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NEWSLETTER | TERM 1, WEEK 11

APRIL 14TH, 2022



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Key Dates

STUDENT FREE DAY
Monday 2nd May
(First day of Term 2)

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Annual General Meeting

The Governing Council AGM was held on Monday 28th March with some parents joining us via Webex online. Thank you to the many parents and staff who made the time to attend, it is always great to see community support for the school.

Thanks to Jade McHughes, Nicole Sercombe, Alice McGrath and Jacqui Gillies who served during 2021. This year saw the retirement of long term members Kate Forth, Kelly Ellbourn and former chair person Chris Mitchell. We thank you all for your support and hours of work as volunteers. This many retirements meant that all 9 places on governing council were up for election.

Welcome to our 2022 Governing Council members:

Chairperson: Kate Annells

Secretary: Rachael Norde (staff rep)

Treasurer: Carey Painter

General Members: Steven Croft, Jo Twelftree, Martin Carlson, Sophie Medlin, Liz Furber

Staff Rep: Kate Taylor

Alexandrina Council Rep: Michael Scott

It's good to have a wide representative group of people with students in various year levels but we still need two more people for a one year term. If you are interested, please send a message via Seesaw or call the school on 8554 3399.

Brenton Hudson

A FOND FAREWELL TO MRS ROBINSON



The wonderful, Karen Robinson, our Student Wellbeing Leader for the past 12 years, has announced she will take leave for Terms 2 to 4 as a trial retirement.

Karen has been part of the Port Elliot Primary School community for many years and was one of the teachers who moved to the “new” site in 2007.

Karen has been a valuable member of our staff who has worked closely with many students and families, making a genuine difference to children attending and enjoying school. She has worked with families and other agencies to ensure children are cared for, especially when they are not feeling ready for learning.

As a fellow leader in the school, I have appreciated Karen’s words and advice regarding staff wellbeing. The last few years Karen has been a vital support for all of us. We have worked together through some very difficult times but also enjoyed the highs of children achieving success.

Thank you Karen for over 40 years of service as an educator to children all over South Australia. We wish her all the best for her future and look forward to hearing about her adventures.

Congratulations to Rachael Norde who has won the Student Wellbeing Leader position for the rest of 2022.



FLYING FISH AWARDS

COMMUNITY

Bonnie T, Julian H, Zoey A,
Amaya A, Tamuda C

CONFIDENCE

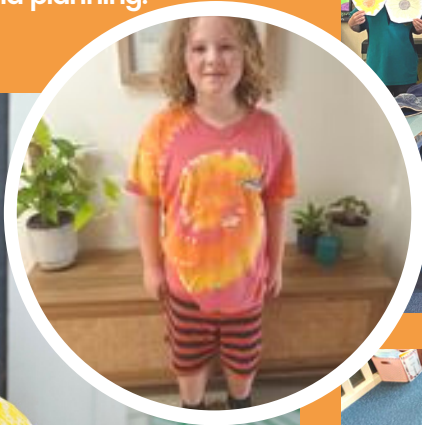
Luella W, Sandy B, Pearl H, Amaia
W, Clem R, Lachie L, Eddie C,
Mason T, Cecil A, Josh T, Zoey A,
Eevah H, Archie S, Wyatt T, Ollie M

RESPECT

Charlysse B, Levi B, Jimi C, Patrick
C, Shelby-Jayne G, Alexis w,
Shasta Annells, Charlie M, Mahali E



Our Student Wellbeing Ambassadors did a fantastic job of organising a variety of fun activities to celebrate Harmony Week. Themes included being a good friend, showing gratitude, kindness and inclusivity. On Friday, students joined their buddies to create a sunflower and enjoyed bubbles on the oval. Congratulations to all SWA for their organisation and planning.



SPORTS DAY 2022



SPORTS DAY 2022 CONT.

Sports Day this year was held on Friday 8th April and the sunny skies certainly added to the fun!

The day started with coordinated chants and a warm up health hustle. Well done to the team captains for practising and leading their teams through the dance. After the chants, classes moved on to the tabloid events and the teams had a great time cheering each other on.

The sprints and relays are always a highlight with a great effort by all teams. At the end of the day the scores were calculated and results announced. Congratulations to Commodore, the first time in many years as the winning team!

