

TERM 1 WEEK 7 UPDATE


Dear Parents and Carers

Last Sunday was **International Women's Day**, and the students in year 5, room 55, wrote paragraphs about a woman who inspired them and why. They also focused on using tense verbs, descriptive language, cause and effect and time connectives. Well done, students!

International Women's Day

Using these biographical language features, write a paragraph about a woman that inspires you and why!

- tense verbs
- descriptive language
- cause and effect
- time connectives



I am inspired by Mrs Walton, because she teaches fun thing that I enjoy. She is thoughtful, nice, and very calm. Whenever someone dose something wrong, she wouldn't scold us, but she will show us what to do. I have enjoyed her bring my teacher science 2023 to 2026.

I an inspired by Mrs Grant because she has a very cheerfull voice, that she uses at the right time. She is kind, funny, smiley and still one of the best teachers I know unill this day. When she wears braces students look at it and may say "today it is a elephant!" and that will make her day. It was the funnest year wich was in year 2, 2023.

I am inspired by Miss Tomson, because she is the nicest teacher in the world! Miss Tomson is nice, helpful, generous, calm and funny. Miss Tomson makes me feel myself, and she also inspired me to push myself, hard in dance, swimming, running, so I have achieved a lot of things in 2026! I am so lucky to have a wonderful teacher!

I am inspired by mum because she helps me when I need it the most. My mum is funny, helpful and happy. She has raised me so I am a well behaved happy child.

I am inspired by Cathy Freeman, because she is an amazing Aboriginal athlete who won gold on her first try at the Olympics. She was only 16 when she won gold 4x100 meter relay at the 1990 Commonwealth Games in Auckland. She fought for Aboriginal rights which made Aboriginal people feel included.

I am inspired by my step mum. She is amazing. She is helpful, kind and she has an amazing voice. She has had five different hair colour and I have known her for five years. She is very calming and she makes me happy.

I am inspired by Marie Curie because she was one of the first women to learn and practice Science. She was kind, helpful and stood up for what she believed in. She was a great scientist, which leads me to want to be one too. She was born in 1867 and died in 1934. She is the only person to win Nobel Prizes in 2 different fields. This is why I'm inspired by her.

I am inspired by Miss Suuchi because she is an amazing leader. She is kind, helpful and patient. She helps people when they struggle. This makes me want to be just like her when I grow up. She is an awesome education assistant to help at school. I have had her as an assistant in 2025 and I have her in 2026. She is awesome.

I am inspired by mum because she is so kind, helpful and nice. She has been with me since 2016. And she is the best and I am really lucky to have her in my life.

I am inspired by Sam Kerr, because she is an amazing person and a really good athlete. She is nice, talented and helpful. When Sam Kerr was a kid, she trained extra hard and that helped her become a strong athlete later in life. Sam Kerr is now in the premier league also known as the highest standard soccer league in the world. She is playing in 2026. She is not just one of the best soccer players known for her record breaking, multi content success, but also for her reliability and centric personality and role is shattering gender, stereotypes in sport.

I am inspired by my old basketball coach, because she was a good coach at basketball. She is kind, helpful and calm, so people get better at basketball. I had learned so much more skills and has inspired me to not quit basketball but to go further than ever.

I am inspired by my mum because she told me to be a good and strong person. She is kind, calm, helpful and tries everything. She is very smart. She has helped me with everything I can't do and makes people happy and she has told me to never give up on your dreams.

I am inspired by Mrs Bray, because she is also a really nice teacher. Mrs Bray is really funny, kind, generous, helpful and calm. Mrs Bray inspired me to be more confident and don't take bad comments and mean stuff that aren't true. I have been so strong ever since 2025 the moment she said that.

QKR NO LONGER ACTIVE - VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS CAN BE PAID VIA COMPASS

We are reducing the number of online platforms parents need to access at Piara Waters Primary School.

The school will no longer use QKR; instead, all payments can be made via;

- CompassPay
- Direct Debit to the school bank account
- Via Eftpos/Credit card at the front office
- Cash at the front office
- And via Square for P&C uniforms, bags and library bags.

We thank parents who have made a payment for the school Voluntary Contribution for 2026 via the school booklist (West Books), QKR, or to the front office.

Voluntary Contributions can now also be paid via **Compass**. As we transition to including Compass as a payment method (instead of QKR), if you have not yet paid, you will shortly receive an email from Compass that lets you make a payment directly.

