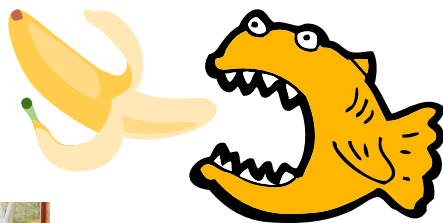


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## ASSEMBLY

Room 2 assembly item was about how Piranhas don't like bananas.  
Thank you for sharing your wonderful story with us.



## ATTENDANCE

Kindy -	82.03%
Pre-Primary -	76.77%
Year 1/2 -	85.01%
Year 2/3 -	74.74%
Year 3/4 -	80.92%
Year 5/6 -	81.02%
Lower H/S -	83.57%
Upper H/S -	83.82%
Senior H/S -	75.33%

## WHATS ON

### Week 5

- 15 - 16 August - School Psych

### Week 6

- 21 - 25 August - Book Week
- 22 August - Book Week Parade
- 23 August - Kindy Assembly
- 23 - 24 August - School Psych
- 25 August - Tri School Carnival  
Onslow

### Week 7

- 29 - 30 August - School Psych
- 29 August - Father Day Stall
- 1 September - Pupil Free Day  
Rodeo

### Week 8

- 6 - 7 September - School Psych
- 7 September - P&C Meeting
- 7 - 8 September - High School  
Carnival South Hedland

## MERIT CERTIFICATES

The following students received merit certificates  
at our latest assembly  
Congratulations!

Hazel Schilling, Millie Barton, Lewie Hooper, Lucas Mulcahy, Cohen  
Winch, Albie Hillier, Finn Watson, Ebenezer Clancy, Harry Norton, Ella  
Desmond, Aiden Boyd, Ritchie Mauri, Indi Watson, Harry Rowe, Dreylan  
Macale, Nate Mehlert, Mataio Clancy, Tyler Vernede and Ella Bennett



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## RIO TINTO ROBE VALLEY

Pannawonica School would like to thank Rio Tinto Robe Valley Leadership Team for helping with moving two cubby houses and painting them for us. Our ECE Students are having a great time playing in them.



## ATTENDANCE

Parents and Caregivers, It is a requirement to inform the school if your child/ren are absent. This can be done by, Calling the school on 9134 9100, sending a SMS to the school number or via Seesaw to your child's teacher.

Thank you

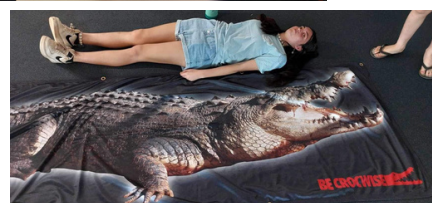


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## BROOME CAMP

Broome Camp ran from 31st July - 4th August. We left bright and early Monday and hit the road for Broome. We arrived about 530pm that evening and settled into Broome Camp School which was in a fabulous location right on Cable Beach! We then had an action packed Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday! We had a swim at Cable Beach and played mini golf and enjoyed a delish fish n chip lunch! We also loved the night markets and seeing the famous "staircase to the moon." The eco dolphin tour we did was absolutely spectacular and we sighted dolphins, turtles and dungongs over the course of our magical morning on the boat! The students loved the Malcolm Douglas Crocodile Park and the wildlife incursion. Going to the movies to see Elemental at the famous outdoor cinemas was also a highlight one evening. The laser tag at camp was lots of fun as was the Cable Beach walk and hang out. Students loved the camel ride on Cable Beach and the beautiful sun setting on Cable Beach. Fishing off the jetty was also a highlight! It was a fabulous week, the kids had an amazing time! The students were beautifully behaved and a delight to take on camp. Thank you to the staff who attended: Alyce Cross, Chelsea Rowe, Kylie Warburton and our fabulous parent volunteer Chris Bell. Thank you to Gareth James who did a huge amount of work behind the scenes to get us to Broome!



