



Penola Primary News



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LEADERSHIP

Principal : Anna Copping

Dear Parents and Friends,

Over summer I spent time reading and listening to Brené Brown's work. This provided me with the opportunity to pause and reflect on the last two years and what it has meant for our educators. While the last two years have presented challenges for all of us, I want to acknowledge and thank our educators for what they have done. They have adapted, modified, upskilled, customized and continued to support our students academically and socially/emotionally. There is a quote from one of her books by former US president, Theodore Roosevelt (1910), that captures the work, dedication, and effort of our educators:

"It is not the critic who counts; not the man who points out how the strong man stumbles, or where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes short again and again, because there is no effort without error and shortcoming; but who does actually strive to do the deeds; who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst, if he fails, at least fails while daring greatly..."

There have many successes and with every failure there has been new learning, but our educators have done it all while being "in the arena...and daring greatly". I would like to thank our educators for the determination, resilience, initiative, collaboration and empathy they always demonstrate, but especially over the last two years.

Anna Copping

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SCHOOL NEWS: Front Entrance Redevelopment

Did you know the first government school in Penola was opened on our site in 1861?

It was replaced by the current building in 1879 by John Riddoch.

There is a lot of history and family/community connections here. When we look back at the history of PPS our community can be proud of its achievements and the significant contribution to the education of our children it has made. We are honoured to be able to continue to educate the young minds of future generations in such a historic place.

The redevelopment of our front garden, which positions this historic building as the centre piece, is nearly complete! Just a few more things to add and it will be finished. We are thrilled with the progress so far.



SCHOOL INFORMATION: Governing Council

Our GC AGM will be held **Wednesday 2nd March at 7pm** in the gym. We are needing new members due to two cohorts of students leaving last year. We would love to welcome new people with fresh ideas. Being a member of the GC allows you to develop an understanding of how the school is run and why/how decisions are made, be part of the decision making process, and actively contribute to our school community. The GC is jointly responsible with the principal for governance related matters. This includes:

- strategic planning
- determining policies and instructions
- determining the application of the total financial resources
- presenting operational plans and reports on its operations to the school community and the Minister.

If you are interested in being on our Governing Council, or would like to attend the AGM, please RSVP Anna via email anna.copping393@schools.sa.edu.au. by Tuesday, March 1. If attending, COVID safe protocols will be in place. Attendees will be required to wear a mask, QR code in, and socially distance.

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SCHOOL INFORMATION: Parent Volunteer Group

The Parent Volunteer Group hopes that everyone has had a wonderful school break and welcomes you all back to the new school year in 2022.

The Parent Volunteer Group has recently held its AGM and has welcomed a new committee on board for 2022.

The office bearers are:

President: Sophie Simson

Vice President: Pat Sharam

Treasurer: Alex Lambert/Mel Catlin

Secretary: Jen McCulloch

Governing Council Rep: TBC

Staff Rep: Tony O'Connell

Committee: Belinda Sanders, Mardi Currie, Louise Poynter, and Bridgett Cutchie.

The Parent Volunteer Group would like to thank all of the parents who have volunteered throughout 2021. It was greatly appreciated and we look forward to your continuous support.

The group would also like to thank all of the outgoing office bearers and committee members, many of whom have been on the committee for over 8 years. Thank you for your commitment and time to the group and to the school community. It has been greatly appreciated.

The Parent Volunteer Group would also like to acknowledge all of the work and effort Matt Crewe has put into the redevelopment of the school's front entrance.

His extra hard work and attention to details while working on the redevelopment has not gone unnoticed and we truly appreciate the hard work that you have put in during school hours and countless out-of-school hours.

Thank you for working so hard on our front entrance to make it a welcoming place for our school community. Our landscape is such an important part of our school environment, and it wouldn't be the same without your daily efforts.

Thank you.



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SCHOOL NEWS: Junior Primary

From this to this!

Our Junior Primary mud kitchen area has undergone an upgrade!

This new space has already been used for a dance party, a quiet reading space, class meeting area, and a place to be inspired while writing.

This space will continue to evolve as the year progresses.

How did this space come to be?

We are fortunate to have some very talented families who developed this space for us.

Chris Clements used his artistic talents to design and paint the beautiful mural.

James and Jess Skeer spent numerous hours after school and on weekends designing and constructing the deck area.

We cannot thank these wonderful people enough. Thank you Chris, James and Jess. Community at its best!



Before



After



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SCHOOL NEWS: Welcome to Penola Primary School

We welcome new students, Jan (2/3 A) and Ané (4/5A) to our school.

We hope all our new students have settled in well and will have a great experience at our school.



Jan



Ané

CANTEEN NEWS:

Canteen Manager: Bridgette Cutchie

The canteen is open for 2022! It is open on Wednesday for recess only, and Thursday and Friday it is open for recess and lunch. Orders can be done via QKR! or lunch order bags.

