



Resilience Teamwork Kindness Respect

Hello everyone,

Welcome back to Term 2! I am really excited to be back and the children have returned with smiles and ready to learn.

Welcome Tilly McFarlane

We welcome Tilly McFarlane to our school this term. Tilly is a student at UniSA and is completing a pre-service placement with us for the first 6 weeks (every Thursday weeks 1-5) of term and will be working with Mrs Fullbrook in the year 3-6 class.

### ATTENDANCE

The start of term is a good opportunity to mention the importance of consistent school attendance. Going to school everyday matters; absences affect learning, wellbeing and success. At Port Neill Primary we have an Attendance plan that is guided by the Department for Education's attendance policy. The attendance policy defines the following groups of students as at risk because of how often they miss school.

Habitual non-attendance: a student misses 5 to 9 school days/term for any reason

Chronic non-attendance: a student misses 10 or more days/term for any reason.

We acknowledge and understand with COVID and illness in the community, families are encouraged to keep their children home if unwell. We thank families for supporting the school in these times. The staff at Port Neill strive to provide a holistic education for all children and to support families. We encourage and invite families to have ongoing discussions with us about your child's learning, wellbeing, attendance and successes.

### GRIP Conference

Next week our year 5 & 6 students head to Port Augusta with Mrs Fullbrook and Julie to attend the Primary School GRIP Leadership conference. The conference is designed to focus on developing student's understanding that everyone can be a leader and develops their knowledge of leadership skills. We look forward to transfer their learning into our SRC committees.

### RELISH

Many thanks to those participants who joined online in the holidays to participate in the Design Lab event for the Leading the Pack stack. This week, we commenced learning about the #4 Interpersonal Connection stack. Interpersonal Connection enables us to empathise with others, it paves the way for genuine heartfelt connection. Interpersonal Connection is different to being social. Please speak to participants of the RELISH program to find out more.

### Descriptive Writing

On Tuesday, I had the privilege of learning about Lake Eyre with the upper primary students and was blown away by their descriptive writing. They transferred their learning of language features from last term to write a paragraph describing Lake Eyre. Here is an example:

Lake Eyre is the most beautiful place ever. Rocks are ongoing and the view is outstanding. The sand is as smooth as flour, and the river is sparkling like glitter reflecting off the sun. Sun as red and hot as fire. The clear pink lake as salty as plain salt its self. (Indie, year 3)

Best wishes,  
Lisa Masters

## Diary Dates

### May

Fri 10th

*GRIP Leadership Pt Augusta*

Wed 22nd

*National Simultaneous Storytime @ 11.30*

Mon 27th

*Student Free Day*



### Please Note

For non-urgent phone calls and community services it would be appreciated if you could ring or visit after 11.00am as we are busy with student learning in the morning and can't always get to the phone.

Thank you for our understanding



# Squirt

THANK YOU

A Big thank you to Flash for making Squirt a beautiful little getaway. He is a very happy turtle!



## Lest We Forget

Thank you Gypsy & Sidney for representing Port Neill Primary School at the Tumby bay ANZAC Service



# May 10

## National Walk Safely to School Day

National Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is on Friday 10 May 2024. The annual campaign encourages all primary school children, their parents, and carers to walk safely and regularly to school. For students in our school communities, the event seeks to promote better health, road safety and the environment. We know children who are regularly physically active are healthier and perform better at school.

The District Council of Tumby Bay will be hosting a colouring in competition in the lead up to WSTSD, which can be completed at school or home, in the following categories:

- Foundation – Year 2
- Year 3 – Year 4
- Year 5 – Year 6.

The colouring in pages have been sent home with the students today.

Entries should be submitted to the Council Office reception by Thursday 9 May 2024, or scanned and emailed to me directly by that time if preferred. A prize for each category, at each school will be awarded to winners on WSTSD, Friday 10 of May, by either an Elected Council Member or myself. A time for this will be arranged with you personally in coming days.

# Community News

## RAISING RESILIENT KIDS: COUNTERING HARMFUL MEDIA INFLUENCE

Care-givers & Community Information Session on navigating a s\*xed up world.



**MELINDA TANKARD REIST**  
Author, speaker and Collective Shout Director  
melindatankardreist.com



**DANIEL PRINCIPE**  
Speaker and youth advocate

NAVIGATING A S\*XED-UP WORLD: HOW CAN WE HELP OUR YOUNG PEOPLE RESIST HARMFUL MESSAGES AND SEEK RESPECTFUL RELATIONSHIPS?

Children seem to be growing up too fast. It is a challenge to protect them from harmful ideas when they are bombarded with hypersexualised messages from media and popular culture.

Drawing from research and the experiences of young people, Melinda Tankard Reist will explore how the healthy development of young people is impacted by this messaging.

She will help parents to address this toxic culture and provide practical tips on raising happy, healthy and resilient young people who value their dignity and self-worth and aspire to relationships based on respect.

Her colleague, Daniel Principe, will also share on his work with boys, helping them be young men of respect and integrity.

### EVENT DETAILS

#### CEDUNA

WED 1ST MAY  
6PM - 7:30PM  
CROSSWAYS LUTHERAN

#### STREAKY BAY

THURS 2ND MAY  
7PM - 8:30PM  
COMMUNITY COMPLEX

#### TUMBY BAY

FRI 3RD MAY  
7PM - 9PM  
TOWN HALL

FREE EVENT  
AGE 15+ ONLY

For further information call  
Pepita March on 0439 393 080

Alternatively visit websites:  
melindatankardreist.com  
<https://www.collectiveshout.org/>



SUNDAY, 22ND SEPTEMBER 2024

## HALF MARATHON

21.1KM

10KM

5KM

FOR MORE INFORMATION



[www.cleverunningfestival.com](http://www.cleverunningfestival.com)



Please contact class teacher through DOJO, or ring school mobile 0428 112 397 or landline 86 889029 for any absences.

## WHAT DO I DO IF MY CHILD TESTS POSITIVE TO COVID?

If your child tests positive to COVID, they must stay home from school for at least 6 days. Day Zero being the day they tested positive. Therefore, they must stay home for a further 5 calendar days provided their acute symptoms have cleared. There is no need to keep testing, the initial test is sufficient.

Do not attend if still symptomatic. Any questions please phone the school.





## **ROSEMARY SALT ORDER FORM**

We, Port Neill Primary School Junior Primary students, have made rosemary salt from rosemary that was grown here in our garden bed at school. We followed the process of harvesting, cleaning, drying and crushing the rosemary ourselves. We then mixed it with table salt to create our very own Rosemary Salt. Our rosemary salt would be a delicious addition to your roast meats, salads, hot chips or roast vegetables!

We would like to invite you to order a 120gram jar of Rosemary Salt. Please fill out the order form below and return to PNPS and we will contact you when the salt is ready to be collected.

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NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

### **120g Jar of Rosemary Salt - \$5**

	QUANTITY	TOTAL COST
120g Jar of Rosemary Salt		

**\*\*Orders need to be back to school by the 10<sup>th</sup> of May\*\***

