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NEWSLETTER VOL 10 - JULY 5th 2019



ATSI STUDENTS ARE PARTICIPATING IN THE SOUTHERN NAIDOC WEEK MARCH AT CHRISTIES BEACH TODAY AND ENJOYING A BBA LUNCH

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

CASUAL DAY - GOLD COIN
DONATION—PROCEEDS TO
HUTT STREET CENTRE

EARLY DISMISSAL

STUDENT FREE DAY

MONDAY 22nd JULY

ROOM 13 EXCURSION

WEDNESDAY 24th JULY

SAPSASA BASKETBALL

WEDNESDAY 24th JULY

LYN LANGELOUDECKE, LEANNE LOVETT AND MATT MILLAR

We are at the half way mark of what has been a busy and rewarding term for our children, families and staff.

Student reports for semester one arrived home yesterday. Please take the time to read your child's report together and talk about their successes and areas for growth. The comments support the grades and are important in understanding the bigger picture of your child's achievements. Celebrate their successes and plan for learning to be worked on next term.

The report acknowledges effort and achievement through a grading system from A to E. A "C" grade for achievement indicates that the student demonstrates satisfactory achievement at their year level, which is a good thing. More information is included on Page 6. Student effort is graded from excellent effort (A) to needing improvement (E). Effort is an important grade as it's a reflection of how your child is approaching their learning, if they are developing the skills to be responsible learners and if they have a growth mindset about learning. By a growth mindset we mean your child's belief that they can learn and that they just don't know the new learning **YET!** So if you hear your child say they can't do maths or they can't read, the answer you need to give is **you just can't do it YET!**

The report also details each child's attendance across the two terms. Attendance plays such a key role in a child's progress with learning and the challenge for every child is to improve his/her attendance and be at school as much as possible.

If you have any questions or concerns with your child's report, please discuss these with your child's class teacher early next term.

WE ARE VERY PROUD OF THE PROGRESS OF OUR CHILDREN AND CONGRATULATE THEM ALL FOR PUTTING IN A BIG EFFORT TO BE THE BEST THAT THEY CAN BE.

Term 2 highlights to acknowledge & celebrate

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Congratulations to the following staff who were nominated for the National Teacher Awards: Cate Schueller, Ali Ellis, Sean Beath, Lauren Cole, Jenny Jones and Emma Sheridan. Your work has a profound influence and lasting impact on our children.

Stefan Glockner will complete the outdoor learning space on the west of Minniss this Friday. He has transformed this unsightly area into a stunning, flexible outdoor learning area that will bring a lot of enjoyment to our children during learning and play. The stage addition is a real feature along with the stone walls, great seating for our kids and the creative space for making mandalas is a really cool idea. *Thanks Stefan. We all love it and can't wait to use it.*

A special thank you to Megan Walsh our canteen manager who not only provides a broad selection of hearty and healthy foods but a meeting place for families to chat and solve the world's problems in the mornings. *Thank you Megan. You bring joy to many people.*

Our gardens and grounds are looking great. We've had the fruit trees pruned (the kids were heartbroken with the downsizing of the mulberries but at least they won't have to scale the tree to get a feed!!!), we have finally planted out the fybro rounds with sea daisies and sacred bamboo, the winter vegies are looking healthy and the garden beds will be benefiting from the soil rejuvenation through composting. Please visit the kitchen next term for produce, pasta and other things the children have made this term. The Year 6 students had fun making pasta with spinach, beetroot and plain egg.

New learning next term will focus on embedding sustainable practices with a '5 day Consultancy in Residence' program provided by Toby Moulton. He will initially work with all classes in raising awareness and facilitating discussions around sustainable practices, followed by work with a small group of students (eco warriors) with a passion for making a sustainable difference in our school and community.

Exciting new developments include the long awaited pathway from Main Road entry to the Minniss verandah with the signature pavers inserted, all of the JP classrooms are getting a facelift and will look like new with a fresh coat of paint and the JP playground is getting a sail, all happening during the holidays.

Online NAPLAN testing went ahead, mostly plain sailing with minimal disruptions.

Bringing the community together is always a priority and the quiz evening provided a fun night of entertainment for many families and friends in our community. *Well done Kent Brown and Matt Millar for your expert organising and facilitating.* Definitely on the cards for a repeat!

The External Review generated extensive feedback for us to consider and act upon. Thank you to staff, students and parents who provided valuable feedback to the panel. We were humbled by such positive recognition of our work and welcome the review findings that validated several of the directions that we had already prioritised to work on.

