



## Key Dates

Acquaintance Night  
Tues 13 Feb:

5:30pm R - 2  
6:00pm 2/3 - 5  
6:30pm 6 - 7

AGM  
Tues 27 Feb  
6:30pm

Yr 5 - 7 Aquatics  
5 to 9 Mar

## A warm welcome

by **LYN LANGELOUDECKE**  
**Principal**

We've had a great start to the new school year with children settling into classes and excited to meet their new teacher and classmates. It's been lovely to welcome the children back and to hear about their holiday stories. At our welcome assembly on the first day we introduced our twelve new staff, 77 new receptions and 11 children from other schools. We have grown this year to 535 with all 19 classes at capacity.

Our Monday assembly was a reminder of just how thankful we are to be planning to install a new air con in the gym as it was sufficiently suffocating following the weekend heat wave. We were all very excited when Minister Leon Bignell visited our school and presented the cheque for \$50,000.

We were equally as excited with our community effort in creating the 'Wheelie Good School' display on our front fence for the Tour Down Under. Our recycled bike wheels transformed into colourful flowers appealed to the judges with our school winning the best-dressed paddock and/or school category.



**Government of South Australia**  
Department for Education and  
Child Development

# Welcome

A special thank you to Albert Fowles who worked around the clock to construct the flowers and secure them to the fence (and remove) and to Mel Jones for coordinating. It was a real community effort with our children and staff as 'petal' creators.

With relationships at the heart of our work all educators are giving priority to developing cohesive class communities based around respectful relationships where children and adults share the responsibility of working and learning together and acknowledge each other's strengths and differences. Our new student diaries provide valuable skill building activities for 'striving, thriving and flourishing' wellbeing. It would be helpful for parents to check that the activities are being completed and that the diary is signed.



**Join us at  
Acquaintance  
night  
Tues 13 Feb**

In preparation for the school year, our staff have worked in teams to plan a year level curriculum that is consistent across classes and provides a targeted needs based curriculum that engages and challenges every learner. We have also developed a model of curriculum integration combining subjects to enable deeper learning through inquiry approaches. Our focus during Term 1 is Our World, Our Stories.

We are very passionate in continuing to develop our strong relationships with families and partnering to support every one of our children to grow and learn in a safe and supportive environment. Clear communication processes are top priority and families will already have a welcome letter and a newsletter from their class teacher/s. Coming very soon is an opportunity to meet your child's teacher/s at the *Acquaintance Night on Tuesday 13th February* and hear first hand about the class learning program and ways that you can become involved.

We will be conducting regular volunteer training programs each term so you can assist in class and wider school programs. The first of these is on *Thursday March 15th from 9-12.*



# Welcome

Matt Millar is the newest member of our leadership team. Mel, Matt and I are very excited to be leading such a dedicated, dynamic and conscientious staff team. We have been inspired by the tremendous effort staff have put into setting up their learning areas and the collaborative effort in curriculum planning. Our SSO team has also been diligent in preparing for a successful start. We are very optimistic that the ground work is set for strong team work and continued success and certainly feeling that your children are in the best hands as we embark on the new school year.

We are looking forward to meeting with all families and keen to hear your stories on what makes McLaren Vale a great school and where you can see opportunities for growth. So do introduce yourself when you see us in the yard or pop into the office and make a time to catch up.

Cheers.

Lyn Langeluddecke, Mel Jones and Matt Millar

## Acquaintance Night Tues 13 February

This is an opportunity for you to visit your child's classroom, meet the teacher and other families in the class and to find out information about the class program, routines, class activities and more.

