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SCHOOLS CLEAN UP
AUSTRALIA DAY

FRIDAY 1st MARCH

SHROVE TUESDAY

TUESDAY 5th MARCH

WORLD BOOK DAY

THURSDAY 7th MARCH

YEARS 5,6,7 AQUATICS

4th to 8th MARCH

ADELAIDE CUP DAY

MONDAY 11th MARCH



Three Generations

Three generations of educators in the one family brought together by a love and passion for music education.

Introducing our Wakakkiri Team, Rosemary Nairne OAM (mother), Kym Kleinig (daughter) and Maggie Cooper (granddaughter).

Rosemary has been singing and dancing for over 60 years and her love of music has taken her all over the world. More recently she was the Festival Choir Musical Director. Her daughter Kym who you will all know as a much loved reception teacher also has a passion for furthering children's experiences through music and singing. Rosemary's granddaughter and Kym's daughter Maggie spent 13 years in the Australian Girls' Choir, studied dance at high school and more recently, has become a dance teacher.

How lucky are we to have this awesome trio working with our senior students in the Wakakkiri program.

REMEMBER THE PAST, CREATE THE PRESENT, INSPIRE THE FUTURE.



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

Thank You

ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT —TUESDAY 12TH FEBRUARY

Thank you to all families who attended this year's Acquaintance Night.

Classrooms were bursting at the seams. It was certainly a great opportunity for families to meet the class teacher/s along with some of the specialist teachers and to learn about the classroom structures and expectations.

If building good relationships is the cornerstone of how effective we are as educators ...then it stands to reason that we would place high importance on the partnership between you and your child's teachers.

So if you haven't had a chance to meet your child's teacher yet, do make the time to visit the classroom and introduce yourself and should you have any issues or concerns, the first point of call is always the class teacher. All of our educators are good communicators and well equipped in sorting out issues.

We look forward to working together with you in the best interests of your child.

Lyn Langeluddecke



better
Together

SCHOOL BANKING



School banking will be unavailable on:

- Tuesday, 12th March
- Tuesday 19th march

Volunteering at McLaren Vale Primary School

LYN LANGELOUDECKE

Starting out in the New Year with a reliable group of active volunteers in our class and school programs will be of huge benefit to the children and teachers in their daily work. Already there is an abundance of goodwill with parents and volunteers signing up for the kitchen and garden programs which got underway this week, there are several new faces joining the 100 club in the library, many helpers in classrooms assisting children with a myriad of tasks, there was strong support from an adventurous parent group on the Illawanga camps and we have been welcomed with new recruits joining the Governing Council and committees.

VOLUNTEERING BENEFITS EVERYONE,
INCLUDING THE VOLUNTEERS
THEMSELVES WHO ARE REWARDED
WITH THE SATISFACTION THAT
COMES FROM GIVING TO OTHERS AND
KNOWING THAT EVERY BIT OF HELP
MAKES A DIFFERENCE IN THE LIFE OF
A CHILD.

If you are keen to join the ranks of becoming a school volunteer, we encourage you to sign up for our orientation and induction program, along with the mandatory training in Reporting Abuse and Neglect and a criminal history screening check. Registration is essential and an induction pack consisting of helpful printed information and a handbook are available from the front office.

Further information on how to register, training dates etc. can be found at the back of the newsletter.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Student Attendance

MATT MILLAR —SENIOR LEADER & NICKY CLARK —SCHOOL COUNSELLOR

Being at school every day matters! Did you know that if your child misses about a day of school a fortnight it adds up to 4 weeks of learning every year! If this happens over the course of primary schooling it adds up to almost 1 year of learning missed. Regular attendance is not only beneficial for your child's learning, but also their ability to form better friendships, better mental health and future choices.

At McLaren Vale Primary School we put a high importance on your child being at school every day. We have reviewed our student attendance and are putting some more streamlined processes in place. This requires a strong line of communication between families, the teacher and leadership. If your child is having difficulties attending school please contact your child's teacher or school leadership for support. Poor attendance can be improved if families and school work together to address the barriers. It is vital you inform the school about your child's absence. This can be done by:

- A note in your child's diary
- A message via Seesaw
- A phone call to Student Services
- Speaking to your child's teacher or Student Services

Being at school
everyday matters!

