Dear parents and carers,

**2017 Class Placements**

Early next term teachers will begin the class placement process for 2017 and careful consideration will be given to ensure the best possible placement for your child. When forming new classes, teachers take into account the following: class size, gender balance, behaviours, learning needs, friendships and relationships.

Please note that we are unable to consider parent requests for a particular teacher. If you would like to provide any further information to assist teachers in this process, please pick up a form from the front office and return it to the Principal by Friday, 21 October 2016. **This will be the only form of parent request that will be considered** and I will ensure that this information is taken into consideration during the class placement process for 2017.

**Senior Choir**

Congratulations to Steph Hammond and our Senior Choir for their performance at the Festival of Music at the Festival Theatre on Saturday Night.

**Thank you**

A big thank you to all the parents who have once again supported the school this term. We are very lucky to have a vast number of people involved with reading, cooking, fun and games, computing, transporting, coaching, gardening, canteen, committees and many more. I’d also like to acknowledge our wonderful teachers and SSOs who work so hard to provide the best education possible for our students.

I would also like to acknowledge the hard work teachers, SSO’s and staff members have put in over Term 3. We have had 23 staff working with Kym Brown on Powerful Learners, 9 Teachers who have just finished a long course on ‘Visible Thinking’ through Harvard and 20 staff continuing their learning through Scaffolded Literacy with Stephanie Lane. I’m very proud of the opportunities we offer our students and it is great to see students taking control of their learning, being engaged in activities and challenging themselves to keep on improving.

I hope you have a great holiday break with family as we enjoy some warmer weather and we look forward to a productive term 4.

Paul Taylor Principal

**Upcoming Events**

- Principal’s Tour
  - Friday 23 September
- Last day of Term 3
  - Friday 30 September
- French Day
  - Friday 30 September
- EARLY DISMISSAL 2.05PM
- Disco
  - Friday 4 November
- Swimming Week R-5
  - Week 5 14 November
- Pupil Free Day
  - Friday 16 December

**School Values**

- Bravery
- Care
- Challenge
- Trust

**Term Dates For 2016**

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**SMS Number for Absences**

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Library News

Congratulations to all students who completed the PRC this year. Next newsletter we will have a summary of all the data from the challenge. Congratulations in particular to those classes where all students completed the challenge. Well done to these readers who got their meerkats on the wall during the last week of the programme.

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Gus Gordon Visit

On October 25 we will be lucky enough to have Gus Gordon visiting our school. (See order form attached) This fantastic author and illustrator will be talking with the children and will be available to afterwards to sign pre-ordered copies of his books. His visit is sponsored by Pegi Williams Bookstore, one of our best suppliers of quality resources. Order forms and money must be back to the school by Thursday September 29.

Judy and Anne

Sports Update

Athletics

An update of the District Athletics team has seen 2 additions from our school: Finn M and Jessica M have been selected in their age group for the discus event. They will join the team on Tuesday week 10 at SANTOS Stadium. Congratulations and good luck on Tuesday.

Swimming

Erin is currently in Darwin competing in the National Multi-Class Para Swimming Championships. We wish her all the best and I will let you know her results later.

Volleyball

All 4 teams that competed in the SAPSASA Volleyball Finals Day made it through to the semi-finals on the day. The 6/7 boys were defeated in the semis; the 6/7 girls made it to grand final and won silver; the 2 girls 4/5 teams played each other in the grand final – so obviously won both gold and silver!

Well done to all the teams who competed with great teamwork and sportsmanship!

Gymnastics

Last weekend Lucy B competed in the State Gymnastics competition. She won 3rd place in the Vault. Well done Lucy. She also achieved an overall upgrade to the next level of competition.

Football

This week Kody M is competing in the Indigenous Football Carnival held in Victoria. Well done on your selection Kody and we hope you have a great week and enjoy playing at this level of football.

The time is almost up to hand in your completed Premier’s be active forms! The deadline is Friday September 23 (this Friday!!). If you need an extension of a day or 2 please come and see me so that I know it is on its way!

Thanks to everyone who has completed the challenge and to the many parents who also were part of the challenge!

Sigatoka Fiji Update

Thanks to the Paringa Park Primary School and St. Philip’s Church for making it possible to send more library books for the new school in Conua Sigatoka Fiji. The goods left last week and are now in transit by ship to Lautoka in Fiji where the kind people of the Radisson Hotel will collect them and take them to Conua District School in Sigatoka. I have heard that they will arrive in Fiji on 18 October this year.