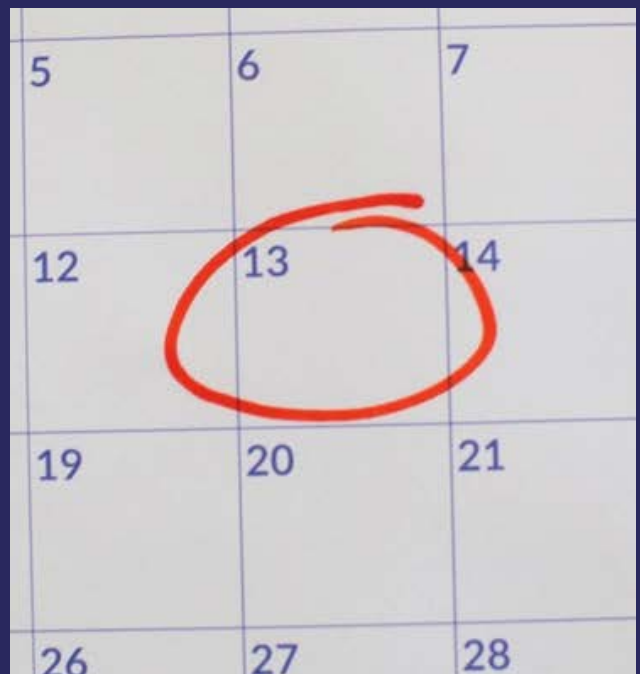
5:30pm: Junior Primary (Reception to 2)

6:00pm: Primary Years (Years 2/3 to 5)

6:30pm: Middle Years (Years 6 to 7)

Building relationships is crucial to the success of your child's schooling at McLaren Vale so we aim for every parent to be at this meeting.

If you are unable to attend due to other commitments, please let your child's teacher know and negotiate another time to catch up.



**Get a head start with  
your child's learning  
for the year**

## Road Safety Message

Can an all families please ensure that children are using the new pedestrian crossing when crossing Caffrey Street. Please note that It is an offence to cross a road within 20 metres of a pedestrian crossing at a place other than the pedestrian crossing (rule 234 of the Australian Road Rules).

**PRINCIPAL** Lyn Langeluddecke

**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL** Mel Jones

**SENIOR LEADER** Matt Millar

**RECEPTION** Alex Gabb  
Sophie Hunt  
Kym Kleinig

**YEAR 1** Sue Higgins  
Susie Walker / Brianna Maddock  
Bernice Sternberg / Angela Pedisic

**YEAR 2** Julie Howard  
Sally Murray

**YEAR 2 / 3** Anna Bellomarino

**YEAR 3** Cate Schueller  
Kylie Van Laarhoven

**YEAR 4** Dave Cleggett  
Jenny Jones

**YEAR 4 / 5** Deb Pagsanjan / Michelle Moore

**YEAR 5** Petra Turner / Michelle Moore

**YEAR 5 / 6** Sean Beath  
Simon Lovett

**YEAR 6 / 7** Lauren Cole  
Paula Hodgins

**JAPANESE** Belinda Schmitt / Rebecca Price

**SCIENCE** John Lysikatos / Wendy Lithgow

**PHYSICAL EDUCATION** Tim Walker

**THE ARTS** Mark Matonti / Heidi Karo (& AET)

**JUNIOR PRIMARY SUPPORT** Gabby Morgan / Caroline Kacirek

**FINANCE MANAGER** Sharon Pearsons

**SUPPORT SERVICES** Lynne Milne

**FRONT OFFICE** Clair Pavey

**MARKETING &  
COMMUNICATIONS** Leeanne Storr

**GROUNDSMAN** Steve Tilley

**GARDEN SPECIALIST** Albert Fowles

**KITCHEN SPECIALIST** Tamara George

**CURRICULUM SUPPORT** Sally Harris / Delys Finn / Sharon Proctor / Julie Kelly / Lee Honan-Anderson / Belinda Turner / Jess Shaw / Rebecca Roberts (ACEO)

**COUNSELLOR** Nicky Clark

**IT SUPPORT** Chris Venning

**CANTEEN** Megan Walsh

**PASTORAL CARE** Tyson Maddern

2018  
STAFF

# Welcome new staff:

## **MATT MILLAR**

SENIOR LEADER

Hi! I'm Matt Millar, the new Senior Leader at McLaren Vale PS. I'm excited to join the team here and also being back! I taught Year 6 / 7s here in 2010 / 2011 before taking on a number of roles as a Maths Coach. I look forward to meeting you all and working together.

## **ALEX GABB**

RECEPTION

I have previously taught at Clarendon Primary and am looking forward to connecting with the community at McLaren Vale. I love adventures, trying new things and am always looking for new learning. From travelling overseas to exploring SA in my caravan with my border collie Hutchy and partner. I value the importance of play to children's growth and development, wellbeing and joy for learning. I am passionate about providing nature play experiences where children can evaluate risks, make decisions, experiment, explore, create, learn, and build their oral language and motor skills.

