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# SAFE AUSTRALIAN SCHOOLS.



#### UPCOMING KEY DATES

ROOM 2/3 ARBURY CAMP

25th to 27th MARCH

SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY

THURSDAY 28th MARCH

ASBESTOS REMOVAL

30th AND 31st MARCH

MVPS SPORTS DAY

FRIDAY 10th MAY

3 WAY CONFERENCES

1st to 4th APRIL

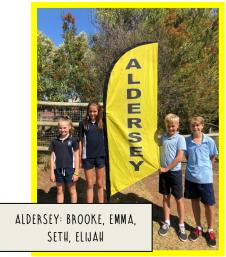
R-2 SWIMMING

1st to 5th APRIL

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF OUR VOTED SPORTS DAY HOUSE CAPTAINS FOR 2019. WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOUR LEADERSHIP AT SPORTS DAY THIS YEAR.











## Ashestos Removal

#### LYN LANGELUDDECKE-PRINCIPAL



NO-ONE IS PERMITTED ON SCHOOL GROUNDS ON THESE DAYS, WITH ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTION



The process is already underway for the demolishing and disposal of one of our transportable buildings that is deemed irretrievable. Asbestos removal is set for Sat 30<sup>th</sup> & Sun 31<sup>st</sup> March and will proceed in accordance to Work Safe SA standards and codes. **As a result there can be NO ONE on site during these scheduled works.** Additional work will involve the removal of the concrete ramp and landing and the area scraped clean and levelled, leaving it free from all building materials and debris. The department will provide mulch to cover the cleared area and the school will undertake a redevelopment to land-scape it.

This building has been out of operation for 2 years now so we are very excited that finally it is being removed and we can redevelop this space into a functional learning area for our children.

### finance

#### AMANDA MARCEL-BUSINESS MANAGER

2019 M & S Fee have been sent home for all students. Please note that unless payment arrangements have been made payment is due by the end of Term 1.

There are a number of ways to pay your school fees &/or other expenses (e.g. excursions, camps, etc.):

<u>Pay by cash, cheque or credit card</u> at Student Services in the Admin Building or in a payment envelope placed in the Express Payment box.

**<u>Credit Card</u>** payments over the phone

<u>Online Payments</u> directly into the school's bank account.

Bank SA BSB 105-071 Account Number 280 118 540. Please use your Family ID & invoice number as your reference.

<u>Payment by Instalments or Centrepay</u> – please contact the Finance Office to arrange an instalment plan.

<u>School Card</u> – families on low incomes may be eligible for School Card assistance.

KEY DUE DATES FOR PAYMENTS:

FRI 12 APRIL, SCHOOL FEES

MON 25TH APRIL

R-2 SWIMMING

MON IST APRIL

YEAR 7 COMMEMORATIVE HOODIES

Applications need to be submitted each year with forms available from Student Services or online at www.sa.gov.au (Education & Learning/Financial Support/School Card Scheme)

If you are having trouble paying, please see Amanda in the front office.



2019 MCLAREN VALE PRIMARY SCHOOL QUIZ NIGHT

WHEN: NOTE CHANGE OF DATE TO

SATURDAY IST JUNE

WHERE: MCLAREN VALE BOCCE CLUB

GET A TEAM TOGETHER FOR A GREAT NIGHT AND HELP SUPPORT YOUR SCHOOL

# 3 Way conference bookings

#### MATT MILLAR - SENIOR LEADER

Beginning on Monday April 1st, teachers will be hosting 3 way conferences with you and your child... all coming together for a 15 minute sharing of your child's learning journey so far.

This is an opportunity for children to share their learning goals, get feedback from the teacher and for you to provide encouragement firstly and offer any other aspirations for your child.

This is a golden opportunity for strengthening the partnership between home and school and we are aiming for 100% attendance. Teachers are flexible and will work with you, should you have difficulty fitting into the allocated schedule.

The online booking form is now available. To book go to: www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Simply enter the code: zb7sc

- 1) Enter your details
- 2) Select the teachers you wish to see
- 3) Select the appointment times that suit your family best.

