FROM THE PRINCIPAL
G’day Everyone

Influenza B
We have been informed by the Wudinna Medical Practice that we have an Influenza B epidemic within our community.
The symptoms of Influenza B include: headaches, aching muscles, runny nose, sore throat, cough, fever, watery eyes, aching joints, chills, fatigue, red eyes, red skin, red nose, red throat, loss of appetite and weakness.

We ask that if your child has any of these symptoms that they stay home from school and that you seek medical advice.

We have had a very busy term three with a huge array of events within the school and our community. The Term Three holidays will offer a welcome relief and the opportunity to recovery and get ready for a big term four. Students have been completing their PAT Reading and PAT Math testing which helps staff plan for the learning that they will be doing next term. We still have a few events and activities to complete before the end of term 3 including:

- Jump Rope for Heart
- Pedal Prix
- SAPSASA Athletics
- Reception and Year Two excursion to Kimba
- Reports
- End of term assembly

Students have also been busy doing great learning in their classrooms every day. If you are able to please come in and have a look at the work your children are doing at school.

Journal Article
Wudinna Area School has been featured in an article in the Resourcing SA magazine due to the excellent results in Math and Science. Please come in and check out the magazine, there are copies in the library and some in the front office for you to have a look at.

Governing Council
Our next Governing Council meeting will be Tuesday 1 November in the Conference Room at 7.00pm.

See invite below to all parents, teachers & students to a Sausage Sizzle before Assembly on Friday next week.

Reminders
- School will finish one hour earlier on the last day of school the buses will leave at 2.35pm
- Parents and friends recycling bins are at the back of the school near the old incinerator area. Please donate any cans and bottles.

Volunteers
We are always keen to have people volunteering at school if you are able to help we would greatly appreciate any assistance that you can offer.

Holidays
Please travel safe and have fantastic break.

Yours truly
Ned Loades
Principal
FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY
I am currently on leave until the end of Term 3.

Tania Sweeney
Tania Sweeney is the Primary Curriculum Coordinator for our partnership of schools. She visited our school recently for three days. She worked with staff on planning STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) activities and then with each class and teacher, implementing STEM activities. The activities were designing a solution to a problem. Students were very engaged. This was in line with our Site Learning Plan priority of being Curious and active in engaging in new learning and Creative in the way they solve situations and problems.

SAPSASA
Cricket/Tennis
The Cricket and Tennis trials will be held at Lock on Tuesday 25 October. The Adelaide Carnival will be in the week beginning 21 November. The notice for the tryouts has gone home. Please ensure that the form is returned to Mr Loades by Friday 23 September if students are interested in trying out.

Year 3/4 Camp
The Year 3/4 students recently attended a three day camp at Errappa in Iron Knob. Students were glowing in their feedback. They challenged themselves and felt proud when they succeeded. Thank you to Mrs Lynn for all of her work in organising the camp. Thank you also to Carol Cummings, Mandy Scholz and Zane Petty for accompanying the camp and a very big thank you to the students for representing our school in such a positive manner.

Reception and Year 2 class excursion
Students from Jill Petty’s Reception class and Myf Spencer-Smith’s Year 2 class will be travelling to Kimba next Tuesday for a day excursion to visit the Kimba Historical Museum. This excursion will support and consolidate learning outcomes in History in line with the Australian Curriculum.

T20 Cricket
On Tuesday 13 September, Year 6 and Year 7 students took part in the T20 Cricket competition at Lock. This competition was organised by Sebastian Goldsmith, who is the Country Cricket Officer – Eyre Peninsula and Upper North – South Australian Cricket Association. Thank you to Destinee Francis and Di McKenna for accompanying the students. Thank you also to Jonny Beard and Ryan DuBois for helping out on the day. The students really enjoyed themselves with the girls team winning their competition and the boys team came very close!

Reports
On Friday 30 September, the last day of term, reports will be sent home for Primary students. These will include a tick for achievement and effort in Maths and English. In addition there will be ticks giving an indication of student work practices. Staff will request an interview with a small number of parents. These interviews will be held at the end of Term 3 or the beginning of Term 4.

Wudinna Show – Children’s Section
Thank you to staff from Wudinna Area School, Wudinna Kindy, Karcutaby Area School and Marlene Boylan for their efforts in organising, judging and displaying the Children’s Work section of the Wudinna Show. This is a huge job, but the display on show day for the public to view makes it very rewarding. Well done to the students who have taken pride in the work that is entered.
Marie Elson
Primary Assistant Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY

Term 3 Reports
Term 3 Reports for 8-12 students will be distributed on Friday 30 September (Friday of Week 10). Students in Year 10 can arrange for a parent or sibling to collect the envelope should they be undertaking Work Experience in a location other than Wudinna.

Work Experience
Year 10 students are on Work Experience next week. During their time in the workplace they are required to complete journal entries based on their experiences of work and also on organisational aspects of their placement. Upon their return to school next term they will process these to demonstrate their understanding of work and the processes/procedures used in the real world. We wish them all well for an interesting and successful placement.

Subject Selection Forms
A further reminder to students and parents – Year 11 Preliminary Subject Selection forms need to be returned to me by Friday 30 September (last day of Term 3) so that timetable work can be commenced during the holiday. If you wish to make an appointment to discuss these do not hesitate to contact me at school to arrange a suitable time.