## **KYM KLEINIG**

RECEPTION

Hi my name is Kym Kleinig and I am teaching Reception in Room 8. I have come from Aldinga Beach B-7 School where I taught Reception for 10 Years. I have been living in the McLaren Vale region for a long time now and look forward to working with the students, staff and wider school community.

## **SOPHIE HUNT**

RECEPTION

Hi families of McLaren Vale Primary School. I am so excited to be part of your community and to get to know all of you. I am the Reception teacher in Room 7. I have been teaching for 7 years at various schools and I have taught the last 3 and a bit years at Port Elliot Primary School. In my spare time I love spending time at the beach, the river, camping, fitness, netball, travelling and reading! Please come and say 'Hi' anytime!

## **KYLIE VAN LAARHOVEN**

YEAR 3

I am teaching Year 3's in Room 3 this year. I am excited to be part of the McLaren Vale Community. For the last 6 years I have taught at Aldinga Beach B-7 and previously to Aldinga I taught at Roxby Downs Area school for 13 years. I am married and have 3 children. I enjoy travelling and spending time with my family.



## **JENNY JONES**

YEAR 4

I'm very happy to be joining the wonderful staff, students, and community at McLaren Vale Primary. I have spent the last 17 years as part of Westbourne Park Primary School, teaching various year levels from Reception to Year Four. I am passionate about the Environment and Student Wellbeing and I love animals, gardening, reading, keeping fit and the colour purple! I see myself as a continuous learner and I love my job!



## **SEAN BEATH**

YEAR 5 / 6

My name is Sean Beath. I was born at McLaren Vale Hospital and went to Willunga Primary School and Tatachilla Lutheran College. Growing up I enjoyed playing sport and 'hanging out' with family and friends – not much has changed! After a few early career changes I developed a passion for teaching, and years later has lead me to McLaren Vale Primary. I consider myself privileged to be a part of the McLaren Vale Primary School community, and am looking forward to the year ahead.



## **REBECCA PRICE**

JAPANESE

My name is Rebecca Price and I am teaching Japanese on Mondays. I also teach Japanese and Arts at Myponga Primary School. I'm passionate about Japan and the fascinating Japanese culture.

I live locally and am married with two children. We love to holiday and spend time on the river.



## **CAROLINE KACIREK**

PERMANENT RELIEF TEACHER

I have spent many years teaching in the Riverland and South East R - 6 and more recently in the Fleurieu.

I live in Goolwa with my husband and four children. I enjoy sports, in particular soccer and tennis, and spending time at the beach.







## **BELINDA SCHMITT**

JAPANESE

*Konnichiwa* (hello)! I am very excited to be the new Japanese teacher at McLaren Vale Primary School. I have a real passion for the Japanese language and culture, as it's been a part of my life, in one way or another, since I was very young. I look forward to getting to know you all and sharing the Japanese language and culture with the children at McLaren Vale Primary School. *Mata ne* (see you soon)!



## **WENDY LITHGOW**

SCIENCE

I have seen many changes to education since I began my career 37 years ago! I remain passionate about fostering the students' imagination, creativity, curiosity and sense of wonder. Hence I am very excited to be teaching Science to years 3-5 two days a week this year. For the other three days, I am based at MVPS, and work with leaders and staff across the partnership on curriculum, planning and assessment matters.



## **GABBY MORGAN**

JUNIOR PRIMARY SUPPORT

I am an experienced Junior Primary teacher of 20+ years. I have taught across the Junior Primary year levels in a number of schools, including here at McLaren Vale PS. For the past 3 years I have been a Reception teacher at Port Elliot PS. I am delighted to be back for 2018 and I am looking forward to once again working with the fantastic students at McLaren Vale PS. On a more personal note, I live locally with my two daughters. During our free time we enjoy swimming, shopping, going for walks and playing board games.



## **SHARON PEARSONS**

FINANCE MANAGER

I am the new Finance Manager here at McLaren Vale PS and many of you will have met me as I started late last year. I have previously worked at Mt Compass Area School, Christies Beach and Wirreanda High schools, Littlehampton PS and Flaxmill PS. I enjoy my netball and watching all sports and look forward to my role here at McLaren Vale PS.