#### BURDA SANDERS

#### NUNGA TAG

On Wednesday March 6<sup>th</sup> Jade Worsley from McLaren Vale Primary School participated in the Nunga Tag carnival at Christies Beach High School.

This event is run annually for all of the ATSI students in the Southern area. It is a great privilege and is always well-attended by the year 6 - 12 ATSI students within our southern area schools.

Jade was in a combined team with students from Aldinga Beach B -7 School, Hackham West Primary School and Seaford Rise Primary School. The students combined to play really well together and won all of their games!







THE CARNIVAL ALSO HAS

LOTS OF STALLS AND

ACTIVITIES. JADE CAME FIRST
IN ONE OF THE COMPETITIONS

ON THE DAY, AND WON A

RUGBY!! CONGRATULATIONS

ON A GREAT DAY JADE!

# ATSI Art Project

#### BURDA SANDERS

In other exciting news our ATSI students are collaborating with local Aboriginal artist Micky Barlow on a art installation.

Micky is a celebrated Aboriginal artist, basket weaver and homewares artist who has a small art studio at the Fleurieu Arthouse in the Main street of McLaren Vale.

Together with Micky, the students will be producing artworks on large leaf-shaped pieces of wood, that will be exhibited at Red Poles as part of the Fringe Festival.

Details on the opening of the exhibition will be available soon and we would love the school community to get behind us and go along for a look!





#### CATE SCHUELLER — TEACHER AND LITERACY COACH

# **READING - How can I help my child to Decode?**

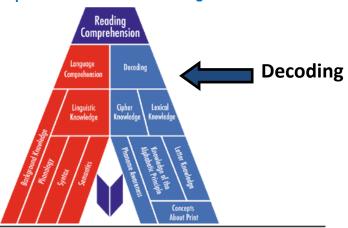
From Cate Schueller - Literacy Coach

Decoding is needed to understand what is being read. Without decoding skills children can't read the words which then means no comprehension or understanding.

Simple View of Reading: Defining Domains



- Decoding (word-level Language reading): ability to transform print into spoken language
- Comprehension: ability to understand spoken language



#### How can you help your child to decode?

If your child gets stuck on a word...

- DO ask the child to look for clues in the pictures.
- DO encourage strategies learnt at school.
- **DO** ask your child to read on *BUT* they must go back and fit in a word that makes sense.

#### Some Strategies...

- Have your child re-read the passage out aloud.
- Ask the child to look at the first letter to help them make attempts at a word.
- Chunk letters together.
- Tell the child the word after trying all the above strategies
- Use the pictures.



#### CAFÉ Strategy: Chunk Letters and Sounds Together

When teaching children to read, we are always looking for ways to help them decode words efficiently, rapidly, and accurately. This allows them to focus their attention on understanding what they read rather than focusing on the fundamentals of each word. One way we accomplish this is through teaching children to watch for familiar word patterns called chunks. Chunks are groups of letters that when put together form a recognizable sound or word. Chunks can be found at the beginning, middle, or end of a word. Your child is working on the accuracy strategy of chunking letters and sounds together. Use the following suggestions to support your child's learning at home.

#### How can you help your child with this strategy at home?

- 1. When reading with your child, have your child look for well-known letter chunks in the words they are reading. These chunks could be prefixes, suffixes, endings, whole words, or base words. For example, your child may look for the chunk end in the word send, or air in chair.
- 2. When chunking a word, have your child first read each chunk separately. Then, have your child put the chunks together to make the word. This will train your child to quickly and easily spot chunks.
- 3. If your child is having difficulty finding chunks, guide him/her to look for familiar endings and familiar prefixes.
- 4. Encourage your child to use his/her fingers to frame the chunks found in words, decode those chunks first, and then move on to tackle the whole word.
- 5. To help train your child to look for chunks in words, play a game of "I Spy" when reading. For example, when looking at the word blend, you would say, "In this word I spy the word end". Then, switch roles with your child and let your child "spy" chunks in words.

Thank you for your continued support at home!

# Governing Council

#### KENT BROWN-GOVERNING COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Your McLaren Vale Primary School Governing Council for 2019 has now been assembled and committees are filling up as we look to parents/ caregivers to be involved with our school and to help shape its direction and values.

