



# RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY, INCLUSIVITY PENOLA PRIMARY NEWS

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## Calendar of Events Term 2 2021

### TERM 2

#### June

Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th Environment Camp

Monday 14th Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

## Principal's Report

*'A lifelong learner is a life-long winner.'* ~ African Philosopher

Modelling for students about what it means to be a lifelong learner, is something that all staff members at Penola Primary School strive for every day. At our recent pupil free day, teachers worked collaboratively to develop our whole school approach to teaching spelling. A focus for teacher professional development this year has been to examine the current evidence-based research, practice, and pedagogical approaches for spelling, and to use this knowledge to inform our understanding about what makes a successful spelling program. The evidence shows that commercial spelling programs are ineffective and that a whole school approach is best. This means most children learn and inquire about spelling strategies that are individual to them, and rarely would students in the same class be learning all the same words at the same time. We look forward to continuing this learning process as we develop our statement of practice as we refine our beliefs about how children learn to spell, and how we can facilitate this effectively by implementing our whole school agreement for teaching spelling.

Last week we held our Principal Tour for prospective and current families. After a short introduction by the leadership team, our SRC leaders welcomed the visitors and led a successful whole school tour that showcased all of the wonderful programs and facilities that we have to offer at Penola Primary. We are very proud of the way Madison E, Ella, Macy, Louise, Chiara, and Madison T, represented our school in such a positive

and professional manner, and we look forward to welcoming some of the new families to the Penola Primary community in 2022.

We have had seven students from our Year 6/7 cohort represent Penola Primary and the Mid South-East Sapsasa Football and Netball teams in Adelaide this week at their respective state carnivals. Sapsasa provides a wonderful opportunity for students to experience playing sport at a higher level, while providing links to the Australian Curriculum in terms of students having the opportunity to develop their personal and social capabilities. Feedback from the carnival is the students have played with high levels of sportsmanship and represented our school positively. Congratulations to Kiara, Tegan, Matilda, Ella, Finn, Luc, and Ben.

Kind regards,

*Karmel*

Acting Principal

*Respect, Responsibility, Inclusivity*

## National Sorry Day

To commemorate National Sorry Day last Wednesday, the 3/4B class read 'Sorry Day' by Coral Vass and made an artwork to signify the tracks made by the Stolen Generation as they finally made their way home to their families and land.



## SRC News



This term the SRC has started a project to update the library games and puzzles. They will be replacing and purchasing new games and puzzles for the library,

as many of them are worn out, have pieces missing or have had lots of use/love. If you have any games or puzzles with lots of life left in them, that you would like to donate to our library, the SRC and library staff would greatly appreciate it. Thank you.



## Sapsasa News

### Year 6 SAPSASA Netball and Football

Earlier this week the Year 6s, Luc, Matilda and Ella represented our school in Sapsasa Football and Netball. The footballers ended with 50/50 win/loses. The netballers finished second overall. Congratulations and well done to them all.

Thank you to the coaches, team managers and families for making these experiences possible for our young people.



*Year 6 Netball Representatives  
Ella and Matilda*



*Year 6 Football Representative  
Luc*

## Canteen News

Hot Chocolates are back this term for \$1.



### Canteen Duty

**Friday 11th June** – Katrina Merrett

**Friday 18th June** - Louise Poynter

**Friday 25th June**—Benedetta Rusconi

**Friday 2nd July**—Lucille Bailey

### Munchies

**Wednesday 9th June**

Amy Vaughan

Naomi Baugh

Nerrissa Dohnt

Pat Sharam

**Wednesday 16th June**

Emma Lydeamore

Alana Croft

Charmaine Moulton

Angela Lythgo

**Wednesday 23rd June**

Anna Copping

Peta Baverstock

Jenny Eastwood

Kinta Wilson

**Wednesday 30th June**

Karly Honner

Sue Bell

Kirsty Hackwill

April Possingham



## NARACOORTE CROSS COUNTRY

On Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> 45 brave boys and girls from Penola Primary School ventured to Naracoorte to run in the annual South East Sapsasa Cross Country event. Our 8 and 9 year olds ran the 1.3km course, the 10 year olds ran the 1.8km course, while the 11, 12, and 13 year age groups tackled the 2.5km course. The courses consist of a variety of terrains with the uphill sand tracks proving to be the most challenging. I was extremely proud of the persistence and resilience displayed by all of our students not only on the day, but also in the way they trained for the event. Joel Crawford, Luc Baverstock, Finn Woolston, and Amy Rowntree were all selected to run in the State Cross Country Championships which will be held at the Oakbank Racecourse next Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup>; we congratulate them and wish them all the best in their endeavours.





