



BEHIND THE BLUE AND GOLD

Term 1, Week 1

Principal
Robyn Staker

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Diary Dates

Week 3

Tuesday 14th Feb
Preschool and
School Photos

Friday 17th Feb
Assembly 2.50pm

Week 4

Tuesday 21st Feb
Meet and Greet

Week 5

Friday 3rd March
Clean up Australia
Day

Week 6

Swimming lessons

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Principal's Message

Welcome back to our new school year. We have had a terrific start! With 4 classes this year, we have small class sizes creating more individualised learning support. We welcome 11 eager children into our Preschool which is an exciting space. NPS is a very collaborative site with committed staff who work together in the best interest of the children.

The NPS team :

Preschool teacher: Donna Edwards

R/1 teacher – Kate Jacobs

2/3 teacher– Sheri Nichols

4/5 teacher– Amy Burgess

5/6 teacher– Hannah Oborn

Specialist teacher: Tom Nichols

Specialist teacher: Rachel Tubb

Business Manager: Pamela Liakos

Our SSOs: Annie, Megan, Dayna, Kathy, Shianne

Aboriginal Education Worker: AJ

Pastoral Care Worker: Avril

Grounds: Steve



School hours: 8:30- 3:20pm
Preschool hours: 9-3pm

Communication

We strive to ensure that our whole school community is kept up to date with what is happening at NPS. We have fortnightly newsletters, term planners, private Facebook groups for each class, a school Facebook page, the Skoolbag app, a mobile phone that sends and receives text messages and then communication via paper notices. If you feel like you are missing out on key information, please come and see me.

Attendance

Children's regular attendance is vital to their success. Please ensure that your children are at school every day, unless they are unwell. It is preferred that appointments are made outside of school hours, when possible for less disruption for students. Please remember to explain any absences as soon as possible.

Meet and Greet - Keep the date free! (Preschool and School)

We will be having an exciting event organised by Governing Council on the **evening of Tuesday 21st February**. This will involve a chance to meet staff and other families in a relaxed setting, with tea provided. Look out for more information coming out soon!

Plans for 2023

We are striving for improved outcomes for all children. Here are some of what staff have been busy working on: targeted small reading groups, consistent literacy blocks across the school, increased literacy instruction in all subject areas, new assessment programs to better track and monitor, staff learning teams, introduction of an Autism leader, improved Aboriginal education program, consistent regulation practices across the site and more!

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any issues that may arise. I am very approachable and willing to discuss your concerns or ideas. I look forward to seeing you!

Regards

Robyn Staker



Welcome to our new Pre-schoolers

Adaline



Arthur



Hazel



Connor



Charlie



Addison



Dane



Henley



Alexis



Welcome back
Miss Donna!



Welcome back
Miss Annie!

Welcome to our new Receptions

Rory



Eleazar



Tahlia



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Community News

Exciting tennis program for **Kindy Kids**

A unique opportunity for children in the
Port Pirie region



Lessons are fun, exciting and engaging ... children learn the fundamentals of tennis, through the Hot Shots tennis program, perfectly tailored to suit young children. Low compression balls, small racquets and small nets assist with the learning process.

Bookings available Monday-Friday



Grant Hanlon
Hot Shots Coach
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Exciting music program for **Kindy Kids**

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Lessons are fun, exciting and engaging ... children's songs, movement to music, action songs, creating music with instruments such as piano, elec keyboard, glockenspiel, bongos, xylophone, ukelele. Lots to stimulate the senses.



Bookings available
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