We have farewelled a number of long serving members and we want to acknowledge Jazz Ellis and her hard work over the last two years in the role of Chair. We have also welcomed a few new members and there are still positions available in a number of our committees (see front office for details).

At our first meeting this year we have discussed the futures focus for the school and what areas we are targeting in order to ensure we are delivering the best possible learning outcomes for our students.

Staff have presented a clear and concise plan as to what they are aiming to achieve for your children and how they can ensure learning and teaching methods are setting high standards.

As always we are looking to fundraise to help improve your child's school and there are a number of upcoming opportunities for parents to help out and give back to the school community.

There are some significant capital projects that will be started this year including the extension of the OSHC space (to create greater capacity in this area) as well as the paving from Main Rd to the Minniss Building.

We look forward to a busy and productive 2019 and please do not hesitate to contact your Governing Council if required.

# Inspirational

#### JESS TRENGOVE

THE SENIOR STUDENTS WERE FORTUNATE ENOUGH TO HOST INSPIRING GUEST SPEAKER JESS TRENGOVE.

JESS IS AN OLYMPIC AND COMMONWEALTH GAMES LONG DISTANCE RUNNER. SHE HAS REPRESENTED AUSTRALIA AT THE LONDON AND RIO OLYMPICS.

JESS TALKED ABOUT HER FITNESS GOALS WITH TRAINING AND NUTRITION AS WELL AS HER WORK OUTSIDE OF COMPETING, AS A BUSINESS OWNER AND PHYSIOTHERAPIST. JESS IS A HARD WORKING AND PASSIONATE YOUNG WOMAN. SHE WAS MORE THAN HAPPY TO ANSWER QUESTIONS THE CHILDREN HAD ALONG WITH SHARING HER OWN EXPERIENCES.



#### NATALIE WELLS-OSHC DIRECTOR

Hi everyone. It has been a bit of a sad week in OSHC with one of our much loved and awesome staff, Nikki, leaving OSHC and deciding to focus on her family and studies. On Thursday we had a farewell where the children presented Nikki with a card they had made, and shared what they were going to miss about Nikki. Nikki will definitely be missed!

The children have been involved with various activities such as bubble blowing outside, making and flying paper planes, connect 4 challenges and lots of time spent outside.

'Do things for people, not because of who they are, or what they do in return,

but because of who you are. - Harold S. Kushner



NIKKI'S LAST DAY AT OSHC



BUBBLE FUN



CREATING PASTA NECKLACES



#### STUDENT FREE DAYS

Staff will be undertaking professional learning

FRIDAY APRIL 12
MONDAY APRIL 29

OSHC BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

# Vacation Care Program

Our vacation care program is now out, and can be found in the OSHC room and front office.

We have some fun and exciting days planned.

There are also 2 student free days coming up, the first being the last day of term, Friday 12<sup>th</sup> April and the other being the first day of term 2, Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April.

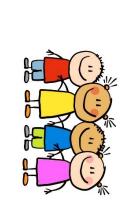
If you need to book your children in for either of these days, please come into OSHC and add your child's name to the list as spots are already filling up quite quickly.

- \$55.00 per day
- received by Monday - \$50.00 for bookings
- Excursions incur a fee

# April 2019 Vacation Care Program McLaren Vale Primary School

**Phone:** 8323 9217 **Email:** <u>dl.0251.oshc@schools.sa.edu.au</u>

Opening hours: 7:10am – 6:30pm



Monday 15th April

Excursion to the SA (school children only) **Botanic Gardens** Museum >





museum, then walking to We will be going to the Bring your bikes or scooters, and remember your helmets!

NO HELMET = NO RIDING!

Tuesday 23rd April

Excursion to St. Kilda (school children only) Playground

Anzac Day Activities

Wednesday 24th April

EASTER MONDAY

Easter Monday

the Botanic Gardens.

Monday 22nd April



Join us on our adventure to the St Kilda Playground as we climb, swing and run!

