



PARENT HANDBOOK



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Welcome

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Pioneer Village School. We are a non-denominational independent private school that was established in 1981. We are situated in a picturesque and heritage protected setting at the foothills of the Darling Ranges, Armadale. Our school maintains the appearance of a pioneer town of the 1800's.

We cater for children beginning from Kindergarten (Three Year Olds) to Year Six students and pride ourselves on the professionalism of our staff and the high standard of individualised care. At our school we run predominantly multiage classrooms, our academic programs focus on excellence and we offer a breadth of curricula programs. The environment is warm and welcoming and is enjoyed by our students, parents, staff and all those who visit our school.

Our curriculum complies with State and Commonwealth government requirements. The extra curricula experiences include performing and fine arts specialist programs including, instrumental programs, dancing, Japanese and a variety of sporting opportunities. In addition we provide for Education Support and Academic Extension programs to ensure all children can learn at their individual rate. We work closely with families to instill in our students positive social values that will enable them to become successful, supportive and caring members of our society.

We have a very successful on-site before and after school care program (OSHClub). Many of our families utilise this service which is available for children four years and over at our school.

Being an independent school, both parents and teachers are very proud to share in its ownership. Together we work supportively to provide a safe, caring and educationally stimulating environment where our children can gain the confidence to develop their skills and reach their full potential. We enjoy working a collaborative approach to education to create a positive future for our children.

You are always welcome to contact me regarding any queries you may have about our school. I also invite you to view our website (www.pvs.wa.edu.au) for further information including photos of our learning environment.

Yours truly,

Donna E Wright

Donna Wright
Principal

SCHOOL PROFILE

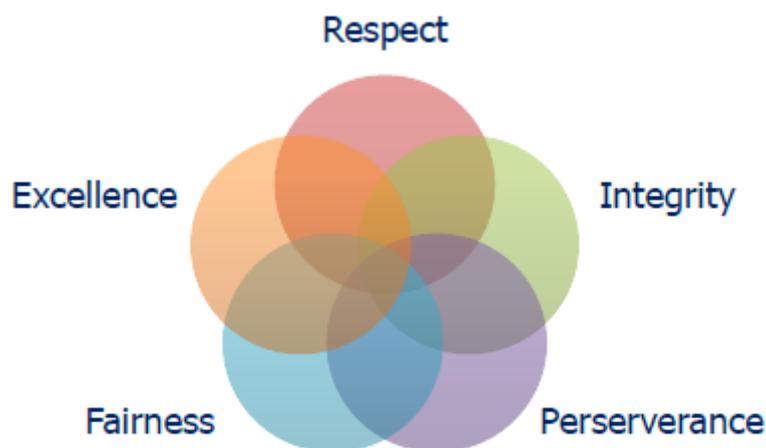
Our vision

Every student equipped to thrive.

School motto and values

Our school motto Aim for Excellence recognises the importance of encouraging each student to always strive to do their best and reach their potential.

All members of the school community will act in line with and demonstrate the school's values:



Environmental Context

Pioneer Village School is a non-denominational independent private school established in 1981 and situated in a picturesque and heritage-protected setting at the foothills of the Darling Ranges, Armadale. Our school maintains the appearance of a pioneer town of the 1800s.

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OUR PHILOSOPHY

We believe that:

Learning

The basic skills of reading, writing and mathematics (literacy and numeracy) and our school academic program is fundamental to developing a strong foundation in education and this is our priority! We also believe students should be given recognition and encouragement for their diverse talents and be given the opportunity to share and extend their special skills. We will create opportunity for all children to experience success through providing a breadth of curriculum offerings.

Leading

We provide an environment where students develop positive self-respect, confidence and an enthusiastic attitude to life. High moral standards, based on clearly defined guidelines, are encouraged. We pride ourselves in providing a quality values education program throughout the

school. We aim to develop resilient leaders who understand diversity and lead with intellect, care and compassion

Life

Lifelong education is essential for ongoing personal growth, creativity, resourcefulness, independent thought and developing an inquiring mind. Learning should be stimulating, enjoyable and interesting and should take place in an atmosphere of mutual respect.