It takes a little while for them to ship across the sea. However the children are looking forward to receiving the books that are so needed in this new smaller school. Thank you all at Paringa for making this possible for children just like yourselves, but who live in a place where there is much need for good resources.

Every blessing

Rev Barb

School banking – volunteer required

Do you like to chat, count money and have an hour or two on a Friday morning to spare? Our dedicated banking team would like to train another person who can assist the team especially when one of them may be unavailable. If you think this is something you would like to do, please speak to Susan or Erica in the office or our banking team Kristy Colicchio and Deb Hooper. Thankyou.
Dear Students and Families

If you are planning to graduate this year you have until **Week 1 of Term 4** to finish collecting hours in your ‘Passport to Learning’. Unfortunately, passports submitted after Friday 21 October 2016 will **not** be eligible for graduation. Please remember no more than 10 hours can be claimed for any one activity as this ensures students participate in a range of great learning experiences.

A representative from Children’s University will be visiting on Wednesday 19 October (Week 1, Term 4) to discuss graduation and work out gown sizes. Graduation will be held on the evening of **Tuesday 8 November**. Graduating students may invite 3 guests to attend the ceremony and celebration dinner (no charge). If you have any questions, please don’t hesitate to contact either Ivan Cooper or Paul Taylor.

We are looking forward to celebrating all the amazing learning that students have completed this year!

Kind regards

The Children’s University

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**Vacation Care**

The OSHC October Vacation Care program is now available from the front office or at the OSHC room. Please collect one and ensure that all bookings are made **before** the end of term. We have a number of fun activities these holidays including Skywatch the 360 degree planetarium, Movies – The Secret life of Pets and Paringa’s Jam and Talent show just to name a few.

**French News**

On Friday the 30th of September, Madame Garrett will have the pleasure of hosting the final assembly of the term at 9.00am in the gym. Come dressed in the colours of “bleu, blanc & rouge” (blue, white and red) to add to the French atmosphere or come dressed as a French character.

Amitié, Lea Garrett

**Choir**

Saturday 17 September was the night that our Paringa Park Choir sang at the Festival of Music. The choir did an amazing job and the night was a wonderful success. Well done to all choir members who participated! We did our fantastic school proud. Also, a big congratulations to Billie and Jasmin P who are a part of the Southern Troupe. They have performed regularly over the two week festival period and still have the Southern Festival to come. Fantastic work! Thank you to Nerida who volunteered her time to come and help supervise the choir with me.

Thank you. **Stephanie Hammond**

**Adare Camp**

From Monday to Wednesday LA1-9, LA1-10 and LA1-11 went to Adare Camp in Victor Harbor. The beds were comfortable, the meals were yummy and the activities were fun! It was hard to not use any electronic devices but we got through it. No one gave up even when things were hard, which shows our school value of challenge. Everyone worked together and we cheered each other on. Our top three favourite things were the Flying Kiwi where we were catapulted through the air, the night hike through the muddy camp grounds and the beach games where we competed for team points. And the most important thing was that we had fun together.

By Ella, Harry and Aryan

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**State Soccer**

Paringa Park Primary is pleased to announce that State Soccer will now be delivering soccer coaching at the school. Enrolments for Term 4, 2016 are now being taken. Lessons are available for all skill levels Tuesdays after school beginning at 3.20pm.

The first lesson of the term will be on Tuesday 18th of October.

Look out for enrolment forms which will be given to all students soon or beat the rush and enrol early by phoning 8235 1877 or emailing: admin@statesoccer.com.au

www.statesoccer.com.au
SIDESHOW
ALLEY!
Order books now for Gus Gordon’s author talk!

On **Tuesday October 25** children’s author **Gus Gordon** will be visiting the school to talk to students about reading, writing and his life as a writer and illustrator. A fantastic opportunity to get to know the ins-and-outs of writing and illustrating stories: students will not want to miss this!


Gus’s latest picture book, *Somewhere Else*, is an irresistible story about a duck called George, the possibility of adventure, and taking risks to realise what you value most. Educational as well as enjoyable, with quirky observations and facts about the world as each of George’s friends tell him of their travels.

Students may order books from Pegi Williams Book Shop and have the author sign them on the day!

Please return money and the below form to school by **Thursday 29 September** to ensure you receive your order.

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**Event date:** Tuesday Oct 25

**Student name:**

**Class:**

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Please return this form, with cash in an envelope by **Thursday 29 September**