

# Port Pirie West Primary School

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## IMPORTANT DATES

### Open Night

Thursday, 21st February

### Student Leaders & SRC Induction

Friday, 22nd March

### Public Holiday

Monday, 11th March

### School Photos

Tuesday, 26th March

#### Our School Qualities

Respect

Responsibility

Confidence

Persistence



A quality learning  
environment where  
everyone belongs.

## Room 4's focus on learning

Wow, what an excellent start to 2019. Students are settling into routines of reading twice a day, doing literacy work in small groups and exploring maths without fear of being wrong. They are enjoying getting in the learning pit, struggling and having eureka moments when they succeed. Students have a go at placing their Lego person in the pit where they think they are and often move it throughout a lesson, thus showing us their entire journey.

*Ms Pike - Room 4*

Ben: I've been struggling with challenging maths, but know that I can keep on trying and learn more.

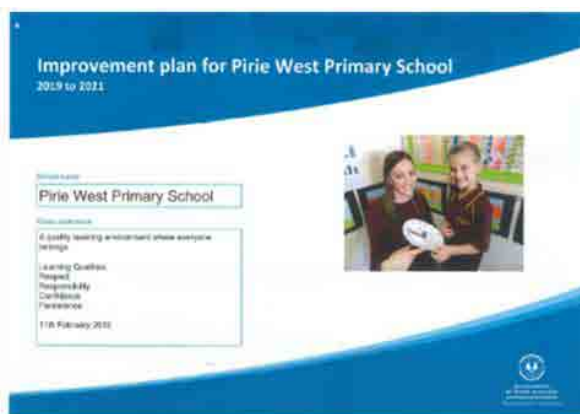
Maddie: When we started writing our smart goals, I struggled in the learning pit a bit, but I finally succeeded and got to that eureka feeling.

Dean: With my guided reading, I kept trying and reread my words, to get that tricky word right and felt that eureka moment in the end.



Hello PPWPS Community,

On Tuesday night the AGM was held and a summary of the Annual Report was presented to community members who attended. I thanked Governing Council members for their service and the community for their support. Matt gave a detailed Governing Chair report which summarised all the highlights of 2018 and thanked staff members, Governing Council members and the community for their commitment to PPWPS. Following the reports, the Annual Report and Site Improvement plan (SIP) were endorsed. If you would like a copy emailed or sent to you, please contact the Front Office.



In the Governing Council Meeting following the AGM, Matt Giles was elected as Chairperson, Dave Baldock as Deputy Chair, Carolyn Livingstone as Secretary and Kylie Phillips as Treasurer.

The following were also elected or are continuing members of Governing Council; David Morris, Peter Millbank, Vicki Smith, David Griffiths, Bec Griffiths, Nat Wait, Renee Woodman, Wayne Lethbridge, Lorna Cameron, Una Cooling, Ebony Lethbridge and Joshua Hargans. I would like to thank all members for their time and ongoing commitment to improving Port Pirie West Primary.

Last year whole school and national data was collected and thoroughly analysed by the Leadership Team and staff to establish the 2 main SIP goals. Staff have set targets and actions to support these goals.

Goal 1: To improve numeracy achievement in Year 5, 6 and 7.

Goal 2: To improve reading achievement from Reception to Year 7.

Our school has an External Site Review on Monday. This occurs every 3 years in all government schools. A Review Officer and Peer Principal will speak to staff, students and Governing Council members about different aspects of our school. A detailed letter was sent home with students this week about the Review, which included a slip to fill out if you did not want your child interviewed by the Review Officers. At the end of the review we will be given some directions to follow which will help to improve our practice and increase student learning outcomes.

This week Alex Scollin has been appointed as Numeracy Coordinator for Terms 1 and 2. Alex will be out of class on Fridays and Indra Benson will teach her class. We welcome Alex to the Leadership Team and I look forward to working with her.

