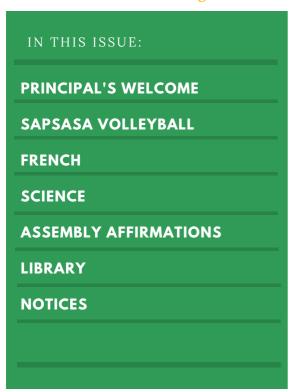


NEWSLETTER

Principal: Tracey Bennett Governing Council Chairperson: Vanessa Payne



Traffic Monitors:

Week 6

Morning: Sienna B, Mariah, Julian & Lauren Afternoon: Alvah, Seb, Austin & Jayve

Week 7

Morning: Zoe, Emily, Audrey & Mackenzie Afternoon: Kiyara, Zoe, Narayanan & Oliver

> <u>School values</u> Bravery - Care Challenge - Trust

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Principal's Welcome

Tracey Bennett

Dear Families,

We work tirelessly to raise student achievement and opportunities for all students in every class. Since 2016, all public schools are reviewed externally across a three-year cycle. The External School Review process adds value to our work by collaboratively identifying and providing targeted directions for our next steps for continuous improvement.

During our external school review, some students, parents, governing council members and staff will be asked to provide information to the review team in a number of ways.



These include:

- group discussions (with students, staff or parents)
- meetings (governing council, staff meeting)
- visits to classrooms

More information will be provided early next year.

Our school review date is planned for term 1, week 5 2024. We are looking forward to the opportunity to share our successes and refine our directions for the future.

School Service Officers Deployment Pilot Project

At PPPS our school services officers are valued highly and work in a variety of different roles from administration, business manager, student intervention, library manager, classroom support and grounds person.

Our school has been identified as one of 18 schools to be part of a pilot study facilitated by Statewide Inclusive Education Services (SIES - formerly SERU). Eighty schools applied, so we are very excited to have been selected. Last Friday, Linda Chambers and I attended our first session of the project that runs for the next 18 months.

This is the first study of its kind in Australia and will define what the role of an SSO is, how they are currently used in classroom support and intervention, and how they can be more effectively deployed for the best outcomes for students and best support for teachers. The input from all schools in the project will be reported to the CE, Minister and at a federal level to provide a framework for best practice.

PAYMENTS:

Preferred payment method is via Qkr! Please contact the front office for other payment options and for any payment queries.



Upcoming payments:

- Materials & Services charges
- R-5 Water safety swimming week \$46.00 due by Tuesday 21 November
- Kuitpo Forest Leadership day [SVE & Tribe leaders] \$40.00 due by 3pm Tuesday 28 November
- Aqua Splash excursion \$16.00 due by 3pm Wednesday 29 November
- Pool Picnic: End of year celebration [years 3 & 4] \$24.50 due by Tuesday 5 December
- Year 6 Graduation lunch \$35.00 due by Tuesday 5 December
- Year 6 Graduation Ceremony \$10.50 due by Tuesday 5 December

Words of Wellbeing (WOW)

Jamie Meredith

Student safety in our community

Brighton Rd is becoming a hive of activity with a number of shops that are appealing to our students and with more on the way (rumours indicate McDonalds is moving in soon). X Convenience Petrol Station is very close for our students and on hot days the pull of an ice cold slushie for a few dollars is pretty tempting.



However, we have had reports that students in years 4 - 6 are going to X-Convenience and hanging around in large groups. There have been occasions where parents and teachers have called in to get petrol and have witnessed some concerning behaviours from our students. As a school, we worry about our students' safety in a busy place where cars are coming in and out. Often people have their mind on other things and are not expecting students in large groups who can be loud and boisterous and at times intimidating from all reports. Students are often still in uniform and are easily recognisable by the public and the store employees. If parents of year 4-6 students could please have a think about if this is a good option for your child. We are concerned about the supervision, safety and attitudes of some of the students when in large numbers.

2024 Out of School Sports

A big thank you to all the coordinators for volleyball, basketball, cricket, soccer and netball. Some of our coordinators won't be continuing next year and I want to thank them for all their hard work especially with our trial with Kelly Sports. In 2024 we will be going in a slightly different direction with organising sports working towards finding the best way forward with coordinating sports for PPPS families. We will be advertising sign up for summer sports later this term. Please keep an eye out on socials, email, SeeSaw and our newsletter (we have so many communication streams to suit everyone).



Finishing Strong in 2023

As the end of the year is only a few weeks away it is so important that all of our students finish strong and really value these last few weeks of learning. It is so important for them to value their teachers and the relationship they have created with them and appreciate the great times and learning journeys they have had with their classmates.



Sometimes for the older students the thrill and excitement of finishing primary school can influence some poor decision making and we need families to be reminding their children that strong decisions breed positive consequences and weak choices create negative consequences. With our celebration night coming up we want to finish the next few weeks feeling great about 2023 and finishing strong and proud that we have been the best we can be - the PPPS way!





It is the time of the year where family and all that it gives us is reflected on. I wonder if starting a Gratitude/Thankful Tree could be a great craft activity for your kids in the lead up to Christmas. It is simple to do and involves drawing a tree (could put an aussie spin and choose a gum tree or a Christmas tree) and on each of the leaves write things you are grateful for. Each night it could be an activity to write on a leaf during dinner as it would spark conversation. The tree could be on the fridge or stuck up in a visible place. The holiday season is a time for thinking and reflecting and with so many not able to live their best lives, for those of us that can it is humbling to be grateful and gratitude is a skill that is learnt

Science

Kelly Mitchell

Lego League 2023

Congratulations to Barry's Business Buddies (Our 2023 Lego League Team) for their amazing participation in the First Lego League competition which was held on Sunday 29 November. The team presented their innovation project to a panel of judges - Electro-score - and competed in the robot game.

