From The Principal

True humility does not mean you think less of yourself. It means that you think of yourself less.

CS Lewis

Term Four is off to a flying start with Athletics Day practice, cricket, softball and choir combined with a strikingly apparent energy around each classroom as teachers and students strive to complete the year’s learning programs with positive outcomes. Around the corner is our annual dance workshop with Footsteps and end-of-year concert and presentation evening preparations. Good grief, it’s only a nine week term!

As we reflect on what has been a busy year so far (have a look at the annual planning calendar in the staff room on your next visit to our school) our School community has achieved many positive outcomes. This School continues to prove itself a real and valued asset to our community.

Our School Choir will perform at the Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre in Mount Gambier this week. Two students, Poppy Moyle-Read (two) and Jayde Fretwell (one), will perform solos during the concert. Congratulations to all Choir members and the Choir Director, Olivia English, for their diligent approach to practice in preparation for the big night!

I congratulate the appointment of Lara Brown and Brody Hazel from Yellow House and Stacey Hayes and Jorja Doecke from Blue House as House Captains for our upcoming Athletics Day. The School is buzzing with athletic activity in preparation for the big event. These School Leaders play an integral role in ensuring the event’s success on the day.

Last week we had our Pre-Entry students visit our Preschool to meet the Preschool Director, Michelle Lampard, and the Preschool students. What a scene of energetic activity the day turned out to be! I was exhausted just observing the boundless energy of both Pre-Entry and Preschool students. I commend Michelle for the wonderful program she had developed for the big day.

Congratulations go to the following students after Padthaway’s Junior Netball Club Presentation Night: Poppy Moyle-Read (13A Best and Fairest), Maddi Bryson (13A Best and Fairest Runner Up), Lara Brown (13A Coach’s Trophy) and Ella Longbottom (13B Participation and Coach’s Trophy). It should be mentioned that many old scholars were successful award recipients in older junior netball and football team presentations.

As well, the Community congratulates Lara Brown for her recent selection in the South Australian State Girl’s Cricket Team. What an absolute honour! Lara also represents our school in cricket. In further sporting news, Poppy Moyle-Read has been named in the SAPSASA Upper South East District Tennis Squad that will compete in the State Tennis Carnival in Adelaide during Week Four of this term. Congratulations, Poppy!

The School Cricket Program involves boys and girls of all ages. Our Milo Cricket Program is being coordinated by old scholar, John Orton, with practice each Thursday (from Week Two) after school for years Reception to Year Two/Three, depending on student skill. Please contact Kirilie at the school if you wish to register your child/ren for the Milo Cricket Program. Our older students have the expertise of Andrew Frick combined with the able assistance of several dads to coach the Interschool Cricket Competition. This competition practice will begin next Friday with an optional practice at Padthaway School Oval and then ongoing from Thursday, Week Three, and involves a commitment to attend practice at both Padthaway and Western Flat and to play cricket on Saturday mornings at the school oval (or Western Flat oval) as well as travel to schools in Naracoorte, Penola and Lucindale. Our first match is this
Saturday at the Padthaway School Oval. This competition is primarily for Years Five through Seven with students in Years Three and Four welcome to attend all practices with selection to play from time to time.

No sooner had the School said a grateful thank you and goodbye to student teacher Corinne Brookes then we warmly greeted student teacher Sarah Hinge. Sarah is Mundulla born and raised and we anticipate a wonderful experience for both her and the School during her three week placement.

The School’s new computers are working well with problems regarding both the server and internet due to power outages now resolved. Both students and teachers are pleased with the result and the Community is warmly invited to come to the school and look at this technology investment.

Discussions regarding our community’s Preschool redevelopment are gathering momentum. While no plan has been forwarded for consideration, it appears clear that the redeveloped asset will be located in the building adjacent to the tennis court (affectionately known as the tinny). This building will be transformed into a Preschool facility that will be AQF (Australian Quality Framework) compliant. Michelle and I will provide more information on this development that secures our School’s future Preschool requirements as they become available.