Whilst contributions are voluntary, the quality of our teaching and learning program is maximised when families contribute. The PWPS Voluntary Contribution rate is set at:

- \$30 per Kindergarten student, and:
- \$60 per Pre-Primary to year 6 student.

If you have any questions, please get in touch with the school by email.

MONDAY 16 MARCH

NAPLAN TESTING – NUMERACY (Year 3 and 5)

Year 3 and Year 5 students will sit the Numeracy test this morning between 8:30 am and 10:00 am on a school iPad. Students who are late will not be able to join their class and undertake the testing today.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB – Closing today

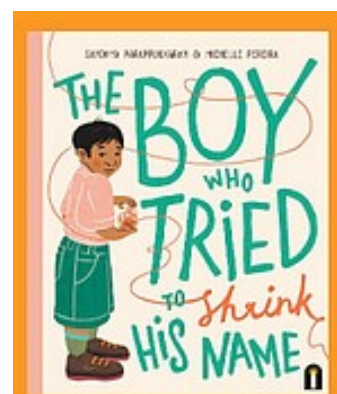
The **closing date** for Book Club [Issue 2](#) is today. All orders made by today will be delivered to the school; any orders received after that date will be delivered to your home address with a delivery fee. Ordering is via the [online site](#). All profits from these book sales are reinvested in our school library.



HARMONY WEEK STORY READING

Parents were invited to come and read stories that reflect their culture and/or home language to classes during today's timetabled library sessions. You can sign up by [following this link](#). Below is the timetable.

Room	Time
Room 29 - Year 4	8:30am - 9:00am
Room 16 - Year 2	9:00am - 9:30am
Room 19 - Year 6	9:30am - 10:00am
Room 20 - Year 5	10:00am - 10:20am
Room 10 - Year 5	10:50am - 11:20am
Room 34 - Year 3	11:20am - 11:50am
Room 31 - Year 2/3	11:50am - 12:20pm
Room 22 - Year 5	12:20pm - 12:50pm
Room 11 - Year 5	1:20pm - 1:40pm
Room 21 - Year 6	1:40pm - 2:00pm
Room 24 - Year 6	2:00pm - 2:20pm



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YEAR 2 KALAMUNDA HISTORY VILLAGE EXCURSION (Room 17, 50 and 31)

Year 2 students will be guided on a tour of Kalamunda History Village as part of our History learning this semester. Through hands-on activities, they will gain insight into early life by seeing a kitchen, a schoolroom, and a blacksmith shop that is over 100 years old.

Students will leave on the bus at approximately 9:20 am and return at 1:45 pm. Please refer to the Compass Event for further information.

TUESDAY 17 MARCH

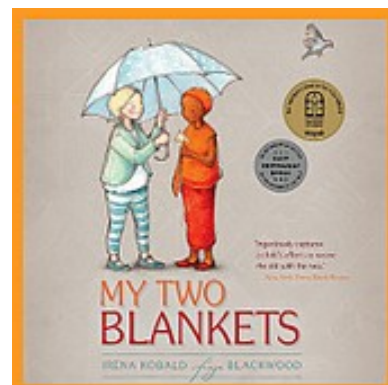
NAPLAN TESTING – CATCH-UP TESTING FOR YEARS 3 AND 5

Students who have not completed all their NAPLAN tests will have a catch-up session between 9:30 am and 10:30 am today.

HARMONY WEEK STORY READING

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Room	Time
Room 56 - Year 5	8:30am - 9:00am
Room 55 - Year 5	9:00am - 9:30am
Room 28 - Year 4	9:30am - 10:00am
Room 27 - Year 4	10:00am - 10:20am
Room 51 - Year 2	11:50am - 12:20pm
Room 9 - Year 1	12:20pm - 12:50pm
Room 1A - Kindy	1:20pm - 1:40pm
Room 2A - Kindy	1:40pm - 2:00pm
Room 3A - Kindy	2:00pm - 2:30pm



YEAR 2 KALAMUNDA HISTORY VILLAGE EXCURSION (Rooms 16 and 18)

Year 2 students will be guided through a tour of Kalamunda History Village as part of our History learning this semester. Students will leave on the bus at approximately 9:20 am and return at 1:45 pm. Please refer to the Compass Event for further information.

WEDNESDAY 18 MARCH

MODCROSS TRAINING (YEAR 5/6)

Students in the Sofcross teams will train with Mr Jones today. Training will go from 7:45 am to 8:15 am.

