On Friday 6th May, local author Rhonda Tallnash will be visiting our school to spend time working with our students. Rhonda is looking forward to sharing stories and providing opportunities for students to write and share their stories during each session. She will have her funny Aussie rhyming picture books available for purchase on the day for $12 each.

If you would like to find out more about Rhonda Tallnash and the books she has written check out her website at www.rhondatallnash.com

Tomorrow morning we will have our annual Mothers’/Special Person Day Stall. Students will be able to purchase lovely gifts for their beloved mums. Gifts will be for sale ranging from $1 to $10.

We wish all our mothers a wonderful day on Sunday.

Next week on Tuesday 10th May, Wednesday 11th May and Thursday 12th May, all Years 3 and 5 students will be participating in the National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). These are national tests that are conducted by our teachers at school. The idea is to test all students throughout Australia to attain a measure of progress of all students. These tests are marked by the Department of Education. Individual reports will be given to parents later in the year.

***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 70-75 nights. Well done if you have kept up and don’t forget to keep reading!

***We can all work together to rid the community of Head Lice. Let’s check our heads once per week***
Mothers’ Day/Special Person Stall: This will be held tomorrow, from approximately 9-11 am. There will be a lovely selection of gifts ranging in price: $1, $2, $3, $4, $5 and $10. Just $1 buys a special gift! Please note that this is a voluntary activity for students.

Healthy Tip: To encourage happy, healthy family meals:
- Enjoy and eat a variety of foods yourself
- Make water the main family drink
- Make a food shopping list and stay within your budget
- Plan the list to include a variety of fresh, seasonal, healthy family foods
- Involve your children in selecting foods to buy and in meal preparation
- Keep preparing a variety of foods each day for meals and snacks

Happy Mothers’ Day to all mums, grandmas, special neighbours, aunts etc. who make our lives special!

Sue Ranger,
DSTA.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR REWARD UPDATE
Hume had a terrific week and jumped into second place. Keep up the positive behaviour everyone.

CURRENT SCORES
Melba- 167 points
Hume- 146 points
Bradman-141 points
Chisholm- 87 points

Happy Birthday to Lilly Mackay and Savannah Bradford who are having their birthday this week.

On behalf of the Puckapunyal Primary School Community, we wish them a very Happy Birthday!

**Don’t Forget - Early Morning Swimming is on every Tuesday at 8am at the Area Pool for Years 3-6 students.**

School Photos
School Photos will take place on Tuesday 24th May. An order form will be sent home with each student next week. This year we are using Academy School Photography.

Each envelop has a unique ‘Secure Shoot Key’ code, so each student must use their own envelope with their name on it. You can pay online prior to photo day, or use the envelope for cash/card payments. Every student must bring their envelope with them to give to the photographer (even if not ordering any photos). Envelopes for family photos are available at the office.

‘Striving for Excellence’
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‘Stronger Families, Stronger Connections’ is the theme for National Families Week in 2016. To celebrate the vital role that families play in Australian society, Defence Community Organisation invites our school community to attend a barbeque and disco on Thursday 19th May.

Barbeque dinner and drinks for sale, provided by Puckapunyal Primary School

So come and join in for a great family night out!

What – Family Barbeque & Disco Dance Party
When – 6.00pm – 8.00pm, Thursday 19th May 2016
Where – Puckapunyal Area Theatre, Passchendael Parade – Entry is Free!
RSVP – Please contact Louise Knight louise.knight@defence.gov.au or contact the team at DCO on 57357731

LIKE Defence Community Organisation on Facebook to receive updates and event info in your newsfeed.

All Years 3-6 students are involved in a Traffic and Safety Education Program during Physical Education and Sport classes.

Bikes are now required at school each week:
Years 3/4 every Tuesday
Years 5/6 every Friday

**Please Note – We have had several parents report to the school that too many students have been crossing the roads dangerously or riding their bikes and scooters dangerously to and from school. We ask families to please talk to their children about how to be safe in such situations. All classrooms will tackle the same issues at school.**

This term, all students from Foundation-Years 6 will participate in a House Cross Country Carnival. They will be trying to gain as many points as possible for their House team.

All of our children have been training for the event which will be held at school next Friday 13th May.
- Foundation-Year 2 students at 1:00pm
- Years 3-6 students at 2:30pm

Our students are keen to do well again this year. Some families may like to continue some extra training with their children.

Distances for the big day
Foundation-Year 2 students - 1 km
Under 9 and 10 age group - 2km
Under 11 and 12/13 and over age group - 3km

Good luck with the training, kids!

Each week at assembly, SRC representatives remind our students of a few important school rules. This week, SRC representatives, Rohanna Murphy and Max Fletcher reminded our students of the following rules:
- Move quietly through the corridor.
- Play equipment is not a place to play chasey.
- Play safely on the equipment.
- Shelter shed and amphitheatre seats are for sitting on, not jumping on.

Please discuss these rules with your children to help ensure that they understand.