Governing Council has granted the School in principle support to refurbish the Junior Primary classroom building. This critical learning area has long been the ‘poor cousin’ within the framework of our school site. Our Facilities Manager, Will Franklin, assures me that this project will be a priority for him once the Preschool Development is complete.

And finally, Helen, Sam (Bec and Jon), Chris (Holly) and I would like to thank the community for their sincere expressions of condolence at the passing of Helen’s mother and the boys’ nana, Ruth, after an illness of some months.

Take care. I look forward to seeing you all at Athletics Day next Friday 30th October!

Harry

Materials and Services Charges

I wish to advise that the “Standard Sum” for Materials and Service Charges (School Fees) for 2016 is $226. The legislation for Materials and Services Charges allows this amount to be legally recovered. A DECD approved Notice of Charges is included in this newsletter. Approval will be discussed at our next Governing Council meeting in Week 8. If anyone has any queries or concerns about the charge you are invited to attend this meeting, or alternatively contact the Principal, Harry Long, the Governing Council Chairperson, Carolyn Brown, or other Councillors at any time prior to this meeting. Alternatively, parents can express their views in writing to the Governing Council Chairperson, Carolyn Brown.

Kirilie Turner
Finance Officer

School Photos

Frank Monger will be taking School photos on Thursday morning, 12th November.

Can all students please wear their new Padthaway Primary School tops?

Mrs Heather Cottee, a regular volunteer at our school, mentioned on Tuesday that she “was greeted with a sea of blue and yellow. Each child was wearing their school shirt” and that it was “a very pleasant sight to see”. She is “very impressed” with our School.

Photo packs will be sent home next week. If you would a family pack please contact the Front Office.

Welcome Morning Tea

There will be a morning tea to welcome new families on Thursday 29th October at 10.30 am at the Padthaway Primary School. Please come along and meet the Principal and have a school tour.

Cheryl Merrett
Parent Committee Coordinator

Congratulations

Well done to the Year 2/3s for winning the Quirky Garden Competition at Hutchison’s Nursery. The Year 2/3’s entry Garden by the Sea (lighthouse) won 1st place and a $100 voucher to spend on the School’s garden project.

Garden Project

A big thankyou to Jeff McElroy for donating the bale of hay and Mark Murphy for helping to do the prep work so we could get our garden started and their help with watering during the school holidays. Thank you also to Scott and Cheryl for the onion boxes and to all the parents and community members for donations and time.

Thank you – it’s looking great.

Garden Design Competition

Last term each student in the school designed something to put in the new garden we are creating with Mrs Matthews. The 5/6/7 Class worked with the R/1/2 buddies to
make their designs. The SRC had lots of designs from which they chose the top ten and Mrs Mathews chose the top four entries. The winning entries were by Ella Longbottom and Karla McCarthy for their old rain coat, Bradley Hayes and Henry Orton for their toadstools, Poppy Moyle-Read for her giant coloured pencils and Stacey Hayes, Kiele Longbottom and Matthew Roberton for their tyre animals. The winners will be making their designs with Mrs Mathews.
Ella Longbottom, Year 4

Term 3 Assembly
The following photos were taken at the end of term Assembly on Thursday 24th September when awards were presented to students.

SRC News
The SRC are working hard this year. We would like to thank Mr Eddy for all the work and effort he puts in. This term the SRC Tuck Day will be the option of either Tacos or Spaghetti Bolognaise. The theme will be Culture Day, where everyone will come dressed as people from different countries around the world. At Athletics Day the SRC will be selling soft drinks again. Thank you to the Fundraising Committee for your assistance with this.
Cubbies have now ended due to hot weather. This means that we might be able to use the swing again. We are waiting for Mr Long to have clarification regarding whether the swing is compliant with DECD standards. This came to Mr Long’s attention last term and we are waiting for confirmation prior to installation this term. We are having fun in other areas of the playground.
Stacey Hayes and Lara Brown
SRC Presidents

SAPSASA News
For all your SAPSASA information including District and State
www.usesapsasa.org.au
or www.decs.sa.gov.au/sport
Sharon Miels, USE SAPSASA Convenor

School Softball
This term the Year 3-7 students have been competing in the School Softball program. We have already played two matches which is proving to be a very tough competition with Roos and Royals both winning a game each.
Everybody has improved a lot since last season with the 5/6/7 students not using a tee to hit the ball. All the students are having great fun and learning lots.