Love

Family is vital to the overall success of your child's education. We gladly welcome parent participation in our school's activities and believe that parents and visitors should always feel welcome to participate in the process of schooling. Our school offers the security a close working relationship between students, teachers and families.

OUR SCHOOL CREED

*Pioneer Village is our school, let peace dwell here
Let the rooms be full of contentment, let love abide here
Love of mankind, love of life itself
Let us remember that as many hands make a house, so many hearts make a school.*

OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE

Please visit our school website where you will find our policies and procedures, fees, newsletters, photos of our school and other information: www.pvs.wa.edu.au

OUR CONSTITUTION

Our school is unique in that all our parents and staff are Association Members and therefore share in its ownership. Please see our website www.pvs.wa.edu.au for a copy of our constitution that was revised and ratified in 2013. Thank you.



CURRICULUM AND COMMUNICATION

Literacy and Numeracy

Literacy and Numeracy are priorities held by government and industry, and as such, the development of these skills is our highest priority. Literacy and Numeracy are integrated within all the other subjects in our curriculum, ensuring a rich contextualisation of our English language and mathematics throughout each day. Our students undertake NAPLAN testing as well as a range of other assessments via external sources and teacher evaluations.

Humanities and Science

The humanities and sciences are taught by the class teacher and are integrated in to rich work to extend the child's thinking and to expand their world. The teachers follow the WA Curriculum in conjunction with the Australian Curriculum.

Technology

The school's technology facilities include a computer lab, high speed internet technology, Smart Board technology, laptops, tablets, digital cameras, digital video recorders, and other forms of technology. We recognise that technology is constantly changing and that it is important to keep abreast of appropriate resources for our students. We are committed to the development of technology skills and the provision of opportunities for children to extend their computing skills and knowledge through the use of appropriate hardware and software resources.

Fine Art, Music and Performance

The Arts is an integral part of our curriculum. At our school the Arts is supported by the provision of Art specialist teachers. The school supports a school performance, a school music program and local community events. Dancing is provided for our students from Pre-Primary to Year 6 and all our students partake in our school concerts and carols evenings. We have specialised fine arts in a dedicated and well resourced art room.

Languages other than English (LOTE)

Our Italian lessons provide the students with the opportunity to learn another language and to gain an understanding of other cultures. Basic Italian is taken by the class teacher.

Education Support

The school places an emphasis on the acquisition of literacy skills. As such, children requiring additional assistance in the lower grades are supported in their learning by our Education Support Teacher.

Academic Extension Program

Within each class, teachers provide opportunities for children to extend their skills. The school also provides an Academic Extension Program for students identified as having the potential to benefit from enrichment.

Values Education and Student Discipline

We endeavour to set, by example, acceptable standards of behaviour, good manners, consideration, respect, caring and friendship. A high standard of behaviour and good manners is always expected of all our students. We encourage positive social values, and as such, include a Values Education Curriculum as part of our education program.

We believe that a child's behaviour should not be permitted to interfere with a teacher's right to teach or another child's right to learn. Every student is made aware of the classroom and school rules and of the positive and negative consequences associated with the choices they make. The children follow set behaviour plans laid down by their class teacher which are based on the Lee Canter Assertive Discipline format.

Excursions and Incursions

Class excursions and incursions are considered an essential part of the teaching program and are covered by school fees. There are times throughout the year however when additional excursions or incursions take place that require further payment (eg Sporting excursions). All additional money (unless specifically directed) should be paid to the class teacher. The correct money should be placed in an envelope and clearly labelled with the student's name, year and purpose for which it is intended. Unless otherwise advised, students are to wear Dress Uniform on excursions.

School Camp

Every year a camp for Years 6 is held and from 2014 the excursion will be to Kalgoorlie at a cost of approximately \$850 (additional to school fees).

