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# UPCOMING KEY DATES

WILLUNGA COURTHOUSE (YRI)

22ND & 23RD MAY

ELDER CONSERVATORIUM EXCURSION

**THURSDAY 23RD MAY** 

NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

27TH MAY to 31ST May

QUIZ NIGHT

**SATURDAY 1ST JUNE** 

VOLUNTEER INDUCTION/ RAN TRAINING

9.00AM WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE

SCHOOL PHOTOS

THURSDAY 20TH & FRIDAY 21ST JUNE

PERSONAL DATA FORMS AND ED176 FORMS RETURNED

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

#### TAMARA PIEC

Our chooks might be old but they are still prolific egg layers so our kids have been cooking up a storm in the kitchen with a new recipe called Son-In-Law eggs. This is a Thai recipe used to welcome the son-in-law to the family.

This past week we have had an Asian theme in the kitchen having harvested flourishing vegetables from the garden such as capsicums, silver beet, Asian greens and carrots to make a delicious stir fry.

Other groups have been harvesting the sweet potatoes to make yummy fritters. The children certainly had their work cut out, grating all the potatoes for the dish.

Others made a traditional Japanese recipe called Sushi Inari, so named after Shinto god Inari, who loved bean curd/tofu.

Our recipes and cooking experiences are very connected to the different cultures brought to Australia by immigrants.









## Kitchen Garden













# TeraCycle Colgate Community Challenge

#### PAULA HODGENS

Our school is excited to be participating in the TerraCycle Colgate Community Challenge.

TerraCycle is an innovative recycling company that takes 'hard-to-recycle' waste and are passionate about getting others on board. In this challenge, the Sustainability Action Squad are collecting and sending off empty toothpaste tubes, floss containers, toothbrushes and other oral hygiene products. When we send these products, we earn points and could win a garden for our school.

You can help us to earn points by voting for our school on the TerraCycle website. We would encourage every member of our school community to cast a vote online at <a href="https://www.terracycle.com/en-AU/contests/colgategardenvoting">www.terracycle.com/en-AU/contests/colgategardenvoting</a>.

Remember that every bit helps!

Get on board.









## Pastoral Care

#### TYSON MADDERN

Hi everyone, it's Tyson your Pastoral Care Worker here. Some of you may have noticed the new mailbox that has appeared on the Student Services Reception desk. Students, parents, and staff can use this grassy mailbox to contact me on days/hours that I'm not at school. In the mailbox there are pastoral care forms that can be filled with information like your name, room number, teachers name, how can I help? What would you like to talk about? And when is a good time to meet? By filling out a form, this will enable me to provide effective and direct support to all members of the schooling community.

These forms can be used to contact me about a range of areas of support including; anxiety, stress, grief, spirituality, friendships, aggression, parenting, social understanding as well as programs like What's the Buzz and Seasons for Growth. These are just a few areas that I can provide support with, but if there is any other way that you think I can provide support, please feel free to let me know. Once you have filled out a form, I will do my best to respond promptly and will organise a time to chat or a referral.



"The world as we have created it is a process of our thinking. It cannot be changed without changing our thinking". – Albert Einstein

## Student Services

#### LYNNE MILNE



'Student Personal Data' forms are being sent home to all families with our new format consent forms for checking and completion.

<u>Please return all forms to Student Services</u> <u>as soon as possible.</u>

## Volunteer & RAN Training

## WEDNESDAY 12TH JUNE 2019

9.00AM - 10.00AM Volunteer Training

10.00AM - 12.00PM Reporting Abuse & Neglect (RAN)



#### Reminder:

Your RAN training must be updated every 3 years.

(Online training is also available at https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/signup.jsf.

Register your attendance a our Volunteer and RAN training session by phoning the school on 8323 8741 or email dl.0251.admin@schools.sa.edu.au.

## External School Review

#### MONDAY 27TH AND TUESDAY 28TH MAY 2019

Dear Parents,

As part of our continuous school improvement process, we will be involved in an external school review with a Department for Education review panel. The purpose of external school reviews is to support us to raise achievement, sustain high performance and provide quality assurance to build public confidence in government schools. All government schools are externally reviewed every 3 years.

