



# WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL

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## OUR SCHOOL VALUES:



## DATES TO REMEMBER:

SAPOL visit (Yr 10/11;  
Questacon Science (Yr 8-11)  
*Thursday 23 June*

Year 6/7 Camp  
*Monday 20 - Thursday 23 June*

SAPSASA Football/Netball  
Tryout Day at Lock  
*Wednesday 29 June*

Year 10/12 Trip  
Year 11 Work Experience  
*Monday 4 – Friday 8 July*

Semester 1 reports distributed;  
End of Term 2 – Assembly at  
1.55pm in Rm 16; buses leave  
at 2.35pm  
*Friday 8 July*

Term 3 begins  
*Monday 25 July*

School Photos  
*Friday 26 August*

Wudinna & Districts  
Centenary Celebrations  
*Saturday 17 &  
Sunday 18 September*

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

G'day Everyone

### Facilities

We have had our new basketball rings installed making a small court for the senior students near the Open Access Room. We have also replaced the basketball ring for the Primary students as the old one was rusted and becoming dangerous.

### Student Free Day with Martin Westwell

Thank you to all parents and students for understanding the need for our student free day. Also I would like to thank everyone who attended the Thursday meeting at 9.00am in the Library. Martin Westwell talked about brain theory and how we learn. The Wednesday and Thursday were extremely productive and thought provoking days for teachers. We talked about the need to include more problem solving questions and create more intellectual stretch. I have received a lot of interesting questions and positive feedback about these two days.

### Vision for Wudinna Area School

Recently I was asked what my vision of our school was. I share the vision that we developed as a staff at our site improvement planning day. Our school vision is: *Developing a community of lifelong learners in a complex and changing society.* For me this vision has many aspects including; engaged happy students, professional proficient staff, high expectations for all, and lots of community involvement in our school.

### Central Eyre Partnership Review

Recently I attended the Central Eyre Partnership review. As a partnership we discussed the data that the department has for our schools. We were congratulated on the work that has been done and we have areas for future development including academic stretch for students, community involvement and identifying highly accomplished staff and creating professional learning communities for teachers to share and develop.

### Governing Council

We had a productive meeting Tuesday 17 May. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 21 June 2016 at 7.00pm in the Conference Room.

### Buses

We have requested that there be signs placed for all bus stops on the national highway to make it safer for all bus users. Transport SA is visiting today to talk about what they can and can't do for our bus stops.

### SAPOL Driver Awareness Session

South Australian Police will be visiting the school to talk about road safety on Thursday 23 June for senior students. Please come along if you are interested in listening to this presentation.

### Classroom visits

Please come into the school and visit your child's classroom. We want students to be able to talk about their learning at home.

Yours truly

*Ned Loades  
Principal*

## **FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY Year 11 Work Experience**

Most students have now secured a placement for Work Experience for Week 10 of this term. Only a couple of students are still yet to organise their work site – this is now paramount as all of the required paper work needs to be completed prior to students being released from school.

## **Year 10 & 12 Camps**

The students are looking forward to their visit to Adelaide in just a few weeks' time. We have begun the process of looking at public transport options for the students dependent on their accommodation location and had a preliminary look at the camp booklet so that students are very clear about the required documentation that they will need to maintain so that they can complete the assessment tasks upon their return to school in Term 3. Georgia Kontos will be accompanying me on the camp and is to be thanked for her willingness to drive the bus. Within the letter that was sent home this week there were clear guidelines and requirements for appropriate behaviour whilst on the trip – please note that if students misbehave they could be returned to Wudinna at parents/caregivers expense. This is not anticipated as all students have agreed to uphold the school values of Respect, Responsibility & Honesty.

## **SAPOL Visit**

On Thursday 23 June (Week 8 of this term), Senior Constable Nigel Allen will visit the school and give a 90 minute presentation to Year 10 & 11 students called *The Fatal Five*. This is always a very informative and thought provoking presentation related to the importance of staying safe on the roads. We look forward to his visit next week.

## **End of semester**

It is a busy time in Secondary classrooms at present as Semester 1 is quickly coming to a close. Stage 1 & 2 students are polishing their final pieces for assessment as results close shortly. Year 8-10 students are also completing work units in readiness for starting new ones upon our return to school in Term 3. Semester 2 commences at the start of the term with subject options changing for many of the students across the Secondary school. Use these last couple of weeks to polish up work in readiness for assessment and to maximise the result that you will be awarded in your Semester 1 Report.

