



Hello everyone!

#### **Instructional Coaching**

Olivia, Karin and I have been investing our time in Instructional Coaching. Through our Portfolio and CT-Ed, I have been learning the craft of coaching to provide coaching in real time to Karin and Olivia about their teaching practice. While we have found aspects a challenge it has been a beneficial learning experience for us all. The collaborative professional discussion and shift in teacher practice has positively impacted student learning and outcomes. We aim to refine our skills and processes to further embed this into our way of being at PNPS.

#### **Father's Day/Footy Colours Day**

Wow! What an amazing morning! Last Friday, we had dads, granddads, mums, grandmothers with us in the morning to celebrate Father's day and the role significant men play in the lives of our children. There was a wonderful vibe on the front lawn with people in footy colours talking, kicking the footy and sharing student learning. Children served their significant adult bacon & egg roll with either juice or coffee. Approximately, \$100 was raised to support children with cancer. Many thanks to Lani and SRC for organising the morning and to Peter Masters for cooking.

#### **Gymnastics Excursion**

We were very fortunate to receive Sporting Schools funding for our children to access gymnastics coaching at the Port Lincoln Gymnastics Club. Children will travel to Port Lincoln Wednesday 4/9 & 11/9 to participate in lessons.

#### **PAT Assessments**

The Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT) are online reading comprehension and maths assessments aligned to the Australian Curriculum. The tests are administered once a year and provide teachers with information about the learning strengths and needs of their students. PAT is mandatory for all students' years 3-10 but at Port Neill we also include our year 1 & 2 students in the assessments. PAT testing will occur over the next few weeks. Please speak with your child's classroom teacher if you would like further information.

#### **Open Day & Assembly**

Friday 13th September, our students along with Mrs Hunt in their Community Connections lesson have organised a PNPS Open Day. You are invited to come to some or all of the activities on the day. The day starts at 10.00am with a school tour and ends with a whole school Assembly running from approximately 2.30-3.10pm.

#### **Student Conferences**

We invite parents to contact their child's classroom teacher to organise a time to discuss their child's learning. Written reports are sent home to families in terms 2 & 4, so between now and end of term we encourage parents to talk with teachers about their child's learning, growth and next steps both academically and socially. Please contact your child's teacher through Class Dojo, email or phone the school to make a time to meet.

#### **2025 Preparations**

We have started planning for the 2025 school year! It would be appreciated if families notify the school as soon as possible if their family/child is intending to leave our school community in 2025. Also it would be great to hear from you, if you know of any new families who are considering joining us.

#### **Project Thrive**

I am excited, we have started our Project Thrive communication campaign. Families have received a letter and our Project Thrive Visual Report has hit our FB page. Discussions with families and community members about this initiative have been very positive. Keep asking about the project and raising questions. I look forward to sharing our Roadmap very soon.

Best wishes,

Lisa Masters

### Diary Dates

#### Sept

Wed 11th - Gymnastics Port Lincoln

Mon 18th - School Photos

Thurs 19th - Gov Council Meeting

Frid 27th - End of term Early dismissal 2.10

#### Oct

Mon 14th - school resumes

REMHINDER



# School Photos

School photos will be taken  
on Monday, 16th September.

The photographer will arrive at 12:30 pm.

Please ensure you have read the email, which was sent  
out to you on Monday, 12th August with the information  
flyer on how to order online.

There are some order forms available at school for those  
who are unable to order online. Please see Deb.

Library News

Every Thursday  
is Library Day for Miss Sly's  
class

Every Wednesday  
is Library Day for Mrs Fullbrook's class

"A book is a gift you can  
open again and again."  
Garrison Keillor  
(Gary Edward "Garrison" Keillor is an American author,  
singer, humorist, voice actor, and radio personality)



## SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

### Spin the Wheel

The school will be in charge of Spin the Wheel  
at the Port Neill Hotel on the following dates:

Friday, 11th October

Friday, 18th October

Friday 25th October

Please let the school know what date suits you  
if you are able to help out, only 2 people per night  
needed, starts @ 6.30 - til about 7.30 or earlier.





## **2024 PARENT SURVEY**

The annual parent survey is underway and closes midnight  
Sunday 8 September.

For more information, please visit the department's website.

This survey aims to get your views on:

- what we're doing well
- where we can improve
- what's important to you as a parent/carer.

Your answers won't identify you or your child and only collated  
feedback is provided to our school.

You should have already received a link to the survey via email or  
SMS. Reminder emails are currently being sent to you unless you  
have completed a survey or have unsubscribed.

Please take the time to complete the survey, this is valuable  
information for our school.

# Open Day



Friday 13th Sept

10-10.30am: Start time

- Tour of school
- Tea & Coffee
- Morning tea
- Classrooms open for students to share learning

10.40-11am: Recess

- colouring in competition
- games outside

11am-11.30am - crafting & art activities

11.30am - Split into two groups

- 1st group - Plastics machine demonstration
- 2nd group - Make special gift for their guests

12.00pm - Swap groups

12.30-1.20pm Lunch  
Hot dogs (gold coin donation)

- 1.20-2.20pm - Quiz & small group activities
- completed in family groups

2.20pm - Pack Up

2.30pm -3.10pm Assembly

**\*\*subject to some changes\*\***

PORT NEILL PRIMARY SCHOOL  
PRESENTS...

# GRAPE & GRAIN 2024.

FOOD, LIVE MUSIC AND FUN

TICKETS ON SALE SOON

FRIDAY OCTOBER 18, 2024

6:00 PM

PORT NEILL HALL

MUSIC BY GEMMA LEONARD

FOOD BY FRANCESCA LAWRIE

# HAPPY SSO WEEK



The students  
spoil us with  
some beautiful  
cards for SSO  
Week.



# Gymnastics

at Port Lincoln



# Footy Colours meets Father's Day