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Dear Parents/Caregivers

First day of Term 3 we welcomed Krystal Kraichoo to the Pannawonica teaching Family. Krystal joins us as a support teacher/relief teacher for the remainder of 2023. Krystal has fitted right into the school and is already proving to be an amazing addition to our team. We are also welcoming back from maternity leave Talitha Martin our School Chaplain. Talitha will commence back at school 1 day per week starting in Week 4 – we look forward to having her expert skills back on site.

Term 3 begun with a flurry of activities – starting with Room 2s Assembly where they danced and sang about how piranhas don't eat bananas, it was a very inspiring performance with students smiling from ear to ear to hear all about what the students in Year 1/2 had learnt.

NAIDOC Day celebrations was next on our calendar. Students participated in events all around the school to mark the celebrations of our First Nations Peoples with the theme – For our Elders. We were fortunate to have Brendan Rahman and Jessie James support on the day with spear making and students using these after being made. The day saw the whole school work on and practice a song with Mr Hillier – which they sang in Kuruma language. Students also participated in making a beautiful memento from the day of a beautiful Leaf picture that is proudly displayed in the library. Stories were read and videos of Elders telling stories were part of all the learning and fun. Thank you to Lara Rahman and Carissa Russell for hosting this special event – the day was a fantastic demonstration of a whole school working together to make learning meaningful.

Broome Camp for students in Year 6-10 occurred next on the calendar. This was a much anticipated and well planned out event that took months in the making. Students, teachers and parent volunteer (Chris Bell) met the bus bright and early on the Monday morning of Week 3 (4.45am) and made the long trek to Broome (11 hour bus trip) whereby all the students commenced all that Broome had to offer. They went to the Crocodile Farm, went to the movies, shopping, Cable Beach fun and a whole heap of other experiences that I am sure will stay in their memories for many years to come. Students and staff have been sharing all their stories of what was great about the camp all week – which is a great testament that the camp was a massive success.

A great success like this takes a whole heap of planning so I just wanted to take a moment to acknowledge the Fundraising and Camp Committee here at school – led by Kylie Warburton. This team was made up of Garreth James, Alyce Cross and Chelsea Rowe. Throughout Term 2 this team worked tirelessly towards raising funds and getting every single detail of the camp sorted prior to students heading off. This team ensured that the cost for parents was as low as they could possibly make it so no child was left behind or forgotten. With this mammoth effort there were 28 excited students who got to experience all that Broome had to offer at the low low cost of \$341 per students. The rest was raised by this team and our amazing town support team of Rio Tinto! A big congratulations and what a great reflection of the calibre of staff who work at our little ole school in the outback - they ensured our students got the best that could be offered. We are fortunate to have such Professional Caring Educators in our school – thank you for putting our students needs first and for making this Camp such a success. True Ohana champions!

It would be remiss of me to not also acknowledge the P&C who supported all the Fundraising events help by the Fundraising Committee – they worked in collaboration with staff and students to ensure that best outcomes of each fundraising event held had all it needed to be successful. Thank you!

Plus a massive thank you to Rio Tinto who generously donated the entire costs towards the bus, the driver and the fuel at a cost of \$6500 to ensure no student missed out and to ensure that the costs were kept low – Ohana in action. We are so appreciative. You are part of our Ohana team. You always support, you always ensure that our students are the priority. You are a vital member of our student champion team. Thank you!

Last week (Week 3) students in Year 4 sat the PEAC test (Primary Extension and Challenge – Gifted and Talented assessment) – students sat this test to help be identified by the Department of Education if students academic ability could/should be supported by further opportunities for participating in enrichment and extension programs when they reach Year 5 and Year 6. Congratulations to all our Year 4s for having a go and for being part of this process. Results of this test is released later in the Year and students who have met criteria will be offered placements at a PEAC program in Karratha.

Annette Hansen  
Principal