

# Meningie Area School News



## From the Principal

Fiona Haselgrove

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

We are very pleased to present the outcome of our rebranding. I would like to thank all students, staff, family and community members who contributed to the consultations. The feedback has come through in the final statements and descriptions. We are preparing a poster that we will provide to families so you can familiarise yourself with the new vision, mission and values. We also completed our final day of whole staff Berry Street training and now have the task ahead of embedding in our practice and supporting students work with the strategies. We have produced a poster of our Statement of Practice for Berry Street which will also be available for families. All this work is moving us forward into whole school understandings and expectations to increase engagement and success for all.

To celebrate this work and new look for the school staff and Governing Council have decided to use our wellbeing grant from the federal government to give a new T-shirt and new jumper to each student in 2024. We will be seeking sizing information shortly to organise an order and hopefully have T-shirts for the start of the year. We look forward to welcoming students back with our new look T-shirt. Students are welcome to wear the current uniform in the future, there is no pressure to purchase new uniform.

### Our vision

*We work together to achieve our potential*

### Our mission

*We provide high-quality education and personal development opportunities that equip our students to identify and embrace their potential, preparing them for a successful future.*

### Our values

*Determination*

*Collaboration*

*Kindness*

*Respect*

We are still very busy working on 2024 staffing. We will welcome Jessica Hankin to MAS as our Assistant Principal Primary. Jessica comes with a wealth of experience in both primary and middle years and wellbeing. Congratulations to Tamika Williams who will join our primary teaching team (after a little break).

Congratulations to Kathleen McGuire who has been appointed as Principal at Tintinara Area School for 2024.

We are looking forward to the spring break and we wish you all a relaxed and enjoyable break before another busy term.

### Reminder for Terms 1 & 4 are Sun Smart terms.

*Students are required to wear hats when outside. Available to purchase from Front Office if needed.*

## Diary Dates

### SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>

Year 7-9 Rugby Tag

Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup>

TFI Feedlot Excursion

Friday 29<sup>th</sup>

Last Day of Term

School Finishes 2.05pm

Buses Depart 2.10pm

### OCTOBER

Monday 16<sup>th</sup>

First Day of Term 4



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Area School**

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## Year 1/2 Blanket Fort Day!

The student's in Miss Edwards' Year 1/2 classroom have shown 600 blue choices and filled their marble jar! The students voted to have a blanket fort and movie day so on Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> of September. We spent two lessons building our blanket forts and watching the movie *Up*. We demonstrated a great problem solving and engineering skills whilst we figured out the best way to use what we had to build our forts that allowed everyone to be able to see the movie.





## Choir

On Wednesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of September, four of our Year 6 students performed on stage at the Adelaide Festival Theatre as part of the Public Primary Schools Festival of Music. Well done to those students and to their hard working efforts on a big day and evening.

The Primary Schools Festival of Music, an official state icon, and custodian of an iconic South Australian tradition, engages our students in artistic excellence, cultural diversity and social inclusion through performance in Music and the Arts. In the past many students from Meningie Area School have been part of this event Can you remember some of your songs and some of the fun you had?



This year we commissioned Paul Jarman to compose a set of four songs entitled “World of Tomorrow”.

In this rapidly evolving modern world, it is hard to imagine that less than two hundred years ago there was no electricity, no running water or central heating and cooling. We lived without antibiotics and medicines. Cars, trucks, buses and planes were not yet invented. There were no telephones, let alone smart phones.

While most of these differences have improved our lives, some haven't. Many of these differences are greatly influencing our lives. Are we heading the right way?

The technology challenges of our changing world form the theme of our four-part song cycle for the 2023 Festival of Music, “World of Tomorrow”.

We were in row 7 of the combined choir with students from Fulham North Primary School and Tailem Bend Primary School.

The songs and guest performances were outstanding. We saw Brighton High School's Big Band and Sinfonia, a brilliant year 5 pianist from East Marden Primary and some stunning and well-coordinated dancers from Woodville High.

Congratulations to Melissa, Kadience, Lincoln and Oscar!



Later this year in Term 4 students from year 4, 5 and 6 have the opportunity to perform the same songs at the Murray Mallee Music Festival. Some of our students are compering and one is singing a solo.

We look forward to this event, and then the 2024 Festival of Music next year at the Adelaide Festival Theatre.





## Year 7 – 9 HASS happenings

Parliamentary debate is the process by which changes to laws are formulated. Meningie Students from year 7 – 9 had a great opportunity to experience this on Friday 8th September.

Mr Tony Pasin MP for the Federal seat of Barker in the House of Representatives, visited our school and engaged with students. He gave us insights into the business of the government in Canberra and then conducted a debate with students taking positions for and against the proposal to “Make it illegal to set homework for school students”

Our students then followed the protocols of a debate and role played different aspects and characters of a parliamentary debate. The final vote saw an unprecedented crossing of the floor by the Opposition to the government side of the House to pass the law. Unfortunately for students it was a mock debate but Mr Pasin certainly provided an excellent experience of government law making.