## **LEEANNE STORR**

MARKETING & COMMUNICATIONS

I specialise in marketing and communications and have previously worked for Victor Harbor High School, UniSA, and Local Government. I live in McLaren Vale and I am very excited to work within our community. During holidays I enjoy travelling and bush camping with my husband and two children.



## Kitchen Garden

**BY TAMARA & ALBERT**

Welcome back for another year of gardening and cooking, and welcome to all the new students and volunteers participating in the programme for the first time. We have managed to keep most of the garden alive through the summer heat waves, and we have plenty of produce to use in the kitchen.

Our Kitchen Garden mantra is GROW, HARVEST, PREPARE, SHARE, students actively participate in planting seeds and seedlings, looking after them and harvesting produce; that produce is then taken to the kitchen and prepared into a wide variety of dishes that are shared with the class and volunteers.

Students gain a wide variety of skills and knowledge, and also learn safe use of tools and appliances through practical hands on participation.

Volunteers are an essential part of our program and we can achieve a lot more with a few extra hands! If anyone would like to volunteer in either Kitchen or Garden please contact class teachers or the school.

A few years ago a committee was formed to make the garden design more manageable. Grant Prior from McLaren Vale Garden Centre was approached, and generously donated his time and expertise to design a new garden for the school. Grant's plan was to divide the space into a series of "rooms" that would be defined with post & rail fences and hedges, curved paths would go between rooms to give access.

Money raised from our Market Cart has paid for the fencing to go in, and we would like to thank everyone for their support. Market Cart day will be Tuesday again this year, so have a look on Tuesday afternoons and see what our wonderful students have put together.



# OSHC News

BY NATALIE WELLS, OSHC DIRECTOR



We had a fantastic holiday Vacation Care and had great fun together with the children. We visited Adelaide Oval, went to the movies, enjoyed a yummy lunch at Fasta Pasta, had a trip to Semaphore Waterslide Park and bounced at Castleworld. We also had lots of fun back at OSHC with a water day, cooking day, sports incursion, wheels day and lots more. We are now getting ready for our next vacation care in April and have already booked an awesome excursion that is sure to be very popular!

We are experiencing high demand for OSHC and all nights, except Friday, have waiting lists. It is important if you have a permanent booking that you let us know if you will not be needing your spot. This enables families on waiting lists to use OSHC.

**We require 24 hours' notice for any cancellations** or you will be charged for the session, unless you provide a doctor's certificate.

We're looking forward to a great year at OSHC creating special memories with the children, and of course having lots of fun!

*Happiness is like jam. You can't spread even a little without getting some on yourself.'- Unknown*

## AGM - Tues 27 Feb 6:30pm, MVPS Library

Come along to meet our Principal, Lyn and the team and hear our vision for the school's future. There will also be a report identifying the school's achievements from 2017 and election of new Councillors.

Nibbles and drinks provided.  
A crèche will be available.  
Please rsvp by Wed 21st February.

Please consider joining our 2018 Governing Council team or a committee by returning the nomination form.



**We look forward to  
seeing you there!**

# Finance News

BY SHARON PEARSONS, FINANCE MANAGER

## SCHOOL FEES DUE

# FRI 6 APRIL

### PAYMENT OPTIONS

- In person at Student Services: 8:30 – 9:30am daily & 2:30 – 3:15pm Mon – Thurs
- Direct Deposit
- NEW Express Post Letterbox (opposite Student Services)
- Phone / Post - Credit Card payment
- Payment Plan – a signed agreement of your plan (please see the Finance Manager asap to arrange)
- Centrepay

UNIFORM - Purchase uniform items in person or over the phone and nominate a person to collect. Please choose sizing correctly – no refunds.

### SHOP HOURS:

Tues 8:30am – 9:30am

Wed 2:30pm – 3:15pm

Thank you to Kelly & Nicci for their continued support volunteering in the Uniform Shop.

HATS - from Term 2 hats will be sold from the Uniform Shop – please name hats, have a spare on hand & encourage students to be responsible.

LOST PROPERTY - Please name all items & encourage students to be responsible.

SCHOOL CARD SCHEME – School card must be applied for each year. Application forms are available from the Office. Please return asap so it can be submitted for assessment.