*Glennys McGuire*

*Assistant Principal – Secondary*

## **FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY SAPSASAA**

*Football/Netball*

The football/netball carnival in Adelaide is 15–19 August. Trials will be held at Lock on Wednesday 29 June at 10.00am. The canteen will be available on the day. If any parent/community person is interested in being an umpire or assisting with team selection please let me know.

## **Reports Timeline**

End of semester reports will be sent home at the end of the term. This report will include ticks for achievement and effort in every subject area as well as some comments. As always, if you have any questions or concerns about your

child's learning, please contact the classroom teacher and make a time to meet.

## **Primary SRC Social**

The Primary SRC will be hosting a social on Friday 1 July from 6.30–9.00pm in Room 16. The theme is “Red Carpets Award Night” with a formal dress code (or casual if students wish). Posters have gone home to families detailing the information. All students are to be picked up by a responsible adult on the night.

## **Interagency Support**

Over the next two weeks, Kendra Kotz (Educational Psychology) and Deb Duncan (Special Education) will be visiting our school. We value these visits so that we can gain an insight into how to progress and engage every child at our school.

## **Intellectual Stretch**

In line with recent Training and Development workshops, staff are planning activities for students across curriculum areas to provide intellectual stretch. The aim is for students to become proactive, independent learners who question and provide reasoning for thoughts and opinions. The recent Martin Westwell training took us to the next level on how to continue this concept. The aim is for students to become problem solvers, rather than students who can solve problems.

*Marie Elson*

*Primary Assistant Principal*

## **FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER**

What a fun and informative time parents and staff had last Thursday morning with Martin Westwell and his team. We even had two students come along to join us! Well done Bella and Billie! In this “fast thinking” world, Martin expressed the importance of developing “slow thinking” where appropriate. The ability to “stop and think” produces self-control in a person. People with a “stop and think” mindset are most likely to have “earning power” and we all want that! In many situations HOLD that 1<sup>st</sup> thought and go with the 2<sup>nd</sup> “calm thought”. Just “BE STILL and SLOW DOWN!” – Clarity will come. Example – One of our staff gave her young students a task – STUDENT SAID – “I haven't got an answer, I don't know what to do!” TEACHER SAID – “What would you do if you did know what to do?” – The student gave the right answer. Well done Myf! Some good thinking going on there! Cheers! Carol.

## **School Fees**

Statements were recently posted to all families with amounts outstanding, including reminders for amounts invoiced in May. Payment can be made by Cash, Cheque, Credit Card or Online Payment into the Bank Account (BSB and Account details are on all Invoices & Statements – please reference last 4 numbers of invoice). Instalments can also be arranged – please contact Stacey at the school if you would like to organise this. School Card is also an option – please contact Stacey for any information.

*Stacey Georgiou*

*Finance Officer*

**PRIMARY SRC**

A 'Red Carpet Award' theme was selected by the SRC Primary classes for their social on Friday 1 July 2016. The Executive members have been organising this event with enthusiasm and working well in allocating duties to be done before the date.



The social will be 6.30-9.00pm for all year levels in the Primary school. Younger students can be picked up earlier if required. Just a reminder - all students will need to be collected by a responsible adult/caregiver.

Snacks and drinks will be available on the night to purchase. Also, can students please bring a named water bottle with them.

See you there!

Trina & Myf

Primary SRC Staff Co-ordinators

**School Shirt Orders**

*Our new shirts are coming!*

Over the course of a year, students had the opportunity to design a new school shirt. These designs then went through Governing Council, staff, and student voting in order to determine a final design. The winning shirt was designed by Sari Foster and SRC will be paying for the purchase of a new shirt for her as an award for her efforts.

As of day one Term 4 (Monday 17 October), new shirts can be worn. *Old shirts can continue to be worn over a 2 year phase-in period.*

Ordering of the shirts will need to be completed by the end of THIS term, to be available for distribution by the end of Term 3. Please complete the Order Form below and **return with payment to the Front Office BEFORE Tuesday 5 July.**

The shirts are made from 180gsm cotton backed Micromesh (Sizing is identical to our current shirts. Samples are available for trying on at the Front Office during office hours 8.30am-4.00pm weekdays.

