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#### Newsletter

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#### From the Principal's Desk

Term 3 is always one our busier terms and this year is proving to be no different. Over the past couple of weeks, we have celebrated Science Week. SSO week and Book Week.

Book week is always such a wonderful week and it was yet another fantastic opportunity for us to come together as a school and celebrate the power of language through books. There were lots of times where I walked through classrooms and students were deeply engaged in reading activities and sharing their love of books. As an avid reader myself, I read every night before going to bed, I really enjoyed seeing our students' deep level of engagement in the world of books. It was also fantastic to see everyone getting into the spirit of the parade.

Last week we also took the opportunity to celebrate and thank all of our amazing SSOs for their commitment and dedication to our school community. SSOs play a significant part in our school and, while they have varied roles, they are always more than willing to step up and support everyone across the school. We could not achieve all that we do as a school without their support.

This week we say farewell to one of our front office SSOs, Blake. Blake has won a new position outside of the Department for Education. Whilst this is sad for us as a school, and we will miss him, it is great opportunity for him. On behalf of our school community, I would like to thank Blake for all of his work here at PNPS.

Please remember that Friday 29th August is a Pupil Free Day. There will be no school for students, as our staff will be undertaking some training around the new SA Maths Curriculum and using AI to support Design Thinking processes. OSHC will be open on Friday for those families who have made a booking. Monday 1st September is also a School Closure Day and there will be no school or OSHC available for any students on this day.

Between weeks 7 - 10 of this term our students from Year 3-6 will be taking part in the PAT Maths and Reading tests. These tests provide us with data to measure student in both Maths and Reading. If you have any questions regarding the tests, please with your child's teacher.

Russell Barwell - Principal

Term 3 2025 21 <sup>st</sup>	t July – 26 <sup>th</sup> September
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August	29 <sup>th</sup>	Pupil Free Day
September	1 <sup>st</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup>	School Closure Day Father's Day Stall School Photo Day Last Day of Term 3 2.15pm dismissal





### Book Week 2025

## Book an Adventure

Every year, the CBCA presents the annual Children's Book of the Year Awards to books of literary merit, recognising their contribution to Australian children's literature.

It is a great way for children to celebrate reading.

We celebrated Book Week, with the Theme "Book an Adventure" on Thursday 21st September, with a 'book inspired' day.

Starting with a parade of costumes in the gym, the day continued with book making in classes and buddy class reading. Students could watch 'The Wizard of Oz" movie, take part in art activities and enter competitions.

Teaching staff dressed in a 'Wizard of Oz' theme.





































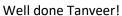


#### Congratulations!

A big congratulations goes to **Tanveer** from Studio 11 who won the year 5/6 category in the prospect Library Writing Competition with her story entitles

"The Coordinates of Courage", inspired b this year's book week theme of 'Book an Adventure'

At the award ceremony, held last Tuesday night at the Prospect Library, Tanveer received a \$100 Book Store voucher and had her name engraved on the Jenni cotton Memorial Trophy.





We also congratulate Dragan from studio 12 who was selected for the North Adelaide District SAPSASA. The boys won in Division 2 at the State Carnival with Dragan starring and scoring freely.

Congratulations also goes to Olivia from studio 10 who had a top 5 finish (2013 Girls) in North Adelaide SAPSASA Cross Country back in May.

Olivia also presented and placed well for North

Adelaide in State Carnival at Oakbank in July





#### **Cultural Inclusivity Ministry**

We are excited to announce that our school, led by the Cultural Inclusivity Ministry, is creating a Multicultural Recipe Book. We warmly invite you to contribute by sharing a recipe from your culture.

To participate, please complete the Google form sent to you via email on 18th of Aug. The deadline for submissions is Tuesday, 2nd September 2025. This is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our diverse community, and we would love to include your family's favourite dish.

Thank you for helping us make this project a success!

Warm regards, Kavita Verma and the Cultural **Inclusivity Ministry** 

#### Meet the Author

During Book Week, room 5 had a virtual book week meet with author, Andy Griffiths.

He talked about his Treehouse Storey books, and his new book that will be coming out.



Katrina Germein also came to visit our school. She is a famous Australian Children's book author. She read us some books, told us about being an author and answered our questions.

Most of the junior primary are doing an author study about her. This means students immerse themselves in Katrina Germein books, and learn about her writing style. Students then borrow elements of her style to make their own books.

Some students got to share the books they made with

A1 & A2 made a book based on Katrina's book "My Dad Thinks He's Funny". They called it "Katrina Germein Thinks She's Funny", which they presented to her on the day.









#### Rooms A3 & A4

have enjoyed having our two fourth year preservice teachers learning and teaching with us in the classroom this term. It is great to have more teachers to help all the students in their learning. As part of Science Week, we performed a fun experiment called rainbow rain about chemical sciences and combining materials. We also have been making leaf print art as part of our garden groups.











