NEWSLETTER



KINDNESS	RESILIENCE	EXCELLENCE RESPECT	
Term 3 Week 5 Friday 25 August 2023		Principal: Kate Bennett Acting Deputy Principal: Jodie Lindsay	
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August 2023		September 2023 - continued	
29 th – Tuesday – ICAS Maths 31 st – Thursday – SAPSASA Athletics Carnival September 2023		4th - Monday - School Closure Day (Vacation Care will be available) 7th - Thursday - Rec-Yr 2 Science Incursion	n
1st - Friday - Assembly		8th - Friday - Premier's Reading Challeng	
1st – Friday – Yr 5/6 Indoor Volleyball Carnival		Closes	

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Nuts

Please be reminded that there are many children with nut allergies at our school. We therefore respectfully request that you <u>do not send nuts of any kind to school</u>, including but not limited to peanut paste, Nutella or muesli bars containing nuts.



Book week



What a wonderful Book Week we have had! Children traded books yesterday and it was great to see so many different books going home in students bags for them to enjoy. We had a fantastic parade this morning with so many wonderful costumes. Parents and students put in so much effort in making their costumes. It was also great to have parents back on school grounds to witness our Book Week parade this morning.

Exemptions from School

If you intend to go away for 5 or more school days you need to seek approval for this before you go. Please ask the Front Office for an Exemption Form which, once I have approved and signed, you will receive a copy via email. The original is kept on file and the absence is recorded on the roll correctly.

If approval is not sought, your child will be marked as "Absent – Unexplained" which we are then required to follow up with you and you will need to complete the form in retrospect. As this can be a time consuming task, it is appreciated if you seek approval beforehand.

School Closure Day

Don't forget our school closure day is on Monday the 4th of September. OSHC will be available for bookings – see OSHC staff, or call on 8267 8606 / 0418 284 803.



Optional Interviews

Optional interviews will take place during Week 8 of this term (11-15 Sep). If you wish to attend an interview you can request this directly through your child's teacher, or if the teacher feels it is necessary to have an interview they will contact you. <u>These interviews are optional</u>.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL continued

2023 Department Parent Survey

You will have received an email or SMS from the Parent Survey Team with a unique link to participate in the 2023 Parent Survey.

If you have not received an email or SMS with your unique survey link, please contact education. Parent Survey@sa.gov.au and include our school's name in your email.

The survey takes less than 10 minutes and will help us understand:

- what we're doing well
- where we can improve
- what's important to you



It has been coordinated centrally so that added administration workload isn't placed on our school. Your answers will not identify you or your child, with only collated feedback being provided to our school. Information collected will inform on school improvement planning and activities at the school.

The survey closes at midnight on Sunday 27 August 2023.

If you have any more questions please call the Front Office and ask to speak with me. We would love as many parents as possible to fill out this survey.

Governing Council Survey

Thank you to all the parents who completed the Governing Council Survey, we really appreciate the feedback.

Parent Forum for Families of Children With Disability or Additional Needs

Statewide Inclusive Education Services (SIES) (formerly SERU) holds regular parent forums for parents or carers of children and students with disability or additional needs.

The forums are an opportunity for parents and carers to:

- network with other parents and carers of children with disability
- connect with relevant disability organisations and information across the state
- access the extensive resource library that houses approximately 20,000 resources including:
 - books and developmental learning materials
 - access equipment
 - assistive technologies
 - classroom amplification/acoustic equipment

Staff Carpark



<u>The staff carpark is out of zone to all parents and students</u> as this area has traffic driving in and out of this space. <u>This carpark is strictly for staff cars only</u>. Please make sure you are not using this area as an entry or exit point for the school. The gate near the Elephant will now be locked at all times. Please use the gates on Gover & Tynte Streets for access to the school or OSHC outside of school hours, with access to the school during school hours (9am – 3pm) is only via the front door.

Departures of Students 2023/2024

To ensure we can plan effectively, it is really important that we are as accurate as possible with expected numbers of students for 2024. Therefore, if your child will be leaving NAPS this year can you please make sure the Front Office is aware of this by emailing Kathy at dl.0179.admin@schools.sa.edu.au. This does not apply to the Year 6 students.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL continued

Crossing Tynte Street



Could all parents and caregivers please use the pedestrian crossing on Tynte Street to cross the road. Crossing the road between reversing cars and running across the road with children is really unsafe. We had a near miss the other day which resulted in a complaint from a member of the community.

Please also don't stop/double park in the bike lane behind parked cars along Tynte Street as this also is a safety risk. Adelaide City Council parking inspectors regularly patrol the area and you could receive a fine if you have not parked appropriately.

Thank you to all the adults who are leading by example and showing students how to be safe around cars and traffic by crossing the road safely.

