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there is potential for more to fall tomorrow, particularly with the track in great condition, currently rated at a Fast 2. We look forward to a great day tomorrow.

Can I remind parents that they are only allowed to take photos of their own children, and it is against DECD policy to upload any photos on social media that are not of your child/ren, without permission of their parents.

**Staffing and Classes 2016**
The process for staffing for 2016 is progressing. Class structures are currently being finalised and will be presented to Governing Council for budgetary approval. Each year, there will often be a few changes to staffing for a variety of reasons. Last week, Kathy O’Connell announced that she had been offered and has accepted a permanent position at Mary MacKillop for 2016 and beyond.

Mel Sims has also won a permanent position for 2016 at Kidman Park PS. Mel was looking to head back to Adelaide for personal reasons and we congratulate her on gaining a permanent position in DECD. Both Kathy and Mel are both fully committed to finishing the year at Penola PS and ensuring the best learning opportunities for their students. Both have made a significant contribution to our school and we thank them for their efforts. Public recognition for all will be made at the end-of-year concert.

The process for replacing these staff is currently underway and you can be assured that we will be doing our best to ensure we find quality replacements.

**SSO and Canteen Staffing Changes**
During the holidays, Rosalia Faux resigned as canteen manager to take up other employment opportunities. The new manager for the remainder of the year will be Jessie Denton. She started earlier this week and has picked up the role quickly. Rosalia’s SSO existing hours for 2015 have been picked up by two new staff. We welcome Tricia Hutchesson and Louise Burgess to our team of support staff.

**SAPSASA Athletics**
Last term we had seven students represent the Mid South East SAPSASA team for Athletics. They competed in the State Championships at Santos Stadium in Adelaide. Congratulations to Joel Dent, Jake Klemm, Lochy Neale, Lachie Croser, Georgia Winter, Danielle Ansell and Ally Jones.

On top of that, Georgia Winter produced an outstanding run to win gold in the 100m final. She followed this up with a bronze in the Long Jump. Well done Georgia, on a terrific performance.

**Student Teachers**
We also welcome two more student teachers to our school this term. Abbie Cocks and Julia Jones are completing their second year practicum experience in Ms Sheppard’s and Mrs Hogg’s classes respectively. I am sure they will gain a great deal from working within those classes.

**Quiz Night**
Our annual quiz night will be held on **Saturday November 7th at 7:30pm**. It is usually a great night with lots of questions for everyone, not just teachers and trivia buffs! Get yourself a table of 10, or if you don’t have a table, talk to your class teacher about arranging one. Lots of prizes and games on offer.

**Blue Lake Fun Run**
The Blue Lake Fun Run training is on again this year. Kate McDonald will be leading the training. Students and parents of all ages are invited to take part as long as they are willing to take on either the
3.2km, 6.8km or 10.4km track. The school will be entering a team, so look out for entry forms soon. The first training will take place on **Monday 26th, October**. Consent forms will be sent home very shortly.

**Parent Club**
Thanks to everyone who has contributed to Sports Day by offering to help out on the staff or donating cakes, biscuits etc. It has certainly made our job easier with all your assistance. Don’t forget on Sports Day, we will have tea, coffee, cakes, biscuits, BBQ lunch and ice blocks for sale.

**SRC**
The SRC are running a Sports Raffle on Sports Day. Tickets can be purchased during the day and the raffle will be drawn at the conclusion of the event. First Prize: Sports Bag with equipment Second Prize: Back pack with sports gear Tickets are $1 each.

**University of NSW Competitions**
The final Uni of NSW Competitions have been presented with many students performing very well, particularly in Maths. A special mention to Tom Moorhouse, who finished in the top 3% of entrants from all over Australia and Asia.

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*Principal’s Award
Pastoral Care Worker
Hi, my name is Nathan McDuff and I am the Pastoral Care Worker for Penola Primary School. This is a short note to introduce myself to you and to let you know of who I am and what I intend to do in the school. I live in Millicent, I work as a Pastoral Care Worker at Millicent High School and Newbury Park Primary School, I am married with two foster children, I follow the Adelaide Crows, I enjoy reading and watching sport, and I enjoy working and helping young people discover their purpose and hope in life. I will be attending Penola Primary School on Monday’s for the rest of this Term as well as other extra curriculum activities and events throughout this Term so that I can get to know the names and faces of students, staff and parents as much as possible. I look forward to contributing to this School and to help out wherever I can. If you see me around, come and say hello and I look forward to meeting all of you associated with the School in the weeks and months to come.
Nathan McDuff
Pastoral Care Worker

Canteen News
We welcome Jessie Denton to the role as canteen manager for the remainder of the year. As well as the usual favourites, Jessie will be creating a few alternative recess time snacks. The fresh fruit has been popular along with the Cheesymite Scrolls. Recess snacks start from 50c, with most items less than $2.

As stock starts to run out at the end of the term, it may not be replaced. Students will be offered an alternative option. Out of Stock items will be advertised in the newsletter.

Rosters
Friday 30th October: Ashley Wright

Munchies
Tuesday 27th October
Rachel Messenger
Kirsten Croser
Mel Catlin

Tuesday 3rd November
Kathryn Williams
Silvana Stephens
Kylie Cunningham

Community News
FUN WITH NIPPERS AT ROBE
Robe Surf Life Saving Club
Nippers Season commences on the 29th of November at 10am, Robe Long Beach.
Nippers will then be held each week at 2nd Ramp, Long Beach (drive on ramp). Nippers is a great way for your children (ages 5-13) to learn valuable surf safety skills, lifesaving skills and to build their confidence in the sea. We also have a cadet program for young adults (14-17). We teach lifesaving and first aid skills and give them opportunities to participate in events and support their community.
We are now taking membership enrolments for the 2015-16 season.
Please contact Sally Smith, Secretary - sally@robehouse.com.au - for membership details, season calendar and/or forms.
Come and Try Nippers each week $15 (max. 2 sessions before joining)

Joey Scouts
For 6-7 year olds
- Have fun
- Find adventure
- Explore nature
- Make Friends

COME ‘N’ TRY
3 visits free
STARTING TERM 4
THURSDAYS 5.30-6.30PM
@ Scout Hall on Riddoch st
Contact Silvana 0448537215

Penola Amateur Swimming Club
The 2015/2016 season starts 1st November.
Expression of interest from old and new members for the up coming season please contact Cindy Hutchesson via email cindylea@dodo.com.au
A registration and info pack can then be emailed to you.
When: Friday November 6th - 7.00pm for 7.30pm

Where: Coonawarra Hall

Admission: $10 Tickets available at the door

BYO Chair, beanbag etc. Bar Facilities available

Comedy/Drama – 1968 was the year that changed the world. And for four young Aboriginal sisters from a remote mission this is the year that would change their lives forever. Around the globe, there was protest and revolution in the streets.

Rated: PG

This Fundraiser is in support of the Penola Coonawarra Stand Like Stone Wellbeing Fund, the benefit of which is solely targeted at charitable projects that benefit the Penola Coonawarra area.