#### Kilburn U12's Make Grand Final

On Sunday 31 August at 10am the team from Kilburn Juniors will play in the u12s Grand Final against Flinders Park.

This team consists of 10 players from Prospect North Primary School as well as 2 past students. We wish the boys all the very best as they go for their first premiership!



#### Studio 9 Visit BTN

Studio 9 had an exciting excursion to the Behind The News (BTN) office at ABC Adelaide. During the visit, students explored the prop rooms and observed how the sets are constructed, gaining insight into the behind-the-scenes operations of a television studio. They also had the opportunity to see the advanced technology used in producing the show and meet some of the reporters.

The learning intention was to understand how the BTN team selects information from various sources, engages their audience, crafts informative scripts, and creates their final product.

This experience is intended to inspire and guide Studio 9 as they develop their own TED Talk video on a topic of their choice.









## **T17 & T18 News**



This term, T17 and T18 have been exploring the question: How can we make our environment safer for pollinators and invite them into our community?

We discovered that pollinators aren't just bees, but also butterflies, birds, beetles and more!

We went for a walk around our school, and took photos of signs of pollinators and thought about what helps them live safely. We also investigated beekeeping equipment and learned how important bees are for plants and people. Now, we are coming up with ideas to make our school and community a better place for pollinators.













Later this term, we are excited to be welcoming the Adelaide Bee Sanctuary for a special incursion.



Students will take part in an interactive session learning about the life cycle of bees and their vital role in food security. They will see and explore real beekeeping equipment, touch beeswax, and even observe live bees up close in a glass observation hive. To finish, the children will take part in a honey tasting experience. Through these experiences, we are developing ideas to make our school and community a safer and more welcoming place for pollinators.



## Science That Rises, Pops, and Tastes Amazing!

This term in Science and Sustainability, our young scientists have been busy exploring the tasty side of chemical science! From watching yeast bring bread dough to life, to the excitement of popcorn kernels bursting into fluffy snacks, students have seen science in action — and tasted the results.











They've also rolled up their sleeves to make fresh pita flatbreads and even churned their own butter, discovering how simple ingredients can transform in surprising ways.







These hands-on investigations have filled our classroom with curiosity, delicious smells, and plenty of "wow" moments as students learn that food and science are the perfect recipe for fun!



# \* ROOM 6 AND 7 STARLAB PLANETARIUM \* INCURSION

Last week, the Year 3 students from Rooms 6 and 7 had a visit from Sciworld's mobile planetarium, Starlab. This incredible experience allowed them to explore the wonders of space without having to leave the school grounds. Digital images of the moon, stars and planets were projected onto the interior surface of the large dome which acts as a giant screen. Guided by an expert presenter, students delved into topics like day and night, seasons, galaxies and even the International Space Station. This engaging session inspired curiosity and will inspire our Design Thinking unit on space



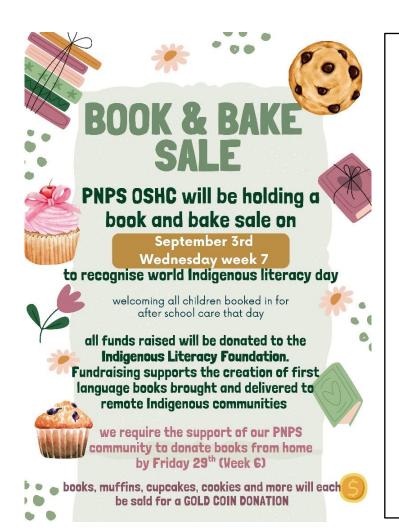


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## "Say Cheese"



**MSP Photography** are on their way!!!

School Photo Day is:

#### Friday 19th September

Have your child's school memories captured forever.

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP payment envelopes & remember these helpful points:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Use the Shootkey on your envelope to order online!
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request.
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given cash, cheques and money orders only. Credit card payments can only be made online.

Please feel free to visit our web site

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For photo enquiries Phone: (08) 8132 1148 or Email: enquiries.adl@msp.com.au











Join in on the Annual Readathon. Read Books, have fun and fundraise to support positive mental health!

Join Us 01 - 30th September







**Our Mission** 

- Get more people reading for their mental health
   Provide community libraries to all over Australia



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Inviting all prospective in-zone and out of zone families

#### Tuesday 4 November - 9am to 10am Monday 10 November - 12noon to 1pm



#### **Principal Tours**

With a Special Interest Program focus families who want to learn more about

- STEM Unlocking Potential Program
- Performing Arts AMP Arts Collective Program
- International Study Abroad Program
- Literacy Inspire Program
- Aboriginal Stars, SAASTA, SAASTA Connect Programs

Bookings essential @ https://forms.office.com/r/E5wVk7fvYT