At assembly this week Reliability was announced as our School Value of the week. That means teachers are looking for students who are demonstrating ‘Reliability’ to be eligible for the Student of the Week award. We encourage parents to talk to their students about our values throughout the year.

What is Reliability? ‘Reliability’ means that others can depend on you and count on you to do your best to keep commitments. If your family relies on you to feed the family pets then they are always fed without anyone having to remind you to do it. Reliability means that you really care about doing what you said you would do.’
Defence School Transition Aide Message

Back at school: I trust that everyone has had a smooth and satisfactory beginning to the school year. Changing schools, beginning school for the first time and even returning for another school year can be daunting for students and parents. It is great to see parents eager to support their children at this time and be an integral part of their education. If you have any concerns, or just feel like a chat about school and your child, please find me!

SWAPP Select Program

I have information about the ADF partners career assistance program if anyone is interested.

NEW UNIFORM

We have recently had a new shipment of uniform arrive that includes shorts, tops, tracksuit pants and hats. Some parents have been waiting on this to arrive.

Best wishes for the week.

Sue R
ger, Defence School Transition Aide

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Congratulations to the following students who were ‘Students of the Week’ for last week. Winners – Apple Stock, Dimitri Corocher, Tyson Morgan, Casey Cousins, Zien Oti, Shae Robertson and Lachlan Thompson. These students were selected because they were modelling ‘Compassion’. This week teachers are looking for students who are modelling ‘Reliability’.

Congratulations to the following students who were ‘Authors of the Week’ for last week. Winners – Riley McGee, Deagan Hermann, Rory Kennedy, Ashton Wallace, Jack Kennedy, Riley Gilmour, Somaiya Harriden and Finlay Koch. These students were selected because they showed great skills as an author.

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Times Tables Awards

3/4 A in Room 11 won the Middle School Times Tables Trophy. Will Anderson was delighted with his classroom’s efforts!

4/5/6 P won the Senior School Times Tables Trophy this week. Stephanie Brown and Caitlan Morton accepted the winning trophy for their classroom!

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Yard Duty Trophy

3/4 H in Room 10 and 4/5/6 P in Room 2 jointly won the Yard Duty Comp. Eila Schlender and Eli Casey will share the winning trophy this week!

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Assembly Reading

Did you hear Jack Kennedy read his persuasive writing about ‘why school uniforms are good’ at assembly this week? We did! He convinced us! He did a fantastic job! Come along and see who reads next week.

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‘Positive Behaviour’ Raffle Awards

Congratulations to Ryan Connie-Carbery, Dallas Ridl, Savannah Bradford and Kayleigh Buckley for winning the raffle prizes for ‘Positive Behaviour’ this week!
On **Friday 29th April** students from Ms O’Connor and Ms O’Meara’s classes participated in the annual ‘**Adopt a Granny Day**’. What did the students in Foundation/Year 1 O’Meara think about the day?

I LOVED EVERYTHING!  *Milli*
I liked singing the songs.  *Afi*
I loved the parachute.  *Cade*
My granny came and I loved the parachute.  *Chayce*
The dress ups were fun.  *Tabitha.*

I liked reading to the grannies!  *Ruby-Anne*
I enjoyed playing with the grannies!  *Ruby*
The puppet show was really good.  *Dom*
My grandparents came, it was fun!  *Hayden*
That parachute was great fun!  *Blake*
The costumes were good.  *Deagan*
We played Uno with the Grannies.  *Lewis*
I had fun playing the marble game!  *Savannah*
Reading and dancing were fun!  *Ethan*
I liked the parachutes best!  *Zoey*
Each week in the newsletter, we will give families a summary of the **Teaching/Learning Focus** for the week. **That can help families by:** being aware of what classrooms are covering; with discussion topics at the dinner table when discussing school (eg. ‘How are you going with addition in Numeracy this week?’); helping their children study at home, etc. Parents have indicated that this information is very useful. We also ask families to be aware that schools are very busy places and events can be unpredictable at times. We therefore must remain flexible. That means that we can plan to cover certain topics at particular times and have to change them according to arising needs.

### Junior School – Preps/Foundation Rooms 6 & 8

**Literacy:** We are continuing to practise our home reading and Golden Words every night. During the next 2 weeks we are learning about the letters ‘k and e’ and practising using capital letters and full-stops in our writing. We have also begun our ‘Big Write’ sessions on Tuesdays and are enjoying talking about Kung Fu Punctuation.

**Numeracy:** We are continuing to compare and order events using the everyday language of time, and looking at clocks. We are revising all numbers from 1 to 10.

### Junior School – Year 1s Rooms 3, 4 & 8

**Literacy** We are focusing on the letters ‘k and e’, and consolidating capital letters and full stops and looking at using question marks.

**Numeracy:** We are using number line to order and sequence numbers and count forward and backwards. We are beginning to investigate using informal units to estimate and measure mass of objects.