The school card income limits have been raised meaning more families may be able to apply for a school card. Please refer to the table below to see if you are eligible.

For more information and to apply online:  
<http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants>

### NEW 2018 Eligibility income limits for a student attending a government school:

Number of dependent children	Gross annual School Card income limit	Gross weekly School Card income limit
<b>1 child</b>	\$57,870	\$1,113
<b>2 children</b>	\$58,903	\$1,133
<b>3 children</b>	\$59,936	\$1,153
<b>4 children</b>	\$60,969	\$1,173
<b>5 children</b>	\$62,002	\$1,193
<b>More than 5 children</b>	Add \$1,033 for each dependent child	Add \$20 for each dependent child







## Year 7 Graduate Awards

On the last Monday of the 2017 school year, the Year 7 Graduation was held. As part of our celebration and acknowledgement, a number of awards were announced.

Congratulations go to the following students who were our 2017 award recipients.

Sports Award: Abby M and Rory L

Arts Excellence: Misha W

Arts Award: Mikayla G and Theo

Academic Awards: Rory L and Olivia M

School Values: Misha W and Anthony B

## Congratulations!

Aerial Gymnastics 2017 Gymnast of the year... Mia from Room 18!

Mia will be competing in Elites this year and going to the State Championships.





# COMMUNITY NEWS

## ONKAS RUGBY

### JUNIOR COME AND TRY NIGHTS

#### WHEN

THURSDAY FEB 22<sup>ND</sup>

THURSDAY MARCH 1<sup>ST</sup>

#### WHERE

WILFRED Taylor Reserve,  
Sports Dr, Morphett Vale SA 5162

FOR MORE INFORMATION : CONTACT  
OUR JUNIOR CHAIRPERSON : EMMA  
BROWN PH: 0481 109 280 OR EMAIL  
EMMAMICHAELBEN@YAHOO.CO.UK

#### JUNIOR AGES TRAINING TIME FOR THESE NIGHTS

U/7 5:30 - 6:30PM  
U/8 5:30 - 6:30PM  
U/10 5:30 - 6:30PM  
U/12 5:30 - 6:30 PM  
U/14 5:30 - 6:30PM  
U/16 5:15 - 6:30 PM

#### ALL ABILITIES, SHAPES & SIZES

#### THERE'S A POSITION FOR EVERYONE

#### MAKE FRIENDS

#### GET FIT AS A TEAM

#### FAMILY ORIENTATED CLUB

#### BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME



## SOUTH ADELAIDE PANTHERS GIRLS TRIALS U11-U17

Monday 12 February  
O'Sullivan's Beach  
Sports & Community Centre  
6:30pm

Contact: Phil Webster on 0410386100

Fees for 2018

U11 \$550, U13 \$600, U15-U17 \$650



#SAPFC

#DareToWin

## Art classes

for

Children 8 - 15 years Tuesdays 4-5pm

Adults Tuesdays 12 - 3pm

Fun filled classes where a variety of skills are introduced, and children (and adults) are encouraged to be confident in their creative choices.

At Fleurieu Arthouse  
(Hardys Tintara cellar door)  
202 Main Road McLaren Vale

Enrol NOW! Classes begin Tuesday 8th Feb.

For more info and to enrol, contact Eileen 0418826850

Please leave a message if I don't respond and I will return your call.

Eileen Lubiana Dip T. Adv dip Visual Art

## DANCE NOW STUDIOS

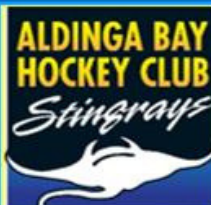


## HIP HOP DANCE CLASSES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS 4 YRS - TEENS

Join the Dance Now Crew to  
master fresh new moves, build  
confidence, learn performance  
skills and most of all...  
have fun!

Shae (Woodend)  
0408885453

Nikol (Seaford &  
McLaren Vale)  
0409674376



## Come and Try Hockey at Aldinga Bay Hockey Club!

Open Day Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February

\*Free Sausage Sizzle\*

Time: 10am-2pm

Where: At Aldinga Bay Hockey Club at Aldinga  
Sporting Complex on Port Road

New members welcome in all grades (Under  
10's, Under 13's, Under 16's, and Seniors)

For more information, check out our Facebook  
page or call Jacqui on 0419 831 549.