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NEWSLETTER | TERM 2, WEEK 2

MAY 12TH, 2022



State Swimming Carnival. More on page 5 >>

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Key Dates:

Governing Council Meeting
Mon 16 May 7 pm

Year 5 Roonka Camp
Tue 17 - 19 May

Forum For Parents & Carers
of Children with Disability
Friday 27 May 10am-2pm
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Mobile Phones on Camps

Camp is an exciting time where students get to experience the world in a different way. For some students, it might be the first time they have been away from their parents and for others, it may be the first time in a long time that they have been separated from their screens. This can be a little scary for children and, even more so for parents.

It's important to remember that when we do things we've done before and stay inside our comfort zone, our brains stay pretty much the same. When we try out new things, make mistakes, face fears and accept challenges, our brains experience growth. This is why the memories of our childhood camps are so vivid and often stand out as a highlight of our educational experiences.

Our teachers are amazing at integrating technology into their lessons and utilising the power of tech to enhance learning in their daily programs. There is, however, a time and a place for screens and we believe that camp is not that time or place.

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Camp has always been an important coming of age time where we get to make new friends and stand on our own two feet, and that is really hard to do with the comfort blanket of our mobile phone to retreat into.

We are pleased to say that Governing Council unanimously agreed that mobile phones will only be brought on camp by adults (and in a small minority of cases students who require them for medical reasons). Therefore no students will be able to bring a mobile phone on camp.

Rest assured, the teaching team will be contactable in the case of emergencies at home and students who are feeling homesick will be offered access to a phone if they need to call home. This aligns our school with the whole of the Department for Education policy of no mobile phones for students in primary schools.

Teachers will also be providing school iPads to take photos which will be shared upon return to school. This also allows for all photos/videos to be screened to ensure that student's privacy is also maintained. Students will be able to take copies of these photos for their own home collections.

There is a risk that students may get bored on the bus without a device. Think back to how we managed this problem on our school camps. They may talk to one another even more or sing some songs!

Primary teachers and Brenton Hudson – Principal

PARENTS FORUM

Parent forum for parents and carers of children with disability

Parents and carers of children with disability are invited to join a free parent forum on Friday 27 May. This continues the series of forums for parents provided by the department.

The forum will open with the keynote by Angela Falkenberg, President SA Primary Principals Association titled 'Self-care is not selfish – When we are at our best, we play better, work better and parent better'.

Other presentations on the day will include an update on current projects and policies, One Plan and the Inclusive Education Support Program (IESP) funding.

When: Friday 27 May 2022

Time: 10am to 2pm

**Venue: 72a Marlborough St,
Henley Beach**

Registration via:

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/parent-forum-27-may-2022-registration-326607380467>

STUDENT FREE DAY (WEEK 7)

Reminder that Tuesday 14th June (after the Queen's Birthday long weekend), will be a STUDENT FREE DAY. OSHC will also be available.



During Term 1 school holidays, Lexi and Annabelle De Luca represented Port Elliot Primary School SRC at the Anzac Day Dawn Service on The Strand at Port Elliot.

Lexi is one of our SRC Presidents and unfortunately Malcolm Turner, our other SRC Rep, was unwell so we thank Annabelle for stepping in at the last minute.

The students laid a wreath at the memorial along with other associations and schools. The service began with a Welcome to Country by Jade McHughes, our ACEO, who spoke to the crowd in language which was great to hear at dawn on such a special occasion.

They all did an excellent job showing respect on behalf of all students, staff and families of Port Elliot. It was also very pleasing to see many other students and parents from Port Elliot Primary amongst the crowd after a few years of missing out on the service.

STAFF UPDATE FOR TERM 2

It's been another busy student holiday period with the following staff changes.

- Student Wellbeing Leader, Rachael Norde (pictured at top) has started her role four days a week and will be available from Monday to Thursdays.
- Welcome back Natalie Bond to The Arts role full time
- Welcome Jacqui Stanley (pictured at bottom) who will take room 101 (Kate Taylor's Year 5/6 class) on Tuesdays.
- Mr Ken Brodie is taking on Room 308: four days a week, Fridays will still be Rachael Norde.
- Kathy Turley will do Fridays in 301: another Year 5/6 class
- Welcome back Leann Mulrone as SSO, four days a week.

We are all hoping for a smooth Term 2 with everyone remaining healthy and many learning opportunities.



RECEPTION ART

The Receptions in 9.02 have been busy sharing their understanding of where and how they belong here through a term focus on Australia.

Using a range of books based on Australia and written by Australian authors, we have explored learning across all areas of the curriculum such as native animals and plants in both Science and HASS, location words and counting in Mathematics and exploring vocabulary in English.