NAPLAN TESTING – CATCH-UP TESTING FOR YEAR 3 AND 5

Students who have not completed all their NAPLAN tests will have a catch-up session between 9:30 am and 10:30 am today.

HARMONY DAY DRESS UP (For Kindy A only)

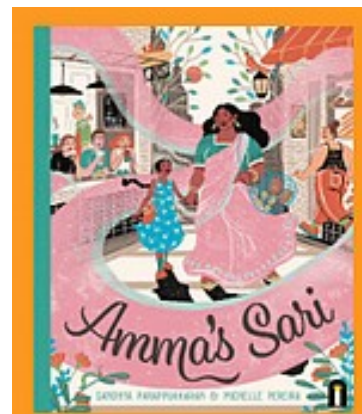
Today, Kindy A students and staff can wear something **orange** or the traditional dress of their country of origin.



HARMONY WEEK STORY READING

Parents were invited to come and read stories that reflect their culture and/or home language to classes during today's timetabled library sessions. You can sign up by [following this link](#). Below is the timetable.

Room	Time
Room 50 - Year 2	8:30am - 9:00am
Room 33 - Year 3	9:00am - 9:30am
Room 37 - Year 4	9:30am - 10:00am
Room 35 - Year 3	10:00am - 10:20am
Room 30 - Year 3	10:50am - 11:20am
Room 17 - Year 2	11:20am - 11:50am
Room 15 - Year 1	11:50am - 12:20pm
Room 14 - Year 1	12:20pm - 12:50pm
Room 12 - Year 1	1:20pm - 1:40pm
Room 7 - Pre-Primary	1:40pm - 2:00pm



SCHOOL CLOSURE AND PARENT INTERVIEWS

On **Wednesday, 1 April**, the school will be **closed for the entire day** to allow parent-teacher interviews.

Interviews will take place between 8 am and 5 pm, and each session will last 14 minutes.

The online booking for these parent/teacher interviews opens at 7 am today.



Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code **23tt6**



Enter your details



Select the teachers you wish to see



Please select the appointment times that best suit your family. Between appointments, please allow time to walk between the classrooms.



When you click FINISH, your selected bookings will be emailed to you immediately. If you do not receive your email, please check your junk mail, or enter the event code again and check the spelling of your email address. Update your details if your email address is incorrect.

DO NOT DELETE the email you receive. You may need to refer back to it later.

Please add your appointments to your calendar - reminders will not be sent home.

Bookings must be finalised by Monday, 31 March at 9 am, to enable teachers to prepare for interviews.

If you need to view, cancel, change or print your bookings:

- Click on the link in the confirmation email you received after you made your bookings
- OR return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the code and the email address you used when making your bookings.

YEAR 2 KALAMUNDA HISTORY VILLAGE EXCURSION (Rooms 51 and 52)

Year 2 students will be guided through a tour of Kalamunda History Village as part of our History learning this semester. Students will leave on the bus at approximately 9:20 am and return at 1:45 pm. Please refer to the Compass Event for further information.

THURSDAY 19 MARCH

NAPLAN TESTING – CATCH-UP TESTING FOR YEAR 3 AND 5

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Room	Time
Room 36 - Year 3	8:30am - 9:00am
Room 54 - Year 4	9:00am - 9:30am
Room 32 - Year 3	9:30am - 10:00am
Room 18 - Year 2	10:00am - 10:20am
Room 12 - Year 1	10:50am - 11:20am
Room 6 - Pre Primary	11:20am - 11:50am
Room 5 – Pre Primary	11:50am - 12:20pm
Room 52 - Year 2	12:20pm - 12:50pm
Room 8 – Pre Primary	1:20pm - 1:40pm
Room 4 – Pre Primary	1:40pm - 2:00pm



AFLW – TERM 2 INTERSCHOOL TEAM – INFORMATION MEETING FOR STUDENTS

There is a meeting in the Drama room at Lunchtime today (12:50 pm, bring lunch) for any Year 5 and 6 girls interested in trying out for our AFLW Interschool team. This includes anyone who has already put their name on the sign-up sheet. The carnival is next term in week 5.

During this meeting, Mr Headland will go through:

- What the AFLW program will look like
- Information about the carnival
- Training expectations and commitment
- Key dates and logistics

Following this, the girls will have the opportunity to decide whether they would like to participate in the training and team selection.

