CHICKENS: 2/3D

Chickens are scrap eating animals. They eat our scraps core and all! They lay our eggs and are a little bit noisy but we do not mind. Chooks are very smart and they can peck the scraps to eat them. The 5 chooks have lots of different coloured feathers. Their names are Dicko the Chicko, Snow White, Midnight, Caramel and Mohawk. They can run, they can hide but they can’t fly very far. The chooks sometimes go out of bounds and then come back in again. Now, who wants a roast dinner?

GARDEN: 2/3D

In the garden, near the chicken coop we are growing peas, potatoes, tomatoes, strawberries, cucumbers and much, much more. There are 4 parts in the garden, for 4 classes to grow things. Mrs Sullivan is helping us plant veggies and fruit to eat as well as flowers. We go down to look after them about once a week. The pesky birds were so sneaky and sly, they were not even heard, when they were eating the onions and the purple broccoli. We are planting plants and looking after them to learn about living things and the environment. We have to watch out for the stinging nettles or they will make us itch and itch and itch. The rain gives the plants water and the sun gives the plants sunlight to survive. Feel free to come and look at the vegetable garden whenever you feel like it.

***Have you heard your child read today? We encourage all students to practise their reading at home about 5 nights per week. Therefore, by now, most students should have read at least between 165-170 nights. Well done if you have kept up!***

***Sunday Nights - a great night to check for Head Lice. ***
Congratulations to the following students who were ‘Students of the Week’ for last week. Winners – Tristan Murphy, Max Chetcuti, Danielle Coroche, Tyla Hermann, Natasha Lak, Alisha Ahmad Shukri & Trey Ward. These students were selected because they were modelling ‘Confidence’. This week teachers are looking for students who are modelling ‘Enthusiasm’.

Congratulations to the following students who were ‘Authors of the Week’ for last week. Winners – Dylan Sallis, Ryan Cox, Jamie Clark, Samuel O’Connor-Hudson, Riley Berger, Charlie Skipper, Landon Scott, Chloe Hogan & Jackson Bartle. These students were selected because they showed great skills as an author.

5/6 P in Room 1B won the Senior School Times Tables Trophy. Daniel Allen & Mackai Harriden are both delighted that their classroom won the winning trophy this week!

3/4A in Room 11 won the Middle School Times Tables Trophy. Elijah Zantey is very happy with his grade’s win this week too!

P/1 O in Room 3 won the Yard Duty Competition Trophy. Lauren Gourlay & Matilda Turner were very happy to collect the winning trophy on behalf of their grade!

Congratulations to Haikal Ahmad Shukri, Carter Grant, Izabella Meiselbach & Marisa Zantey (absent) who all won a ‘Positive Program’ Raffle prize this week. Well done, kids!
Happy Birthday
Liam Reyne, Carter Grant and Bryce Williams who are all having their birthdays this week. On behalf of the Puckapunyal Primary School Community, we wish them all a very Happy Birthday!

The School Canteen is open for Lunch Orders again this term. Each and every Friday students can order lunches from the school canteen. The menu will be different each week. Please see the term’s menu on page 6.

This week

Hot Dogs $2.50
Chocolate or Strawberry milk - $2.00
Orange or Apple Juice $1.50

Recycling Cans Awards

Well done Baden & Amelia Pearse, Olivia Scotman & Chloe Hogan who each received a ‘Recycling Cans’ Award. Every little bit counts!

Regional Athletics Carnival

Good luck to Ethan Neilson, Xtina Chalson-Riley, Giselle Andrew, Matthew Sharrad & Mackai Harriden who will be attending the Regional Athletics Carnival on Friday. The carnival is going to take place in Epping. These students will be competing against the best athletes in the Region.

Did you hear Renae Pennycook read at assembly this week? We did! She did a fantastic job! Come along and see who reads next week.

Happy Birthday

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Tuesday November 4th, is Melbourne Cup. There will be NO school on this day & the school bus is NOT be running on Monday 3rd November.

Friday 28th November is our next Pupil Free Day. Therefore, students are not expected at school that day. It is Report Writing Day for staff. It gives teachers an opportunity to ensure that all students’ reports are accurate.

Junior School – Foundation Rooms 3 & 6

Literacy: We will continue to develop writing skills with a focus on the vowels of a, e and i. We are also writing sentences with finger spaces and using initial sounds. We are writing one to three sentences in our diaries each week.
Numeracy: We will be working on subtraction and taking away one digit numbers from 10. We are also looking at location and direction.

Junior School – Year 1s Rooms 3, 8 & 9

Literacy: We will continue to develop our writing skills through narratives and recounts. We are looking at distinguishing between fact and opinion. We are also focusing on vowels.
Numeracy: We are looking at ordering and modelling numbers, counting patterns and addition and subtraction.

Junior School – Year 2s Rooms 8, 9 & 10

Literacy: We will continue to develop our writing skills through narratives and recounts. We are looking at distinguishing between fact and opinion. We are also focusing on apostrophes for contractions and possessions.
Numeracy: We are looking at addition, subtraction, counting patterns, modelling of numbers, length and area.

Middle School Years 3/4 Rooms 10, 11 & 13

Literacy: During writing sessions over the next few weeks, we will work on narratives. We will also be focusing on using commas with compound sentences.
Numeracy: We will continue to learn about processes, timetables and calendars. Times tables facts will be practised throughout the week.

