

# Newsletter

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## Principal's Message

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Hope you are all well. We are rapidly moving through the term and there is so much happening.

This week we have Martin Westwell and his team are working with staff and students this week to develop our skills in 'critical and creative thinking'. Too often we worry about what is the right answer. The training we are doing focuses on how we got the answer, what thinking processes do we use and how can we encourage others to use these processes to problem solve. Martin and his team are observing students and staff and developing plans and assessment processes to support deeper levels of thinking by students. Our goal is to make more resilient learners who use a variety of strategies and thinking to solve problems. We are excited to have Martin's team here and we are looking forward to the support and training they are providing.

Currently we have around 15 students who have 100% attendance so far this year. These students have been enjoying using unicycles, drums, remote control cars and hair products as a reward for their excellent attendance. Great work guys, thanks to all parents and caregivers for your support.

On Wednesday we have Australian Hearing here to check some student's ears. If you would like your child assessed please contact the school ASAP.

Also on Wednesday, Port Power is coming again to do some learning activities with the upper primary students and then finish the day with a bit of a kick around with all the students at the school. Great to see the guys here so soon in the term and we wish their side all the best for the year.

On Thursday we have the Education Director Rowena Fox visiting with the Preschool Director Sally Cormack and Principal Consultant Robyn Wohling. The ladies are here to work with myself and Amanda in the preschool. After their visit we are travelling to Ceduna to do some planning for the Far West Partnership.

On Friday we are heading to Claire Bay with the middle and upper primary class. We are travelling up to learn about the Wirangu Culture and to do some fishing. It should be a great day.

On Monday the 27<sup>th</sup> of February we are looking for Governing Council members. We are having a meeting at nutrition at 10:00. Morning tea will be provided. We are looking for community members to support the Governing Council again. Hope to see you there. Please contact the school if you are unable to make it.

Regards,  
Wade Branford



## School Calendar

Week 4

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb-** Martin Westwell training at Koonibba. 'Critical and Creative Thinking'

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb.** – Australian Hearing

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb** – Port Power here 1:00.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> Feb** – Rowena Fox (ED), Robyn Wohling and Sally Cormack visiting.

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> Feb** – MP&UP Beach Day/Wirungu

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Feb** – Governing Council Meeting 10:00 at Nutrition Centre.

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April** – Last Day of term 1

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May** - Start of Term 2

## 2017 Consent Forms

Consent forms for the year were sent into pigeon holes in week 2, can you please get them all signed and returned ASAP if you have lost a child's copy please come to the school for a new set.

Thanks!

## School Uniforms for Sale



T-shirts  
\$10  
Jumpers  
\$15

Students with 100% attendance  
(including absent notes from families)

**Week 2 Term 1**

Latavia Doolan	Emily Dudley
Glen Edwards	Hayden Edwards
Edwin Gray	Jadell Milera
Winston Newchurch	Jayrique Woods
Akeelah Champion-Peel	Jaysharna Coleman
Canessa Doolan	Reshawn Milera
Madison Peel-Saunders	Kloeisha Miller
Gerald Peel-Williams	Tathan Wanganeen
Shinara Hubert-Ware	Kywaan Mastrosavas
Eric Peel	Mollena Peel-Coombes
Travis Wanganeen	Jahmarri Ware
Taesharne Ware	Tailem Woods

**Week 3 Term 1**

Emily Dudley	George Mastrosavas
Jadell Milera	Jayrique Woods
Glen Edwards	Hayden Edwards
Leonie Mundy	Winston Newchurch
Reshawn Milera	Gerald Peel-Williams
Ernest Ware	Akeelah Champion-Peel
Kevin Milera	Madison Peel-Saunders
Kywaan Mastrosavas	Eric Peel
Mollena Peel-Coombes	Travis Wanganeen
Jahmarri Ware	Taesharne Ware
Tailem Woods	