The focus of the external school review is to evaluate our school's performance. The review panel includes a review officer and a trained review principal. Our school review will occur on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May. The review panel will identify aspects of our school's improvement that have been verified through the review processes, as well as the improvements that we need to make in the future. During the external school review, some students, parents, governing council members and staff will be asked to provide information to the review panel in a number of ways. These include:

- individual interviews
- group discussions (with students or staff or parents)
- meetings (governing council, staff meeting), and
- visits into classrooms

We appreciate everyone's support and time in helping us with this external school review process. Please complete the reply slip below and return to the front office if you <u>do not</u> want your child to participate. If you would like more information please contact Lyn Langeluddecke on 83238741.

Lyn Langeluddecke	ON 83238741.	
	– please return by Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May to Student Services	
I do not want my c review	hild	_ (insert name and class number) to be involved in the external school
	Signed:	

# Outdoor Learning Environment

### LEANNE LOVETT









Throughout 2018, staff and families worked collaboratively with landscaper, Stefan Glockner to dream and design play and learning spaces for our outdoor environment.

Earlier this year, Stefan presented our vision on paper including works in the space where the building was removed on the north-western side of the Minniss building (Stage 1), as well as building on and extending the nature play area (Stage 2).

This term Stage 1 has begun and we are very excited about how it is taking shape.

This space will provide teachers with many areas to work with their children as a whole class, in small groups and as individuals.

Outdoor learning environments are important for encouraging healthy behaviours and improving the physical, educational and mental wellbeing of children and young people. They also connect children to the natural world creating a sense of responsibility for the environment and allow children to experience nature play for all the benefits it provides; fostering interaction, autonomy, exploration and curiosity. We cannot wait until this space can be used!

Come and see the progress next time you are at school.



## MAPLAN Online

#### MATT MILLAR

This year we joined the majority of schools around Australia in completing the NAPLAN testing online for the first time. This is a new and interactive format for students to participate in the testing.

Many schools around Australia found this challenging with lots of interruptions and technical issues, however we were very fortunate at McLaren Vale Primary School to complete the tests with very minimal issues, giving our students the best possible opportunity to show their knowledge and skills.

Students walked away positive about how they handled the tests and were confident with how they went. Students also commented how they found the online platform easy to use and more interesting than a paper format.

A big thanks to our staff for being flexible and working around the library, computer room and restrictions to technology during testing. A very big congratulations to all of our students completing NAPLAN, we were impressed with your resilience, focus and positive attitude through the last week. Well done!

## Attendance

#### MATT MILLAR

Flu season has well and truly hit us and we are experiencing higher than normal absences. So we can keep our records up to date it is important the school is notified of any absence, past, present or expected.

You can help us by either:

- Calling or dropping into Student Services and notifying them of the absence
- Contact you child's teacher via Seesaw
- Or leaving a message on the school's answering machine

Hopefully the impact of the flu season will be short and health restored for our children to have continuity with their learning.

## Year 7 Transition

#### LYNNE MILNE

As we approach the middle of 2019, we start to look at the Year 7 - 8 transition. We realise that there will be some students who will be looking to attend private schools, or who are awaiting confirmations from specialty schools, however we ask that ALL ED176 forms be returned to Student Services as soon as possible.

If you are having trouble locating or filling in a form, please see Lynne Milne in Student Services, who will be happy to assist you.

# Is your child leaving MVPS in 2020?

#### LYN LANGELUDDECKE

In addition to requiring the Year 7 information, we also require names of any other students who won't be returning in 2020. This information is critical to our enrolment data, our staffing plans and for the placement process of students into next year's classes. Please indicate below if your child/ren will be leaving the school in 2019 or contact the school on 83238741.

#### Please return to Student Services:

Child's name:	Current Class:	
Reason for leaving:		
School they are going to:		
Parent Signature:	Date:	

## OSHC News

#### NATALIE WELLS-OSHC DIRECTOR

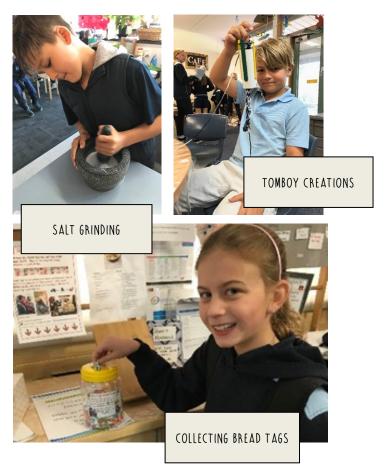
I hope everyone has had a great start to the term. I have been at a couple of training days over the past week learning more about our OSHC sector, all of which will help to make our OSHC an even better place.