The insights that our children have gained through a study on empathy and homelessness has generated varied authentic learning projects that will have a lasting impact. It's been very reassuring to hear their stories and the passion they now have for people experiencing homelessness.

32 year 4 students had an opportunity to visit the Elder Conservatorium (EC). We thank Emily Dollman, a parent and staff member at the EC for including us in the celebration to expand the Outreach Music Academy to country areas. The highlight was a creative music workshop where the children orchestrated their own band.

MSP photography did a terrific job in their organisation of our school photos. *A special thank you to Amy McKinley for helping out during one of our busiest times with hordes of family and group photos.*

We invest greatly in teacher education focussing on every educator providing innovative and personalised programs for children. There have been ongoing opportunities this term for staff to engage in professional learning which often takes them out of the classroom. We are supporting teachers to work collaboratively, to reflect, share, plan and extend their knowledge of effective reading practices to develop a coherent approach. We have also dedicated time at staff meeting each week to learning teams and released teachers to assess children in reading and phonic progress. Reading is the core of our work and the urgency to be more targeted in our approach is the impelling force behind this.

Staff will be involved in further professional learning on the first day back next term (Student free day Monday 22nd July) with junior primary staff working with Kay Bosworth on literacy and intervention practices and the primary staff working with Wendy Lithgow on formative assessment approaches and maths planning. As with all student free days, this is a dedicated opportunity for our whole staff team to develop shared understandings of practices so that all children benefit from consistent teaching strategies and a common language of learning. OSHC will be available for families.

Thank you to all families for working in partnership with our staff team to do the very best for your children. We greatly value the relationships we have with our families and are very proud of the support and positive feedback we receive for our work at MVPS.

We wish you all a safe and happy holiday and look forward to welcoming everyone back on Tuesday 23rd July.

Walk a Mile in my boots community event

COMING SOON TO MCLAREN VALE PRIMARY SCHOOL.

We are sure that you have heard that our school has a very exciting community event happening on

Friday 2nd August.

McLaren Vale Primary school will be hosting the Walk a Mile in my Boots community event.

We would love to see every child and family getting involved in this important event and showing your support for our school's work in raising awareness and much needed funds to support people doing it tough.

By participating in this event and all the learning that has happened around it, the students and staff have not only managed to raise funds, but also gain a much deeper understanding and appreciation for the community in which we live, through insights into the challenges faced by people who are homeless and vulnerable.

I would give them my jumper, blankets, socks and hand warmers, beanies, sleeping bag, a hot water bottle, wooly jacket, cans of food....

I DIDN'T REALLY UNDERSTAND THE REASONS WHY PEOPLE SLEPT ON THE STREETS BUT NOW I DO...

I used to walk past a homeless person but now I would stop and talk.....and give them money for food.

I want every person that doesn't have a house to have one and by fundraising we are making this more of a reality..

People experiencing homelessness are not ghosts of society...

In addition to this fundraising, the classes have been busy raising money that the Centre can use towards its programs, as well as for items to support people. The recent market days have really showcased the entrepreneurial and financial skills of the students through their arts, crafts, baking and making.

THEIR HARD WORK RAISED OVER \$3000 ON THE DAY!

...the market day coincided with our unit on empathy and we knew the money raised would go to a good cause

...we are so proud of the amount we raised

.....it was great having Mike come in and see what we were selling. He said it brought a 'tear to his eye'

...it's a good feeling to know that we are supporting people in our community

OUR CURRENT TALLY THROUGH CLASS PROJECTS, MARKET DAYS AND THROUGH THE SPONSORSHIP OF THE 'LONG WALKERS' IS UP TO \$10,000. WHAT A MIGHTY EFFORT SO FAR.

The teachers, parents and caregivers who are doing the LONG 50km walk from McLaren Vale Primary School to Hutt Street are training hard to ensure their fitness is at peak level and seeking community donations, right through until the end of July.

If you would like to donate to support an individual who is doing the LONG walk go to <http://everydayhero.com.au/event/willungawanderers2019>

OSHC News

NATALIE WELLS-OSHC DIRECTOR

Here we are at the end of another term. They say that time flies when you're having fun, and we've certainly had a great term with lots of fun activities. Our tom boy and God's Eye crafts have been a big hit throughout the term, with many different designs being created. We've cooked, spent time outside and dodgeball continues to be very popular. We are now looking forward to our holiday program which includes some great opportunities and excursions for the children.

