

*Safe & happy holidays to all!*



## Key Dates

School Fees DUE  
Fri 6 April

R-2 Swimming  
9 - 13 April

Last Day Term 1  
**2:05 dismissal**  
Fri 13 April

**Student Free Day**  
Mon 30 April

**School Resumes**  
Tues 1 May

## Term 1 Highlights

by **LYN LANGELOUDECKE**  
Principal

Week 2 census totalled **535 students** with 19 classes. Classes are developing as cohesive communities. We have seen many examples of quality 5 star work along with higher levels of student voice in the learning process.

The influence of 12 new staff partnering with existing staff has brought renewed energy and strength in connections within staff teams. **Specialist subjects** including PE, Health, Performing Arts, Science and Japanese are broadening learning opportunities along with What's the Buzz and Revved Up with Tyson (PCW) and the ATSI cultural program with Heidi and Bec.

We are continuing our Lead Learn work, having just completed student surveys and moving into staff analysis of this data in supporting more balanced approaches to classroom practices. Staff are continuing to refine spelling programs and implement **Big Ideas in Number** and fixing common misconceptions. Last Thursday was our first **student free day** focussing on building children's thinking skills.

We are continuing our work with **Madge Sexton Kindergarten** through sharing of information, buddy class visits, and joint planning with Reception teachers. Leaders are working together to ensure a K-7 seamless approach to learning.



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Child Development

## Term 1 Highlights (cont.)

Coordination of **intervention** support with programs in literacy and numeracy are well underway. **NEP and one-plan** meetings are currently taking place. Tracking children's learning through data analysis has allowed us to maximise resources and support teachers to ensure every student is showing growth. We are currently identifying our children in the top bands and looking into how we can ensure they are being stretched in their learning.

**SAPSASA activities** have involved many senior students in swimming, cricket, athletics and cross country with our students winning the shield in Athletics. Special thanks to Tim Walker for his support in training the students.

Years 5-7 students were challenged with activities that took them out of their comfort zone at the **Glenhaven Park Camp** earlier in the year. New relationships were formed and good manners all round.

Children entered a large inflatable classroom for an inspiring lesson with **FYI Education**. FYI uses exciting, interactive technology to engage children to learn about health and wellbeing topics.

Senior students were involved in a successful **Aquatics** program at Port Noarlunga beach in Week 6 and **JP swimming** is about to start next week.

**3-way discussions** during Weeks 9&10 with children sharing learning tasks and future goals have been well attended (some classes 100%) with positive feedback about the opportunity to engage in this collaborative partnership.

**Harmony Day** was celebrated with class lessons focussing on 'everyone belonging' and a celebration of the connections between different cultures along with the diversity they bring to Australian life.

The weekly rotation for **assemblies** is a great way for students to share their work and it's great to see the children's creativity and confidence in their presentations and performances. Parent attendance is high, particularly in the junior primary (doubling of rows at the last) and a highlight was the middle school assembly showcasing '**Bullying, No Way!**' All classes reinforced the 'speak, even if your voice shakes' and the grievance procedure should students need help resolving issues.

40 students are involved with the **Festival of Music choir** convened by Michelle Byrne and Heidi Karo. We have 20 students trained as **road traffic monitors**. Students have enrolled to become **peer mediators** which will start next term.

**Buddy classes** are doing some amazing peer learning. We have elected **captains for house teams** and we have **SRC reps** from each class meeting together to discuss ways to make our school great. We also have 10 children in the **Sustainable Action Squad** working on nude food options.

**Volunteer training** was held in Week 7 with 15 parents/community partners, broadening our volunteer support base. We are working towards all school volunteers undertaking the DECD requirements of DCSI history screening and the RAN training.

**New carpets** have been installed in the transportables, junior primary classes and main building. We are updating all lighting with new energy saving **fluoroes**. The **gym air con** has gone to tender and currently being negotiated. Work is about to start on the removal of a single transportable (deemed for demolition) and replaced by grassed outdoor learning area (east of Minniss).