Our children have been busy with a variety of activities such as tomboys, pom poms, our new game Uno Flip has been popular and lots of time outside making the most of the sunshine. We also tried corn on the cob with the children which they really enjoyed.

Late last term we stopped buying individual packets of popcorn and we now make our own so the children have also been grinding salt to add to their popcorn. Much better for the environment, having less packets.

We have recently started collecting bread tags in OSHC which will be collected and recycled into various items, such as photo frames, coat hangers and many other things. These then help to fund wheelchairs for people. So if you could collect your bread tags and bring them into OSHC that would be awesome!





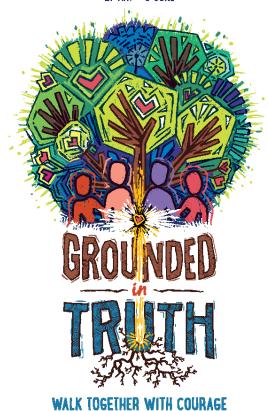
"If you have good thoughts they will shine out of your face like sunbeams and you will always look lovely." - Roald Dahl

# National Sorry Day and National Reconciliation Week

BURDA SANDERS

#### NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2019

27 MAY - 3 JUNE



To foster positive race relations, the relationship between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and the broader community must be grounded in a foundation of truth. Whether you're engaging in challenging conversations or unlearning and relearning what you know, this journey requires all of us to walk together with courage.

Learn more at reconciliation.org.au #NRW2019



This Sunday is National Sorry Day, leading in to National Reconciliation Week.

National Reconciliation Week (NRW) is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

The dates for NRW remain the same each year; 27 May to 3 June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey; the successful 1967 referendum, and the High Court Mabo decision respectively.

Reconciliation must live in the hearts, minds and actions of all Australians as we move forward, creating a nation strengthened by respectful relationships between the wider Australian community, and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

The theme for Reconciliation Week 2019 is "Grounded in Truth, Walk Together with Courage." Our assembly on Friday 24 May will focus on Reconciliation Week, and International Year of Indigenous Languages. We encourage parents and community members to join us to recognize this significant week in the year's calendar.

# **Finance**

#### AMANDA MARCEL

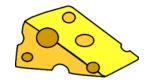
Please note, the due date for School Fee Payments has now passed but it is not too late to organise a payment plan or to lodge a School Card application.

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



#### THURSDAY 20TH AND FRIDAY 21ST JUNE





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# Say Cheese

# School Photo Days are: Thursday 20th & Friday 21st June

Have your child's school memories captured forever

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelopes and remember these helpful points:

- Options include Low Resolution images for smart-phones as well as High Resolution Digital Downloads
- Online ordering is the preferred way to place your order It's quick and easy
- Each child must present their envelope to the photographer on the day, regardless of payment method
- Please don't seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request and need to be ordered before or on photography day. Please make your children aware they are having a family photo
- Correct money MUST be in the envelopes if paying by cash

Please DO NOT bring envelopes or payment to school BEFORE photo day as they are given directly to the photographer on the day. The school CANNOT accept envelopes prior to Photo Day

For any enquiries, please feel free to contact MSP Photography on 83913951 e admin.adelaidesouth@msp.com.au



## GOOD NEWS STORIES

Congratulations to Claire Oddie, from Room 21, who recently won the Athlete of the Month Commitment Award from her Mid Coast Little Athletics Centre. Along with this award came a letter describing why she received the award. Two quotes from the letter were:

"She rarely misses competition days, and this year has competed in numerous events at SA Athletics Stadium, with her best results coming at this years State Challenge where she achieved 4 personal best performances in her five events."

"Claire is an excellent role model for our centre, and many of our younger athletes hold her in high regard for her work ethos and support that she gives others."

# ATHLETE OF THE MONTH — COMMITMENT AWARD —





Congratulations to Scarlett Glatter whose team won a bronze medal at the State Junior Basketball Championships. Scarlett and her team played in 6 games over 4 days, against the top teams in the state, losing only one game.