OSHC Closed

Wednesday 17th April

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Apri

Wheels Day

Excursion to Morialta (school children only) Conservation Park



providing a sausage sizzle Join us as we head to the Morialta. We will also be Nature Playground at for lunch.

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buns, chocolate and lots more Easter fun!

Easter baskets, hot cross

Thursday 25th April

Anzac Day



Join us as we make Anzac what Anzac day means crafts and learn about biscuits, do Anzac day

Thursday 18th April

Easter Crafts & Cooking

GOOD FRIDAY

Friday 19th April





OSHC OSHC Closed

Friday 26th April







switch, giant board game: Wear your pj's! Play i-pads may bring their electronic and much more. Children watch movies, Nintendo devices (no phones)

OSHC Closed

# Online Safety



the Carly Ryan foundation.

# Parent Online Safety Presentation

Presented by Sonya Ryan, CEO

## McLaren Vale Primary School

Monday 25th March, 2019 6.30pm

Caffrey Street, McLaren Vale SA, 5171

#### The presentation explores

Online Safety
Opportunities vs risks
Privacy settings
Awareness
Managing self
Emotional intelligence
Resilience
Critical thinking
Understanding the law
Image based abuse
Respectful relationships
Communication
Practical guidance
Connection to support services

For more information or to secure your seat please contact Matt Millar on 8323 8741

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## Peaceful Kids Program

#### ALISON ARTHURSON

'Peaceful Kids' is a Mindfulness and Positive Psychology based program to lessen anxiety and stress and increase resilience in children. The program gives children the skills, practice and support to utilize coping strategies that lessen the symptoms of anxiety and stress. The program also involves parental involvement and commitment to supporting the strategies at home.

I am a facilitator of this program which I will be offering to local families next term for children aged 6-8 years. Students meet after school in a small group for a one hour session each week for 8 weeks. Cost is \$160 for 8 weeks. At this stage we are gauging interest and a venue and day will then be confirmed.

More information on the Peaceful Kids program: www.peacefulkids.com.au

#### **Parent Information Session:**

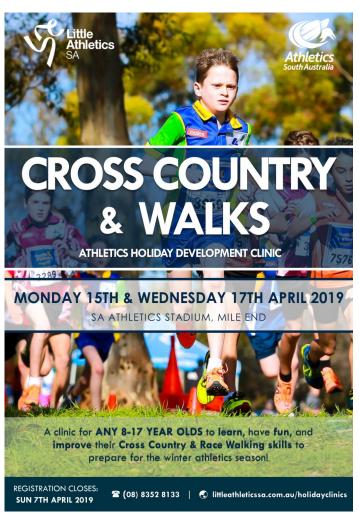
Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March at 2:15pm

McLaren Vale Primary School Library

Enquiries: alisonarthursonpeacefulkids@gmail.com

phone: 0414861891











12:30pm - 2:00pm U12 & 14s

For further information contact sdjbl@southerntigers.com.au

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLASS?

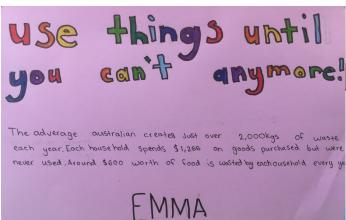
This term students have been learning about Sustainability and developing their inquiry learning skills, in particular creating inquiry questions and researching.

We've been reading about different aspects of Sustainability and how to be more sustainable.

Our big question for the term has been

#### 'What can we do?'

Visit our class to see some more of our fantastic ideas.





# sustainability

#### MEET SAMMY THE AIREDALE TERRIER

Some of you may have seen Sammy around the school, interacting with the children and wondered who she is.

Sammy is an Airedale Terrier who has been coming to school with Emma on Friday's. She has been involved with everyday school life for the past two years and is familiar with the whole school environment. Sammy has spent most of her time in Room 16 but has visited other classes as well. Sammy's role at school has been to support student's wellbeing. There is significant research to show that dogs can:

- reduce anxiety and stress
- teach empathy and positive interpersonal skills
- develop social skills
- Increase student engagement, and
- improve attendance

The children have greatly enjoyed Sammy's visits to school.