## Year 5/6 Rugby Tag

On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September, the year 5/6 students participated in a Rugby Tag tournament at Coonalpyn. We played against Coomandook, Pinnaroo, Lameroo, and Tintinara. Our teams were:

TEAM 1	TEAM 2	TEAM 3 (combined)
Jackson	Reggie	Lincoln
Hugo	Harrison	Macey
Oscar	Samzon	Amber
Tylan	Tayla	Antonia
Melissa	Doug	Ruby C
Kadience	Cait	Ilesha
Heston	Lillie	Coomandook Student
Levi	Archer	Coomandook Student

Overall, the day was fantastic with the sun shining, and we came home with a trophy for ‘most inclusive school’. Everyone showed excellent sportsmanship, fairness, care towards others, and persistence!



## Congratulations Brendan

On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September Brendan Kartinyeri attended the SA Training Awards. Brendan was nominated in the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Student of the Year, recognizing the achievement of a First Nations student who is completing a apprenticeship or traineeship. Brendan is undertaking a Certificate III in Conservation and Ecosystems. Brendan has gained valuable hands-on experience and knowledge of the land and country. Brendan has a passion for the environment and is committed to lifelong learning. Brendan was 1 of 3 finalist who attended the presentation on Thursday. Although he did not win the award we thank the students, families and community members who voted for him and we are proud of his achievements not only with his traineeship but also the nomination and to become a finalists. Well Done!



## Congratulations Karlia

Karlia has been completing a school based apprenticeship with the Meningie Bakery for the last 3 years.

This year Karlia was nominated for School Based Apprentice of the year with MTe SA. On Friday 8<sup>th</sup> September they held their annual awards night where Karlia won Runner Up School Based Apprentice of the Year.

This year Karlia has been completing Year 12 whilst also undertaking her Apprenticeship at the Bakery. Karlia has had a passion for baking from a young age and has enjoyed creating delicious treats and new recipes. Karlia has enjoyed the experience of being able to learn under a number of different bakers over the past 3 years.

Karlia used her interests, skills and knowledge in the baking industry to complete her Research Project, researching some of the ways in which health and taste can be balanced in a bread recipe.

Congratulations on the wonderful achievements so far and we wish you well into the future with your chosen career.





## EMU Crossings

What do they look like? Emu crossings have white road markings and red “CHILDREN CROSSING” flags displayed on red and white posts. Our crossing is located on North Terrace.

How do they work? Emu crossings are part time crossings. They are operational when the “CHILDREN CROSSING” flags are displayed.

What should pedestrians and bike riders do? Whenever people cross the road, even if the flags are displayed, they should still use the STOP LOOK LISTEN THINK procedure to check that vehicles have stopped and drivers have seen them before they walk or ride across. When the flags are not up pedestrians and bike riders do not have priority. They should use the STOP LOOK LISTEN THINK procedure to cross the road.

What should parents do? Encourage your child to cross the road at the crossing between the flags and stop, look, listen and think as above.

What should drivers do? As emu crossings are in school zones, drivers must travel at no more than 25 km/hr at any time when children are present on the road or footpath. Drivers must stop for anyone using the crossing or about to use the crossing when flags are displayed. The school staff would appreciate if drivers make eye contact with the staff member on duty to check it's safe to proceed through the crossing.



For further information: Visit - [www.dpti.sa.gov.au/Way2Go](http://www.dpti.sa.gov.au/Way2Go)



Would you like to volunteer at our School?

Volunteers are welcome in various roles. To become a volunteer, you have to complete an application form, mandatory reporting training online and obtain a Working With Children's Check if you don't already have one. These are free and easy to complete, and we can assist you if needed.

Please contact Emma Swan at the school on 8575 1106 or [emma.swan773@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:emma.swan773@schools.sa.edu.au) to register your interest and discuss the requirements or get the ball rolling.



# Kindy & R1 MONARTO SAFARI PARK EXCURSION



We watched the Chimps climb and swing, then it was our turn. We did really well.



What a great day we all had at the Monarto Safari Park. Even the bus trip was a novel experience for some and having the kindy children following us was great entertainment for the trip there. The chimpanzees were definitely the favourite and most energetic. The keeper said that the boys were working out the dominant male and were very boisterous but the female was in charge, they settled down when she came out. We enjoyed the bus trip inside the park and saw how the animals lived together and who needed to be apart. We all want to go back to see the baby lions when they come out to play.





## Young Environmental Leaders *Written By Tayla, Tylan, Sarayah and Antonia*

On the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, 2023, 4 students from the year 5/6 class went to Meldanda, Cambrai. Antonia, Sarayah, Tayla and Tylan went to YEL. They learnt about sustainable water and how its so important for our eco system. We got split into 3 different groups of kids from different places we have never met before. We first went to Mermaid Lake to learn about different things Landscape SA focus on and study.