The Electro-Score project took the problem of inaccurate scoring and lack of a scoreboard in netball games, and created an electronic scoreboard using sensors and AI for all to see.

The robot game involved the team programming a robot to complete missions to earn points. This is the first time the team had worked with the Spike Prime robot, so getting 7th place in the robot competition is an outstanding result. We were competing against 21 other teams.

Thank you Audrey, Narayanan, Ana and Elise. You have done Paringa Park proud!







Ran	k Team Name #Number	Round 1	Round 2	Round 3
21	Uraidla Primary Lego Team #1153	80	65	65
1	Highgate School Mario Red Team #226	270	350	245
2	RoboRoos The DJ Roos #1288	325	300	280
3	Emmaus Blue #2189	280	300	185
4	Lego Lightning (CBC2) #2013	205	95	160
5	Untitled Ones #2536	155	150	200
6	DragonBots #1369	145	200	120
7	Barry's Buisness Buddles #1986	150	180	190
8	Lenswood 2023 #2261	90	120	180
9	Westie Bots #1844	155	155	170
10	Southern Vales LL Team #942	155	135	160









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The Premier's Reading Challenge medals and certificates have arrived and will be distributed to classes following next week's assembly. Well done everyone!

The last Scholastic Book Club catalogue has been distributed and will be closed off on Friday 25 November to ensure any purchases arrive at the school in plenty of time.

And a final reminder that borrowing for all children will finish at the end of week 6 (24 November). All books must be returned no later than the end of week 8 (8 December). So have a bit of a scurryfunge (look it up) and drop those books in! It's beginning to look at lot like Christmas.....

Notices

School uniform orders

It is the time of the year, where our supply of school uniform has reduced. We will aim to fill all orders but cannot guarantee that orders will be filled this year. We will continue to take orders via Qkr until the last day of term, but please note that some items may sell out.

New stock will be delivered in January, we will organise available times prior to school returning in 2024 for collection. Dates and further information will be supplied closer to the end of term.

2024 Senior jumpers

REMINDER: 2024 senior jumpers orders close on Sunday 26 November. Please check the email that was sent previously via EdSmart to all year 5 families with the information on how to order.

Supervised yard duty

Please note the school yard is not supervised before 8:30am or after 3:25pm. We would appreciate families to please remind their children that students are not to be entering the school grounds before 8:30am and are expected to leave the school grounds by 3:25pm unless they are attending out of school sport. Students are not to be riding their bikes through the school at anytime and are expected to walk their bike to and from the bike racks.

Canteen

As we head towards the end of the school year, the canteen will be closely managing and reducing stocks. We will remove items from Qkr as they sell out, however there may be occasions when lunch orders may need to be slightly adjusted. We appreciate your understanding.

During the last week of school, the canteen will be taking lunch orders on Monday 11 and Tuesday 12 December only, then open for over the counter sales only on Wednesday13 December. The canteen will be closed on Thursday 14 and Friday 15 December.

We would like to thank our small team of dedicated volunteers who have supported Lisa, Vanessa and Chantelle this year. We couldn't do it without you!

Warradale lights display

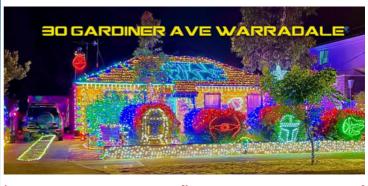
Dr Andrew Walters and his family recently donated a telescope to our Science program with funds raised from their Christmas Light display.

There will be a 'May the force be with us' event on Friday 1 December as we count down the 'lights on' for 2023.

There will be Star Wars characters, light sabre twirling, treats for the kids and much more. So come along and see all your favourites, R2D2, stormtroopers, the evil Empire, Grogu and a new favourite Ahsoka Tano.



For more information check out their Facebook page https://m.facebook.com/warradalelightsdisplay





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 Pool Picnic excursion [LA 1-9, 1-11, 4-1, 4-2 & 4-3]

Tuesday 12 December

• Year 6 Graduation

Wednesday 13 December

- CANTEEN: OVER THE COUNTER SALES ONLY
- Moving up day
- Year 6 Graduation Lunch

Thursday 14 December

- CANTEEN CLOSED
- Aqua Splash excursion [year 5 & 6 students]
- Somerton Park Beach excursion (reception to year 2 students]

Friday 15 December

- CANTEEN CLOSED
- School finishes early at 2.05pm

Paringa Park Primary School proudly presents the 2023

Celebration

Tuesday 5 December

Join us for an evening of Christmas songs performed by the children of Paringa Park

Featuring special performances by the Senior Choir, Beachfront Hub Band and Paringa Park Dance Troupe

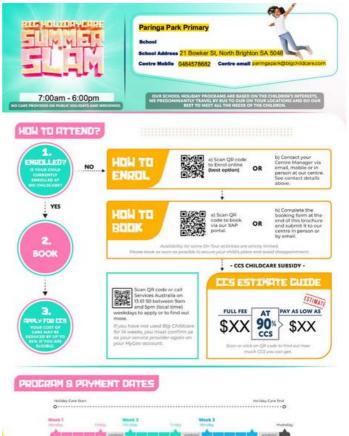
On the school oval, BYO picnic rug
Family picnic from 5pm (pack your own)
Children need to be at their classroom at 6.10pm
Concert starts at 6.30pm
Family friendly, alcohol free event

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