

### **Newsletter Term 3**



# 8 August, 2024



## QUICK ACCESS TO OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR

## **Important Diary Dates:**

Quiz Night – Saturday 17 August Father's Day Stall – Wednesday 18 and Friday 30 August Book Week Parade – Friday 23 August

Pupil Free Days 2024
Term 4 – Tuesday 26 November
School Closure Day – Monday 25 November

## From the Principal:

## Staffing Update

This term we welcome several staff back to Seacliff Primary School:

- Lauren Esdale in Room 15 (Year 5/6)
- Amy Solomon and Anni Giles in Room 17 (Year 2) while Brian Schiller continues to enjoy leave.

### NAPLAN 2024

Families of Year 3 and 5 students will receive their NAPLAN results this week. Our school summary report indicates strong results in all areas for both Year 3 and Year 5 students in all areas. Staff analysed the results during a recent staff meeting so if you have any questions about your child's results please contact your child's teacher. A more detailed letter will be sent home with your child's report, outlining the most significant changes.

### **NAPLAN Proficiency Levels**

	YEAR THREE	YEAR FIVE
READING	Strong	Strong
WRITING	Strong	Strong
SPELLING	Strong	Strong
GRAMMAR AND PUNCTUATION	Strong	Strong
NUMERACY	Strong	Strong

## Eye Screening Study by Flinders University

I am excited that Seacliff Primary School has the opportunity to participate in an eye screening study being conducted by Flinders University. This study investigates the best and most accurate way to screen children in South Australia for vision disorders and examines the prevalence of common vision disorders in South Australian children. All Year 1 and Year 2 students are eligible to participate in this study

All Year 1 and Year 2 students are eligible to participate in this study even if they wear glasses, have had a recent eye examination, or if you think they do not have any current problems. Screening will be



performed by final year Flinders optometry students and optometrists with experience in paediatric vision assessment. All testing will be done during school hours in a quiet space in our Library.

All children in Year 1 or Year 2 will be bringing home history and consent forms for the project which each family must complete before their child can participate.

If you would like your child to participate in this study, please return completed forms to the Front Office before Friday 30 August.

# Fundraising Committee Update Fun Run

\$7788 was raised at our recent FUN RUN. This money has been used to purchase three additional SoundField Systems for our learning spaces, benefiting all students. What is a Soundfield System?

The primary purpose of a SoundField system is to make speech or a set of instructions reach people more clearly. A SoundField system concentrates and amplifies the voice of the teacher or the person speaking. Through the speakers, the SoundField system distributes the voice evenly throughout the room to reach every individual.

## **Quiz Night**

Get your 80s or 90s gear on and come along ready to answer trivia questions at the Retro Party Show Quiz Night on Saturday 17 August. Tickets still available.

## Father's Day Stall

On Wednesday and Friday of Week 6 (28 and 30 August), the Fundraising Committee will be running the annual Father's Day Stall. Each class will be allocated a time to purchase something from a range of gifts for Dads or significant people. Gifts range from \$2 - \$10 and are on display in the Front Office.



## **Lost Property**

We already have a huge number of unnamed items in the lost property baskets outside the Front Office.

If your child is missing any items, please check these baskets as soon as possible, as anything not claimed will be cleaned and used for emergency clothing or donated to a charity.

Please write your child's name on all belongings (lunch and drink bottles) as well as all items of clothing and hats to ensure they can be returned if lost.

## Facilities update

Salt Damp and Cracking Building 1 - during earthworks to remove existing asphalt on our school site a small amount of asbestos was found. Asbestos removal protocols were put in place immediately and the removal was completed Sunday 4 August 2024. The shipping containers have now been removed and we expect the first stage of repairs to be completed by the end of Week 5. The next stage of the repairs are scheduled to be completed during the December/January holidays and should not impact school life.

Courtyard Verandah repairs Building 16 – these repairs started last week – unfortunately it has been quite noisy so some classes moved to different locations to limit the noise impact for their classes. We expect this project to be complete in the next couple of weeks.

Neighbouring fence – the southern boundary fence between the school and the townhouses is failing due to rust. The Department for Education has approved funding for replacement and has sent a Form 2 to the neighbours for consultation. This can take 30 days before moving to the next stage of implementation.

Retaining Wall Building 16 and Volleyball Court – this project was to have been completed during the July holidays but an issue was discovered. The Department for Education asked for the construction company to stop work while they investigated options. This work will commence again soon.

### **Sue Matene**

## Room 3 have been very busy!

Room 3 have had a very busy start to Term 3. We recently welcomed 6 new Receptions to our class. We also have thoroughly enjoyed learning all about the Olympics. At the end of Week 2, we participated in our very own mini Olympic Games. We divided ourselves into 5 equal teams. We rotated through events in a round-robin style, keeping track of scores on their recording cards. We participated in the following events; Archery Antics, Puzzle Pursuit, Bean Bag Battle, Sorting Supplies and Hanging the Washing. All children came home with their own gold medal which represented team work and kindness.