Homework

Regular homework is a valuable aspect of the learning process and contributes to the development of sound study skills. However, children should not be overwhelmed with homework as they need time for creative and imaginative play. Television and computer games are usually poor substitutes. Children of all ages enjoy being read to and are helped in developing their own reading skills by listening to a good reader therefore reading homework is sent home daily. Younger children need to develop good study habits. It is important to have a set time and place to work, free from distraction. Parents should be aware that students vary in the time they take to complete homework or study. The school sends homework home on a Monday and expect its completion by the Friday of the same week.

Parent Information Evenings and Interviews

Parent Interviews are held Term 1 and Term 3. School reports are distributed Term 3 and Term 4. We also offer additional School Support Group meetings for children with special needs. We encourage parents to come along to our assemblies, concerts, Show and Tell class displays and special events where children can proudly show their parents their achievements over the course of the year.

Student Repeating and Student Progression

Where a family is advised by our Executive, that it is in the best interests of the child to either repeat a year or be accelerated, that parents wishing to continue at the school must abide by the advice provided by our teaching and specialist staff.

Maintaining Contact with our Teaching Staff

Our teaching staff are always very willing to assist and support parents in the education of their children and to address any concerns parents may have. Please do not hesitate to arrange an interview with our teaching staff as we are always keen to help you.

To enable a smooth flow of communication, please speak with the class teacher or specialist teacher in the first instance, if you would like to escalate your concern please make an appointment to see the Deputy Principal and or Principal as they are very willing to assist.

As the Board's role does not usually involve operational matters, parents are asked to only bring concerns to the attention of Board members when the above options have been exhausted. This will then lead to the initiation of our formal grievance procedure. If matters raised with a Board member have not initially been raised with the teacher concerned, the Board member will direct you to contact either the teacher, Deputy or Principal.

School Community Opportunities

Opportunities for parents to assist with, and support, our curriculum programs. We value and encourage parent assistance, experience, expertise and enthusiasm. There are opportunities for parents to socialize through our popular Cuppa with the Principal, Concerts, P&F fund raising social events, and other activities throughout the year. Parents can participate in decision making through such avenues as the School Board, P&F Committee, working parties, forums and surveys. The

Principal's door is always open to the community. If timing is difficult, the Principal will ensure contact is made to arrange an appropriate time to meet.

Assemblies

All parents are welcome to attend our assemblies, they are held fortnightly on Monday at 8:45am. Our assemblies are led by our School Captains and School Councillors.

School Newsletters

The school newsletter is issued fortnightly via the website and email.

School Board Minutes

Are available for perusal at the school office upon request.

Suggestion Box

If you have any ideas, suggestions or constructive comments you would like to offer, please feel free to utilize our Suggestion Box which is located at reception. Please ensure that your name is on any communication so that we can respond to you.



ENROLMENT

Please read this document fully prior to completing the "Application for Enrolment" form and be prepared to abide by the School Constitution, policies and directions of the school.

We would like all families to make a genuine commitment to support our school's educational program, acknowledging that this school is a non-denominational private school.

Office Hours 8:00am to 4:00pm

Daily Start and End Times

K3 & K4: 8:30am – 2:50pm

Yrs PP to 6: 8.30am – 3:00pm

Policies and Procedures

Please visit our school website www.pvs.wa.edu.au which provides information regarding policies and procedures. Hard copies are available on request.

Fees

School fees are part of enrolling in a private educational environment. We must have fees paid promptly. In the case of genuine hardship, short term alternative arrangements may be considered. This is at the discretion of the School Principal in conjunction with the School Board. Failure to pay school fees after all reminders have been issued will result in the family being required to leave the school and the matter being forwarded to an external debt collector. Please be aware that families must give one terms notice prior to exiting the school or the school fee will apply.

Scholarships

Details can be found in the Scholarship section under the Enrolment tab of our school website www.pvs.wa.edu.au. Scholarships are only open to families new to our school.

Punctuality

Parents are requested to ensure that their children arrive at school punctually. The school program commences when the students enter class and the teacher will be unable to provide for individual students who are regularly arriving late. Late students must report to Reception for a late pass.