Senior School Years 5/6 Rooms 1A&1B

Literacy: During writing sessions over the next few weeks, we will continue to work on narratives. We will also focus on using commas with compound sentences.
In reading we will be focusing on fluency and expression while also identifying key words and phrases during note taking.
Numeracy: We will continue work on place value (including decimals), processes, fractions, decimals and percentages. Another focus will be work relating to other bases. Times tables facts will be practised throughout the week.
**Defence School Transition Aide Message**

**Walk to school:** We are challenging our students to walk to and from school as often as they can in October. We understand that this is not always possible, but if it is, give it a try. It’s a great habit to have and is beneficial for the health of our children, our families, the environment and it saves money. We are also organising a whole school event later in October when all students will participate in a walking activity.

**Superfoods:** Have you tried kale? It is from the same vegetable family as broccoli and contains high amounts of beta carotene, iron and folate. It’s low calorie, low-carb and a great source of protein and fibre.

**Morning Tea**-A morning tea for families with special needs is being held at the PDNC on Friday 17th of October at 9:30am. This is a PDNC run event. Any questions please contact Karen Sullivan on 0434 643 019.

Have a great week!
Sue Ranger, Defence School Transition Aide

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**Positive Behaviour Reward Update**

All houses have taken the challenge of positive behaviour this term! Well done! Not much separates them, so keep up the good work. Every ticket is valuable!

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**Library News**

“Imagine a City” tells the story of two children travelling with their mother by train to a fantastical city and the things that they do and see while there.

**Text:** Imagine a City  
Author and Illustrator: Elise Hurst  
Learning Intention: To explore the notion of a fantastical city  
**Measure of Success:** I have made a list of scientifically impossible things from the story.  
Have fun using your imagination when reading a great variety of fiction books!!

Mrs Challis  
Library teacher

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### Canteen Menu Term 4

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| 17<sup>th</sup> October 2014 | Hot dogs  
250ml Chocolate or Strawberry Milk  
Apple / Orange Juice | $2.50  
$2.00  
$1.50 |
| 24<sup>th</sup> October 2014 | Chicken Nuggets  
250ml Chocolate or Strawberry Milk  
Apple / Orange Juice | 5 for $2.50  
$2.00  
$1.50 |
| 31<sup>st</sup> October 2014 | Potato Wedges  
250ml Chocolate or Strawberry Milk  
Apple / Orange Juice | $2.50  
$2.00  
$1.50 |
| 7<sup>th</sup> November 2014 | Party Pies / Sausage Rolls  
250ml Chocolate or Strawberry Milk  
Apple / Orange Juice | $1.00 Each  
$2.00  
$1.50 |
| 14<sup>th</sup> November 2014 | Hot dogs  
250ml Chocolate or Strawberry Milk  
Apple / Orange Juice | $2.50  
$2.00  
$1.50 |
| 21<sup>st</sup> November 2014 | Chicken Nuggets  
250ml Chocolate or Strawberry Milk  
Apple / Orange Juice | 5 for $2.50  
$2.50  
$1.50 |
| 28<sup>th</sup> November 2014 | PUPIL FREE DAY                        | NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS |
| 5<sup>th</sup> December 2014 | FINAL WEEK  
Mystery Menu  
Look in this week’s Wednesday notes for more details. | $5.00 Mystery pack including a drink |

\[ \text{Paper bags 20 cents each} \]

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Tips for Canteen/ Tuck Shop Orders

• Please write clearly - your Child’s name, Grade and Room and their order. This makes it a little easier for our canteen volunteers to find your child if there is a problem with the order. Other things that are helpful are pricing each item, totalling up and writing the amount enclosed.

• While every effort is made to ensure your child receives his or her order, sometimes there are product supply issues. Should these problems arise, your child will receive the nearest alternative flavour/product unless stated on the child’s order for *no alternative* in which case your child will receive their money back.

• If change is required from an order it will be sticky taped to the bag in which the order was sent in.

• Menu items and their prices are thought about and selected carefully and are decided by the school. Please see the school office if you wish to discuss any concerns.

• If you wish to volunteer for our canteen please give your name and contact details to the school office or pop into the canteen on a Friday. The canteen cannot operate without volunteers.

Thank you for supporting Puckapunyal Primary School by purchasing lunch orders each Friday!
Healthy Lunchbox ideas

**Chicken and corn wraps (Makes 4)**

- 125g cherry tomatoes, quartered
- 125g can corn kernels, drained
- 2 green onions, finely sliced
- 2 tablespoons sweet chilli sauce (optional)
- 8 butter lettuce leaves
- 4 sheets wholemeal lavash bread
- 1 1/2 cups shredded barbecued chicken (see note)
- 1 cup grated tasty cheese

Combine tomatoes, corn, onion, and sauce (if using) in a bowl. Arrange 2 lettuce leaves over 1 half of each lavash sheet. Top with tomato mixture, chicken and cheese. Roll up tightly from 1 short end to enclose filling. Cut each wrap in half. Secure with baking paper or string.

**Brekky bars (Makes 18 pieces)**

- 3/4 cup self-raising flour
- 1 cup shredded coconut
- 1/2 cup firmly packed brown sugar
- 1/2 cup pumpkin seeds (pepitas)
- 1/2 cup sunflower seeds
- 1/3 cup sultanas
- 1/3 cup chopped dried apricots
- 3/4 cup low-fat milk
- 1 egg

Preheat oven to 180°C/160°C fan-forced. Grease a 3cm-deep, 17cm x 27cm (base) slice pan. Line with baking paper, allowing a 2cm overhang at long ends. Combine flour, coconut, sugar, pumpkin seeds, sunflower seeds, sultanas and apricot in a bowl. Whisk milk and egg together in a jug. Add to flour mixture. Mix to combine. Spoon mixture into prepared pan. Smooth top. Bake for 25 to 30 minutes or until firm. Stand slice in pan for 15 minutes. Turn out on to a wire rack to cool completely. Cut into 18 pieces. Serve.