We went back to learn about water bugs that live in the Lakes around the area. We then tested the PH level of different water sources from different areas. Some results were different, and they varied between 1-14 PH levels. We then went over to try a new activity at the campsite. We all got a card with different things that need water. First, we brainstormed different things that need water in the environment and shared 2 each with the group. We then got 2 jugs and had to pour how much we thought we needed and had to save more for the other people down the line. We



tried 2 times, the first was very hard to distribute because people were greedy and took more but didn't notice it. The second time we distributed the water a lot better with the thought of others in our minds.

Meldanda shouted us a free sausage sizzle and a zooper doper each. We played with the other students from different schools. After lunch we went inside and learnt where water goes and how rain works. There were many questions as to why the water goes deep in the ground and comes back up. We talked to Stu, the water scientist and then went for our last task for the day. We had a scavenger hunt to find different things around the nature reserve. We had to find different things around the farm to be able to go inside the to the cool, refreshing room. We then started our journey home and got back nearly 2 hours later. We had an amazing day and wish we could do it again!



## Premier's Reading Challenge

The 10 boys and 4 girls from Meningie Area School who completed the 20 book Premier's Reading Challenge Anniversary special went into the draw for some great prizes. They are here seen celebrating their success. Well done to all who engaged in the PRC this year.







## Foodbank HUB in Murray Bridge

Open 9.30am – 3pm

Monday to Friday

Electronic referrals are now in place. Please contact Meningie Area School if you would like to do your next grocery shop at Foodbank Murray Bridge



## Relief Bus Drivers Needed

Are you interested in being a relief School bus driver for Meningie Area school? Do you hold a LR, MR, HR, HC or MC licence? If so, we want to hear from you. Please contact James Stafford of Bus Biz 0438 821 220 or call in to Reception at school.



# OCTOBER

## 3 - 4

ST CLAIR RECREATION CENTRE

## 9 - 10

ST FRANCIS DE SALES COMMUNITY SPORTS CENTRE

## 11 - 12

PORT ADELAIDE BASKETBALL STADIUM



## 36ERS School Holiday Clinics

The Adelaide 36ers October School Holiday Clinics supported by HomeStart Finance are back. Facilitated by our Community Coaches, 36ers legends and Current Players, our 2-day School Holiday Training Camps provide the perfect environment for tomorrow's NBL stars to hone their skills and to learn from stars of our game. Available 36ers players will be in attendance.

<https://www.adelaide36ers.com/pages/holiday-clinics>

**Your child's dental health is important to their overall health and wellbeing.**

All children from 0-18 years are welcome to attend SA Dental. There are no out-of-pocket costs for most families. Book an appointment today!

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To request an appointment, visit [www.dental.sa.gov.au/kids/request-an-appointment](http://www.dental.sa.gov.au/kids/request-an-appointment)

## HOMEWORK CLUB

Available to all students from Year 4 – 12

Open Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 3.05 – 4.00pm

Ms Chandler will supervise and support students with homework, project research and other school work. Maths Tutors are available sometimes please speak to Ms Chandler if you need assistance or have questions.

**TERMS 1 & 4**  
**Students need to wear hats**  
**Available for purchase at the Front Office for \$5 or \$10**





## JOIN YOUR LOCAL SA AMBULANCE SERVICE VOLUNTEER TEAM TODAY



More volunteers are needed at  
Meningie.

Do you want to learn new skills,  
meet people and give back to  
your community?

Gain a qualification in healthcare.

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Regional Team Leader Tess Judd  
0427 615 141



## SA AMBULANCE SERVICE OPEN NIGHT & BBQ



### MENINGIE STATION

Meet the volunteers and enjoy a sausage  
sizzle, learn CPR and find out about  
volunteering for your local community. Take  
a look at what your Volunteer Ambulance  
Officers do.

When: 7pm Wednesday 15 November  
Where: 104 Princes Highway, Meningie



More information: Regional Team Leader Tess Judd 0427 615 141



### MURRAY BRIDGE CODS SWIMMING CLUB

#### WHY SWIMMING?

Swimming is one of Australia's most popular sports. Our country is surrounded by water and swimming is one of our nation's great passions. As well as being awesome fun, swimming is a great way to make new friends, keep fit and learn exciting new skills - one day you might swim for Australia!

Joining Murray Bridge Cods Swimming Club can teach young people important life skills like water safety, commitment, time management, leading a healthy lifestyle, social skills and plenty more. Our swimming club provides a fun and safe social environment for swimmers and their parents.

Swimming helps you live a healthy lifestyle - dive in today!

#### LOCATION

Murray Bridge  
Swimming Centre

#### DAYS AND TIME

Swimming Season  
October 30th 2023 to March 28th 2024  
5:30 - 6:30pm Mon, Tues, Wed, Thurs.  
You pick and choose your days

Email  
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Website  
[murraybridgecods.swimmingclub.org.au](http://murraybridgecods.swimmingclub.org.au)



## Kindergym Sessions



#### TERM 3 2023

Theme: Transport  
When: Fridays 9:30am  
Ages: 0-5

Location: 60 Princes Hwy, Meningie SA 5264

Contact us for registration  
Casual or Term bookings available



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