Munchies

Wednesday, 9th March

Peta Baverstock
Jen McCulloch
Amanda Gerritsen

Wednesday, 16th March

Donna de Blaauw
Alex Lambert
Trish Wooding

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Important dates for term 1 2022

11th March - Berry St – Trauma Informed Practice

14th March - Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

15th April - Good Friday

Please note that due to Covid restrictions some events may be postponed.

Contact Us:

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Term 1 2022 Calendar



1	31/1	1/2	2/2	3/2	4/2
2	7/2	8/2	9/2	10/2	11/2
3	14/2	15/2	16/2	17/2	18/2
4	21/2	22/2	23/2	24/2	25/2
5	28/2 Sporting Schools Badminton	1/3	2/3 MSE Softball	3/3	4/3 Assembly
6	7/3	8/3	9/3	10/3	11/3 Pupil Free day
7	14/3 Adelaide Cup	15/3	16/3	17/3	18/3 Sapsasa Swimming Penola Lucindale Field Days Assembly
8	21/3	22/3	23/3	24/3	25/3
9	28/3	29/3	30/3	31/3	1/4 Assembly
10	4/4	5/4 Sapsasa Athletics Millicent	6/4	7/4	8/4
11	11/4 Softball State Carnival	12/4	13/4	14/4 Assembly	15/4 Good Friday

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Community News and Events

HOOKIN2 HOCKEY

**FIRST SESSION IS FREE!
CALL OR EMAIL FOR DETAILS!
ALL EQUIPMENT PROVIDED!**



CLUB: Lower South East Hockey Association

VENUE: Blue Lake Sports Park, Jubilee Hwy East, Mount Gambier, SA, 5290

PROGRAM START DATE: Friday, 25 February 2022

TIME: 5:00pm – 6:00pm

NO. OF WEEK: 5 weeks

PRICE: \$35



COORDINATOR NAME: Ali Shephard

COORDINATOR EMAIL: lsahajuniors@gmail.com

COORDINATOR PHONE: 0408 899 719

**TO REGISTER GO TO
WWW.HOCKEY.ORG.AU/HOOKIN2HOCKEY**

Junior Netball Training



Thurs. 10 March

U13's - 4:30pm

U15's/U17's - 5pm



Penola Scout Group Come & Try

Meet Wednesdays during School term

Cubs (8 - 11 years old) : 4.30pm – 6pm

Scouts (11 to 14 years old) : 4.30pm – 6pm

Penola Scout Hall, Riddoch Street



Be Prepared to Join Scouts!
Come and try 3 visits for free.
1800 SCOUTS sa.scouts.com.au

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Beachport - Coonawarra - Furber - Glencoe - Hatherleigh - Kalangadoo - Millicent - Mt Burr - Nangwarry - Penola - Rendelsham - Southend - Tantanoola

March 2022

26 th Feb – 5 th March	Southern Ports Golf Week Southern Ports Golf Week (SPGW) is an event run by the Kingston SE, Robe and Beachport Golf Clubs https://www.southernportsgolf.com/	https://www.facebook.com/SouthernPortsGolfWeek
2 nd March	Penola Coffee & Chat Meet with our College Principal, Heads of School and our Enrolment Registrar and learn more about St Martins Lutheran College. If you're interested in discovering what an education at St Martins can provide for your child, then join us for a casual chat RSVP's essential - events@stmartins.sa.edu.au	<i>Vintage Cafe,</i> 48 Church street, Penola From 9am - 10am https://bit.ly/36uydnb
5 th March	Beachport Crayfish Festival A 12 hour event showcasing the Southern Rock Lobster Industry within the Limestone Coast Region. Locally made Food and Wines within a program filled with Art, Music, Children's Activities and more. Tickets online or at the gate on the day. https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/beachport-crayfish-festival-tickets-218888560577	<i>Centennial Park,</i> <i>Beachport</i> 10am – 10pm 08 87358029 https://m.facebook.com/Beachportcrayfishfestival/
5 th March	Millicent Naracoorte A Grade Cricket Association Grand Final https://www.facebook.com/Millicent-Naracoorte-Cricket-Association-103438198932453	
6 th March	Strings Attached playing @ Bompas of Beachport Live music being played on the front lawn of Bompas Call to book a table and enjoy a drink and tunes by the beach. https://www.facebook.com/bompasatbeachport/photos/a.127700849476043/280559494190177	<i>Bompas, Beachport</i> 11am – 5pm 08 87840804
6 th March	Cricketers V Footballers T20 The annual T20 Cricket Match between the Mt Burr Cricketers and Mt Burr Footballers in memoriam of Bryce Pollard. All welcome to come and watch the match being held at the Mick + Jean Walker Oval, Mt Burr. BBQ + salad lunch, with drinks available throughout the day.	<i>Mt Burr Oval</i> 10.30am https://www.facebook.com/events/1020940922102457
6 th March	Conversation Around Suicide A four hour workshop highly recommended to help people gain more confidence in having the hard talk with their family and friends. This will be one of the 5 courses running throughout the year. https://www.facebook.com/WR5PN/photos/a.2100035833644059/3024633727850927/	<i>Millicent Civic & Arts Centre</i> 10am – 2pm No charge to participants.