FRIDAY 20 MARCH

HARMONY DAY DRESS UP DAY (Kindy B to Year 6)

Harmony Day is today! All students and staff may choose to wear something **orange** or the traditional dress of their country of origin today.

Orange has been the Harmony Week colour since the first event in 1999. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations. It also relates to freedom of ideas and the encouragement of mutual respect.

This year, Harmony Week is celebrated from Monday, March 16 to Sunday, March 22. Internationally, 21 March is recognised as the United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.



SENIOR ASSEMBLY (YR 3-6)

Today's senior assembly will be hosted by the Year 5 students in rooms 11 and 22. The Assembly begins at 8:35 a.m. in the Undercover Area.

Parents and carers are welcome to attend, or you can view the assembly at this [Webex link](#).
Meeting password: PWPS

LIBRARY MONITORS – APPLICATIONS CLOSE – YEAR 6

Year 6 students are invited to apply for our Library Monitor leadership positions. We are looking for motivated and dedicated students to assist in the school library during recess and/or lunch time.

Our library monitors will be rostered on once a week to scan books back in, return them to the shelves, tidy shelves and assist with displays.

Interested students are asked to complete this online [form](#) by Friday, 20 March. No late forms will be accepted.

Selected students will find out if they have been successful by Friday, 27 March. Please note that there may be a practical "task" for shortlisted students.

Students who are not student councillors or faction captains will be given priority for these positions.



STUDENT PHOTOGRAPHY TEAM – APPLICATIONS CLOSE (Year 6 Students)

Are you a keen photographer? Do you enjoy taking photos of people and events? Then we want to hear from you!

Students in Year 6 are invited to apply to be one of our "school event photographers".

We are currently recruiting a team of students for our "school photography team". Students will be rostered to photograph school events and assemblies. Guidelines will be provided to ensure the photographs taken are in line with the school rules. This will be done on the school iPads.

Interested students must complete an [application form](#) by Friday, 20 March.

A team of students will be selected, and only one or two from the team will be allocated to each assembly and school event. Students may be expected to catch up on any work missed whilst they are being an official photographer.

Following the completed application, a "practical assessment" will be undertaken, during which students will be required to take photographs with their school iPads, as directed by the judging panel.

Do you want to join our
SCHOOL
PHOTOGRAPHY TEAM?

Take the photographs at assemblies and school events (using school iPads)

APPLY NOW



Complete the application by Friday, 20 March



Year 6 students may apply.

HARMONY WEEK STORY READING

Parents were invited to come and read stories that reflect their culture and/or home language to classes during timetabled library sessions in Week 7. Below is the timetable for Friday:

Room	Time
Room 26 - Year 6	9:30am - 10:00am
Room 25 - Year 6	10:00am - 10:20am
Room 1B - Kindy	1:20pm - 1:40pm
Room 2B - Kindy	1:40pm - 2:00pm
Room 3B - Kindy	2:00pm - 2:20pm

ICY POLES FOR SALE

Year 6 students will be selling Icy Poles at lunchtime for \$1.

Icy Poles will be available each Friday this term. All proceeds from the sale of icy poles will go towards the Year 6 Camp.

Miss Alison Ramm
Principal
15 March 2026



Parent and Community – Term Planner Term 1 (see [here](#) for full year calendar)

Term 1	MONDAY Year 5/6 String Ensemble 7:30 - 8:30 am	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY Junior Choir 7:45 - 8:30 am	THURSDAY Senior Choir 7:45 - 8:45 am	FRIDAY Icy poles for sale at lunchtime
Week 8	23/3	24/3 Year 5/6 Interschool Summer Carnival	25/3 Kindy B	26/3	27/3 Junior Assembly 8:30 am PP – Rm 4, 5
Week 9	30/3	31/3	1/4 Kindy A Parent/Teacher Interviews (School Closed to students today) Second Hand Uniform Sale – Alcove Block 1 (8am – 10am, and 2pm to 4pm)	2/4 Goldie Draw Faction Reward Staff V Student Match	3/4 Good Friday Public Holiday NO SCHOOL!


PIARA WATERS
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Parents & Citizens Association

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE



\$10 Jackets

Wednesday 1st April 2026

8-10am and 2-4pm

In the Alcove near the Dome Playground



\$5



shirts, shorts, skorts

Cash and Eftpos payments accepted