Attendance

Ensure that your child attends school every school day. Legally and operationally, parents are required to forward an explanation to the class teacher when their child is absent or late for school.

Registers are completed twice daily (am and pm). Parents must notify the school promptly of the reason for all student absences either by telephone, email or in person on the morning of the child's absence, or in writing upon the child's return.

Behavior

As the welfare of all our students are our concern, positive student behavior is expected. Parents, may be advised to seek professional assistance and are expected to do so, to assist in developing behaviors appropriate to the school environment. Significant breaches of the school Behavior Policy may require the family to seek an education for their child at another institution.

Uniform

Students are expected to be groomed according to school policy and dressed in correct school uniform which is maintained in good condition. Parents are expected to advise the school teacher when their child is not in appropriate uniform.

At Pioneer Village School all students wear a smart, distinctive uniform which is purchased from our school Uniform Shop. The wearing of school uniform is compulsory. Our Uniform Shop hours are Wednesday 8.15 – 9.00 am.

Uniform items must be paid for at the time of purchase using cash, cheque or EFTPOS (MasterCard or Visa).

- A letter is required on the day if your child is not in correct uniform.
- The uniform should always be presentable, particularly when on excursion, for the annual school photo, and to and from school. Unless otherwise advised, students are to wear Dress Uniform on excursions.
- Dress hat is to be worn to and from school on days when dress uniform is required.
- Sports hats are to be worn daily at school all year round. Parents are reminded to provide sun screen for their children in warm / hot weather.
- Dress school shoes should be kept polished.
- Sport shoes are to be cross-trainer running shoes (sneakers). Coloured runners are acceptable. However skate shoes, high top basketball-style shoes, alternative sport shoes to runners and those with built-in wheels, lights or other accessories are not to be worn at Pioneer Village School.
- Hair is only to be temporarily dyed for special events such as sport carnivals, dress up days and special performances and must be washed out for the following school day. Hair that is below collar length must be tied up for health and hygiene purposes. Hair is not to be bleached.
- One pair of sleepers/studs on ears only and a wrist watch are the accepted items.
- No nail polish.
- School bag – navy blue. Must include school crest.

Mobile Phones

Students are not permitted to have mobile phones at school, including in their school bags, except in special circumstances, and only with the approval of the principal. A letter from parents for consideration is required.

Social Media

Access to Facebook and other forms of communication must be treated with caution at all times. Parents are expected to exercise great care and responsibility if permitting their child to use Facebook or other similar social network sites and to be mindful of the legal age to access such sites. Parents have the ultimate responsibility for their child and it is expected that they be positive role models for their children and that they will remind them that internet, mobile phones or other electronic communication devices can never be regarded as safe or confidential. Our school community, of which both staff and parents are association members, will not condone or tolerate defamatory comments towards the school or any members of staff, parents or students regardless of what medium of communication is being used. Deliberate misuse of technology or other means to bully, harass, coerce, discriminate, mislead or otherwise offend those who are a part of, or associated with, our school community (including the use of offensive language) by a student may lead to suspension or expulsion.

Deliberate misuse of technology or other means to bully, harass, coerce, discriminate, mislead or otherwise offend those who are a part of, or associated with, our school community (including the use of offensive language) by a parent or guardian will be regarded as a breach of this contract. In such a case parents involved will be required to retract their statements and may also be advised that their family will no longer be able to attend our school.

Voluntary Working with Children Check and Voluntary Declaration

All parents and adult family members who assist in the school on a voluntary basis will be required to complete a Volunteer Declaration Form on entry to the school. This is a government requirement as part of ensuring our students are in a safe environment.

Health Records

It is very important that we have up to date contact details and health records, particularly in the event of an emergency. Parents must contact the school immediately circumstances change. Children who suffer from anaphylaxis or asthma must have plans signed by a doctor annually and must ensure their child's medication is in date – this is a parent responsibility. Please be aware that on special occasions we do celebrate birthdays with cakes or "special foods" and we do expect that children with any food allergies to have an alternative available. We ask parents of children with allergies to bring in alternative foods to be stored in the staff room so that their child is able to participate in any celebration that requires shared foods.

