From The Principal

*Success at School can be measured by the width of a smile on a child’s face.*

Harry Long

Combined School Sports Day

Combined School Sports Day is tomorrow, Friday. The event’s program was sent home last week. The event will be held at the Frances Football Oval from 9.00 am. The Combined Schools Sports Day has always attracted wide support from our community and I am sure will continue at Frances this year. Students are encouraged to wear suitable clothing including a school top that readily identifies them as Padthaway students. As in the past, parents have the responsibility of transporting their child/ren to and from this event. This day is always an important precursor to our own keenly anticipated Athletics Day early in Term Four. Our own Athletics Day will soon be upon us. The event is scheduled for Friday of Week Three, Term Four – 30th October. If you or someone you know would like to assist our student athletes with practice for a specific event please contact the School. Your assistance is always acknowledged by the active participation of our students.

Student Teacher

The School term started with a warm welcome to our fourth student teacher placement for the year. We welcome Corinne Brookes, who has a six week placement in Pam’s Middle Primary classroom. Corinne, from Bordertown, is in her last year of university. The School wishes her a successful learning and teaching experience while here.

School Camp

The Upper Primary School Camp to the Murraylands Aquatics Centre will take place from Monday through Wednesday next week. A range of aquatics and team-building activities will provide wonderful learning opportunities for our Year 4 through Year 7 students. Olivia, Stephen, Heather and I will be in attendance at the camp. I will be driving the Mount Gambier North Hub bus to and from the Murraylands. One evening, while on camp, will see us travel to Mannum for a tour of this historic old town.

Parent Teacher Conferences

The end of Term Three allows parents to formally meet with teachers to discuss their child/ren’s progress throughout the term. This process takes place upon request from parents and, as such, is an optional reporting format for the term. If you would like an interview with respective teachers at the School please contact the Front Office.

After School Activities

At the moment we have enough softball players for two teams. If your child/ren would like to play softball next term please forward the permission slip to the School as soon as possible. Our School would like to thank John Orton for his willingness to take on the In2Cricket coaching for the season ably supported by Sam Ward in the early weeks of the program. The program commences early in Term Four and continues through most of Term One with a lengthy intermission over the Christmas holiday period. The School acknowledges the wonderful efforts of both George Verco and Casey McElroy who ably led this program for several seasons. Soon our School Choir will undertake performances in both Adelaide and Mount Gambier. What a wonderful Choir we have this year with a committed Choir Trainer in Olivia English. Well done, to all Choir members. The upcoming concerts will be just reward for your efforts over many months of practice.

Around our Community

Much recent attention has focussed on our community’s involvement in the local football and netball finals series. Our Under 17 netball and football teams participated in finals and featured many of our School’s old scholars. Each performed well and while not reaching the grand final both teams can take collective
pride in their season of success. Good luck to our A Grade football team that participates in the second semi-final this weekend.

Our congratulations to Stacey Hayes who passed her Grade One piano examination with an A! Hard work and dedication resulted in numerous positive comments from her assessor.

_Harry_

**Book Fair**

The School held a very successful Book Fair coinciding with Book Week. The School was able to choose books to the value of $466.00 in commission for our Library. Thank you to the families and students who generously supported our Book Fair.

_Sandi_

**SAPSASA News**

Will Charlick, Karla McCarthy and Poppy Moyle Read are in training for SAPSASA Athletics. They will compete at SANTOS stadium in Adelaide on Monday 21st September.

Karla is competing in the 10 Year Old Girls 800m, Poppy in the 11 Year Old Girls 800m, discus and 4x100m relay, and Will in the 11 Year Old Boys High Jump.

For all your SAPSASA information including District and State 

[www.usecpsasa.org.au](http://www.usecpsasa.org.au)


_Sharon Mielz, USE SAPSASA Convenor_

**SRC News**

**Disco**

Last Thursday we held a School Disco which turned out to be a huge success and we raised $54.00! Lots of people turned up, more than we expected and everyone had a great time. We would like to thank Michelle Maynard for giving up her time to do the music for the disco and letting us borrow all her lights, bubble machine and smoke machine. The night wouldn’t have turned out the way it did without her. Thank you to Carolyn Brown for helping on the night and to Kirilie Turner and some staff members for helping.

_Lara Brown, Co-President_

**Lost Property**

There are a number of unclaimed items of clothing in the Lost Property box in the Front Office. Please check if any items may belong to your child/ren before the end of term. Any remaining items will be donated to others.