Australian Road Rules

SCHOOL TRAFFIC & ROAD RULES

THE 'AUSTRALIAN ROAD RULES' GIVE DIRECTION ON PARKING RESTRICTIONS AND THAT WHICH DRIVERS OF VEHICLES ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH. THE RULES THAT ARE MOST RELEVANT TO OUR SCHOOL PARKING AND THOSE WHICH OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY ENFORCE COMPLIANCE WITH ARE AS FOLLOWS:

Drop off and pick up times at school are usually busy and can be stressful. Here's a quick reminder of some of the expectations when driving or parking outside or near schools during their hours of operation.



ROAD CROSSING MONITORS

On Monday the 18th of February, The South Australian Police conducted training for Road Crossing Monitors at school for Year 5,6 and 7 students. We strongly encourage as many students as possible to participate as monitors as this is a great opportunity to show leadership and service to our community. We will be sending consent forms home and hope to begin with monitors at the Caffrey St crossing in week 6. An incentive system will be in place for students participating regularly in this.

Matt Millar



- Vehicles must **not** stop in a **NO STOPPING ZONE**, even for a few seconds to pick up children.
- Vehicles **may** stop in a **NO PARKING ZONE** for three minutes or less to pick up a child who is waiting nearby. You must **not** park or leave the vehicle.
- Vehicles must **not** double park, or stop in the line of traffic, to pick up or drop off a child.
- Vehicles must **not** stop in a bicycle lane.
- Vehicles must **not** stop in bus zones.
- Vehicles must **not** stop within 20 metres before a crossing or 10 metres after a crossing.
- Vehicles must **not** stop within 10 metres of an intersection or junction without traffic lights.
- Vehicles must **not** park over driveways.
- Vehicles must **not** park on the verge.



A little about...

TYSON MADDERN - PASTORAL CARE WORKER

Hi! My name is Tyson Maddern and I am the Pastoral Care Worker here at McLaren Vale Primary School. On Monday and Tuesday I am here all day to assist students, staff and families with social, emotional and spiritual support. I run a variety of programs, activities and clubs within the school such as The Breakfast Club (see below for more information), What's the Buzz (a social and emotional awareness program), Seasons for Growth (to support in times of grief and loss), Revved Up (support for dealing with anger and aggression), The 7's Club and Capture the Flag at lunchtimes.

I am always here for a chat, and to provide one on one support to students in need. I can be contacted through the front office, where the staff can arrange meetings and referrals.

I am excited for an exciting year ahead with the students of McLaren Vale Primary School. My office is located across from the reception desk.

Feel free to drop in for a chat.

BREAKFAST CLUB IS BACK FOR 2019.

I'm sure everyone knows that breakfast is the most important meal of the day for developing young brains. Breakfast club is open for all families, both students and parents, every Monday and Tuesday morning. Students can select from toast, yoghurt and Milo to get them started on their day.

BREAKFAST

CLUB

Supplies are donated by Kickstart for Kids, an amazing service who provide supplies for schools across South Australia.

We are currently looking for parent volunteers to assist in making and serving breakfast. If you can help, please pop into the kitchen on a Monday or Tuesday morning.



Finance

AMANDA MARCEL –BUSINESS MANAGER

2019 M & S Fee have been sent home for all students. Please note that unless payment arrangement 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.):

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

Credit Card payments over the phone.

Online Payments 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.

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

School Card – families on low incomes may be eligible for School Card assistance.

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 have any queries please do not hesitate to contact Amanda in our Finance Office.

KEY DUE DATES FOR PAYMENTS:

MONDAY 25 FEB,
YEAR 5 – 7 AQUATICS

MONDAY 25 FEB,
CHINESE NEW YEAR LUNCH,
ROOMS 6, 7 & 8

FRIDAY 8 MARCH,
ARBURY PK CAMP, ROOMS 2 & 3

FRI 12 APRIL,
SCHOOL FEES



Student Services

LYNNE MILNE

Student Personal Data notices will be coming home with all McLaren Vale Primary School students in the next few weeks. Please ensure you carefully check all the information recorded and make changes where necessary and return to Student Services.

If all the data is correct, please **still return your form** to Student Services as soon as possible.

A reminder that when filling out permission forms, please ensure you fill in **both** sides of the form.

Thank you.