I look forward to welcoming you at our Open Night next Thursday from 4:30pm. Thanks in advance to Kerri and the Governing Council for organising a BBQ and Drinks to sell. Please come along and listen to the overview from teachers and enjoy a BBQ tea!

Student leaders and SRC members have been selected for 2019. Our Student Leadership Induction is on Friday, 22nd March beginning at 9:15am. Leon Stephens, Mayor Port Pirie Regional Council will be our guest speaker. All parents and caregivers are welcome.

**Fiona Perry – Principal**



# OPEN NIGHT

**Thursday, 21st February**

**Come along and see your child's class & meet their teacher**

**5:00 - 5:20pm**

**Kendall Nunan - Rm 20  
Analeize Lethbridge - Rm 23  
Hayley Couzner - Rm 21**

**5:30 - 5:50pm**

**Alex Scollin - Rm 1  
Catherine Harding - Rm 2  
Trish Twigden - Rm 3  
Marie Pike - Rm 4**

**6:00 - 6:20pm**

**Catherine Smart - Rm 16  
Una Cooling - Rm 17  
Ashleigh Schrader - Rm 18**

**BBQ & Drinks will be available for purchase from 4:30pm**

**Sausages \$2.00**

**Steak Sandwiches \$4.00**

**Drinks \$2.00**

## Library News

Welcome back to Port Pirie West Primary for 2019 and a big welcome to our new families.

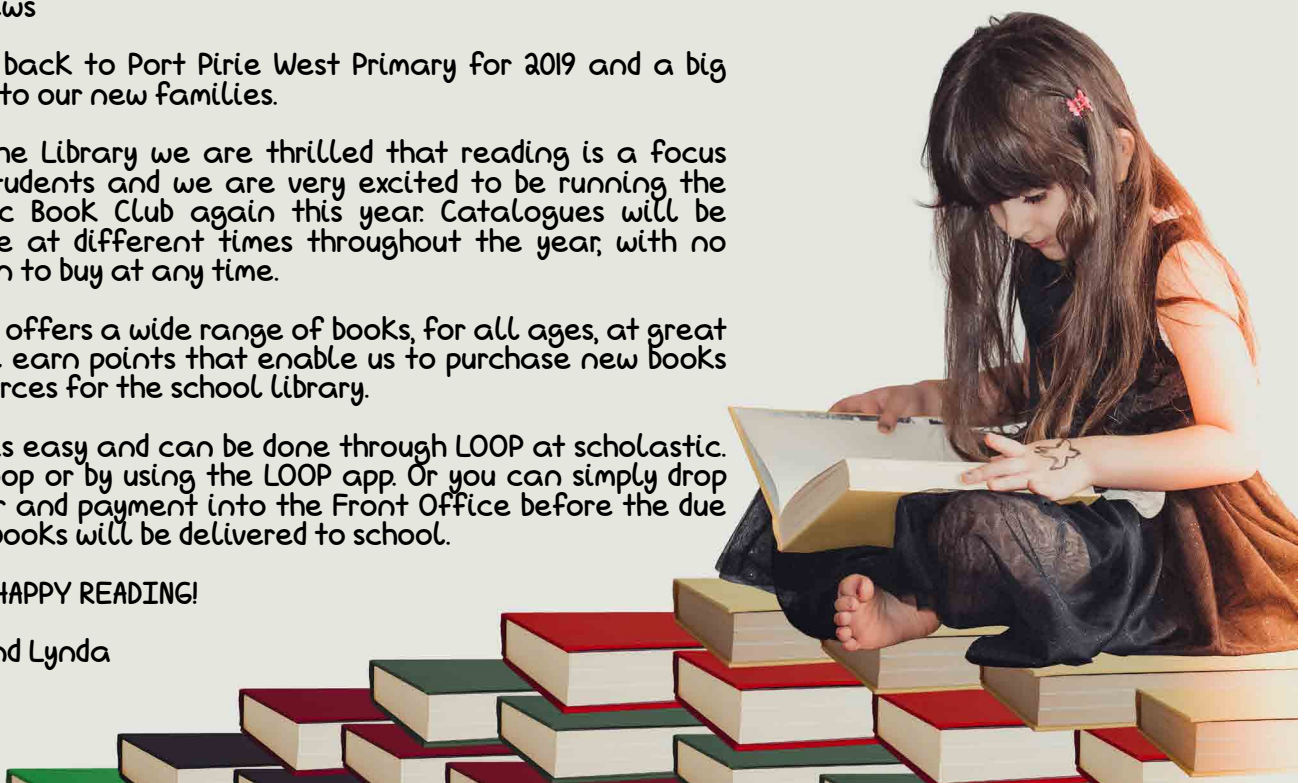
Here in the Library we are thrilled that reading is a focus for our students and we are very excited to be running the Scholastic Book Club again this year. Catalogues will be sent home at different times throughout the year, with no obligation to buy at any time.