_Kirilie_

**PSW Spot**

It was a good Father’s Day for many Padthaway fathers as our local football team bounced back with an emphatic win, giving us hope for another grand final appearance if all goes well next week. It also rained, giving farmers some hope for the crops and at least some feed for our livestock.

Our Under 17s netball and football teams unfortunately didn’t have the wins they had hoped for, but acquitted themselves well and should be proud of their efforts. Our Senior Colts had their first taste of finals success for many years, and having two clubs in Lucindale and Padthaway combine to give our emerging young men the chance to play at this level has been a resounding success – well done to those who made this happen.

In all these sports our community has very good role models for our children and young adults. Our senior football team, having players with league experience both at SANFL and AFL level, certainly helps and assists both junior and senior players in their games. Many have spoken highly about them and two parents of children at our school, Bill Longbottom and Sam Ward, really have appreciated this. Ned Ward had his plaster cast signed by all the team!

If you have a chance, introduce yourself to these players – they do appreciate it.

Next week is a big one for the Years 4-7 with the Murraylands Aquatic Camp and then the Choir is off to Adelaide straight after Camp – I sense there might be some weary students by the end of that week.

_Cheers, Stephen_

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**Tuck Day**

**Reminder**

**15th September (Week 9)**
NO TUCK DAY (Camp/Excursion)

**22nd September (Week 10)**

**Pot Luck Helper**

Tara McCarthy – muffins

_Kim Doecke, Tuck Day Coordinator_  
Ph 0488 190 972

**Community News**

**Padthaway Playgroup**

Padthaway Playgroup is for parents and children aged 0-preschool to get together, share information and have fun. Playgroup runs from 10.00am to 12.00pm at the Padthaway Primary School Preschool area.

Last date for Term 3:
- Week 10 – 25th September (the last Friday of term).

Cost is $2 per session (first session is free) and we will supply morning tea for you and the children. Please bring water bottles and hats as we sometimes play outside.

There are scales at Playgroup for anyone who wants to weigh their baby – available for use anytime. We also try to organise someone from Child and Youth Health to come to at least one session per term.

For more information please contact Kylie Pethybridge on 0417 862 861.

**Padthaway Medical Clinic**

The Padthaway Medical Clinic is open every Tuesday from 10.00 am – 12.00 pm or until the last appointment.
Little Athletics is fun, with a range of events to try, personal achievements are recorded and when participants improve their best record in any of the events five times, they receive achievement rewards. Participants get to encourage their fellow competitors, fostering communication and an inclusive environment. Fitness is an important aspect in child development, promoting healthy lifestyles. Little Athletics provides a fun, family oriented setting which encourages different skill sets. Whether you can run fast, have endurance, are strong or can jump, there are events at Little Athletics that will enable any young person to discover personal achievement.

For further information contact NDLA Committee President Tony Bedworth on 0419 865 496 or Secretary Belinda Boston on 0434 963 800.
Year 6/7 Market Day Mundulla Primary School
23rd September 11am-2pm
Handmade cards, food and jewellery. Stop by for a bargain!

QuadCorn
Caramel
Plain
Butter
Icing Sugar
$2.50 a bag
Profit Goes to 6/7 Camp
23/9/15
Mundulla Primary School
11am to 2pm

EmK Handmade Jewellery
EmK Handmade Jewellery will be selling bracelets for $2.00, tea pots, necklaces, and ornaments for $5.00, standard bracelets for $3.00, bracelets for $5.00 and personalised keyrings and ornaments will be sold according to the number of hand-made orders. The profits from the day will be going towards next year's 6/7 camp.

DON'T MISS OUT
Memory Wire Bracelet

The Three Sizzlers

The money is going to charity - Legacy

Have a sausage for $2.00
It's at the Mundulla Primary School
You know you love them!
Wednesday 23rd of September
11.00am to 2.00pm

CITTA Boys
Come see the CITTA Boys, at Mundulla Primary School on Wednesday 23rd September 11pm-2pm for all your citrus goods. Marmalade, lemon cordial slices and cakes. All profits go to the Leukaemia Foundation.

Cardables
Cardables sell Handmade Cards and Marmite Marble Run! The handmade cards are $4.00 each and the marble run is $5.00 each. The money we raise will go towards year 6/7 camp 2016.

Don't miss out!