OSHC News

NATALIE WELLS - OSHC DIRECTOR

Hi everyone. We've had a great start to the year, meeting new children and families. This week we spent lots of time outside on the asphalt, playing down at the Adventure Playground and Nature Play space but also not forgetting the most popular activity...DODGEBALL!!!

Board games continue to be popular in the mornings with Connect 4 challenges often happening. Dress ups have also been well used, particularly our superhero ones!

It has been great to see children making friendships and the older children helping to settle new children by including them in activities and being welcoming.

Over the past week I have been starting to organise the April Vacation Care program, and we have some great excursions planned. More information to come soon.

Have a great week.



VALENTINE'S DAY CRAFTS

'Play is often talked about as if it were a relief from serious learning. But, for children, play is serious learning. Play is really the work of childhood.' - Fred Rogers



LOOKING THROUGH CATALOGUES AND MAKING WISH LISTS



ENJOYING NEW FRIENDSHIPS

Nihongo News

SCHMITT SENSEI AND PRICE SENSEI

こんにちは ! *Konnichiwa* (hello) and welcome back to McLaren Vale PS for another fun and exciting year of Japanese language learning! I look forward to being a part of your child's second-language learning; whether it be introducing them to the Japanese language and culture for the first time, or continuing their Japanese learning journey from last year.

We've had a lovely start to the year, focusing on well-being and the characteristics that we hope to be displayed in our Japanese classroom. The children discussed what it looks like to be a 'Sensible Samurai' and what it means to be Supportive, Appreciative, Mindful of others, Understanding, Respectful, Adaptable and Involved.

We also had a great turn out for our first Japanese Club of 2019! Each Wednesday, first lunch, the Japanese classroom is open for all children to come and play and explore. A mix of all ages visit our Japanese classroom each week, to have a go at some origami, traditional Japanese games, dress-ups, pretend play and the occasional cooking or cultural class. It's wonderful to see the children enjoying the Japanese learning space and experiencing some extra Japanese cultural activities.

This year, I will be teaching in the Japanese classroom Tuesday-Thursday and Rebecca Price (aka Price Sensei) will be teaching Japanese each Friday.

We continue to have our CLOSED Japanese Facebook page, so that we can keep you up-to-date with what's happening in our Japanese lessons. To become a member of this closed Facebook group, please click on the following link and then click 'Join group'. Once we have accepted your request, you will be able to see regular updates from our Japanese classroom.
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/MVPSJapanese/>

We look forward to another great year of Japanese language learning at MVPS and we look forward to seeing you soon, either in the school yard, or feel free to come visit us in our Japanese classroom!

Mata ne (see you soon)!

Schmitt Sensei and Price Sensei



"One language sets you in a corridor for life.

Two languages open every door along the way." - Fred Rogers

We need you

VOLUNTEER AND R.A.N TRAINING

WEDNESDAY 13TH MARCH 2019

9 - 10AM

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

10-12NOON

REPORTING ABUSE AND NEGLECT
(RAN) TRAINING



McLaren Vale Primary School welcomes parent involvement and volunteers.
There are many opportunities for volunteers to support programs at our school.

Your support is greatly appreciated and provides an excellent opportunity for parents to get to know other children and families within our school community.

Volunteers can:

- help children with their reading and numeracy
- assist in the *Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden* program
- help with camps and excursion
- join our Governing Council
- help in the school library
- help with fundraising

We look forward to seeing you there.

Lyn Langeluddecke (Principal)

Nicky Clark (Counsellor)

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

“
I cannot do
everything, but I can
do something.
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Governing Council

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

We held our Annual General Meeting on Tuesday evening. Highlights included reports on our 2018 achievements from our Chair, Jazz Ellis and our leadership team, Lyn Langeluddecke, Matt Millar and Leanne Lovett. Other reports tabled were our Finance and OSHC.

If you are interested in reading the 2018 AGM report, copies are available from the front office.

Our new Governing Council for 2019 consists of..... Kent Brown (Chair & Treasurer), Jo Matthews (Deputy), Bron Weeks (Secretary), Jim Fletcher, Shylie Lord, Megan Douglass, Taryn VanDenBrink, Kirstie Warn, Gizelle Wilson, Amanda Deakin, Ruth Wilson, Lyn Langeluddecke (Principal), Cate Schueller and Emma Sheridan (staff reps).