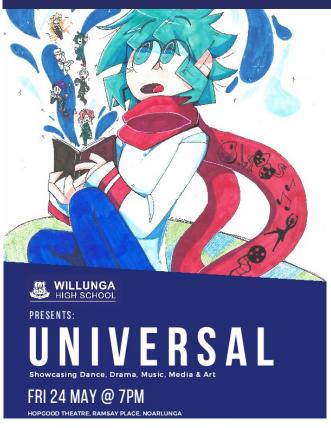
Our District schools athletes had great success at the State 1500m Championships held at Athletics SA Stadium last Sunday.

We had a very consistent group, with all athletes finishing in the top-10 in their respective races.



event	name	school	time	position
10-y-o boys	DANIEL O	MCLAREN VALE	5:44.31	8 <sup>th</sup>
10-y-o girls	EVIE C	MCLAREN VALE	6:16.21	8 <sup>th</sup>
11-y-o boys	CHASE C	PT NOARLUNGA	5:22.76	8 <sup>th</sup>
11-y-o girls	TESSA E	TATACHILLA	5:25.71	2 <sup>nd</sup>
12-y-o boys	MAXIMUS G	TATACHILLA	5:21.76	9 <sup>th</sup>
12-y-o girls	GRACIE W	MCLAREN VALE	5:33.12	5 <sup>th</sup>

# Community Notices









ARTISTICCLAIRE
ARTISTICCLAIRE29@GMAIL.COM
0428252475

# CHILDREN'S ART

\$15 per lesson, 10 lessons (term time) ages 4-14

Qualified teacher and artist, small groups
Classes held at the Fleurieu Arthouse, Main Road McLaren Vale
Bookings essential



#### Take the stress out of parenting

A series of 3 free engaging and informative workshops for parents with children aged 3 to 12 years

Workshop 1. The Power of Positive Parenting 1:00-3:00pm, Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Ensuring a safe engaging environment - Creating a positive, learning environment - Using assertive discipline - Having reasonable expectations - Looking after yourself as a parent

Workshop 2. Raising Confident and Competent Children 1 - 3 pm, Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Showing respect to others - Being considerate - Having healthy self-esteem - Having good communication and social skills - Being a good problem solver - Becoming independent

Workshop 3. Raising Resilient Children 1:00-3:00pm, Tuesday 18th June 2019

Recognising and accepting feelings - Building a positive outlook - Developing coping skills -Expressing feelings appropriately - Managing negative feelings - Managing stressful life events

Light refreshments provided

Where: Willunga Primary School

247 Main Road, Willunga

To book: Contact school reception on phone 8556 2234 or

email dl.0744.info@schools.sa.edu.au

Everyone is welcome, however bookings are essential

\* Please arrive 10 minutes earlier for registrations \*

Delivered by the Department for Education's Parenting and Family Support Team

Happy families. Better relationships. Successful kids.











#### McLaren Vale Primary School Quiz Night

When? Saturday June 1st at 7pm

Where? McLaren Vale Bocce Club, Park Drive, McLaren Vale

Cost: \$10pp, tables of 10 (\$100 per table)

BYO: Drinks and food, Bar facilities available

Games and prizes throughout the night!

Please reserve your table by Wednesday May 29th by contacting Matt Millar,

e: matt.millar500@schools.sa.edu.au

p: 8323 8741

All school families, friends and community members welcome.

#### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CLASS?

# Big Writes - Room 2 - Year 3



In Room 2 this year the students have been doing a weekly 'Big Write'. This showcases their **new** writing skills learnt during the weeks lessons. VCOP (vocabulary, connectives, openers and punctuation) is introduced also to support, extend and challenge skills in reading, writing and editing their work. In week 5 we painted a picture using tints, shades and a silhouette. This gave us the inspiration for our description. Our focus this week was WOW words (using imaginative and interesting adjectives to describe the nours).



Kayla The spicy black gloomytree There was a black spicy glomy tree that was just quiet and that it sang a song and it wood drift usu off to sleep heard Some Stories that in the day it was mostly beautful but when it was night it was ugly horrible, Spicy, black and gloomy, People usest to say that it sounded like this woodwood Itis so Scary that if you touch it you would fall to sleep and never wake up! But I don't Know it's mame, But you



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The ancient tree

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