As our focus on HASS delved into our understanding of “where and how we belong”, we used Alison Lester’s “Magic Beach” to shape our sharing of magical places in our lives and the people that make those places special for us.

We used water resist artwork to create our own Magic Beaches, then created simple ink drawings of our loved ones and put our cutting skills to good use to cut each family member out to glue to our magical beach scene.

We hope you enjoy our artwork as much as we all enjoyed creating them!

Ms Mumford & Ms Kelly



School Sport SA Swimming District Representation

We had 7 students invited to represent our district at the State Swimming Carnival in Adelaide last week.

Congratulations to: Isabelle, Jade, Amelia, Ruben, Flynn, Phoebe and Charlie. From all accounts they really appreciated the opportunity and had an enjoyable time.

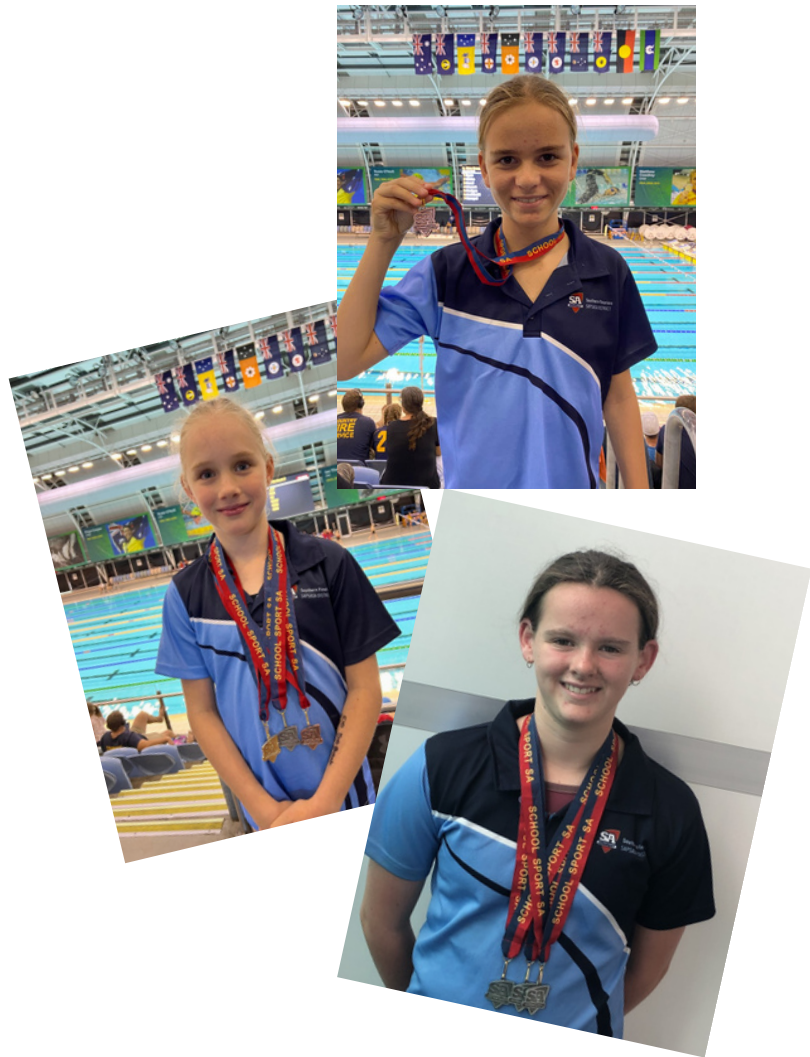
Special mention to Isabelle who competed in the 10 year age group and came 1st in the relay, 2nd in backstroke and 3rd in the freestyle.

To Jade who competed in the 11 year age group and came 2nd in the 4 x 50 freestyle relay, and 3rd in the 50m freestyle.

And to Amelia who competed in the 12 year age group and came 2nd in the 100m freestyle, 50 m freestyle and the backstroke. A very rewarding day for all.

School Sport SA Sapsasa State Cross Country District Representation

Congratulations to Quinn, Lexi, Phoebe, Brian, Flynn and Ollie who all have been invited to represent our Southern Fleurieu District at the School Sport SA Sapsasa State Cross Country carnival to be held at Oakbank Racecourse on Thursday 9th June (Term 2 Week 6). We wish them a very rewarding experience.



LOCAL SUCCESS STORIES

If you have any local success stories involving our students, please let us know so they can get a mention in this section of the newsletter.

