

Term One Calendar 2017

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8	20	21	22 Interviews	23 Lauren out at Leader's day	24
9	27	28	29 Interviews	30 Lauren out at Leader's training & Development	31 Lauren out at Leader's training & Development
10	3	4	5 Interviews	6 Lauren out @ statewide Principal training day	7
11	10	11 Journey to Easter 9:00-10:00 Mannum	12	13 9:00 Assembly 2:15 Dismissal	14 Good Friday Public Holiday

Reminder!

The end of term Assembly will be held on Thursday morning, the 13th of April at approximately 9:05 am. We will be presenting attendance awards and also announcing the two TERRIFIC KIDS for term one. We would love you to join us for this!



Palmer Primary School

"On the road to success"



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Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Journey to Easter

It is hard to believe that Easter is just around the corner. Notes have been sent home regarding the Mannum Interchurch Council's annual 'Journey to Easter' that is offered to Palmer students. Thank you to those who have already returned these, and also thank you to Faye for organising this.

Interviews

We are now in the middle of student-parent-teacher interviews, and have enjoyed the opportunity to share with you, your child's progresses, achievements and growth points. If you have not yet made an interview time, please see Kellie at the front office. Also, if none of the times listed suit, please see us for an alternate time.

Arbury Park Camp

Thank you to everyone who has returned the latest note regarding camp. We have now booked a bus to and from camp, so the total of cost of camp will remain at \$75.00. Invoices are now being generated, and if you would like to arrange a payment plan for this, please see Kellie in the front office. Payments can be made until Monday the 22nd of May. Along with the invoice, families will also receive information about the camp, what to pack, and any relevant consent forms. We are all looking forward to an exciting, educational and fun whole school camp.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden

Students have been busy helping to prepare our school grounds for some vegetable patches that will be arriving shortly. We are all so excited to be involved in this rewarding educational program, and look forward to sharing the learning journey with you all.

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Learning Teams Tally:

Blue Ice	129
White Pipeline	175
Yellow Suns	114

Palmer School 'BEAR' Values:

Being

Responsible

Excellence

Always Trying

Respect



NAPLAN 2017

Students in years 3, 5 and 7 will be sitting the annual NAPLAN assessments in week two of next term. Although we successfully participated in the 2016 NAPLAN online trial, our school was not one of the few selected to do the online test this year, so we will continue this assessment using the traditional pencil and paper format. In the last few weeks of this term, I will be speaking to students in years 3, 5 and 7 about the exam-style of questions and assessments, however we don't ask students to do 'practice tests' over and over as we like to keep our focus on teaching the entire curriculum; not just to NAPLAN. If you have any questions at all about your child's participation in NAPLAN, please do not hesitate in talking to myself or Katrina/Meagan.

Staffing announcement

As you know, Katrina Duits will be commencing her maternity leave from the beginning of next term. We are pleased to announce that Sally Davies-Cavuoto will be replacing her until the end of the year. Sally has been at Palmer PS many days this year and last year, and has developed great relationships with all students. We are excited in welcoming her to the Palmer Primary School community.

Absences

Just a quick reminder that if your child is going to be away, to please phone the school on 85694050 or send a text message to the school mobile on 0439 437 735, so that we can put a reason for their absence. Thank you for your support in this..

Palmer Rock and Mineral Fair

The Governing Council have already begun planning for catering of the Palmer Rock and Mineral Fair which will be held on Friday the 5th and Saturday the 6th of May. We are fortunate that many Governing Council parents are already able to volunteer their time for Friday and/or Saturday night, but we would be grateful for any more volunteers for either of these two days. It would involve the preparation and serving of dinner, from approximately 4:00 pm to approximately 8:00 pm, however if you are not able to do this, a note will follow shortly about any foods that could be donated so that we do not have as many costs for this fundraiser. As this falls during term time this year, students will be taken over on the Friday afternoon, to have a look at all the gems and minerals, and also try and promote our school dinner fundraiser. More information about this will follow closer to the date.

Kind regards,
Lauren



Community Notices



Kookaburra Homes
#Floatfest 17

Come on up! **Sturt Reserve, Murray Bridge**
8TH & 9TH APRIL, 2017

Let's Paddle into the record books, with not 1 - BUT 3 World Record attempts!

- #1 - LARGEST No lined end to end along the banks of the River Murray
- #2 - LARGEST No entering the water at the same time
- #3 - LARGEST Raft of canoes and kayaks on the water



Win!
a fab Early Bird prize of River Wren weekend hire houseboat, valued at \$525. Early bird prize drawn 1/2/17
Register at:
<https://floatfest17.eventbrite.com.au>

Paddles to the ready!

facebook

Palmer Primary School is on 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!!!



Come Fly a Kite With Us!

Murray Bridge Kite Festival

Saturday 8th April 2017
10am - 2pm, Sturt Reserve

Free Entry, Kite Flying Demos, Jumbo Kites, Animal Farm, Kids Activities & More

Presented By

South Australia MURRAYLANDS its respected!

THANK YOU!

We have recently been given a generous donation from Murray Bridge Marketplace Post Office, and Coles Murray Bridge. We would like to thank them for their generosity, as well as Alex Nikolic and Lucia Martniello for organising these donations.