## Year 6 Growing with Gratitude Excursion

Growing with Gratitude invited 24 year 6 students to AFL Max for an afternoon of fun. The Year 6 students had to write an application that explained how they demonstrate and practice gratitude and our school values within their daily lives, then 24 students were selected.

At AFL max we did a lot of things. We played chasey on the inflatable obstacle course and we dodged 2 poles that were spinning on an inflatable surface. There was a free zone where we played with footballs and had to kick into a variety of targets within a wall. We got into partners and got guided through an obstacle course blindfolded. There were trampolines that people where doing flips on and a big climbing wall which was quite high up and hard to climb for some people. The bus ride back to school was very good. Everybody was very well behaved. By Mia and Gus





## 2024 Materials and Services Charges

Final notices for outstanding Materials and Services Charges have been posted to families. Please make final payments as soon as possible to avoid your account being sent to Debt Collection. Please take note of the information below if you are eligible for financial assistance.

## School Card 2024 online applications



All types of School Card applications are now online.

For families experiencing financial difficulty, school card can assist with payment of the Materials and Services levy that schools rely on to provide much needed resources for the learning program. Online application forms for 2024 School Card are now available at <a href="mailto:sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard">sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard</a>.

**Contact:** <u>School Card Team</u>, School and Preschool Financial Services, phone 1800 672 758

## Canteen Update



Metro Canteen have provided us with a new Canteen Manager. We welcome Linda Grainger to Seacliff Primary School.

Linda will take over managing our canteen service in Week 5. She has an extensive background in food preparation, including menu planning, online orders and kitchen management.

Linda is very excited for this opportunity and is looking forward to meeting our students and school community.



Everyone, students, staff, parents and siblings, are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character.

Come and watch our interesting array of characters as they parade around the court.

Lots of fun and creativity.

Time to plan and make your costumes .

Keep it simple and fun.



## On@CoM Program

FREE sports program for young people aged 5 to 18 years.

Activities include:

- Tennis
- Soccer
- · AFI
- Netball
- Athletics
- Skateboarding and more!

Scan the QR code for bookings.

A great place to *play* marion.sa.gov.au/on-at-con









# Term 3 Programs

FREE sports program for young people aged 5 to 18 years. Bookings are required!

### **MONDAY**

### TUESDAY

### WEDNESDAY

### Soccer

12th of August to 16th of September @4pm to 5pm George Street Reserve

### Chess

2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd of September @3:30pm to 4:30pm Hendrie Street Reserve

# Little Warrior Training

13th of August to the 17th of September @4pm to 5pm Yanyarrie Avenue Reserve

### Mountain Bike Riding

27th of August, 3rd, 10th and 17th of September @4:30pm to 6pm O'halloran Hill Bike Trail

### AFL

14th of August to the 18th of September @4pm to 5pm Bandon Terrace Reserve

### **Children Mat Pilates**

14th of August to the 18th of September @4pm to 5pm Jervois Street Reserve

### Scan the QR code for bookings.



### THURSDAY

### FRIDAY

### SATURDAY

### Skateboarding

15th, 22nd 29th of August and 5th of September @ 4pm to 5pm Capella Reserve Skatepark

### Basketball

15th of August to the 19th of September @4pm to 5pm Rajah Street Reserve

### Multi-Sport Program

16th of August to the 20th of September @4pm to 5pm Mitchell Park Reserve

### Parkour

10th, 17th, 24th and 31st of August @11am to 12pm MAB Building Tonsley







### Scouts Ultimate Activity Guide

\*Many Centrelink payments are eligible

Saver Plus is an indiative of the Brothermood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street and The Smith Family. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

Scouts SA in collaboration with Australian Geographic have produced an inspiring activity book that encourages bravery, adventure, and creativity – whether inside or in the great outdoors. The Scouts Ultimate Activity Guide is set to keep kids entertained with over 200 pages of intriguing Scouts facts, top tips, recipes, experiments, jokes, games, real stories and activities.

Enquire online at saverplus. Email saverplus@bsl.org.au Call 1300 610 355

Our Chief Commissioner John Clarke said:

"We are thrilled to be collaborating with Australian Geographic to make the values and educational tools of Scouts South Australia more accessible to Australia's future generation. In these days of smartphones and tablets, it's crucial that young people learn new ways to have an adventure and enjoy life in the great outdoors. The Scouts Ultimate Activity Guide delivers ideas that build resilience, friendships, and a taste for adventure."

Scouts Ultimate Activity Guide Individual Order Form

For more information contact: hq@sa.scouts.com.au

