From the Principal
The School calendar keeps getting busier and busier!

Open Day
Last week's Open Morning was a great success, with a large group of visitors attending. Our four senior SRC representatives did a capable job of leading small groups around the school, and in fielding questions! As well as the learning on display in each of the classrooms it was great to be able to show the new toilet and ramping facilities and the progress around the refurbished "Tinny" building adjacent to the covered court. It is clear that we have much to be proud of at Padthaway!

Book Week Activities
As usual I was amazed and delighted by the array of characters who attended school for the "Dress as your favourite Book Week character" Parade. What a creative group of parents (and staff) we have! On Thursday afternoon all students from Preschool to Year 7 were put into mixed groups which rotated through 4 activities relating to this year’s short-listed books. Meanwhile the Book Fair was very popular with families. Thanks to Sandi Key for organising this great opportunity for our students.

Jump Rope
After ongoing practice during daily fitness sessions we were treated to a demonstration by the Kingston Jump Rope team. Now there is no stopping our students as they rehearse the skills and tricks they learned, in readiness for tomorrow’s Jump Off! Thankyou as always to all families and friends for supporting our students in their quest to raise funds for ongoing research into heart disease.

High School Transition
Our four Year 7 students have recently received information about the Naracoorte High School transition programme for 2015. Principal Mr Kym Grant will visit during Week 8 of this term to meet each student as the first step of this process.

Big Day Out
Our Preschoolers, Receptions, Year 1s and Year 2s will be off to Mount Gambier next Friday 5th September to see a performance of The Very Cranky Bear. This Big Day Out promises to be a great adventure for our younger children. Thanks go to Mrs Michelle Lampard and Miss Olivia Martin for organising the excursion. Please note that this Friday (5th September) is a Preschool day in lieu of the usual Wednesday: there will be no Preschool on Wednesday 3rd September.

Camp
Following the last Governing Council meeting we announced details of an upcoming camp for our students from Years 3-7. The camp to Woodhouse in Piccadilly (Adelaide Hills) will be from 12th-14th November. Please let us know at school if you have not received information about this.

Governing Council
The next meeting of Governing Council is scheduled for Monday 8th September.

Choir News
Our Choir members are also hard at work preparing for their performance at the Adelaide Festival Theatre on Saturday 13th September. Thanks go to Miss Olivia Martin who trains the Choir, and to the parents who support their children to be part of this experience.

Staff Professional Learning
I have just returned from Adelaide where I attended the annual Small Schools' Association Conference. This began on Sunday with an address by DECD Chief Executive Tony Harrison. On Monday we were privileged to hear world expert Maggie Farrar speak about educational leadership on a collaborative culture. Together with Phil Brown (from Victoria!) and Wendy Graham, she presented case studies illustrating how schools can
work together in partnerships similar to ours.
Next week staff will receive training on the "1-5" Scale for Behaviour Support. This will be delivered by our Disabilities Co-ordinator Wendy Pocock and Interagency Behaviour Support Co-ordinator Rosie Wolferstan.

The weather is warming up again at last – let’s hope it holds for TriSkills! Thank you to everyone for the support you have offered to make the day a special one.

Take care,
Cathie

**Book Fair**
We are pleased you were able to Connect to Reading for our very successful Book Fair this year. We have $548.00 commission from the sale of books (and for booking another Book Fair in 2015) to spend on books for the Library.
Thank you all for your generous support.
Sandi

**SRC Tuck Day**
SRC Tuck Day on Tuesday went to plan. We made four large quiche with Mr Eddy’s help and served quiche with salad. We sold about 40. Thanks everyone for buying.
We will have the final figure we raised after we take out costs.
Tom Moyle-Read
President

**Spare Clothing**
We require knickers and jocks for our spare clothing box. If you have any which your children have outgrown could you please donate them to the School?
We encourage children to carry their own spare knickers/jocks and track pants/shorts as they prefer to wear their own if needed.
Thank you, Sandi

**CPSW Spot**
How often do you get out of your comfort zone? Daily we face challenges, some large, many seemingly insignificant to others that we struggle with. As I write this the SRC are facing the challenge of Tuck Day and making quiches and flavoured milkshakes. It’s all daunting to me but they are confident all will go well! Our newest SRC members Tom Orton and Brody Hazel will enjoy their first challenge in the kitchen hot house.

Teachers challenge students to get out of their comfort zones and take their learning a step further; volunteers including those involved in the LAP program are doing the same. It is so rewarding to see students facing challenges and working through them; often it is small steps as they seek to improve. To see the results in the Middle Primary with their Commonwealth Games project is one such example, and every class has some amazing work displayed which parents observed last Thursday on Open Day.

This question of getting out of our comfort zone was put to a group of us last Saturday. We were asked who had bungy jumped and who had jumped out of a plane and only two hands went up. Everyone has a different perception of what it means to leave our comfort zone.

By the time you read this our SRC will have again successfully fed the school as they always do. They are a joy to work with and I know the staff and students respect and enjoy their enthusiasm and hard work.

Cheers
Stephen

**Tuck Day**
Reminder:
2nd September (Week 7)
Pizza
Helper
Sue Bryson
[Muffins – Tammy Mathews]

9th September (Week 8)
Nuggets and Salad/Ham Salad Roll
Helpers
Glenda Hughes – muffins
Bron Longbottom
Kathy Hayes, phone 0433 104 943
Bron Longbottom, phone 8765 6025
Tuck Day Coordinators
Community News

Kool Kangas

Term 3

Dates to remember:

➢ Monday 1\textsuperscript{st} September
➢ Monday 15\textsuperscript{th} September

Cost: $3.00/child or $8.00/family (3+ children)

The cost covers afternoon tea and some craft activities.

Time: 3.40 pm – 5.00 pm

If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact me on 8765 5120.

Joanna Schutz, Team Leader

Rotary Walk, Run & Ride

The date of the Rotary Walk Run & Ride in Bordertown is Sunday 26\textsuperscript{th} October.

A reminder that the more students involved then more funds are directed to your school.

Monica Jenkin
President Rotary Club of Bordertown
Ph 0428 165 844

Padthaway Playgroup

When: Friday Weeks 6 and 10
Next session – Friday 29\textsuperscript{th} August
Where: Padthaway School
Time: 10.00 am
Cost: $2.00 per family per session
Contact: Kylie Pethybridge
0417 862 861

Sunday School

When: 4\textsuperscript{th} Sunday of each month
–next session will be Sunday 28\textsuperscript{th} September.
Where: Padthaway Uniting Church
Time: 10.00 am
Contacts: Pam and Matt May, phone 8765 6116