I know that parking is particularly difficult at this time with the construction and gas works going on in the area. As a teacher is on duty until 3:20pm, please consider coming after the 3pm rush to collect your children – by 3:10pm you can easily get a park right out the front of the school.

New (but old) Uniform

We have some stock available of discontinued bootleg pants for sale. They are brand new with tags still attached, in a range of sizes and with a zip pocket. Sizes 8-14. Originally priced at \$30, they are now available for \$10 each!

Also available are some "netball skorts" – no pockets. Sizes 10-14. These are also available for \$10 each.

We also have some generic Seniors polo tops and hoodies (for Year 6 students) from previous years (the design is different to the current style). They don't have a year or student's names on them but would be great as a backup. Sizes 12, & 14. Originally \$35 and \$84 respectively, polo tops are now \$20, and the hoodies are \$40 each.

Please contact the Front Office if you are interested in purchasing any of these items.













Coming Soon – Beanies for Sale

We are pleased to announce that we have added two school beanies to our list of uniform items. You can purchase a beanie with a pompom or without. The beanies with a pompom are selling at a cost of \$25.65 but unfortunately won't be available until next term some time. The plain beanies are selling at a cost of \$12.30 and will be available for purchase in approximately 3 weeks' time. These items will be available through the <u>Spartan shop</u>.





Warm regards **Kate Bennett – Principal**

BUSINESS

M&S School Fees

Thank you to all the families who have now paid their school fees. Statements were sent out to families with payments still pending, if you are on a payment plan you will still receive a copy of your Statement. If you have applied for the School Card Grant, please await your outcome before making any payment to the school for fees. All excursions/sporting events must be paid via EdSmart at time of giving approval for your child to participate/attend. Please do this asap to receiving the email to prevent follow up from the School Administrative Staff.

School Card - NOW OPEN for 2023

SA.GOV.AU - School Card scheme (www.sa.gov.au)

Families who may qualify for the School Card Grant in 2023 should complete Form A – Income Audit (Combined Gross Family Income starting at \$66,412.00 for one child) or Form B – Self Employed, Hardship and Change in Circumstances.

You are now able to select the form you would like to apply your School Card Grant through and follow the prompts. You can save the form, and return to complete it at another time, by clicking on the save button. All processed applications automatically come through to the school. You will be notified by mail from School card on your outcome, if you are successful there is nothing further you need to do. If you are asked for more information, please do so in a timely manner or you risk your application being rejected. *Please do not pay* your School Fees if you wish to apply for the School Card Grant for 2023.

EdSmart

EdSmart - If you are having issues paying/completing the forms, please contact the Front Office and we will endeavour to get them sorted. All School excursions, Choir, camps and sporting events will now be paid direct through EdSmart when giving consent for your children to attend activities. You will no longer find any excursions etc. on Qkr to make payment as the process has been streamlined to all be done through EdSmart. If you have any queries, please contact the Front Office.

When completing your Edsmart form it is a 2 step process:

- 1. Pay first and **do not exit the form**
- 2. Complete form with permission to be given/not given and then submit.

Do not pay if you are not giving permission!

If you have any issues whatsoever, please contact the Front Office so we can give further assistance.

Please remember not to send cash or cheques to the Front Office. Thank you for your understanding.

Thank you

Michelle Shearing - Business Manager

SCHOOL NEWS



Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge so far, and happy reading to all other students who are on their way....

Year 1 – Liam H, Ella R, Bhavishya R and Luyi Z

Year 2 – Annie P, Prina K, Elyse O, Hammad A, Ishika S, Josh C, Thomas C, Anna T, Parvan V, Patrick R and Elise T

Year 3 – Everett S, Livi-Love D, Aaron L, Lucas K, Phillip D, Toby T and Tarika B

Year 4 – Ivy P, James, Nancy P and Krystal Y

Year 5 - Sofia H

Year 6 - Nicholas F, Harry P, Olive W and Sharvi K

It's great to see completed Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) forms continuing to roll in. The PRC is a great way to keep your child engaged and motivated to read, and an important part of our whole school effort to embed a literary culture and to nurture lifelong learners. Reading is amongst the most critical skills developed during primary school.

As well as providing the essential basis for higher learning, reading offers many significant benefits. In a world where opportunities for travel are more constrained, books still transport us across time and space, to worlds both real and imagined. They're a wonderful way to self-settle, and to find different perspectives.

Please note, the Premier's Reading Challenge closes on Friday the 8th of September.

Dan & Yianoula Resource Centre

SCHOOL NEWS continued

YEAR 3/4 – MISS MOLLY'S CLASS SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS!

My Year 3s are learning about rocks and recently did an experiment testing the durability (how hard or soft the rock is), density (whether it will sink or float) and permeability (whether it will absorb water) of different rocks. Scientists in the making!