Book Club offers a wide range of books, for all ages, at great prices. We earn points that enable us to purchase new books and resources for the school library.

Ordering is easy and can be done through LOOP at [scholastic.com.au/loop](http://scholastic.com.au/loop) or by using the LOOP app. Or you can simply drop your order and payment into the Front Office before the due date. All books will be delivered to school.

**THANKS & HAPPY READING!**

Jackie and Lynda



## ADVANCE NOTICE



**TUESDAY, 26TH  
MARCH 2019**

2019 Materials & Services invoices have been sent home, along with School Card application forms.

School Card limit has increased for families to apply for School Card assistance. The gross combined income for 2017-2018 Financial Year with 1 dependant will be \$59,432.00. If you have a Centrelink Reference Number (CRN) you will be required to fill in a Form A. If you don't have a CRN but earn below the gross amount stated for 2017-2018 Financial Year you will be required to fill in a Form B.

Please contact Carolyn in the Front Office, if you need any assistance or to discuss a payment plan.

SA Dental Service

*Keep your kids smiling*



Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, preschool and most children under 18 years at School Dental Service clinics.  
The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

**Call us now for an appointment!**

Your local clinic is: Pt Pirie West School Dental Clinic

Phone: 8632 1926

[www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/sadental](http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/sadental)



**SOLOMONTOWN  
SOCCER CLUB**

### **Registration Night**

**For All Primary School Ages**

**8th of March 2019**

**6pm - 7pm**

**At Solomontown Football Club**

**For more information contact**

**Kyra on 0415640577**

## Junior Darts



Junior Darts is a great way for kids to become involved in a sport that will help improve your hand eye coordination, aim and math skills.

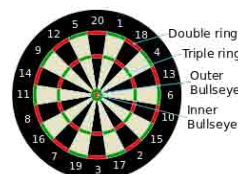
Ages 7—18

It will be run every Tuesday afternoon (except in school holidays)

**Tuesday March 12, 2019 4pm - 5:30pm**  
**\$2 per child each week**

Port Pirie Darts Association  
Geddes Rd, Solomontown

Enquiries to Jenna Angel  
(junior coordinator)  
[angeljen86.ja@gmail.com](mailto:angeljen86.ja@gmail.com)  
0450536922



**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> March  
2019**

**At the Crystal Brook  
Tennis Club**

**9am for a 9.30am start  
\$10 Entrance fee/child**

*Lunch and refreshments available*

**Further information & entry form:**

- 'Crystal Brook Tennis Club' Facebook page

- Email: [cbtc.tournaments@gmail.com](mailto:cbtc.tournaments@gmail.com)

- Enquiries to Jade Inglis: 0417 817 218

## CRYSTAL BROOK Junior Tennis Tournament

**Doubles Round Robin**

**16 and Under, 13 and Under, and 11 and Under**

*Ages as at 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019*