Next term on the 2nd August, Jamie and Natalie from OSHC will be joining some of the teachers and parents from McLaren Vale and doing the 50km walk, raising money for Hutt Street. We now have a donation tin in the OSHC room if you would like to donate to this great cause. Any donation, big or small would be greatly appreciated.

Farewell Kay Pahl

Thank you for your

outstanding work in our

OSHC program.



PLEASE SEE THE OSHC STAFF FOR
BOOKING AND CONSENT FORMS

- \$55.00 per day
- \$50.00 for bookings received by 1st July
- Excursions incur a fee of \$15.00, added to account
- Incursions incur a fee of \$8.00, added to account

July 2019 Vacation Care Program
McLaren Vale Primary School

Phone: 8323 9217 Email: dl.0251.oshc@schools.sa.edu.au Opening hours: 7:10am – 6:30pm



Monday 8th July Pjama/Electronics Day 'Wear your pj's! Play i-pads, watch movies, Nintendo switch, giant board games and much more. Children may bring their electronic devices (no phones)	Tuesday 9th July Aldinga Scrub Excursion (school children only) A trip to the Aldinga scrub and wetlands. Join us as we explore one of our local areas. Please wear warm clothes and boots.	Wednesday 10th July NAIDOC week activities Join us as we cook damper on the fire and make Lemon Myrtle cookies. We'll do some weaving, beading and lots more.	Thursday 11th July OSHC Sports Excursion (school children only) Join us for 2 hours of roller-skating, basketball, netball, soccer, badminton and lots more!	Friday 12th July 'Scrap Challenge Day' What can you make from boxes, sticky tape, pipe cleaners, pompoms, paper and lots more! Be as creative as you like!
Monday 15th July Wheels Day Bring your bikes or scooters, and remember your helmets! NO HELMET – NO RIDING!	Tuesday 16th July Toy Story 4 Excursion (school children only) A movie at Wallis Cinemas Noarlunga, followed by lunch at the Wooden Playground at Port Noarlunga (weather permitting)	Wednesday 17th July Christmas in July Join us as we celebrate Christmas with cooking and crafts.	Thursday 18th July Kuitpo Excursion (school children only) A day at Chookaroo Campground in Kuitpo Forest. Toast some marshmallows, go for some walks, build cubbies and lots more! Children MUST wear old, warm clothes, boots, and bring a change of clothes.	Friday 19th July RadiCool Reptiles Incursion Come and meet, hold and learn about some amazing reptiles.

Governing Council Report

KENT BROWN

It’s hard to believe that we are already at the end of term 2 and halfway through the year. It has been a busy first semester for your Governing Council and our associated committees. Much of the focus of the last few months has been the recent audit of the school in regards to what we are doing currently and what we have planned for the future. This was an intensive process but having been part of the sessions with the auditors what came through is that we are on the right path and have laid a firm foundation for the future.

The leadership team has provided some great feedback in regards to what lies ahead for our school and what learning will look like for our children as we move forward.

With the raining out of sports day we had limited fundraising opportunities but the re-birth of the McLaren Vale PS Quiz Night was a success and we would like to thank all those that attended and supported this through donations of prizes. There has also been a focus on the school grounds with the committee having done a great job with the improvements already in the Minniss area and more to come. As always, we are looking to fundraise to help improve your child’s school and there are a number of upcoming opportunities for parents (and local businesses) to help out and give back to the school community. All ideas are welcome.

- There is a school disco next term on Friday 9th August (organised by Vale Reps).
- We are planning a Twilight Fair, incorporating local market stalls (food, arts and crafts) early next year, possibly 28th February. More to come re this.
- The Hutt Street fundraiser is a big focus for the school. Please support this worthy cause.

Music lessons for children was discussed with the school surveying families to identify students who would be interested in having private tuition. We are also exploring the Departments instrumental music program as well. The Council is keen to look into the benefits of introducing a wellbeing program utilising a therapy dog to support students with anxiety as a way of calming behaviour. As always please feel free to contact your Governing Council members with any concerns, ideas or if you want to help our school in a larger capacity.