The Year 4s have been learning about the water cycle, specifically evaporation, condensation, precipitation and accumulation. In this lesson, we created a cloud in a jar using hot and cold air and hairspray.







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The Premier's be active Challenge is about encouraging students to be more active, more often. Participants are rewarded with medals if they complete at least 60 minutes of physical activity on at least 5 days per week for at least 4 weeks.

The Challenge for students at NAPS is to do 60 minutes of physical activity per day, 5 days per week for 10 weeks. NAPS has chosen to do 10 weeks of the Challenge to be in the running for \$1,000 reward and attendance at the Premier's Reception.

Don't worry if your child only has a 4 week diary as each teacher has a 10 week poster with stickers in their classroom and will continue to record activity until the last day of this term (29 September 2023).

Check out the website for more information: https://pbac.us14.list-manage.com/track/click?u=d4130f5d31af8d402d91d725c&id=2df60d200f&e=e6838bdb81

Keep up the great work everyone!

Angie Mondello PE Teacher and Sports Coordinator

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ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Assembly Awards 11th August 2023

Value Awards

Kindness awarded to:

Lucy (MK10) – For spontaneously showing kindness by helping others to pack up without a fuss and for always being a kind and caring friend who tries to help cheer people up when they're hurt or upset. Zahra (FC12) – For being such a kind and caring member of room 12. Always being a good role model and helping others out when they need.

Respect awarded to:

Evan (HW5) – For always demonstrating respect, kindness and positivity in his interactions with both peers and teaching staff.

Excellence awarded to:

Gracie (NW9) – For her amazing use of Fred Talk when reading unknown words and writing persuasive texts. Well done Gracie!

Jeslyn (TC1) – For positively participating in class discussions and increasing the amount of interactions. Laurence (LE11) – For being an outstanding writer in our class! You have creative ideas and always take on feedback given to help improve your writing.

Charlie (MG3) – For displaying positive and hardworking attitudes towards his learning and behaviour in class. Keep it up!

Dawar (LS6) – For being a curious and inquisitive student during our Science Alive excursion.

Zachery (KG2) – For always doing his best during learning time and for always completing his Maths Online homework on time.

Jack (KG2) – For always doing his best during learning time and for always completing his Maths Online homework on time.

Resilience awarded to:

Grayson (CD8) – For trying really hard and using super Fred Talk when doing his writing. Keep it up! Adeline (MB7) – For having a mature approach when the unexpected happens and for excellent improvement in all learning areas. Well done!!!

Abigail (TS4) – For building up a growth mindset and for overcoming problems with a resilient attitude.



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ASSEMBLY AWARDS continued

Art Awards:

Isabelle (MG3) – For conducting herself as a kind and helpful artist. Sophie (MG3) – For conducting herself as a kind and helpful artist.

Merit Awards:

Zareef (NW9) – For showing amazing listening skills in Read, Write Inc and trying his best to sound and blend new words. Well done Zareef!

Sarah (CD8) – For settling in really well into her new school, classroom routine, building friendships and trying her best with her work.

Abigail (TS4) – For excellence in researching, preparing and presenting an outstanding oral presentation on Ancient Egypt.

Maddie (MG3) – For her resilient attitude which has helped her improve in all areas of her learning! Krystal (TC1) – For displaying a positive attitude to her learning and trying her best.

Xavier (HW5) – For demonstrating honesty and gratitude towards others and for always remembering to say 'Thank you' after excursions and special events!

PE Awards:

Lauren (MK10) – For showing great listening skills and a positive hardworking attitude in volleyball. Eva (MK10) – For showing great listening skills and a positive, hardworking attitude in volleyball.





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ENTERTAINMENT FUNDRAISER

Entertainment fundraiser is now available online. You can support the school fundraising efforts by clicking the link below to purchase your Entertainment "Book". The Entertainment fundraiser is popular with families, providing offers for many of the area's best restaurants, cafes, activities, hotel accommodation and more. It is packed with hundreds of up to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers.

This is a very effective fundraiser for the school. Thank you so much for your support!

To purchase a digital copy of the Entertainment fundraiser just click on the following link https://subscribe.entertainment.com.au/fundraiser/161p659.



COMMUNITY NOTICES





Class times are the same every location/day

Play Social 9:00 - 9:30am Play Develop 9:00 - 9:45am Play Connect/Improve/Progress 10:00 - 11:00am

Saturday Locations

Windsor Gardens: Avenues College, McKay Avenue

Grange: Grange Rec. Reserve, Corner Trimmer Parade and Military Roads

Sunday Locations

Unley Park - Walford Playing Fields, Corner Belair and Cross Roads

Windsor Gardens: Avenues College, McKay Avenue Stonyfell - St. Peter's Girls School, Stonyfell Road

Mawson Lakes - Uni SA Grounds, Oval 2, University Boulevard





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