We thanked our retiring members for their valuable contribution to our school and all long term governing council membersJazz Ellis (our chair for the past two years), Caroline Pritchard (for her outstanding secretarial work), Holly Freeland and Lisa Jones.

The work of our Governing Council is instrumental in driving and supporting school improvement. We are looking forward to our 2019 Governing Council partnership with our community and invite you to catch up with any of the Council members to pass on any issues.

We also invite you to join a Governing Council committee (see attachment). Your voice is important to us and it promises to be a rewarding experience. Committees generally meet after school twice termly.

Hope you can join us.

Cheers. Lyn and Kent

School Term Dates

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION SCHOOL TERM DATES

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
2019	29 Jan - 12 Apr	29 Apr - 5 Jul	22 Jul - 27 Sep	14 Oct - 13 Dec
2020	28 Jan - 9 Apr	27 Apr - 3 Jul	20 Jul - 25 Sep	12 Oct - 11 Dec
2021	1 Feb - 16 Apr	3 May - 9 Jul	26 Jul - 1 Oct	18 Oct - 17 Dec
2022	31 Jan -14 Apr	2 May - 8 Jul	25 Jul - 30 Sep	17 Oct - 16 Dec
2023	30 Jan - 14 Apr	1 May - 7 July	24 July - 29 Sep	16 Oct - 15 Dec

Are you a Green Thumb?

An Academic?

Good with Numbers?

FUNraising extraordinaire?

GET INVOLVED!

Here's a way to get involved and improve our school – without attending Governing Council Meetings!
Read below and join in on the fun!

EDUCATION includes reviewing curriculum, parent education programs, feedback on school communication etc.



FINANCE

Contribute to financial planning, examine monthly reports, set budgets and endorse priorities for expenditure.



WELLBEING Stephanie Alexander Kitchen & Garden program, Breakfast Club, Second Bite.

Assess the school's wellbeing priorities, analyse bullying and procedures and support programs i.e. healthy eating guidelines.



FUN - RAISING

Promoting school activities and events in the school and local community, plan events and coordinate FUN-raising activities. Love to plan a party? This is the group for you!



GROUNDS facilities, streetscape, nature play, gardens. Formulate plans for grounds developments and new projects, working bees etc



OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Support the Director in the management of the OSHC and Vac Care programs, review the service. Provide feedback to the governing council on the operation of the service.

SPORT Assist with the coordination of all school sports, including after school hours sport, SAPSASA, sports days and sports clinics and provide opportunities for all MVPS students.



YES!

I would like to be involved with:

(please circle)

EDUCATION

FINANCE

WELLBEING

FUN-RAISING

GROUNDS

OSHC

SPORT

Name:.....

Ph/email:.....

