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ADVANCE TOGETHER**

# Poncarie Public School

Newsletter 1 Term 1, Week 2

Wednesday 4th February,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed the school holidays.

I am very excited to be back, I learnt a lot at the Sydney Principals Conference and I'm looking forward to another busy year!

I am also happy to announce that we have two new (but well known) families to our school community this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome;-

- ◇ Thomas (Yr 6) & Jack (Yr 3) and their parents Gary & Stacey
- ◇ William (K), Troy (Yr 1), Codie (Yr 4) and their parents Darren & Jenny.

We also welcome Damon, who is starting Kindergarten this year.

This gives us a total of 23 Children! Wow! (I hear you all say) I have been making enquiries, and sadly I have been told that unless we have 26, there is no possibility of a new classroom, so I am trying plan B, and looking into renovations.

I will keep you up to date, unfortunately we are looking at a possible 10 students moving on next year so our case is not very strong.

Looking forward to catching up with everyone.

Regards Janice

## TERM ONE CALENDAR

Please find attached term one calendar.

## STAFF

As discussed, I will be teaching Monday to Wednesday, **Mrs Barnes** will be teaching on Thursday, **Mrs. Holgate** will be teaching on Friday.

(I will be working with students also on Fridays when I am not away fulfilling Principal Duties.)

**Mrs. Wakefield** will be working mainly as our Teachers Aide

## Miss S -

Now known as **Mrs. Bracken** - Congratulations Corinna!

will be working Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday on odd weeks and Monday, Tuesday on even weeks.

**Mr. H** will be working every second Wednesday (even week)

Mrs. Holgate & Mrs. Wakefield will also be working in the office.

**Of course our lovely and flexible Lisa will be keeping our school clean, and our dedicated, water loving Dingo will be GA (our lawn looks great!)**

## OPEN DOOR

Please remember everyone is welcome in our classroom and there are always things that need doing at our school. If you would like to listen to the kids read or help with the library, gardening or other things, please let us know!

## Upcoming Events:

- ◇ **Mon. 9th - Friday 13th Feb.**  
Swimming Lessons - Mildura Waves
- ◇ **Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> February**  
Pre-School
- ◇ **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February**  
Small School Swimming Carnival - Wentworth Pool
- ◇ **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February**  
Science Fun Day - Pomona PS
- ◇ **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February**  
Toy Library
- ◇ **Mon. 2nd - 6th March**  
Principals Conference Dubbo

## Happy New Year



**Welcome back  
to the school year!!**

## More News & Information



### SWIMMING LESSONS

As discussed last year (I apologise to those of you who didn't know) Our Swimming Lessons Will be next week

**Monday 9th to Friday 13th**

#### Mildura Waves

Timetable and forms will be sent home tomorrow. Unfortunately we could only get morning lessons, starting at 10:00am finishing at 11:45am

Other activities/lessons are being organised.

### SCIENCE FUN DAY

The smalls school will be joining for a fun filled Science Day at Pomona Public School on Tuesday 24th of February— More details will be given soon.

### TOY LIBRARY

Our first **TOY LIBRARY**

Our first Toy Library will be on Thursday 26th of February at the Pre-School Building.

***Please note that Toy Library Days have changed from Wednesdays to Thursdays.***

### PRE-SCHOOL

I am happy to say that it looks like we may be able to run Preschool this year, we have set the first date for Wednesday the 18th of February.

### PERMISSION NOTES

Your children will be sent home with annual permission notes tomorrow, please complete and return them as quickly as possible. If anyone has changed their emergency contact details could they please phone the office straight away.

### STUDENT ASSISTANCE

Please note that all families attending swimming lessons will receive \$50 student assistance, in form of a cheque on Monday the 9th of Feb, when they arrive at the Swimming Pool.

### ACTIVE SPORTS

Active Sports will commence in week four, days have not been confirmed as yet.

Sally will have her hands full with 23 students, so we are looking for parents who will assist, please let us know if you would like to help.

We still require parents to provide/prepare the healthy snacks.

The Community Coach Training will not be until March as Scott is expecting his second child next Monday.

Just a friendly reminder

**Pooncarie PS has a  
No Hat, No Play  
Policy**

### LMD CMA'S FORUM

I have attached a copy of an article that is a result of our participation in the forum.

Also, I am hoping that you all seen the article published in the Standard regarding our students receiving a \$500 grant and the EGL Student Vision Award at the end of last year.

### BOOK CLUB

Book Club Catalogues are attached, if possible please return orders as soon as possible, preferably by the end of the week.

*I hope everyone enjoys being back at school, more information will be forwarded shortly.*