*It's been a really busy start to the year and it's wonderful to be part of such a dynamic and forward thinking community. We greatly appreciate the dedicated work of our staff, teaching and SSO support and ongoing positive feedback from our families about the school and its programs.  
Have a safe and happy holiday.*



MON 30 APRIL

# STUDENT FREE DAY

Staff are undertaking professional learning.  
OSHC is available, please book in early!

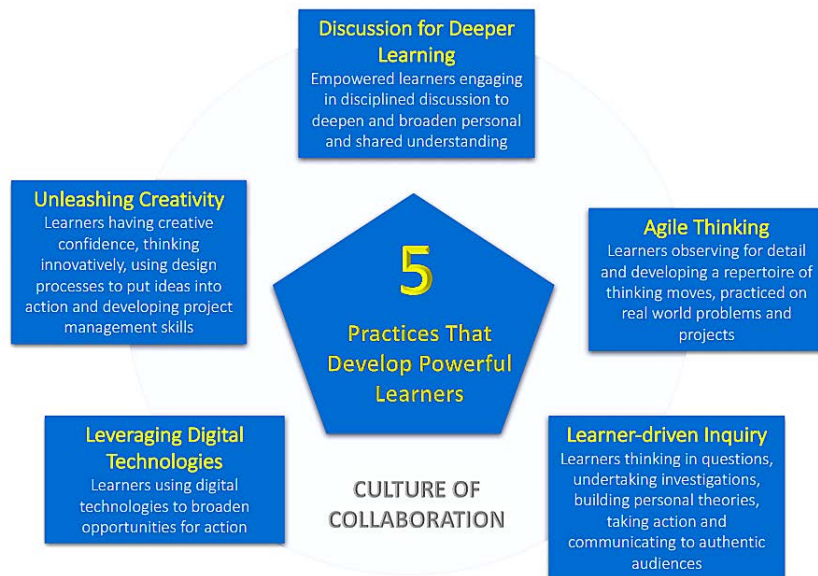


# Powerful Learners

by **LYN LANGELOUDECKE**  
Principal

We used the recent Student Free Day to further our learning around the essential pillars that build the skills and dispositions our young people will need to be autonomous, flexible, innovative and collaborative contributors now and in the future.

Our learning was facilitated by Kym Brown, who has been both a teacher and leader in schools and brings a wealth of knowledge and a passion for unlocking Learning Power in students. Our ongoing learning will focus on developing a common view of 2020 skills, dispositions and high impact strategies.



## Congratulations House Captains!

Congratulations to the following students who have been nominated as House Captains for their teams. Sports Day is an exciting day of competition, athletics, novelty events and fun. We hope to see many of our families at this wonderful community event!

### Aldersey



Captains: Jake A, Ava G  
Vice: Jed C, Marlee G

### Bellevue



Captains: Carter L, Aisha M  
Vice: Archie R, Chloe K

### Gloucester



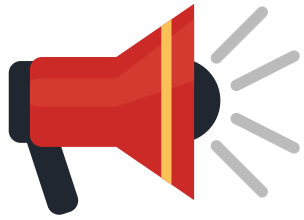
Captains: Jaxon H, Holly I  
Vice: Dylan K, Lilly G

### Seaview





Captains: James W, Ruby H  
Vice: Hamish W, Caitlyn D





# FRI 11 MAY SPORTS DAY

An exciting day of competition, athletics and fun.  
All families welcome!