The event takes a lot of organisation to bring many people together. Special thanks to:

- Simon Harris from Victor Harbor High whose students came along to help
- The previous house captains and award winners who also returned to help
- The parent club for their sausage sizzle which raised over \$1000!
- Roxy for the music and sound system allowing us to hear the announcements.

Thank you very much to all of the staff who persisted through the day and the planning before the event despite many being absent and our part time staff filling in on the day.

A very special mention to Trina Doig and Kate Reynolds who spend over 20 weeks preparing for the event.

We hope that you all enjoyed the day and thank you for your understanding as we adjusted what we did according to the weather conditions.

THE SCORE BOARD:

COMMODORE: 540

BOOMER: 538

KNIGHTS: 530

FREEMAN: 516

CONGRATULATIONS TO COMMODORE!





It was fantastic to see everyone dressed in their colours, giving 100% effort and enjoying the day with so many helpers and spectators cheering on the action throughout the day.

Thank you to everyone for respecting the restrictions that were in place and following the requests of staff. We really appreciated your support of the students and staff on the day.

Congratulations to Commodore on taking out first place, beating Boomer by just two points. Knights came in third with Freeman finishing fourth. All teams tried really hard all day and showed a great deal of sportsmanship.

Congratulations to Rai and Quinn who won the 800m Championship race and will be rewarded by having their name engraved on the 800m shield donated by Dodd and Page. Quinn is the back to back winner of this event, 2021 & 2022!

Thanks to student, staff and parent organisers and helpers in the lead up and on the day. Thanks to Victor Harbor High School students who, mentored by staff member Simon Harris, assisted beautifully again this year.

We are very grateful for this ongoing, outstanding support.

Thanks also goes to Encounter Lutheran School and Victor Harbor High for allowing last year's House Captains, 800m winners and sports award winners to attend and support JP class and run events.

Congratulations once again to our House Captains who have done a fantastic job during Term 1, leading up to and on the day. Your leadership and sportsmanship on Sports Day was outstanding.

At the start of Term 4 we'll begin the 2023 House Captain process. The students have been informed of this and will start meeting with the PE teachers early Term 4 to begin their campaign; with speeches and voting happening in Week 7.

Next year's Sports Day is tentatively booked for Term 1 Week 10 Wednesday 5th April 2023. (Good Friday is 7th April).



SCHOOL SPORT SA SWIMMING CARNIVAL RESULTS

We had 17 students compete in our school swimming team at the carnival held on Thursday 24th March at Strathalbyn Swimming Centre.

The students had an enjoyable, rewarding day and our school finished first out of nine schools. We have nine students invited to represent our District at the State Swimming Carnival in Adelaide in May.

We wish a wonderfully rewarding experience to: Isabelle, Jade, Amelia, Ruben, Flynn, Phoebe, Charlie, Rai and Julieta.

Congratulations to all the swimmers who tried their hardest and conducted themselves with respect and confidence.

Congratulations also to Isabelle who set a new record in the 10 year old girls 50m freestyle, which had been previously held by our own student, Amelia.

Well done to Amelia who set the new 12 year old girl 100m freestyle record. Thank you to Yvette, David, Josh, Beck and Jackie for assisting on the day and thank you to all the spectators cheering our team on.



Gracie and Charlize also participated in the swim team

LOCAL SPORTING OPPORTUNITIES

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

There will also be opportunities for students to try out for Southern Fleurieu District Association teams in various sports. When this info becomes available we will inform all those eligible via this newsletter, within PE lessons and notices home.

The District convenor will also be posting information on the Southern Fleurieu Facebook page. Our Southern Fleurieu Zone Convenor is Danny Robinson. You can contact him via email danny.robinson706@schools.sa.edu.au



SCHOOL SPORT SA FOOTBALL

Students in Year 5/6 were offered the opportunity to try out for a spot in our school girls' football and boys' football teams. Unfortunately, we did not have many girls interested so we only fielded a boys' team.

The carnival was held on Friday 1st April (Term 1 Week 9) at Encounter Bay Football Oval. The boys ended up with no reserves on the day so played the whole five games out with only two Break times for a rest. They showed great skill, teamwork, persistence and resilience.

