



Principals Report

Attendance

Our school, like others across the state are held accountable for levels of schools attendance. We pride ourselves on operating an engaging curriculum and having safe classrooms. This has been borne out over many years in our pleasing student attitude to school survey results. Attendance has and continues to be an issue for our school – especially unexplained absences. It is important that if a student misses school that parents contact the office or classroom teacher so we have a reason for this absence. This ensures that staff are aware of why children are missing school and plan support for students and families who require it. If attendance is an ongoing issue with you and your children please reach out to Annie or I for assistance.



Dealing with distressing online content

Online safety for students is an ongoing challenge for parents and teachers alike. The school is investing heavily in training for staff, sessions for parents and an educational focus for students on these issues. This is a key focus for our school and we will continue to provide support and education on online issues whenever possible.

Australia's independent regulator for online safety, eSafety, has issued guidance to help parents and carers support their children in dealing with distressing online content. The eSafety website has resources for parents and carers about online safety. These include information on extra precautions you can take to protect your children from seeing disturbing content online.

eSafety encourage parents and carers supporting young people who may be more vulnerable to check in with them. If they are presenting with signs of distress, support is available through external services including:

- Headspace: 1800 650 890
- Kids Helpline: 1800 551 800
- Lifeline: 13 11 14
- Beyond Blue: 1300 224 636

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Forward Diary

19 Jun 3/4 chess

24 Jun Italian Day

26 Jun 3/4 chess

2 Jul Parent Teacher Int

4 July End Term 2 2.30pm Finish



Every Monday during the
school term 2.45—3.15
in the Library

After school pick ups

A reminder school finishes at 3.20pm daily and this is when children should be collected from inside the school grounds or begin to walk home. Our teaching staff are on duty after school until 3.30pm at which time they need to head home or attend meetings. Any child left unsupervised will be escorted to the office after this time.

While issues do occur and you can sometimes be late to collect your child, unfortunately some families have taken advantage of this situation on regular occasions. This severely impacts the capacity of staff to do any planning or other organisational work which needs completing outside of school hours.

We have a fantastic After Care program and if you are unable to pick your child up by 3.30pm they should attend this service. The rates are affordable and supervision is provided until 6pm. Please contact the office if you would like more information about this service.

Finally, many children wait outside the school grounds – in front of the gate or across the road. This is unwise and puts children at risk as they are unsupervised outside the school grounds. If your child is waiting to be collected between 3.20pm and 3.30pm please encourage them to wait within the school grounds.

Principal—John-Mark Gook



**Enrolments are now
open for Prep 2026**

Enrolment forms are
available from the office

Getting to know PNE staff

Svetlana Raab
Wellbeing Officer



Hello lovely PNE Community!

I'm Svetlana, your new Wellbeing person at school. I'm replacing Ash, who was in the role previously.

I have a background in Counselling and Primary Teaching, and have worked in School Wellbeing in both high schools and primary schools across Victoria. I particularly love working with families of Neurodivergent kids and helping teachers find harmony in their classrooms.

This week I started by doing some observations across the Junior School and meeting your fantastic staff. I'm so excited to get to know everyone over the coming days!

You'll find me at school on Mondays and Tuesdays, so please feel free to say hello or make a time to come and chat to find out how I can be of service to you and your child.



Assistant Principal spot

Assistant Principal's Spot

It's been a busy fortnight! Teachers have been busy writing students' reports in preparation for parent-teacher interviews on Wednesday the 2nd of July. Meanwhile our students have been completing assessments and learning about Cybersafety and staying safe online.

Here are some photos I have taken around the school in the past fortnight



Martin's dad is helping the Junior School Council to repair the cubby house at the front of the school.



Students in Years 4-6 participated in the *Attitudes to School* survey, providing us with useful data for improving our school.



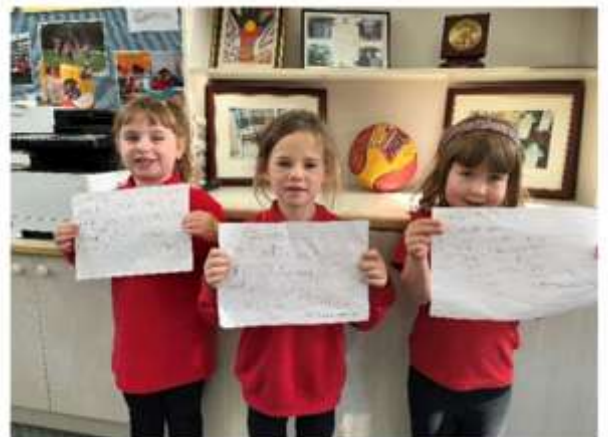
Ms Parsons and Mr Hinsley have been supporting students to improve their problem-solving skills through the Australian Mathematics Challenge.



All classes have been learning about staying safe online in Cybersafety workshops..



Sudais took Sam the Sheep home to meet his family.



Belle, Evie and Suzie showed their amazing writing to the Principal!

