Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome back to school as we commence the third term. We hope all the students had an enjoyable and restful break.

We welcome three new students to Penola PS this term. Heath (Yr 5) joins us from Kangaroo Inn and we also have two visiting students from Japan. Haru (Yr 3) and Sana (F) will be with us for three weeks and are keen to see what it is like to go to school in Australia as well as develop their English skills. We hope they all enjoy their time at Penola PS.

This term we will also have Ms Meg Horrigan in Mrs Gladstone’s class completing her final practicum. She will be here over the next 4 weeks volunteering on a casual basis before undertaking her 4 week block. There is a profile piece about her later in the newsletter.

New Portable Sound System
We have taken delivery of our new portable sound system. This system will be used at events such as sports carnivals, off-site choir performances and any other off-site events. The previous system was no longer legal due to changing open broadcast frequencies back in December 2014.

This new system was funded by:
- Penola PS Parent Club
- 2015 Quiz night funds
- Money raised from 2015 Zema Estate Arts Festival raffle

We thank all these supporters and events for contributing to our new sound system and making our choir and soloists sounding even better!

The Great South Coast Road Cycling Classic
The Coonawarra region – best known as the nation’s leading red wine centre – will host two stages of the five-day Lakes Oil-Fulton Hogan Tour of the Great South Coast Road Cycling Classic, to be raced over a visually-stunning course in South Australia and Victoria from August 10—14.

The rapidly expanding tour, first held in 2012, is programmed to travel through four municipalities – the City of Mount Gambier, District Councils of Grant and Wattle Range in South Australia, and the Glenelg Shire in Victoria. Both states will each host two-and-a-half days of the tour, with the seven-stage event scheduled to commence with a traditional 36-kilometre morning street race (criterium) at Mount Gambier’s Vansittart Park on Wednesday, August 10.

The tour’s longest stage – a reconstructed 137.6km trek, starting and finishing in the Southern rock lobster capital of Port MacDonnell on Thursday, August 11, will be followed by the next morning by a 30-lap criterium at Penola Primary School, in the heart of Coonawarra-Wattle Range territory. It is the first time the Wattle Range Council will be represented in the tour and further strengthens South Australia’s position as a key supporter of one of the most popular and prestigious events on Cycling Australia’s National Road Series calendar.

Our students will be able to support the race through multiple vantage points. The race will begin at 10:30am and be completed about 11:30am. During this time, access to

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS
Term 2 and 3

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the school by road will be limited by road closures.

We hope to have some cyclists visit the school earlier in the week and talk about cycling and convince the students to barrack for them!

We look forward to being a central part of the race for 2016. Parents and community members are encouraged to attend and support the race.

School Football
Next Thursday, the school football team will train with the U/14’s at McCorquindale Park from 4:30 to 5:30pm. A free sausage sizzle will follow.

SRC
The SRC will be selling leftover disco products next week. Products available are:

- Chips (various flavours): 50c
- Fruit boxes: 50c

These will be available on Mondays and Fridays at lunch time under the shade sail, until stocks run out!

Canteen
The canteen is up and running for Term 3 with lots of delicious foods on offer. Don't forget for 50c we can heat your leftovers or toast your sandwich. Just place food with the 50c in the lunch box and it will be kept in the fridge until serving time.

We are also looking to have a lunch special in the next few weeks. If you have any suggestions, Charmaine will be happy to listen!

Thanks again to all the volunteers who help out and allow our canteen to operate.

Rosters for the next few weeks:

Munchies Roster
Tuesday 2nd Aug
Kerry Dent
Louise Perry
Alex Lambert

Tuesday 9th Aug
Rachael Messenger
Dee O’Brien
Amy Fatchen

Canteen Roster
Friday 5th Aug
Louise Perry

Friday 12th Aug
Pat Sharam / Dee O'Brien

Spelling and Grammar Strategy of the Week

The letter s
The letter s is a consonant and it has two sounds: /s/ and /z/

The letter s always says s at the start of words

- sing
- school

It often says ‘z’ at the end of a word when followed by an e, or makes a plural

- rise
- skies

This strategy helps when reading and spelling words with ‘s’ in them

(Sourced from www.learningmadeeasier.com.au)

Meet Meg Horrigan.
I am a university student in my final year studying a Bachelor of Education within the primary specialisation.

During my time at Penola Primary School I will be teaching in Mrs Gladstone’s Foundation/Year 1 class as part of a five week placement from August 22nd until September 21st.

I am looking forward to meeting the students and staff and developing positive relationships. I am also excited to continue to develop my teaching skills as I take on different teaching styles and strategies, while also helping students to develop the skills they need to become successful life-long learners.

As an educator I bring with me an interest for history and social sciences, as well as student wellbeing. I believe that student wellbeing is an important concept that can have significant implications for a student’s engagement with learning.

In the classroom I strive to be organised and prepared, provide students with effective feedback, and make learning engaging, interesting and relevant.
STOMPING ANTS
A WELLBEING EVENING
PRESENTED BY LISA BONDARENKO
OF MIND, HEART, BODY AND ENTERTAINMENT BY ELISE LEHMANN.

- WEDNESDAY 24TH AUGUST 2016
- PENOLA SPORTS CLUB
- 6.30PM FOR A 7.00PM START

R.S.V.P. BY FRIDAY 19TH AUGUST 2016
BOOKINGS APPRECIATED
BENDIGO BANK PH: 8737 2400

$10 ENTRY (STUDENTS-FREE)

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT:
ANNE-MARIE WILLIAMS, KIRSTY BALNAVES, JO-SIE ABBEY OR JO SKEER

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REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE

Tonight is White Ribbon Night.

White Ribbon Nights help create a change in culture in which violence against women is no longer misunderstood, excused or joked about.

One of the ways White Ribbon does this is by operating primary prevention programs across Australia to create a nation that respects women, in which every woman lives in safety, free from all forms of men's abuse.

With less than 10% government funding, White Ribbon is able to do this vital work thanks to you - the community.

A woman killed by her partner is most likely to be killed in her home. Consider this tonight as those of us who are safe in our own homes enjoy spending time with friends, family, neighbours and colleagues.

We wish all those hosting or attending a White Ribbon Night a big thank you for helping to make a difference in homes and beyond.

Yours sincerely,
Nicholas Cowdery
White Ribbon Australia Chair

Millicent Basketball
UNDER 10 BASKETBALL (BOYS AND GIRLS)
Register by Saturday 13th August
Season starts Thursday 18th August
If you are interested call Peter for more details

Under 10’s Basketball is now seeking registrations for boys and girls who wish to play in the under 10 basketball. Registration forms are available at Denton Sports Millicent or the Basketball website www.millicent.basketball.net.au. Season starts Thursday 18th August 2016. Under 10 Basketball is all about participation learning new skills and improving understanding and coordination while having fun and playing in game situations. To participate in under 10 Basketball intending players must be either turning 7 years old or 10 years old or under.

If you have any questions about junior Basketball, under 10 Basketball please don’t hesitate to call Peter 0438388073 or email jenpete@adam.com.au

Millicent Basketball thank you for your assistance with this matter
Thanks
Peter Seehoem
Millicent Basketball Manager

Yoga Pam
Sat. Aug. 20th 9:30- 11:30
High School Hall
Bring mat & warm clothing
$30.00
For more info. 0402730785
Senior Disco
JP Games Day

Disney