**Colour Station**

Get Your Team Colours

- Zinc
- Hairspray
- Ribbons

Available from 8.30 am

Donation



**LIQUID DELIGHTS**

Tea  
Coffee  
Milkshakes



**School Canteen**

Canteen open  
An assortment of curries  
are available



**SUNSMART**

Sunscreen Stations - Free

Respect Integrity Success



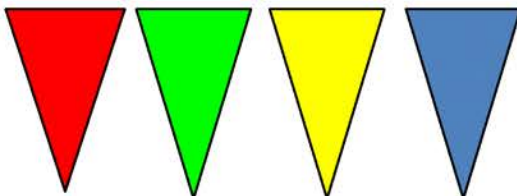
**Kitchen Garden Stall**

Produce for Sale

Water and a small range of cold  
drinks available for sale



**Roaming Photobooth**  
for each House  
at break times



**Sausage Sizzle**

& steak sandwiches



**Student Council**

**Team Colour Armbands**

For Sale prior to the day and on the  
morning of Sports Day from 8.30-8.45  
\$1.20 each

180 x 12 x 2mm (CHILD)



All money raised will go towards  
purchasing student sports equipment

**MCLAREN VALE**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL



## School Fees DUE Fri 6 April

REMINDER: School fees are due this week.

Please note, any payments made after the due date need to be made directly to Student Services or over the phone by credit card - not by online banking. Thank you.

## Lost Property

Please check for all lost property! Any lost property is collected and located in the MVPS Atrium, next to the Front Office. Please collect lost property by the last day of term, as all unclaimed property will then be donated.



## Seeking half wine barrel donations

The Junior Primary classes are looking for donations of half wine barrels to use as garden planters outside the classrooms. Please let us know if you are able to help, thank you!

## Meet The Vale Reps

Our SRC reps will now be known as "The Vale Reps" as voted by the students. We're pleased to introduce our 2018 Vale Reps:

Rec to Yr 2



Reps: Billy H, Sylvia B, Lenny G, Frankie S, Asher C, Paige K, Darcy J, Ivy H, Hayden G, Ruby R, Lochie S, Sophie S, Cameron C, Abi H, Logan T, and Sophie P

Yr 3 to 7



Reps: Sam S, Summer S, Fletcher S, Sophie W, Ryder N, Eva P, Samuel G, Emma C, Ashton P, Chanel M, Will E, Izzy N, Samuel C (absent), Kaylee S, Joey P, Scarlett G, Aden P, Monique R, Tiana G, Antoni L, Carter L, and Ebony R,





# OSHC News

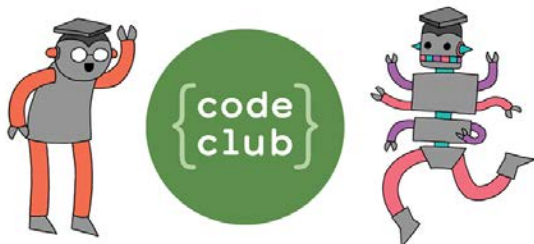
BY NATALIE WELLS, OSHC DIRECTOR

Hi everyone. I hope you all had a wonderful Easter with your families, had some time to relax and didn't consume too much chocolate!

We had our first student free day for the year last Thursday and had a great day. The children had lots of time outside playing cricket and games on the asphalt, as well as dodgeball in the gym. Inside there were lots of Easter baskets made ready for a chocolate surprise as the children left!

The holidays are fast approaching and our vacation care days are starting to fill up. If you think you will need to use OSHC please pick up a form from either the OSHC room or the front office. We also have another **student free day** on the first day back of next term, **Monday 30th April**. Please add your child's name to the list in the OSHC room if you would like to book them in.

Have a great week!



## Come to Code Club!

**Want to learn computer coding skills?  
Want to have fun developing animations  
and games?**

**Join us in the Library after school on  
Wednesdays for Code Club and learn how  
to code using different free websites.**

**From Term 2  
Wednesdays  
3:30 - 4:30pm  
Age 8+**



## Thank you!

Former MVPS parent, JJ Jenkins-Kasteliz, took great initiative in helping our school to source over 3000 Coles Sports 4 School vouchers! JJ works at our local McLaren Vale Shell service station and was recently announced as one of the winners in the Shell Community Work Staff awards. JJ received the prize of a spectacular signed and framed Usain Bolt memorabilia set, including autographed t-shirt and poster complete with a certificate of authenticity.