SCHOOL SPORT SA CROSS COUNTRY

We have 18 students competing for our school in our Cross Country team at the carnival planned to be held on Wednesday 4th May (Term 2 Week 1) at Encounter Lutheran School. We wish these athletes an enjoyable, rewarding experience.

They finished top of their Division, to just lose by 1 point in the next Prelim final match which would have seen them play off for 1st and 2nd. Instead they got to play off for 3rd and 4th losing to Encounter, who they had beaten in the third match of the day.

The boys were exhausted but very proud of themselves. We are exceptionally proud of them. Thank you to Emily and Vlasta for their assistance on the day and to all spectators who cheered us on.

LOCAL SPORTING 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.

YEAR 5/6 AQUATICS

On Tuesday 12th of April we had aquatics and it was a blast!

We all had to walk down to Horseshoe Bay. After we got there the Year 5s went away from the Year 6s. After that we all split into 3 groups: 1 red, 1 yellow and 1 blue. The year 6's all then grabbed a boogie board and we learnt how to use it safely. Then we went down to the beach and raced to the water and started to try and boogie board. It was a little tricky but then it got easier. Whilst we were doing that the year 5's were playing games like flags to warm up. Then they were learning to save people with the tube. After about an hour or two we went up for lunch it was freezing cold being out of the water.

After lunch we went back to the water but the year 5's and 6's swapped activities. so now we were playing flags and learning to save people with the tube and the year 5s were boogie boarding. When that was all finished we got changed back into dry clothes walked back to school and continued on with our day. On Thursday the Year six students will go to Middleton and do surfing

Lilly Brennan.





Jade competed in the SA Little Athletics State Challenge in Triple Jump where she improved on her personal best record by over half a metre and achieved a Bronze Medal.

She also competed in the SA Little Athletics State Individual Championship and qualified in under 11s High Jump. After some amazing jumps, Jade received a Bronze Medal for coming third in the State and setting a club record in high jump at South Coast Little Athletics.

Well done, Jade!

THE ALPHABET OF AWESOME SCIENCE

School Holiday activity

Join professors Lexi Con and Noel Edge for a thrilling voyage through the alphabet - 26 quirky scientific demonstrations – that squish and squirt, float and fly, erupt and explode. A performance that's equal parts explosive, messy, spectacular, hilarious, fascinating and gross. The audience determine the order in which the letters are revealed and explored. Plus, did we mention, this is a race? Professors have just 52 minutes to complete their alphabetical, scientific countdown. That's just 2 minutes per experiment! Will they make it in time...?

Centenary Hall, Goolwa
Wednesday 27 April at 2pm

All tickets \$10
 (transaction fee applicable)

BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES
events.alexandrina.com.au or call 8555 7000

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alexandrina libraries presents

Ngarrindjeri peranbun prap
 (Ngarrindjeri sharing class)

Yuntulun - all coming together
 by Kyla McHughes ©

Discovering the language and cultural journeys of the Ngarrindjeri people.

Kyla will lead us through common conversational language, look at pronunciation, help us to embrace the language and understand their deep cultural connection to country.

Thursday 14th April 2022 | 1:00—3:00pm
 Goolwa Library, 11 Cadell Street, Goolwa
 FREE | Bookings essential
www.alexandrina.sa.gov.au/libraryevents

FAIRY PIG PRESENTS

Every Child Goes Inside Their Own Bubble

**Bubble Laboratory
Dr. Bubble & Milkshake**

**CENTENARY HALL GOOLWA
SATURDAY 30 APRIL - 1PM**
tickets at fairy-pig.me

The Advertiser Barefoot Review The Clothes Line

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PROTECT YOUR CHILD FROM COVID-19

There have been a number of recent cases of COVID 19 in your child's school.

Vaccination provides the best protection against COVID 19.

Don't delay – book a COVID 19 vaccination for your child today.

For more information go to www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/covidvaccine

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English as a Second Language



Mondays from 10am - 12 noon

Connect and improve your English

Learn to speak, read and write English with more confidence.

Meet new people from different cultures.

Take part in fun, informal conversation sessions.

Have fun in a warm, welcoming, and friendly environment.

One to one support provided to meet your language needs.

Cost \$4

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