

Term Two Calendar 2017

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	1 May	2	3	4	5 Palmer Rockarama Friday to Sunday
2	8	9 NAPLAN	10 NAPLAN	11 NAPLAN	12 Sat 14th Mt Pleasant Market Gate— Sun 15th Mothers Day
3	15	16 Excursion to see 'Mr Stink' Barossa Arts Centre	17	18	19 Partnership Student Free Day
4	22	23 Governing Council 3:30	24 Murraylands SLC @ MBSPS	25 Lauren @ Partnership Day	26
5	29	30	31 Whole School Camp – Arbury Park Outdoor School		
6	5	6	7	8	9
7	12 Queen's Birthday Public Holiday	13	14	15	16
8	19	20 Governing Council 3:30	21	22 Lauren @ Partnership Day	23
9	26	27	28	29	30
10	3 July	4	5	6	7 KIWANIS Assembly 9:05 a.m Early dismissal 2:15 pm



Palmer Primary School

"On the road to success"



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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

What a busy start to the term we have had so far...

Dane and Thanous both did an amazing job representing Palmer Primary School at the Dawn Service during the holidays. Dane read 'a brown slouch hat' and Thanous laid the wreath, and I was so proud of them both.



We also had a very busy time catering for the Palmer Rockarama, on Friday night we served pasta bolognese/baked potato with bolognese, and on Saturday night we served a delicious lamb roast with vegetables and gravy, and we were actually busier than we were last year. A huge thank you to Cate and Graham Hunt for generously donating the lamb, and thank you to our amazing volunteers: Inala Preston, Nic Elix, Linda Van Zwol, Jo and Jim Bland, Alex Nikolic, Lucia Martiniello, Karin Lawson, Jayme and Nikki Marshall, Sally Davies-Cavuoto, and Faye Jenke.

Students had the opportunity to explore all the exciting gems and minerals on display and for sale on Friday afternoon, and we were even fortunate to receive some free gems for all students, which they were all very excited about!

Mr Stink Excursion

Also, just a reminder about our excursion next Tuesday, 16th May, to see the live theatre performance: David Walliam's 'Mr Stink' at the Barossa Arts Centre. Payment was due today so if you have not paid and returned the permission form, please do so as soon as possible. Thank you.

We will be leaving at approximately 9:30 am, having an early recess and a quick play before watching the performance, then students will eat their lunch before travelling back to school.

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Blue Ice	225
White Pipeline	303
Yellow Suns	175

'BEAR' Values:

Being

Responsible

Excellence

Always Trying

Respect

NAPLAN

As you would have all seen from the news and various forms of media, this week is NAPLAN week. This is the time when students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 undergo assessments in the areas of language conventions, writing, reading and numeracy. We all know that some students can feel quite worried or anxious about these tests, so we always try to keep the focus on students giving their best effort and not to worry at all. I have been so pleased with all of our students in years 3, 5 and 7 who have showed great determination in undertaking the assessments with a smile, and a few have even told me that they enjoy NAPLAN testing :) This is a great display of willingness to delve into 'the Learning Pit' and this attitude will certainly be a lifelong skill for students. If you have any questions about NAPLAN testing, please come and see me at anytime.

Student Free Day—Friday 19th May

Just a reminder that next Friday will be a Student Free Day. We will be joining all the other schools and High Schools in the Murraylands Partnership to attend a STEM expo day held at Murray Bridge High School. We look forward to sharing our learning from this day. SSO's will remain on site for this day, and we hope that you all enjoy the extra long weekend with your families.



2017 Public Education Awards

This is the time of year that DECD open nominations for Public Education Awards. If you know of someone in public education who you think deserves recognition, you can nominate on the following address:

<https://publiceducationawards.awardsplatform.com/>

If you would like help with this, please come and see me, and I would be happy to help. We are fortunate to have some amazingly dedicated and passionate

people here, and I am so grateful for every one of them.

2017 Volunteer Week

This week is Volunteer Week, and I would like to sincerely thank you all for everything you do for our brilliant school. So many of you volunteer your time in fundraising events like the Rockarama, Hot Rod Show and the Mt. Pleasant market gates, as well as the wonderful people who listen to our students read and are on our Governing Council. In whatever capacity you volunteer for our school, I say a big thank you from the entire school community—we wouldn't be the great school we are without your support!

I hope you all have a fantastic weekend, and for all the Mothers, Nannies, Grandmas, Aunties and special ladies out there—Happy Mother's Day!

Kind regards,
Lauren Poole



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We are taking Preschool enrolments for 2018 now!

We offer full day Preschool programs on Mondays, Tuesdays and every second Wednesday.
Occasional Care on Tuesdays (mornings and afternoons)
Playgroup on Fridays!



Palmer Primary School is on **facebook**

Facebook!!!

Have you joined our public page... Palmer Primary School?

We also have our closed group—'Palmer Primary School Community Group' for much more information that is just for the closed group members—families and staff only. If you haven't joined yet and need help joining, please see a member of staff to help!!!



It's story
TIME
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When: Thursday mornings School Term Commencing 11th May

Time: 9-9.30

Where: Mannum Community Library

Preschool Story time aims to introduce children to the world of books and reading with fun, interactive experiences in a safe environment. These sessions are aimed at 2-5 year olds, cost is free and bookings are not necessary.

Sessions may include stories, rhymes, songs, finger plays and a simple craft activity. Younger siblings and friends are invited to attend.