JJ has kindly donated her prize to our school for use in our fundraising efforts. What an amazing gesture and we extend our sincere thanks to JJ for her community effort. If you are in the servo please say thanks!



# DISTRICT ATHLETICS

Strong winds made for a challenging day of competition at the recent Onkaparinga South SAPSASA District Athletics Carnival, where our athletes competed against the best from the other 22 schools in our region. Tatachilla College hosted the event with the assistance of the Mid Coast Little Athletics Club.



In Term 1, students 10 – 13 years old are involved in lessons comprising of specific athletics training, in preparation for team selection. Students who perform at the highest level then represent our school at the District Competition.

Those students who won their event have been selected to represent the Onka South District at the State Athletics Competition later this year, where they will compete against the best athletes from all metropolitan schools.

The excellent behaviour of our team was highlighted even further by their performance throughout competition. Their efforts saw them victorious in the Division 1 section of competition, ahead of traditional rivals, Tatachilla and Willunga.

Congratulations to the team and we wish our State Day competitors the very best, knowing they will remain worthy ambassadors of our school.


## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Yr 4-7  
School  
Holiday Clinic**

**GREAT FOR BEGINNERS AND EXPERIENCED PLAYERS!**

**WHEN:** Thursday 26th April, 2018  
**WHERE:** Brighton Secondary School, Volleyball Gym.  
**TIMES:** 9:00am - 3:00pm  
**COST:** \$55  
**REGISTRATIONS:** [www.volleyballsa.com.au/holidayclinics](http://www.volleyballsa.com.au/holidayclinics)

**Phone: 8363 1265**  
**[junior@volleyballsa.com.au](mailto:junior@volleyballsa.com.au)**

**Introducing... starlets**  
Kids Performing Arts

**Classes for Junior and Senior Starlets!**  
**DANCE • ACTING • MUSICAL THEATRE**

*Junior Classes for 7 – 11 years    Senior Classes for 12 – 17 years*

**DANCE**  
**Junior Ballet/Jazz – Thursdays @ 4.45pm**  
The foundations and strengthening of Ballet along with the fun of Jazz.  
**Allstars: For Senior Students – Wednesday @ 4.45pm**  
An opportunity to be trained in All Dance Styles.  
Ballet to Hip Hop, Jazz to Contemporary and more.

**ACTING**  
**From Stage to Screen – Thursdays** Junior 4.30pm Senior 5.45pm  
A class to build confidence and increase performance skills.

**MUSICAL THEATRE**  
**Sing, Act & Dance – Tuesdays** Junior 4.45pm Senior 6.00pm  
Become a Triple Threat Theatrical Star!

Classes held at The Arts Centre, 22 Gawler Street, Port Noarlunga  
Further classes available for younger students  
**Email:** [info@starletssa.com](mailto:info@starletssa.com) **Website:** [www.starletssa.com](http://www.starletssa.com) **Call:** 0428 885 077  
**Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/starletssa](http://www.facebook.com/starletssa) **Instagram:** [www.instagram.com/starletssa](http://www.instagram.com/starletssa)



# Room 9 STEM with our Room 16 Year 5/6 buddies



Children were given the task of designing something that would protect an egg when it is dropped from a height.

They worked collaboratively and enthusiastically with their buddies to design their contraption. Once their design was complete and they were satisfied it would protect the egg they then constructed their contraption. The children used paper, cardboard, plasticine, foam and anything else they could find in the classroom. The designs were amazing, some were quite simple and others were very detailed.

To test the contraptions, we all ventured onto the oval where one by one Sean Beath dropped the eggs from the top of a small ladder. Some eggs survived while others didn't. The children were all very vocal during the testing time, cheering each other on and showing empathy when the eggs came off worse for wear.