Annie Neville—Assistant Principal

Certificates

FNS - Teddy for always working hard on his writing and drawing.

FNH - Oscar for giving everything a go. If you find things tricky, you still try hard. Keep up the great attitude!

1/2B - Gino for taking pride in the presentation of his work. Gino always completes work to the best of his ability.

1/2G - Jina for your wonderful creative writing. The stories you have been writing are so entertaining.

1/2H - Abdulaziz for continually persisting in all his learning tasks, giving his best effort everyday of the week. Keep it up!

3/4O - Emma for developing her English skills. Welcome to PNE it is so great to have you in our class.

3/4O - Zaid for always giving everything go. You are a friendly and fun member of our class.

3/4P - Hayley for always putting 100% into your work. You set a high example for others to follow. Well done!

3/4P - Khalid for working hard on matching animal cards and for carefully tracing your letters.

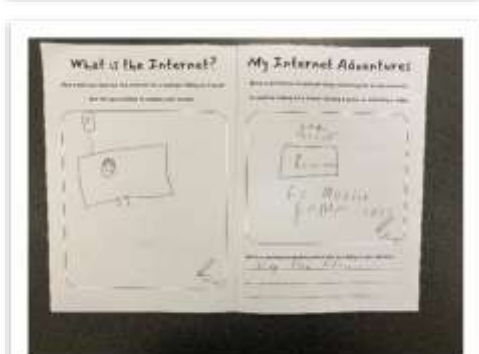
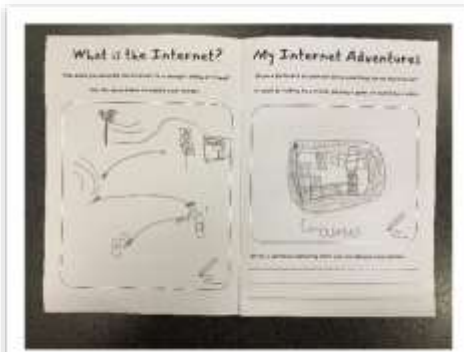
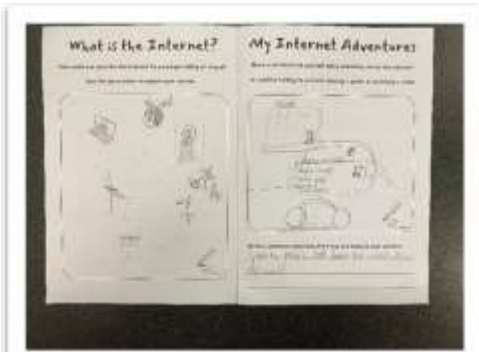
5/6D - Angel for being respectful and positive towards other students and listening to all speaking, especially during circle time.



1/2 Area

Cybersafety at PNE

This week we learnt how to be safe on the internet and the importance of not sharing our passwords and never clicking on websites that are unfamiliar to us.



3/4 Area

'The Year 3/ 4s have been learning about butterfly life cycles, in preparation for writing information reports on their chosen animals.'

Life Cycle of a Butterfly

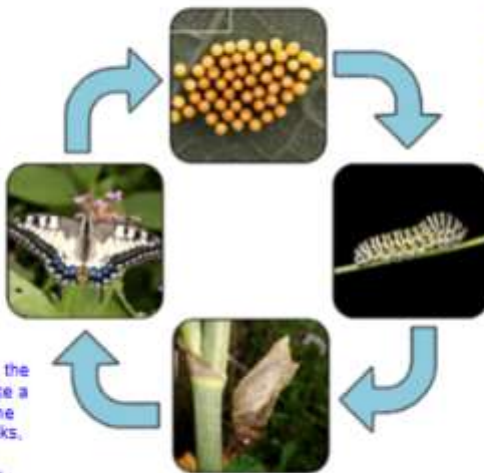
By Greta 3/4P

4. Butterfly

Quickly after breaking out of their cocoon, they need to wait for their wings to dry for several hours. Now it is a full grown butterfly! Butterflies will start eating pollen and looking for food. Then it starts all over again!

3. Cocoon

Over time, after they shed, the caterpillar will slowly make a cocoon. They will be in the cocoon for about 12 weeks, then they will hatch. The cocoon is clear after they hatch.



1. The egg

In the beginning, an adult butterfly lays some eggs on their favourite food, milkweed. They are about as small as an ant! By the end of stage 1, the eggs will start to hatch into tiny caterpillars!

2. Caterpillar

Just after hatching, the egg will turn into a caterpillar. They will subsequently start eating until they are quite large. Over time, the caterpillar will start trying to shed as much as possible. Like their mothers, they will still eat milkweed. Shedding lots of times is called metamorphosis.