Shirts can be purchased at the following rates:

**Initial Bulk Order**

Sizes 4-16 Youth      \$22.50  
Sixes S-6XL            \$27.50

**Off the shelf (if not pre-ordered)**

Sizes 4-16 Youth      \$29.00  
Sixes S-6XL            \$35.00



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Please email remittance to: Wudinna.Finance209@schools.sa.edu.au

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**Orders with payment due to Front Office BEFORE Tuesday 5 July**

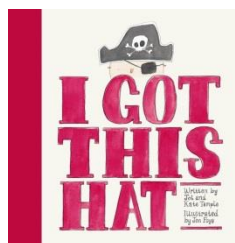
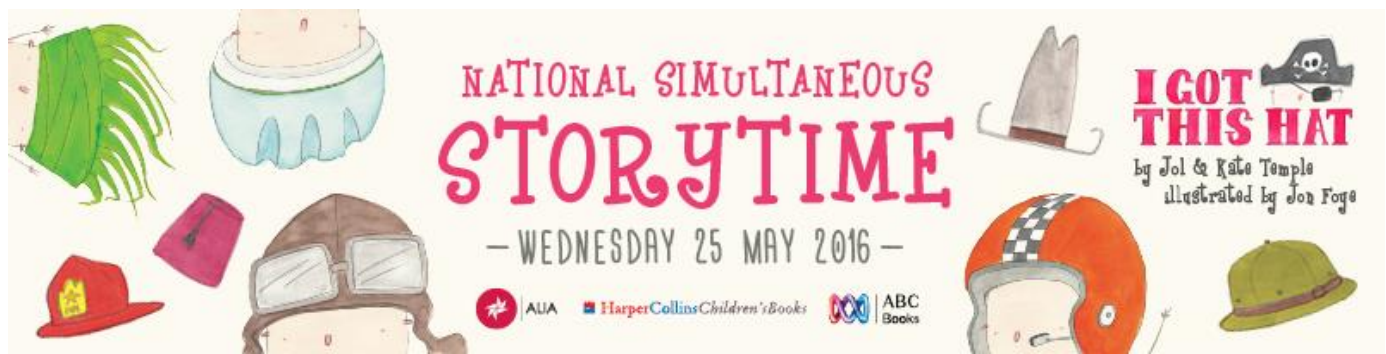
**Thank You**

Recently Home Economics has received numerous generous donations. Special mention must go to Glenys White who donated a large quantity of quality fabric that can be used for student projects. Also Doug Calow (with the assistance of Angelica, Alex and Travis) made and donated all of the bread rolls for our soup days. This was another very generous contribution. Finally a number of pumpkins were kindly sourced by Di McKenna and donated by Newton and Margaret Luscombe. Thank you very much to all contributors.

If anyone has an abundance of garden produce or if any farmers could donate meat at any time, it would be well received.

Thank you also to everyone who ordered soup which was a fundraiser for the Home Economics Thermomix. Another 2015 Kitchen Garden Recipe book print run will take place soon. There have been a number of requests for copies recently. Please contact the school via the Facebook page or telephone if you would like to place an order. The cost is \$15 per book.

Melissa Wendland



# “I GOT THIS HAT”

## By Jol & Kate Temple



National Simultaneous Story time was celebrated at the Library on Wednesday 25 May at 11am. As well as our school students we had other members of the community such as parents, younger siblings, Play Group, Occasional Care and Family Day Care arrived at the Library to join in the fun!

Kaya Beard, Leah Dubois, Safara Moyse, Tae Tomney, Brad Lymn, Lily Nettle and Elijah Oswald from the Year 6/7 class did a presentation of the book “I Got This Hat” written by Jol & Kate Temple, to a very appreciative audience. We even got to see the Mexican Hat Dance!



Children from preschool to Year 4 enjoyed finding out where all the hats came from or who uses them. It was great to see all our visitors wearing their hats. The seven Year 6/7 students also performed at Baby Bounce and for the Kindy on the Tuesday before.



Thank you to everyone who supplied hats for our display!