LOCAL SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

Please refer regularly to the PE section of the school website for information about numerous local sporting clinics, clubs and opportunities for the students to be involved in after school hours and within the holidays.



School Sport SA Cross Country

On Wednesday 4th May we had 15 students aged 10-12 compete in our Cross Country team at the carnival held at Encounter Lutheran School. They all showed great persistence, endurance and determination, finishing 4th overall.

Special mention to Brian who finished 2nd in his event, earning a silver medal, and to Quinn who finished 3rd in her event, gaining a bronze medal.

Thank you to Nick for assisting with supervision and helping the students prepare for their events. Your help was greatly appreciated. It was lovely to see many spectators there cheering us on as well.



School Sport SA Athletics Carnival

Throughout Term 1, interested students born in 2010, 2011 and 2012 were given the opportunity to trial in PE lessons and at break times in the 7 events – high jump, long jump, shot put, discus, 100m, 200m and 800m. We have 25 athletes who will be representing our school on Friday 27th May at Victor Harbor Primary School. We wish these students an enjoyable and rewarding experience.

THE DAY IT HAILED!



Suddenly when we were doing our Maths lesson the hail surprised us. We played outside in the hail. It looked like ice and it felt like hard rain. Everyone was screaming and excited. Jane was excited. I had never seen hail before. **(Winnie, 402)**

Last week it hailed and rained! It was like a storm. The hail was crashing down onto the pavers! It looked like snow and it felt freezing cold like ice. **(Hayden, 402)**



Circle of Security Parenting Program

Join us for a FREE 8
week course for parents
looking to understand
their children better.

Crèche provided

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CENTRE WELCOMES
YOU TO:
CIRCLE OF SECURITY
PARENTING PROGRAM

Goolwa Children's Centre
Brooking Street Goolwa 5214
Facilitators: Amy Mitchell and
Amy Fegan

Please Phone: 8555 2509
to book your place.



The course will cover:

- What your child's behaviour might mean
- How to help your child manage big feelings
- How to help your child feel safe and secure in their relationships
- How to help your child to get involved in more play and learning
- Supporting you in your role as a parent when times are tough
- How to support your child in managing tricky behavior's like Tantrums/ melt downs.

When: Wednesdays starting 11th May 2022 - 6th July 2022 *

*Note—given the rapidly changing world we live in at the moment we may need to be flexible with some session dates as the need arises.

Time: 10.00am– 12 noon

Where: Goolwa Children's Centre





NATIONAL 16-22 MAY 2022
VOLUNTEER
Better Together WEEK

100th ANNIVERSARY
VOLUNTEER
PARADE
AND
CELEBRATION
ADELAIDE - SOUTH AUSTRALIA



Alexandrina Council would like to say

THANK YOU TO OUR WONDERFUL VOLUNTEERS

A free movie ticket for those who volunteer for any organisation, community group, club or schools in the Alexandrina Council region

When: 20 & 21 May 2022 any session

Where: Victa Cinemas, 37-41 Ocean Street, Victor Harbor

Bookings essential, online via www.eventbrite.com.au
further enquires 8555 7000

Term 2 2022 PLANNER

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2nd MAY STUDENT FREE DAY	3rd MAY	4th MAY Sports SA Cross Country	5th MAY	6th MAY Sports SA Swimming
2	9th MAY	10th MAY	11th MAY NAPLAN	12th May ONLINE	13th MAY
3	16th MAY GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	17th MAY Year 5 ROONKA	18th MAY CAMP	19th MAY	20th MAY SAPOL visit R-Year 3
4	23rd MAY	24th MAY	25th MAY	26th MAY	27th MAY Sports SA Athletics
5	30th MAY Reconciliation	31st MAY 	1st JUNE Week	2nd JUNE	3rd JUNE Sports SA Netball
6	6th JUNE	7th JUNE	8th JUNE	9th JUNE	10th JUNE V.H.H.S Transition Day
7	13th JUNE Queens Birthday	14th JUNE Student Free Day	15th JUNE	16th JUNE FUN LUNCH!! 	17th JUNE
8	20th JUNE 	21st JUNE Flinders	22nd JUNE Camp	23rd JUNE Year 5/6	24th JUNE
9	27th JUNE GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING 7PM	28th JUNE	29th JUNE Nunyara	30th JUNE Camp Year 3/4	1st JULY 403 (Yr 3) 507
10	4th JULY	5th JULY NAIDOC 22	6th JULY 	7th JULY REPORTS TO GO HOME	8th JULY END OF SCHOOL TERM 2:15PM PICK UP!

BACK TO SCHOOL MONDAY 25TH JULY STARTING 8:55AM