Farewell Mark Matonti

LYN LANGELOUDECKE

Now that Mark has officially retired we want to acknowledge his dedicated work in the performing arts program over the past 15 years. Mark was a highly accomplished musician, being able to play numerous instruments to make his lessons more engaging and interactive. He was very animated and enthusiastic with all of his classes and in turn, the children were very receptive. He loved to engage them in rhythm, dance and music with instruments. He integrated elements of phonological awareness into his lessons through clapping, rhyming, syllabification and increasing working memory. Mark’s greatest love was folk dancing and he was very adept at calling the folk dances. Mark was supportive to teachers, assisting them with the technical set up for performances and helping with dance routines and choreography. He was a very kind, thoughtful and caring person and the children liked his passion for music and dance. We were very sad to see him leave.

We know that Mark formed many wonderful relationships with the staff, students and families of MVPS and we wish him well in his next adventure.

Private Music Tuition at MVPS

Please return to Student Services

If you are you interested in your child having private tuition in learning to play a musical instrument, please indicate on the slip below or phone Student Services and leave details. We are currently exploring the possibilities of providing this opportunity to our students. Possibilities are piano, guitar, violin and voice or other?

Parent Name: _____ Student Name: _____ Class: _____

Instrument preferred: _____ Signed: _____

Reports - Explanation of Achievement

LYN LANGELOUDECKE

There was some confusion on the student reports regarding the Explanation of Achievement on Page 2. Due to a formatting error a large space has been left between the grade and the explanation. It should read:

A - Excellent achievement of what is expected at this year level, B - Excellent achievement of what is expected at this year level etc.

State Cross Country Championships

TIM WALKER

Students who qualified at their district competitions had the opportunity to run at the State Cross Country Championships, held at Oakbank Racecourse. McLaren Vale School had 15 representatives of the 45 students selected for the Onkaparinga District team. Students aged 10 years competed over a distance of 2 kms, while those aged 11-13 years, competed over a distance of 3 kms. The competition awards medals to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place getters in both individual and team categories. A team being made up from the first four, finishing competitors in each age group. Their placings are added as a score, with the winning team having the lowest total. The State competition also allows the primary aged students to observe the secondary school students compete over their longer distances. We had 4 students place in the top 20 competitors of their age group, resulting in their selection for the state trials, where the South Australian Cross Country Team, for all ages, will be finalised. Congratulations to Gracie Weyer who ran 11th, Chanel May 16th, James Weyer 16th and Daniel Oddie 19th in their respective age groups. Best wishes for your State selection.

Chanel May and Charlotte Rayner were a part of the 11 year female team who placed 2nd overall.

Name		Place	No. of Competi-	Team Place	No. of Teams	Age
EVIE	CERULLO	41	167	12	26	10 GIRL
EMMA	CARPENTER	101	167	12	26	10 GIRL
DANIEL	ODDIE	19	187	18	31	10 BOY
CHANEL	MAY	16	149	2	27	11 GIRL
CHAR-LOTTE	RAYNER	130	149	2	27	11 GIRL
GRACIE	WEYER	11	157	8	24	12 GIRL
EMMA	NEALE	42	157	8	24	12 GIRL
ELLA	WEYER	116	157	8	24	12 GIRL
HOLLY	TURNER	42	147	8	25	13 GIRL
DANA	GILES	62	147	8	25	13 GIRL
JAMES	CRAVEN	72	187	18	31	10 BOY
JAMES	WEYER	16	148	9	31	13 BOY
MARDI	MAY	23	167	12	26	10 GIRL
TAHLI	JONES	127	157	8	24	12 GIRL
ZAHLI	GRUND	83	167	12	26	10 GIRL



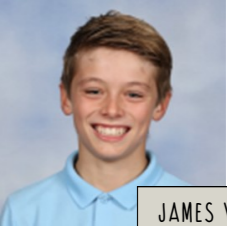
GRACIE WEYER 11TH



CHANEL MAY 16TH



DANIEL ODDIE 19TH



JAMES WEYER 16TH

Peaceful Kids Mindfulness and Positive Psychology

ALISON ARTHURSON

Term 3 McLaren Vale Primary School

Ages 6 -7 years: Thursdays 3:15 – 4:15 July 25th – September 12th (2 places left).

Ages 8-10 years: Small group or individual sessions available, days & times to be negotiated.

Cost \$160 for group sessions, \$240 for individual sessions for 8 week program.

'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 utilise coping strategies that lessen the symptoms of anxiety and stress, and build emotional resilience.

INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM

8 one hour sessions

Journal for children to record in each week

Access to the Peaceful Kids online meditations to practise at home

Weekly emails home to parents

Materials for our hands on activities throughout the program



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

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Reading together at home

STEPS FOR INTRODUCING A NEW BOOK TO YOUR CHILD

1. Give a **summary** of what the story is about. This gives your child the main idea to refer to when reading the story.
2. Talk about the **pictures** together before reading. Look at the pictures and talk about what your child thinks is happening and will happen next. This will help him to **predict the story** and reinforces the meaning of the text.
3. Talk about any **interesting language** your child may encounter during the reading of this book. This will help your child use structure and language patterns.
4. Discuss any concepts that you think may be new or difficult for your child to understand based on his background knowledge
5. Preview the book and find one or two **high frequency words** that you are working on. Go to the page the first word is located on. Say the word you want your child to locate and have him repeat it after you. Ask him what letter he would expect to see at the beginning of the word. Have him run his finger slowly under the word and read it. Repeat this with the second word. This **helps your child use the visual information** from letters to guide him through the text.
6. **Enjoy** this opportunity to read with your child. Keep the experience fun and relaxing for both you and your child.

CLOSE READING

First Read: Get the Gist

- What's the main idea?
- Can you summarize the text?
- What jumps out at you?
- What questions do you have?

Second Read: Dig a Little Deeper

- What text structures and text features were used?
- What is the author's purpose?
- How does the author feel about the subject?
- Why did the author use particular words and phrases?

Third Read: Put it all Together

- What inferences can you make?
- How does the author support key points?
- How does this relate to other texts you've read?
- How does this relate to your life?

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Ideas for the school holidays.

WHAT CAN WE DO?



WHEN // Wed 17 Jul

WHERE // Belair National Park

COST // Tickets are \$10 per child (children under 12 months will not require a ticket) \$5 per adult (plus GST). **Park entry is FREE as part of your ticket fee**

To secure your tickets, you will need to head to <https://natureplaysa.org.au/event/cubby-town-2019/>



School Holiday
Gymnastics
play sessions
Tuesday
Wednesday
Thursday
Open 10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm
\$10 Per Child - Ages 4-14

Bring your friends, Bookings not Required
Parents/Carers are required to stay and supervise at play sessions

O'Sullivan Beach Sports and Community Centre
Cnr. Galloway Rd & Marine Dr

0403 626 389
Info@beyondgymnastics.net.au

BOOK NOW for Recreation, Kindergym and Competition Gymnastics Classes

ALMOND BLOSSOM FESTIVAL

HOUSE DRAWING COMPETITION

REQUIREMENTS

- Needs to be A3 size - available for collection at the OC Willunga office
- Delivered/emailed to our office by 5pm on the 17th of July
- One line about what they love about their house drawing
- Open to all primary school children

VOTING

All designs will be printed and put in our window from the 19th - 28th of July.

The winner will be announced after the Almond Blossom Parade on Sunday the 28th July (approx. 11am)

Voting can be done either via Facebook or in our office (M-F 9am-5pm). Voting will open from the 19th until the 26th at 5pm.

The design with the most total votes by the public will be announced as the winner.

PRIZES

One Day Pass to Adelaide & Monarto Zoo for a family of 2 Adults & 4 Children \$199 (valid for 12 months)

BONUS

If winner is present when prize is drawn you will win additional \$100 Event Cinema voucher to treat their family & friends

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Students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of unforgettable experiences. They are included in a number of different performances each year. Some of these involve special costumes, sets, lighting and are staged in professional theatre spaces.

Students are often invited to participate in additional optional events such as TV work, charity concerts, Adelaide Fringe events, Christmas Pageants, modelling and more!

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DJ Josh • Mel Lake • MIKI • Felicity Aukett + more

Carlewe - Sat July 13 - 3-8pm

SEAFORD RANGERS

KAKADELL SOCCER CAMP

Looking to improve your kids soccer skills these school holidays?

The KakaDell Soccer Camp will take place over the July school holidays during the week days from 9:30 am till 3:30 pm. All training and games will be on the SRFC main pitch or in the clubrooms. Cost will be \$30 per day (less than \$5 per hour) At this stage KakaDell will only be running training sessions for players aged from 5 to 15 years old as the boys believe this is the perfect age to benefit from the Camp. All players will be required to bring a packed lunch, water and a soccer ball. Boots and shin pads are ideal but not compulsory

To book please Contact Kaka on 0420 236 784 or Email kidsoccer90@gmail.com