*Poppy Moyle-Read, Year 5*

**Cricket Clinic**

There will be a Cricket Clinic on Thursday 29th October at the Padthaway Football Oval with Andrew Delmont for the School Cricket players.

Andrew, a professional Australian cricketer who played for South Australia, will run the clinic and share his knowledge with the School Cricket team. The clinic will be run after school.

David Charlick
School Cricket Coordinator

**Silent Auction**

A silent auction is being conducted to raise money for the School Cricket team to aid in the upgrade of equipment.

Auction item: BOC Smooth Arc Welder 170 amp with helmet, gloves and rods

Kindly donated by: Landmark Padthaway

How it will run: Forms will be available at Landmark Padthaway for you to place a bid. The highest offer will be updated and displayed in store (name of the highest bidder will be confidential during auction) and the winning bid will be publicised after the auction closes.

Auction period: Auction will run for the month of November 2015.

David Charlick
School Cricket Coordinator

**PSW Spot**

Here we are into Term 4 of 2015, the height of many students being much taller than in Term 1; in fact one student is catching up to Mr Long and me, and I think he is taller than his teacher now! Time flashes by – many former students here in my time have completed tertiary studies or been in the workplace for some time. Two sisters just recently went on an overseas trip with the adventure travel group Contiki.

The history behind the name comes from a Norwegian anthropologist Thor Heyerdahl who gained worldwide fame in 1947 when he crossed the Pacific Ocean on a primitive balsawood raft to prove his theory that South Americans could have originally populated Polynesia. With five other men Thor drifted his 10m by 3m craft 8,000 km across the Pacific Ocean using only currents, winds and the sun and stars to arrive in Polynesia 101 days later.

I had no idea of this feat until I watched the movie Kontiki on SBS Saturday night. What a way to prove a theory – I wonder if any of our students will become adventurers, mountain climbers or cross an ocean on a raft? One former student is in a lead role in a blockbuster adventure movie called Everest currently showing in cinemas. His name is Jason Clarke. Other movies he has been in are The Great Gatsby, Terminator Genisys and Dawn of the Planet of the Apes with his first major role in Rabbit Proof Fence.

A current student is basking in fame at the moment with a first prize both at the Adelaide and Naracoorte shows with his rooster.

Cheers, Stephen

**Tuck Day Reminder**

27th October (Week 3)

Hot Potatoes

*Week 2 – Week 6 – 23rd October*

Muffins – Tammy Mathews

3rd November (Week 4)

Chicken Tender Wraps

*Week 8 – 4th December (TBA, usually held at the Padthaway Apex Park).*

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.

**SA Water VACSWIM**

The SA Water VACSWIM program will be available at both the Bordertown and Keith Pools.

Bordertown: 14-18 December 2015

Keith: 4-8 January 2016

Enrolments close for Bordertown: 5th December 2015

Enrolments close for Keith: 18th December 2015

SA Water VACSWIM enrolments and payments at both Council Offices. RLSSA – Higher Awards program will be held at Bordertown on 14-18 December. Enrol by either calling RLSSA on 8210 4500 or on-line at [www.royallifesavingSA.com.au](http://www.royallifesavingSA.com.au)

**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.

Dates for Term 4:

- Week 2 – 23rd October
- Week 6 – 20th November
- Week 8 – 4th December (TBA, usually held at the Padthaway Apex Park).

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**Padthaway Medical Clinic**

The Padthaway Medical Clinic is open every Tuesday from 10.00 am – 12.00 pm or until the last appointment.

Please contact Keith Surgery on 8755 1766 to make appointments. Immunisation and all Health checks are available.
Bordertown Rotary Walk, Run & Ride
Everyone is invited to participate by walking, running or riding their bike on Sunday morning 1st November 2015 starting and finishing at the Bordertown Race Course. Registrations open at 7.30 am and the first race begins at 8.00 am.

