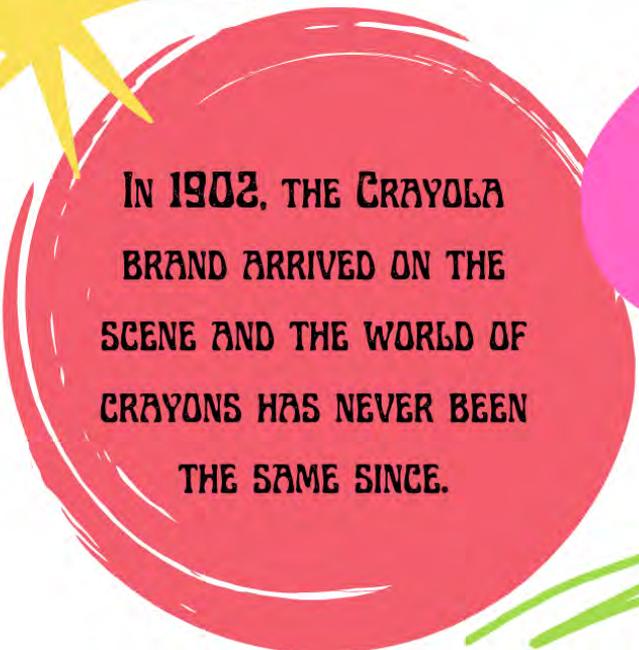
**MARCH 31
IS NATIONAL
CRAYON DAY**



The origin of crayons dates back to the 17th century. In those days, the original crayons were not made of wax, they were made of charcoal and oil. The colors in those early days, were more limited, and not as long lasting or durable. Wax crayons arrived at the beginning of the 1900's.



Crayola makes over 3 billion crayons a year. Other manufacturers combined are just a small fraction of total annual production. The world's largest crayon was made by Crayola. It was 15'6" and weighed 1,352 pounds. The smell of crayons is the most recognizable scent for adults. Over the years, Crayola has made over 237 billion crayons



IN 1902, THE CRAYOLA BRAND ARRIVED ON THE SCENE AND THE WORLD OF CRAYONS HAS NEVER BEEN THE SAME SINCE.



Get out some crayons and a coloring book and have fun!