# Penola Primary School 2021 Planner -Term 2



|    |  |                                   |  |      |  |
|----|--|-----------------------------------|--|------|--|
| 1  | 26/4<br>Anzac Day Public holiday                             | 27/4<br>Year 7 Camp to Robe       | 28/4   | 29/4 | 30/4<br>Sapsasa Golf at the Penola Golf Course   |
| 2  | 3/5<br>Year 6 Camp to Robe                                   | 4/5                               | 5/5  | 6/5  | 7/5<br>Naracoorte Cross Country                  |
| 3  | 10/5<br>Naplan   | 11/5<br>Governing Council Meeting | 12/5   | 13/5 | 14/5<br>Art Festival<br>Art Show @ The Cobb & Co |
| 4  | 17/5<br>Naplan   | 18/5                              | 19/5<br>SRC GRIP Leadership Conference—Mount Gambier | 20/5 | 21/5<br>Pupil Free Day                           |
| 5  | 24/5   | 25/5                              | 26/5<br>Principal Tour                               | 27/5 | 28/5<br>Assembly—Year 2                          |
| 6  | 31/5<br>Sapsasa -Football and Netball Week<br>Footsteps Week | 1/6                               | 2/6  | 3/6  | 4/6  |
| 7  | 7/6<br>Environment Camp                                      | 8/6<br>Environment camp           | 9/6  | 10/6 | 11/6<br>Assembly—F/1B Bohmer                     |
| 8  | 14/6<br>Queen's Birthday Pupil Holiday                       | 15/6<br>Interviews start          | 16/6   | 17/6 | 18/6   |
| 9  | 21/6   | 22/6                              | 23/6   | 24/6 | 25/6<br>Assembly—F/1 Rowntree                    |
| 10 | 28/6   | 29/6                              | 30/6   | 1/7  | 2/7<br>Assembly—SRC                              |



## PARENT FORUM – for parents/carers of children and students in government preschools and schools

Mount Gambier

22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021

You are invited to a Parent Forum for parents and carers of children and young people with disability.

The forum will include a keynote presentation from Director, Disability Policy and Programs, Ian May on 'Supporting learners with disability'.

In addition, there will be presentations on the following topics:

Topic: Anxiety

Facilitator: Angela Falkenberg, President, SA Primary Principals Association

Topic: Inclusive Education

Facilitator: Lynette Corletto and Andrew Fewster from Student Support Services

Topic: What is important to parents/carers about the One Plan

Facilitator: Kerry Parker, Assistant Director Disability & Learning, Disability Policy & Programs and Rosie Copelin, Senior Advisor, Educator One Plan, Disability Policy & Programs

The forum will provide a safe and supportive environment to share your experience, obtain information and helpful strategies as well as providing the opportunity to have your questions answered.

The information you provide will also assist us in the planning of future forums.

This workshop is for a limited number of parents and carers and will be held maintaining current COVID 19 guidelines.

**WHEN: Tuesday 22 June 2021**

**9.30 am – 10.00 am Register/tea/coffee**

**10.00am - 2.30pm Parent Forum**

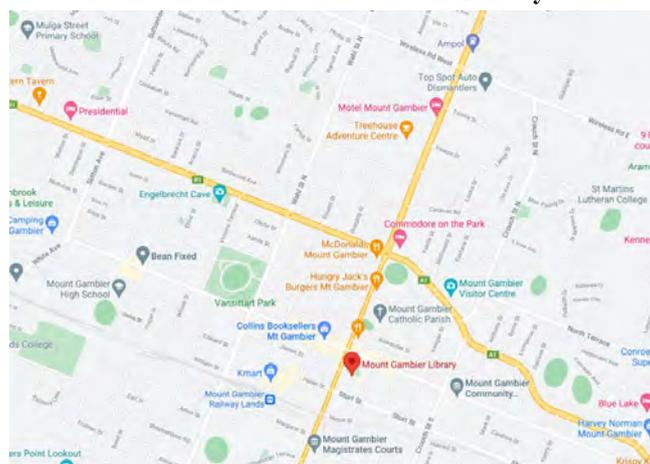
**WHERE: Mount Gambier Library, 6 Watson Terrace, Mount Gambier**

Lunch/refreshments provided

Contact: Jill at: [Education.ParentForumConference@sa.gov.au](mailto:Education.ParentForumConference@sa.gov.au) if you have any questions

Register via: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/june-22-parent-forum-mount-gambier-tickets-156458061273>

### Location of the Mount Gambier Library



# Help Wonder turn **BREAD BAGS** into **SCHOOL PLAY EQUIPMENT**

*It's simple...*

**1**

Collect your empty bread bags and tags



**2**

Recycle them at school in Wonder's pink Collection Bin  
*(There is a separate box for bread tags).*



**3**

We'll earn reward points to redeem new sports equipment for every 5kg bin filled!



Our school is in the draw to **WIN 1 of 5** exercise circuits made from recycled plastic we collect!

**LET'S GET RECYCLING!**



Tag Wonder on social **#wonderrecycling** to share all your recycling champion stories!

