



A Note From the Principal...

Kaya, (Hello)

Week 4 is nearly behind us which means we are nearly half way through 3rd term. This term is flying along and students have been very busy training for the upcoming faction carnival which will be held on Wednesday 23rd (jumps) & Friday 25th (track) August.

This term we are continuing with our 'Play is the Way' program which is having positive results. Our Virtue focus for this term is Persistence and Resilience.

Pingelly Primary School has been contacted by a school in Perth requiring information on our mathematical program that we are currently using. They have heard of the fabulous results that we are experiencing and are looking to implement it in their school.

On Tuesday 1 August the School Council held a quarterly meeting. I would like to welcome our new members to the team, Ian Steel, Adam Watts, Les Kickett, Tara Whitney and Kristel Steel. This now brings our total membership to 15.

A small team of Staff members along with the P&C President (Alyssa Lee) held a meeting to keep the lines of communication open between the school and parents. Several items were discussed these included: School lunches, assemblies & conducting information sessions for parents.

PEAC testing was completed last week, and we are waiting on our NAPLAN results which will be in shortly.

On a final note can all parents please make sure they are following the parking rules we have in place.

- ◆ Please do not drop off or collect students from the designated Bus bays
- ◆ Do not double park. If dropping students off, please pull into the car park & park your car before allowing your child to exit the vehicle.
- ◆ All students that don't travel on school buses are to exit the school via the gates on Park Street.

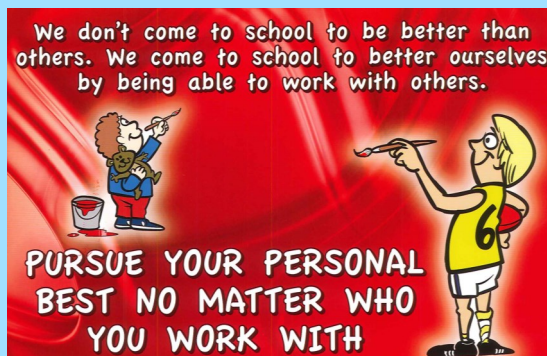
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Our attendance rate this week

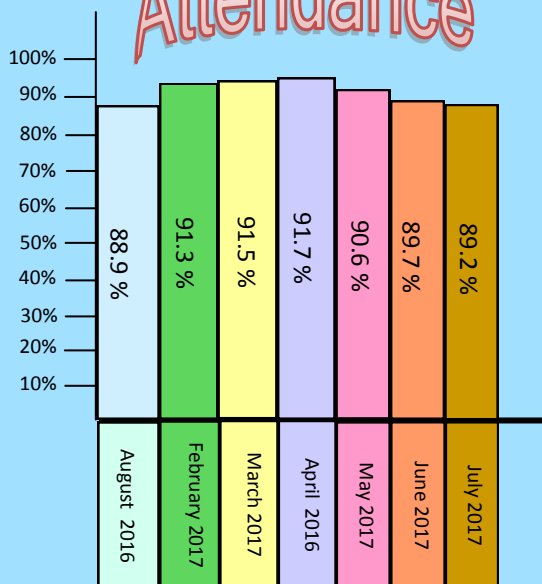
89.2 %



School success starts with attendance



Attendance



Its NOT OK to miss school if your child:

- ◆ Is celebrating a birthday
- ◆ Is going on a family holiday
- ◆ Is visiting family / friends
- ◆ Has slept in or had a big weekend
- ◆ Is looking after other children
- ◆ Has sport or other recreational activities that have not been approved by the school
- ◆ Has appointments such as haircuts and minor check-ups
- ◆ If possible, routine medical and other health appointments should be made either before or after school, or during the school holidays.

NAIDOC DAY 2017

Kaya, the 2017 NAIDOC theme "Our Languages Matter" aims to emphasize and celebrate the unique and essential role that Indigenous languages plays in cultural identity, linking people to their land and water and aboriginal Torres Strait Islanders history, spiritually through story and song.

Noongar is the official language of aboriginal people in the South West of Western Australia – our languages are made up 14 different dialects.

This year we invited Mrs Charmaine Councillor from the Noongar Boodja Language Centre who with each class learnt noongar language through story, song and dance. We also had Mr Gary Bennell a local elder who joined us and did our Welcome To Country in both language and translated into English.

Each class were given an animal name in noongar language.

Fish – djidjit Dolphin – kwiena Snake- noorn

Kangaroo – yongka Echidna – nyinarn Emu - wej

Our day started off with the year 5/6 class joining local noongar mums, nans and aunties in damper making with the whole school having a taste at recess time.

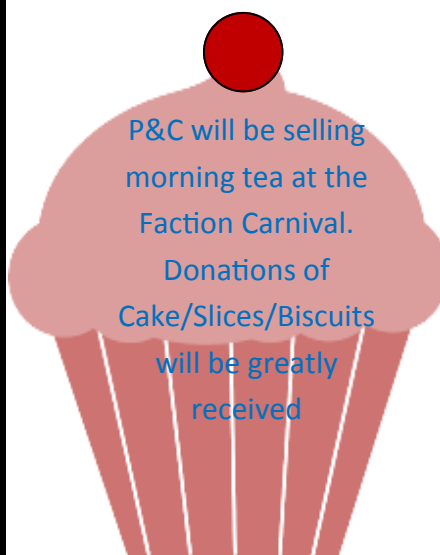
Throughout the day the classes moved through the school in rotations where they did language with Charmaine, arts with class teachers and outside sport games with Les from the shire.

Thanks to Wheatbelt Natural Resource Management we were also able to plant trees – each class divided into groups with the older students assisting the younger students what a fabulous way to grow together as a community having that connection to the land, student will be able to keep a close eye on their handy work in the garden, taking pride in the fact We planted that?

We had a great turn out with lots of help from the community members which was awesome to see!!

Check out the schools website to see photos from the day.

Kristy Jetta - AIEO



Banner in the Terrace

If you are able to help out at the Jump/Track faction carnival this would be GREATLY appreciated.

Jumps—Wednesday 23rd August

Track—Friday 25th August



Please phone the school on 98871061 if you are able to assist us. Thank you!

Thank you!



Our school raised **\$144** to send to the Children's Medical Research Institution, to help find cures for children's illnesses.

DAY	DATE	EVENT Calendar
Friday	18 August	Yr. 1/2 Assembly
Monday	21 August	Super Starters
Wednesday	23 August	Faction Carnival - Jumps - Helpers Required
Friday	25 August	Faction Carnival - Track Races - Helpers Required
Monday	28 August	Super Starters
Monday	4 September	Super Starters
Tuesday	5 September	Free Breakfast for ALL Dads. 7-9am Town Hall. Come and hear how important the role of Fathers are in their children's lives. RSVP 29 August CRC 98871409
Friday	8 September	Interschool Carnival held in Brookton - Pingelly will be running the carnival and will require helpers to run the day.
Monday	11 September	Super Starters
Friday	15 September	Western Australia College of Agriculture - Narrogin Open Day. 9am-3pm. RSVP Friday 8