



Mini-Newsletter

Wednesday, 9th September 2020 (Term 3, Week 8)

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FATHER POPE

Recently Fr Pope celebrated his 95th birthday! This is a fantastic celebration for Fr Pope who has been a Priest in the Port Pirie Diocese for so many years now and has contributed so much to so many Parishes over this time. Fr Pope lives here in Wallaroo and is a much-loved community member and we wish him continued good health and happiness.

P & F NEWS

Our Father's Day Breakfast was well attended last Thursday morning with approximately 120 adults and children coming along. There has been lots of lovely feedback about how much the children enjoyed having Dad or Grandpa come along to school. Thank you to helpers for the morning: Harry and Isabella (donated all bacon, bread, margarine and juice), all families who donated a dozen eggs, Miranda, Megan, Hunter, Trae, Taya and Sarah (helping with setting up, cooking and cleaning up). I hope that families enjoyed Father's Day on Sunday.

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend our P & F meeting last Thursday evening. The P & F are in a position to be able to pass on \$10,000 raised through fundraising. All money that is passed on to the School Board is spent on facilities, items and resources in the school that directly benefit the children. For example this year, this \$10,000 has contributed to: subsidising the cost of the Year 7 jumpers, buying School Start Buddy literacy kits for all new Reception children, new freezer, air fryer and kitchen utensils, fridge for classroom, contributed half cost of 24 new ipads. I hope that you can see the direct contribution that you all make through our fundraising. Thank you for your support.

SPORTS DAY

Sports Day preparations are underway. The students have been practising Health Hustle, Team chants, marching and games this week. More assistance with cooking and serving food for lunches would still be welcome. There will be a staggered system of serving lunches in alphabetical order to families. This should help with smoothness of service and helping us to adhere to social distancing and COVID safety requirements.

General Details:

- Students are to be dropped at Wallaroo oval at 8.45am for a 9.00am start.
- Bus runs will operate as usual for those students who have advised they are unable to be transported directly to the Wallaroo oval.
- Kadina bus students will be dropped at SMMS as usual and will then be transported by our school bus to Wallaroo oval.
- The day will conclude at around 2.00pm – at which time parents/carers take their children home.
- OSHC will not be available after Sports Day.
- Students are asked to bring their school hat, filled water bottles, a fruit snack, recess and lunch (if they aren't purchasing this on the day).
- Students are to wear school sport shorts, Team shirt (new or old) or plain coloured polo shirt in Team colour.

A programme for the day will be coming home today for each family. Please note that the times are a guide and that for varying reasons we may run ahead of or behind time slightly on the day.

The new Sport Team tops have arrived and they look fantastic! Thank you to Karen Westlake, Lisa Caffyn, Bernie Thomson, Lisa Hawson, Nina Farr, Lauren Donnellan for their work on our Uniform sub-committee designing the new tops and to Karen for all of her coordination of the orders.

DANCE CONCERT COSTUMES

If anyone is able to help with supplying any of the following for Dance Concert costumes this would be much appreciated:

- Girl's Kernewek style dresses and pinafores (fit 6 year old), we require 8
- Sets of braces
- Bright lacy material
- Fez hats

Please label with your name clearly and leave at Front Office. Items (apart from material) will all be returned to you after the concert.

YEAR 1 CLASS ASSEMBLY

The Year 1 class will present their Assembly this Friday morning. Parents of the Year 1 Owen/Stringer students are invited to attend at 9am in the MPLA.

WELCOME LILI ROACH

Lili Roach is currently doing her Professional Placement for her teaching studies in the Year 1 class. Lili will be with us until Week 10 of this term. Thank you to Jane Owen, Katherine Stringer and the Year 1 students for hosting Lili's placement. It is lovely to have Lili here, enjoy your time with us Lili!

WELCOME SOPHIE HOUGHTON

Next week Sophie Houghton will join us for a week of Work Experience in various classes in the school. We look forward to welcoming Sophie next week and hope she enjoys her time with us.

PARENT-TEACHER INTERVIEWS

We look forward to meeting with parents and carers next week for Interviews. This is an important time to communicate with each other how students are going with their learning and wellbeing. Thank you to Karen Westlake for coordinating the replies and appointment times, to staff for their preparations for the meetings and to parents and carers for committing to this important time.

Blessings for the week ahead,

Michelle Miller

Principal

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ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Congratulations to the students who were the recipients of the School Value Award at our assembly last Friday morning. The award includes Respect, Team Work, Trust, Courage and Commitment. Mia missed the photo so gets to star by herself. Well done everyone!



FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST PHOTOS



SPORTS DAY

Wednesday 16th September 9.00am – 2.00pm

Wallaroo Football Club Oval

Thank you to the families who have offered their assistance on Sports Day. Your assistance is sincerely appreciated.

SPORTS DAY VOLUNTEER ROSTER TIMETABLE

SET UP OVAL – MORNING – 8.00am

White, Miers, Crosby, Liddy, Giles, Atkinson, Graham, Griffiths, Dennis, Crawford, Fields

PACK UP OVAL – AFTERNOON

Miers, Frost, Adams, Oakley, Liddy, Giles, Atkinson, Donnellan, Britton, Walton, Dennis

ASSISTING CLASS TEACHERS

Adams – Reception

Oakley – Reception

Dennis - Reception

Venning – Reception/1

Clifford _ Reception/1

Gummow – Reception/1

Atkinson – Reception/1

Donnell – Reception/1

Donnellan – Reception/1

Haylock – Reception/1

Crosby – Year 1

Miller – Year 1

Walton – Year 1

Mattin – Year 1

Marchetto – Year 2/3

Dennis – Year 2/3

Donald – Year 2/3

Richards – Year 3/4

Whitbread – Year 5/6

Rennie – Year 6/7

All parents are welcome to assist

PLACE JUDGE CHAMPIONSHIP SPRINTS

Russack, Miers, Frost, Liddy, Griffiths, Dennis, Rennie,

BBQ COOKING

9.30-10.30am – Russack, Appleton, Russel, Duncan,

10.30-11.30am – Frost, Clifford, Liddy, Fields

11.30-12.30pm – Venning, Miers, Walton, Winter

12.30-1.00pm - Oakley, Bald,

SERVING BBQ & DRINKS

9.00-10.00am – Litchfield, Davey, Wall A,

10.00-11.00am – Venning, Miers, Gummow,

11.00-12.00pm – Lamshed, Robinson

12.00-1.00pm - Walton, Fields