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18th – 20th March	Penola Coonawarra Acoustic Music Gathering CANCELLED Three-day event for people to hear, play and share music. Concerts, open mics, workshops and mentoring for young musicians. Sunday market. On site Camping non powered \$10 per night.	https://www.facebook.com/PenolaCoonawarraAcousticMusicGathering
12th March	French Farm House Feast Welcome to the French Farmhouse Feast @ Parker Coonawarra Estate. https://www.facebook.com/events/882022969145192	<i>Parker Estate, Coonawarra</i> 10am – 2pm \$165 per person.
12th March	Pizza and Tunes @ Raidis Estate Relax and enjoy an afternoon of delicious pizza and live music while sipping on Raidis Estate wine. Order your pizza in advance to secure your time slot where it will then be delivered to your table. Guests are welcome to arrive early and stay for the afternoon to enjoy the music and wines at your own leisure. Pizzas are \$20 each. Wine, beer, cider and soft drinks are available to purchase by the glass/can.	<i>Raidis Estate, Coonawarra</i> 12pm – 5pm Bookings essential. https://coonawarra.org/event/pizza-and-tunes-august-2021/
12th March	Weekend to Penola to meet the FRAT. Motor Guzzi Club of Victoria. Meet the FRAT on their own turf. Details tba.	https://bit.ly/3HfkMUQ
13th March	Mt Burr Walking Trail - Pets Welcome! Join us for a guided walk in Mt Burr. The Hollow Tree Trail is an easy 1km return walk, surrounded by beautiful Eucalyptus trees and wildlife, through the newly upgraded walking trails. Coffee and lunch to follow (at own expense) at the Mt Burr General Store. Everyone is encouraged to bring along their furry friends and enjoy a great afternoon out! https://www.facebook.com/groups/680331616311063	<i>Mt Burr</i> 11.00am https://www.wattlerange.sa.gov.au/tourism/all-events/events/mt-burr-walking-trail-pets-welcome! https://www.facebook.com/events/980572936175931
17th March	PAOCA 1878 South East Community Dinner 2022 Old Reds President Alan Letcher invites the PAC community to a South East Dinner at which we will farewell Headmaster Bradley Fenner	<i>Pipers of Penola</i> 6.30pm https://bit.ly/35jUfbO
19th March	Kalangadoo Farmers Market Come visit Kalangadoo weekly market. Vegies, cakes, pasties and other baked goods are just some of the many things on sale for the day. https://www.facebook.com/kdoofarmersmarket	<i>Eliza Street, Kalangadoo</i> 10am – 1pm https://www.kalangadoodoofarmersmarket.org/?fbclid=IwAR2XGd85h1dPxu_NVvghTrLQVrt88KnXcoLEO6Jo9OSFa0UGRaU8f9wrRQ
21st March & 16th May	Free Health Age Assessment (2 sessions) 45 Minutes Session between 8.30am to 5.00pm https://www.wattlerange.sa.gov.au/tourism/all-events/events/free-health-age-assessment	<i>Millicent Civic Centre/ Library</i> Bookings are limited http://redcap.link/unisaREACH or Henry Blake 08 8302 1254
25th March	Movie Of The Month Beachport Film Society are holding their monthly Friday night film. New members are welcome to join, \$12 per film. Memberships are \$80 per year. https://everi.events/event/14711424-a/beachport-film-society-presents-movie-of-the-month	<i>Beachport Cinema</i> 7.30pm Please bring a plate to share for supper.

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24 th March	McArthur Kindergarten Playgroup A fun morning offering babies and all young children a wide variety of early learning experiences, such as: developing physical skills, problem solving, and social interaction.	McArthur Park Kindergarten, Millicent 9am – 10:30am https://www.facebook.com/events/598128811510116
25 th & 26 th	Fashion Pop-Up Market Penola Fri 4-9pm Sat 9am – 2pm It's on again....the Fashion Pop-up Market raising funds for Stand Like Stone Penola Coonawarra Sub Fund...EUC clothing and some brand new with tags!!!	RSL Hall, Corner Young and Queen Streets Penola, https://bit.ly/3t6ebHc
26 th	Grapes of Mirth Coonawarra Six of Australia's best comedians will make their way to Penley Estate for the ultimate afternoon of wines, laughs, and the most amazing festival vibes!LUKE MCGREGOR JORDAN BARR HARLEY BREEN KIRSTY WEBECK + more to be announced.	Penley Estate , Coonawarra 12:00pm - 6:00pm https://bit.ly/36q8H2q
26 th	Millicent Community Market Saturday @ Millicent Rotunda Parklands, Live Music & Local crafts, produce and stalls https://www.wattlerange.sa.gov.au/tourism/all-events/events/millicent-monthly-community-markets	Jubilee Park, Millicent 9am till 1pm. 0887330904 https://www.facebook.com/events/525077702275695

If you know of any events coming up or are part of a community group or organisation that meets regularly and would like to be included in the events, please submit your event here:
<https://www.wattlerange.sa.gov.au/tourism/all-events/submit-event-new> or
email: events@wattlerange.sa.gov.au

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