Photo Consent

Upon enrolment, families indicate in writing whether or not school endorsed photos can be taken of their child and whether or not their child's name can be used for school communication and marketing purposes. The agreement holds for the duration of a child's attendance at our school unless parents inform us otherwise. Parents must contact the office if this information needs to be updated.

Car Park

The maximum speed limit in the village car park is 8 Km. the drop off zone is used for students in Years 2 to 6. Parents are advised to adhere to the parking times shown on some of the bays as the village car park is private property and for patrons to the village only.

Toilet Training

Parents should ensure that their child must be toilet-trained prior to attending school or kindergarten.

Contact Details

Please ensure that contact details in the school's emergency file are kept up to date. If at any time an address, phone number, mobile or email is changed, please notify the school immediately. This is very important with respect to emergency situations.

Illness

Please ensure that children are fully recovered before returning them to school. The teacher or secretary must be promptly advised as to the reason for an absence in order for the absence to be approved.

Head Lice

Please ensure that their children's hair is checked for head lice regularly. Children must not return to school until their hair has been properly treated.

Medication and Drugs Misuse

Please ensure our medication procedures are fully adhered to and all medications are brought to the reception for distribution. Please ensure that no medication and no illicit drugs are in the possession of the student or being used by the student for the purpose of selling or enticing others as this could lead to expulsion.

Pick Up Procedures

Parents are asked not to arrive at the drop off zone before 3:00pm as students will not be ready for pick up until after 3:00pm and it is important for safety reasons to avoid traffic banking up toward the Albany Highway entrance to the Village car park.

In the event that children have not been picked up by 3:20pm they will be required as an emergency procedure to be taken to OSHClub staff and family will be responsible for all associated costs. Contact details will be forwarded by to the company (OSHClub) for billing purposes.

School Canteen

The school service for canteen food is available four days a week: Monday to Friday (closed Thursday). Parents must advise the provider if your child has any particular food allergies. Orders can also be placed and paid online at www.ouronlinecanteen.com.au; simply visit this site and register. The school canteen is outsourced and is a community service. Please contact the Organic Shop for details.

OSHCLUB

- Before School Care is available at the school from 7:00am to 8:50am daily.
- After School Care is available from 3:00pm to 6:00pm daily during each term.
- The company running the program is OSHCLUB please discuss your enrolment needs with the OSHCLUB staff.

Arrival before School (Students not involved in Before School Care)

For the safety of the children, students should not arrive at school before 8:10am. This is when students will be supervised by teaching staff.

Other Matters Relating to Entering and Leaving the School Grounds

Those students that travel to school by bicycle are not to ride their bicycles on the school grounds nor through the village.

Students who ride by bicycle or walk to and from school are expected to go directly to school in the morning and go directly home at the end of the school day. Students are not to linger in the village either before or after school.

Children are not permitted to leave the school grounds during school hours without first having parental consent and permission from the Principal.

Pets

Pets are not permitted on the school grounds. This is due to children that suffer from allergies as well as for safety reasons.

Smoking and Alcohol

Pioneer Village School is a smoke free and alcohol free zone. The drinking of alcohol is only permitted if sanctioned by the School Executive and School Board at special designated events.

Health and Medical Matters

In the event of professional medical care being required parents will be contacted immediately. In the case of an extreme emergency an ambulance will be called this expense must be borne by the parent. In the case of dental injuries, parents will be contacted and the Dental Clinic at Armadale Primary School will be consulted for advice, and if necessary, the child will be referred there.

Where possible student medication should be administered at home rather than during school time. If medication must be brought to school it should be stored in a container clearly showing the name of the student. Where prescription medication is involved, it will only be accepted by the school if the packaging of the medication displays the name of the pharmacy, the student's name, the medication, dosage and frequency details. Where there are students who have special conditions requiring special consideration, staff must be given specific and clear written instructions from the doctor or specialist before undertaking any responsibility.