All the entry fees of participants from Padthaway will come back to the school. Entry forms are available from Mrs Steer.

Pam Steer, Bordertown Rotary Club

Are You Ready for the Fire Season?
Padthaway CFS invites all interested parties to a FREE assessment of your road and farm fire units.

All vehicles that attend incidents must be accredited and/or re-accredited to be on site.

Come and have a chat, sausage and cold drink and be bushfire ready.

When: Friday 30 October 2015 at 5.00 pm
Where: Padthaway CFS station

Men
You are invited to attend a series of DVDs to encourage you in your life (bring your mates as well!).

Topics (11 in all) include: marriage, parenting, faith, sex and pornography, depression and anxiety, mid-life, mates, money and generosity, health, work and finding your passion.

Sessions occur on Tuesday evenings commencing at 7.00 pm with a BBQ (please bring your own meat).

The DVD will be shown at about 8.00 pm, followed by some discussion. The evening should conclude by 9.00-9.30 pm.

Contact: Trevor Middleton-Frew, phone 0421 693 827, re session dates/times and venues.

Social Tennis
Expressions of interest are called for Social Tennis. We haven’t long to discuss and recruit teams.

This year we are starting on October Wednesday 28th.

Select a team of 4, name your team and send in your team’s player names and email details to Gini on virginia@rbm.com.au or ring 8765 6041.

Please be quick to reply!

Gini Gale

SAVE THE DATE
You are cordially invited to attend our
MELBOURNE CUP LUNCHEON
Tuesday 2nd November 2015
At the Padthaway Bowlo Club
Starting Time at 12.00 pm

All women and men are invited to attend our day for a cost of $20 per head

There will be lots of festivities

WAB ARE YOUR HOSTS OF THE DAY
“All proceeds go towards our Project: “Martin Bay House”
Thank you for supporting our event

RSVP by 20th Oct. for bookings of single or groups
Phone: WAB Sec. Kay Lowery on 8762 4673

BORDERTOWN ROTARY
WALK, RUN & RIDE
SUNDAY, 1ST NOVEMBER 8:30AM
Here’s your chance to walk, run, ride to raise funds for your chosen Tatiara School.

EVENTS
Walk or Run: 5km or 10km
Bike Ride: 5km, 14km or 37km
Entry Fee: Open $15, Kids 5-12 $5, Family $40

Location: Bordertown Racecourse
Get a group together and enter as a team

Grab an Entry Form by visiting www.tatiara.sa.gov.au or visit the Tatiara Council, Bordertown/Keith Good Country Physio, Foodland, Tatiara Schools, Ray White Real Estate or Commonwealth Bank.

For more information contact Monica Jenkin 0428 165 844 or Chris Steer 0417 855 313
The Naracoorte ILC invite all Parents, Teachers and Community Members to an information session on Youth Mental Health

29th October 2015

Time: 7:00pm to 9:00pm
Where: Naracoorte Town Hall
Cost: A gold coin donation to go towards future ILC Initiatives
Light supper provided

Please RSVP to the Independent Learning Centre for catering purposes on (08) 87 622 011

Two sessions will be held throughout the evening. The first by the Black Dog Institute titled ‘Navigating Teenage Depression’, and the second by Paralympic Gold Medallist Katrina Webb on positive mental health and the importance it plays in our lives.

Book a Black Dog Institute presentation on:

Navigating teenage DEPRESSION

Take all have seen:
- What is depression and crippling disorder?
- How to spot early warning signs in young people
- When and where to seek help
- How to support a young person you care about
- How to build resilience

The evening follows on from a Mental Health EXPO in the Naracoorte Town Square/Meeting Hall and Naracoorte Town Hall, where over 20 services supporting positive mental health and wellbeing will be holding interactive stalls between 9:30am and 3:30pm. District schools will be attending the EXPO as well as Workshops by the Black Dog Institute. The Naracoorte Interchurch Council are sponsoring Iron and Clay, a youth Christian band with a passion for mental health, to play in the Naracoorte Sound Shell during the day.

Community members are also invited to attend the Expo in the marquee in the Naracoorte Town Square

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