### Junior School – Year 2s Rooms 3 & 4

**Literacy:** We are focusing on reading with fluency and expression, taking particular care to stop at full stops, and pause at commas.

**Numeracy:** We are focusing on reading, writing and ordering numbers. As well as investigating the language of probability - possible, likely, impossible, and unlikely.

### Middle School Years 3/4 Rooms 10 & 11

**Literacy:** During writing sessions over the next few weeks, we will work on **persuasive texts.** We are now focusing on all four **VCOP components.** In reading we are working on **reading strategies.**

**Numeracy:** will continue to focus on the **four processes** and **place value.** Another continued focus will be **telling the time on both analogue and digital clocks.** **Times tables** will be practised throughout the week.

### Senior School Years 4/5/6 Rooms 1 & 2

**Literacy:** During writing sessions over the next few weeks, we will focus on the **VCOP components** and **persuasive texts.** In reading we will be focusing on **reading strategies.**

**Numeracy:** We will focus on **integers and fractions,** as well as **shapes and their properties.** **Times tables** will be practised throughout the week.

#### Young Leaders’ Course

10 of our Student Leaders are having their second leg of a **Young Leaders’ Course** tomorrow. The course will take place at Wandong Primary School. The course involves getting together with students from several schools twice per term. Each visit will be at a different school. Our School and House Captains are involved this year. The course will cover the following topics:

1. What makes a good leader?
2. Communication skills (public speaking)
3. Non-verbal communication (aggressive, passive and assertive)
4. Teamwork
5. Conflict resolution

Good luck, kids!
LOOK AT WHAT IS HAPPENING AROUND OUR SCHOOL

Photographs and writing by Year 6 students Lochie and Kade.

ANZAC COMMEMORATION

On the 26\textsuperscript{th} of April our school celebrated Anzac Day. Mrs Franks talked about the Rats of Tobruk and the Year 6s read a few things about Anzac Day. The powerpoint Mrs Franks showed us taught us a lot about the Rats of Tobruk and about the constant attacks they suffered 😞. The Year 6s did a fantastic job telling us about Anzac Day😊! Some staff members even had their faces painted.

MATHLETICS

NEWS FROM KADE AND LOCHIE!

I think Mathletics is a great website for learning and is great for going on when you have spare time.

Mathletics is a fun loving program where students get to improve their knowledge and understanding of different things in Numeracy that we are learning in class.
The children are continuing to focus on learning their numbers and classroom objects in Indonesian, children who learnt Indonesian last year are focussing on the double digit numbers.

- computer = komputer
- table = meja
- chair = kursi
- book = buku
- bag = tas
- glue = lem
- scissors = gunting
- pencil = pensil

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The children are focusing on asking and responding to questions about where they live. When writing/saying an address in Indonesian, the street name comes first followed by the house number! Children will also be learning/consolidating numbers in Indonesian.

- address = alamat
- live/stay = tinggal
- street = jalan
- number = nomor
- at/in = di

Where do you live? = Kamu tinggal di mana?
I live in ... = Saya tinggal di ...
I live in Puckapunyal. = Saya tinggal di Puckapunyal.
What is your address? = Di mana alamatmu?
My address is ... = Alamat saya Jalan ... nomor ...
My address is 15 Alamein Road. = Alamat saya Jalan Alamein nomor limabelas.

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Salam (Regards)
Bu Hooper (Mrs Hooper)
Guru Bahasa Indonesia (Indonesian teacher)
APP OF THE WEEK! - 10 Minutes a Day Time

Description
Spend 10 minutes a day and become a maths star!

Race against the clock with your maths skills! Young learners excel in short bursts, so DK’s 10 Minutes a Day Times Tables app is the perfect introduction to maths for children. Times tables games take a short amount of time - maximum fun for maximum effect.

With 10 Minutes a Day Times Tables you can practice your times tables through exciting car races, the faster you solve the questions the quicker your car will speed across the finish line. It’s also a fun ‘beat the clock test’ where you show off your maths skills by racing across the line before the time runs out. If you don’t get the answer right away you’ve got a chance to keep trying for the right one and if you don’t make it you’ll get handy hints and tips to help you next time. Play your way through the rounds, speeding your way from bronze through silver and all the way up to gold. Once you’ve mastered the regular times tables you can test yourself in mixed times tables races, whizzing your way through with your maths knowledge.

DK’s 10 Minutes a Day Times Tables app is ideal for showing children how fun maths can be.

CHALLENGE MR WARNE TO SEE HOW GOOD YOU REALLY ARE…
Dear Parents,
On the 16th of May at 5pm there will be an iPad learning session for parents and others that would like to improve their knowledge and understanding around iPads. This is the time for all the questions you might have about iPads, iPad lists, Minecraft, Edmodo and other apps or issues you might have.

Expression of interest:
I ____________________ would be interested in the iPad learning session held on the 16th of May 2016.

**Please return this slip to the iPad question box at the front of the office...Thank you**