The school does not stock over-the-shelf medication for children.

When presenting any medication at reception - please do not hand to the classroom teacher - parents must complete a form detailing the requirements concerning the administration of the medication and giving the school permission to administer it.

Sick children do not enjoy school and often spread their infections. Parents must ensure children are fully recovered before returning them to school.

Minimise Nuts Please

We ask that parents do not provide their children with peanut butter or food products that contain nuts. A number of our children are seriously allergic to nuts and handling or even smelling nuts can create allergic reactions. At times children may share their recess or lunch packs without our knowledge and this could result in serious medical consequences for some children. We endeavour to provide nut-free products, however parents are advised that many products are processed in locations that also process nuts unfortunately we cannot always avoid this.

Please be aware that on birthdays and special occasions we do have shared "snacks". We do ask parents supply nut free products but this cannot be guaranteed. If your child has any allergies please ensure you have notified the staff and please bring in alternative foods for your child. These foods can be stored in the staffroom or classroom.

Sun Safety

Please ensure that your children wear sunscreen. Parents are expected to ensure their children have sun cream administered before they leave home daily during the year. Sunscreen will be available in the classroom for children to administer. Throughout the year children must wear their hat when outside at recess and lunch times and they need to understand that "no hat means no play" .

Lost Property

All items of clothing and property should be clearly labelled with your child's name. Any lost property may be found in the 'Lost Property Box' located outside the school bank. The school will dispose of any unclaimed items at the end of each term.

Internal Emergency Procedures

In case of emergencies such as fire, earthquake or lock down, the school has in place a coordinated procedure to maximise the safety of your child. Please ring the Principal if you wish to view the procedures.

Court Orders

Parents are advised that all court orders that pertain to the care of the children enrolled should be copied and held at Reception. If the school is aware that court orders are breached, we will call the police. If we believe a child may be placed in a potentially harmful or stressful situation if released from school, it is our responsibility to contact the authorities to seek further advice.

The Collection of Student and Family Information

If any of the information below is of personal concern to you, please contact the office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Pioneer Village School collects personal information, including sensitive information about pupils and parents or guardians, before and during the course of a pupil's enrolment at the school. The primary purpose of collecting this information is to provide schooling for your child. Some of the information we collect is to satisfy the school's legal obligations, particularly to enable the school to discharge its duty of care.

Certain laws governing or relating to the operation of schools require that certain information is collected. These include Public Health (and Child Protection) laws. Health information about pupils is sensitive information within the terms of the National Privacy Principles under the Privacy Act. We ask you to provide medical reports about pupils from time to time.

The school from time to time discloses personal and sensitive information to others for administrative and educational purposes. This includes to the School Board, other schools, government departments, educational bodies, medical practitioners, and people providing services to the school, including specialist visiting teachers, (sports) coaches and volunteers.

Parents may seek access to personal information collected about them and their child by contacting the school. Pupils may also seek access to personal information about themselves however, there will be occasions when access is denied, such occasions would include where access would have an unreasonable impact on the privacy of others, where access may result in a breach of the school's duty of care to the pupil, or where pupils have provided information in confidence.

From time to time the school engages in fundraising activities. Information received from you may be used to make an appeal to you. It may also be disclosed to other parents and staff within the school to assist in the school's fundraising activities. We will not disclose your personal information to third parties for their own marketing purposes without your consent.

If you provide the school with the personal information of others, such as doctors or emergency contacts, we encourage you to inform them that you are disclosing that information to the school and why, that they can access that information if they wish and that the school does not usually disclose the information to third parties. We may include your contact details in a class list and school directory.

Information such as academic and sporting achievements, pupil activities and other news is often published in school newsletters, magazines, local press and our website.

Taking Photos and Videos

Throughout the year events take place that showcase our students. Parents may take photographs and videos of their children participating in the events but all images are for personal use only and must not be placed on the internet, including social network sites, without prior consent of parents/guardians if other children are also shown in the photos or videos.