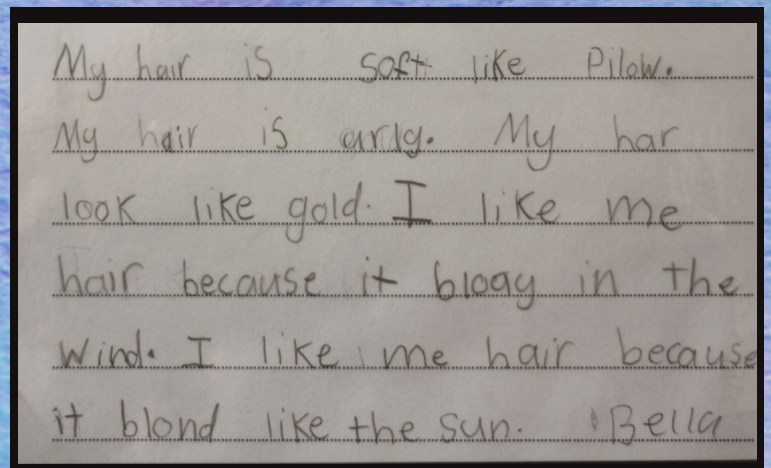
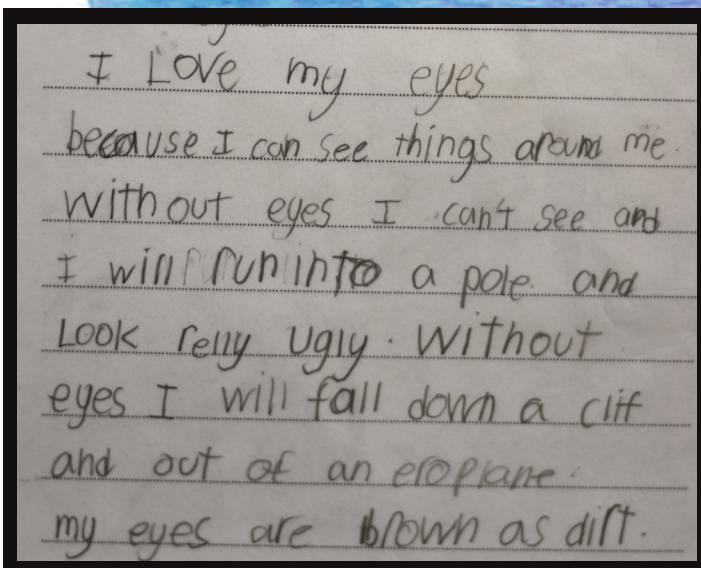
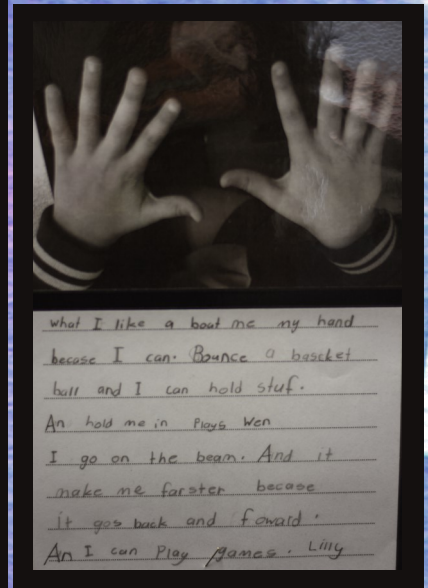
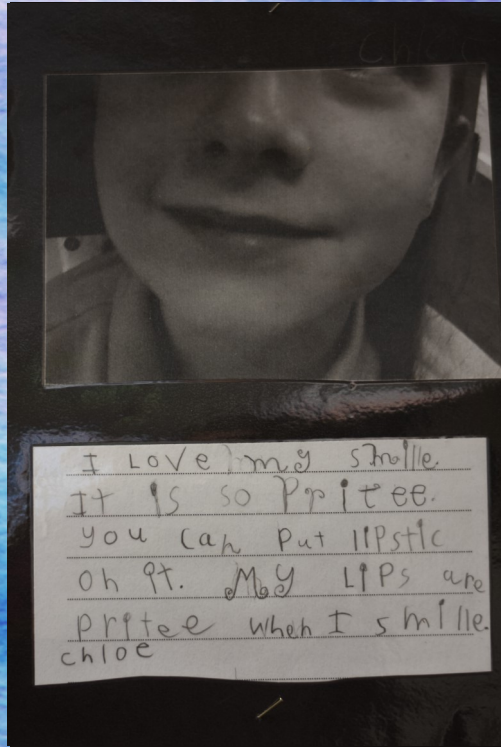
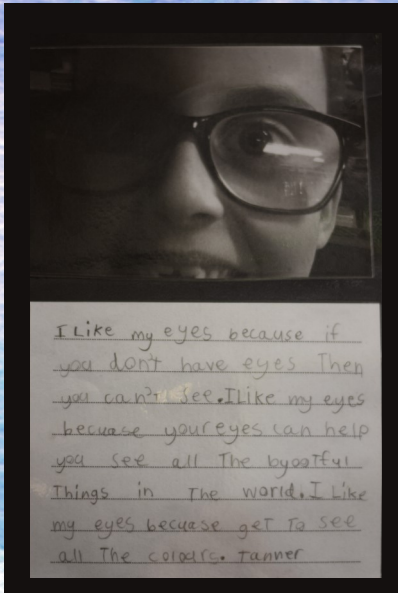
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What's happening in class?

ANNA BELLOMARINO & BRIANNA MADDOCK

Room 9 have had a focus on descriptive writing and have showcased some of their skills in their "The Best Part of Me" series.

The children took photographs of features of themselves and added a handwritten, descriptive narrative.



Pop into the front office to see more of the collection.