Life Cycle of a Butterfly

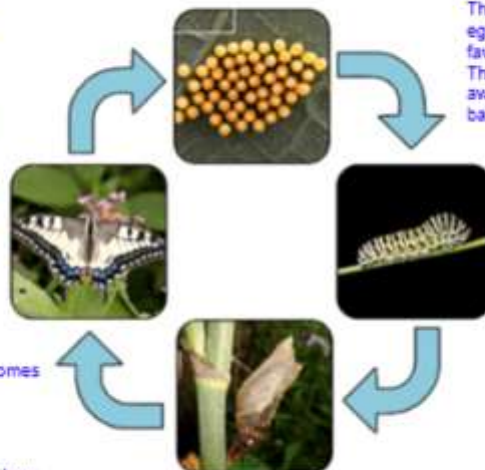
By Ke'dy 3/4O

Adult butterfly #4

The butterfly will burst out of its chrysalis with very wet, small wings. After a few hours it will be able to fly, and soon the butterfly will lay its eggs.

Chrysalis #3

Once the caterpillar becomes very full it will form a chrysalis. Inside this chrysalis it will begin something called metamorphosis which is how it becomes a butterfly!



Egg #1

The adult butterfly lays its eggs on the leaves of its favourite plant, the milkweed. The adult butterfly eagerly awaits the arrival of their babies.

#2 Caterpillar

Once the eggs hatch, a tiny caterpillar will come out of them (the eggs). This caterpillar will eat the leaves of the plant it was born on.



COME ALONG TO
STORYTIME
AT PNE

EVERY MONDAY

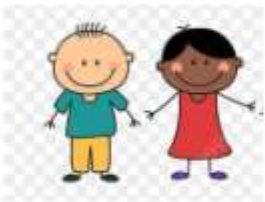
2:45pm – 3:15pm

SCHOOL LIBRARY

**PRESTON NORTH EAST
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

COME ALONG AND JOIN US FOR SOME

STORYTIME FUN!



Note: Parents and Caregivers must accompany their child for the duration of the session

No bookings are required.

Italian Day

La Festa Italiana

Italian Day

Tuesday 24 June 2025

Come dressed in the
Italian colours:

Verde/Bianco/Rosso =
Green/White /Red

or as a famous Italian.

There will be a whole
school parade,

an interactive *Italian
Adventure incursion*,

gelati and a soccer penalty
shootout.



Term 2 specials will be finishing soon. If you would like to try the Homemade Beef meatballs and pasta on Wednesdays or the Warm Croissants on Thursdays, please order before the end of Term. The next Newsletter will have the specials for Term 3, so keep an eye out for this. Also, at the start of Term 3 there will be a small price increase to all drinks, fresh and toasted cheese sandwiches.



Breakfast Club

In the BER from 8.30am every
day except Wednesdays

Come along

It's yum and it's free

Italian Day ^{at PNE}

Tuesday 24th June

Only eleven more sleeps till our Italian Day - *La Festa Italiana!*

Students are invited to come dressed in the Italian colours verde/bianco/rosso = green/white/red or as a famous Italian.

On the day there will be a whole school parade, an interactive incursion "An Italian Adventure", gelati and a soccer penalty shootout.

It will be lots of fun.

Thank-you to all those families who have already registered their child for our Italian Day incursion via Compass.

If you have not already done so, please remember to go onto Compass to register and arrange payment.

Cost is \$5 per student.

Thank-you for your support— Signora Palmas
Co-ordinator of Italian



Supporting our Local Community

FREE Supported Seminar for Primary Carers of Children Experiencing Anxiety

Fear Less Seminar

Open to parents and carers of children 6-12 years living in the Cities of Darebin, Yarra, Banyule, Nillumbik and Whittlesea.

Fear Less Triple P supports parents to learn new strategies for managing their child's anxiety. This supported seminar is for parents that are concerned about their child's anxiety that would like to learn strategies they can put in place to support the wellbeing of their child and the family.

The topics covered in this program include:

- Understanding how anxiety works,
- Becoming the best possible model of anxiety management for their children,
- Becoming effective emotion coaches,
- Understanding and teaching the value of flexible thinking,
- Managing their children's anxiety effectively, and
- Using constructive coping.

DATE: 23/06/25
TIME: 10:00am- 12:00pm
LOCATION: Online via zoom



How to make an enquiry:

Contact the Triple P team with your name and contact number
(E: triplep@berrystreet.org.au or ph: 9450 4700 and ask to speak to a member of the Triple P team).
Enquiries must be made by 5pm on 16/06/25.

Please note that enquiries do not guarantee an enrolment in the seminar and that capacity may be reached prior to this date. As such, we encourage you to reach out ASAP to avoid disappointment.

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AGES 6-13 - BEGINNERS TO EXPERIENCED PLAYERS

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home of the Darebin Giants (domestic) & Darebin Phoenix (representative, Big V)

SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS



REGISTER



IN COLLABORATION WITH PHOENIX

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WEEK 1: MON 7 JULY - TUE 8 JULY
WEEK 2: THU 17 JULY - FRI 18 JULY

\$110 FOR 1 DAY - \$185 FOR 2-DAY

LOADS OF SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN & SKILL
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