Parental permission for photographs is recorded and adhered to by staff at all times for images used in school publications and on our website. We are not at liberty to share this information so it is very important that parents do not publish photographs that include children other than their own.

Thank you for helping us to keep all our children safe.



SCHOOL

HISTORY

Principals of Pioneer Village School

1981 - 1982	Mr. David Nore
1983 - 1989	Mr. John Griffiths
1990 - 1994	Ms. Margaret Merrick
1995 - 2001	Mr. John Green
2002 - 2015	Mr. Doug Davies
2016 - 2017	Ms. Donna Wright

1981-1982

Pioneer Village School commenced operation in 1981 as an Incorporated Association. Parents in the area said they wanted a school that emphasised the basic skills of reading, writing and spelling. Children would spend the morning studying and keep the afternoons free for creativity. Pottery, arts and crafts, needlework and other skills were taught by parents or people in the village. The official title of the association today is Village School Association Inc. Shortly after the school commenced operation, Pioneer World opened to the public. At that time Pioneer World was a tourist attraction and resembled that of an 1800's gold mining pioneer town. People would pay to enter the "town" and spend a family day enjoying the experience of life in the 1800's. There would be craft shops, a black smith, a town mayor, jail house, saloon, stable, camels, an animal farm, ponds, bird sanctuary and many other attractions, including the opportunity to go gold mining, horse and carriage riding and experience what it was like to work in a mine shaft. Students and staff at the school wore period costume and enjoyed the freedom of the village. Although they were "on show" to the public, both students and teachers enjoyed life in the "village" immensely.

In February 1981 Pioneer Village School officially opened under the leadership of Mr. David Nore as Principal. By June of that year, 55 students were enrolled in the school however by the end of 1982 the school was no longer able to sustain itself and closed down.

1983-1989

In 1983 the school was re-established by a group of parents with the assistance and guidance of Mr. John Griffiths. Mr. Griffiths became the second Principal at Pioneer Village School and this time it was established as an independent school with no religious affiliation. Initially the school ran two classes involving students from Years 1-7 and had a total of 24 students.

1990-1994

In 1990 Ms. Margaret Merrick became our third Principal. Ms. Merrick was promoted to Principal from her former position of Senior Teacher within the school. Her educational training and experience was largely gained in England. Ms. Merrick undertook her tasks and responsibilities as Principal with much enthusiasm and dedication and by 1992 enrolments had reached 142 students.

1995-2002

Mr. John Green took over as the school's fourth principal in 1995. Prior to his appointment, Mr. Green was the bursar at the Perth Waldorf School. In addition he taught in international schools and in England as an Economics Teacher. Mr. Green's qualifications included a Master's degree in Business Administration. Mr. Green worked hard to maintain the school through very difficult times associated with the eventual closure of Pioneer World and the hardships associated with the remainder of the village becoming derelict. However, he never gave up, and through his efforts the school continued to grow and achieve a high standard of excellence, securing it soundly for the future.

2002-2015

Mr. Doug Davies was appointed as the school's fifth Principal in July 2002. Mr. Davies is also the school's Chief Executive Officer responsible for the operational management of the school. Mr. Davies came to the school with twenty five years' experience across State and Catholic education systems, a Master's degree in Education, nine years' experience as a school Principal. The school underwent enormous development and change during his leadership of twelve years. The school

had become well renowned for its success. Mrs Allyson George was acting Principal during 2015 after Mr. Davies resigned.

2016-2017

Ms. Donna Wright was appointed in 2016 and she is a well experienced Principal of 10 years, has worked in education in both internationally and interstate schools. She has been an educational consultant and has worked across all sectors in education including Early childhood, Primary and Secondary education and been a guest lecturer at Universities. She has been a Board member within the University sector. She has a Masters of Education and is well prepared for leadership of Pioneer Village. The future is exciting for our community and the School Board and School Executive look forward to many years working with the parents, teachers and students of Pioneer Village School.