Year 10 students should already have returned these forms to me so that their selections can be included in the alignment of subjects on the 2017 timetable.

Led Steer
Congratulations to Neil Seaman and all of the students who travelled to the Royal Adelaide Show for the Led Steer Competition. The students performed well whilst at the show and those who took charge of the steers in the judging ring, performed confidently and our school should be very proud of their efforts. The results of the On the Hoof judging were included in the last newsletter as a Stop Press announcement. The carcass judging also went well with the South Devon achieving 2nd placing in its class and the Murray Grey 25th – 69 steers were judged within this class so it is an extraordinarily pleasing result. Well done to you all. A photo compilation whilst at the show is included later in this newsletter.

Pedal Prix
Good luck to the Pedal Prix teams for their coming race this weekend. Their fitness and stamina will be tested during the 24-hour race and we trust that all the training that was completed over an extended period of time will put them in good stead to perform well at Murray Bridge. All the best and enjoy the experience.

Glenys McGuire
Assistant Principal – Secondary
FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER
Well done to Mrs Karen Lymn for organising such a successful Year 3/4 Camp in Week 7. While many people were starting their generators and lighting their candles while we were over in Iron Knob with all the benefits of POWER and having a fun time!! The students showed great interest in the history of Iron Knob and really enjoyed the Bus Tour of the old mine. The weather was kind to us allowing the young people to “show lots of bravery” on the high ropes, flying fox and leap of faith!! We appreciated our great camp cooks and policemen – Paul and Dave, who ran the camp activities in a professional manner. Many thanks to Mandy Scholz and Zane Petty for being such a great help with EVERYTHING!! May I take this time to say Happy and Safe Holidays to all staff and students!

Cheers! Carol

PRIMARY SRC REPORT
On Monday 5 September, Week 7, the Primary SRC held a ‘Donut Day’ to raise funds for the RSPCA. We sold approximately 380 donuts, and raised over $400. We are incredibly grateful to Marlene Boylan and Melissa Thomson who gave up their time to cook the donuts. Thank you very much for this. Thank you to the Lions Club who provided the donut mix, bags, cinnamon sugar and van for cooking the donuts. Thanks also to those who donated money and purchased donuts. The funds are going to a very special cause. The day was a great success!

We would like to hold a CFS Day later this term to get ready for bushfire season. We hope to have the fire-truck attend and students dress in orange, yellow and red to donate a gold coin.

Montana Foster – Primary SRC President

SRC SPORTS COMMITTEE
The Secondary Sports Committee ran a basketball competition in Weeks 5, 6, and 8 of this term. Five student teams played each other with finals and a grand final match being played also. Everyone had loads of fun throughout the tournament (which at times got very intense), and team one ended up being eventual winners. The competition culminated in a staff vs student (captains) team on Friday of week 8 and this was well attended by spectators. The match was intense and provided loads of entertainment, with the staff team eventual winners by one point at the final buzzer (better luck next time students)!

Thank you to all students who participated in the competition and for those who umpired or scored throughout. Also thank you to Nola Buckham and Samuel Buckham who umpired the staff vs student match.

Brayden Chambers (on behalf of the sec SRC sports committee)

SCHOOL MAGAZINE/YEARBOOKS FOR SALE @ THE LIBRARY
We have copies of past magazines for sale dating from 2015 back to 1972. The 2015 magazines will be $20.00 all the others are $10.00. Please come in or contact us if you would like to buy any.

Email Wudinna.library114@schools.sa.edu.au or phone 86802194.

LIBRARY NEWS
**Rowan Ramsey Award Nomination:** Please return to Front Office

Name of Nominee: __________________________________________________________

Person Nominating: ______________________________________________________

- Nominations are open to any staff, parent or community member who has gone ‘above and beyond’ dedicating and volunteering their time and skills for our school.
- Please outline below services that this person has provided to our school, include dates if possible (school not wider community). Justification can include work ethic and personality.
- Previous recipients include: Melissa Thomson, Shane Best, Craig Jericho, John Flint, Anthony Clark, Andrew Buckham, Gidge Murphy
- The award is presented at our School Presentation Night at the end of the year.
- Nominations close **Friday 23 September.**

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**UNIFORM ORDER FORM - To be completed and returned with payment by Tuesday 27 September.**

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![Sausage Sizzle Poster](image)

**Parents, Staff & Students To a Sausage Sizzle**

$1 Each

**Friday 30 September, 1.10-1.50pm**

(before end of term assembly)

At The Gazebo See you there
Led Steer
at the Royal Adelaide Show
Gilly - South Devon - donated by Leon Gill & Megan Lister
Heavy Domestic Class - 2nd Prize (on the hoof)
Placed 2nd (carcase competition)

Scooby - Murray Grey - donated by Lubin & Sue Stringer
Heavy Domestic Class - 3rd Prize (on the hoof)
Placed 25th (carcase competition)
The R/1 class had to invent an object that could be used to fix some kind of problem. Tania Sweeney ran this session with the class to show how we can incorporate STEM into everyday items.
Reduced resources and funding generally go hand in hand with a small school, but this hasn’t dampened the ability of Wudinna Area School to engage its students in science and maths.

By Megan Andrews

“We have a strong focus on science, maths and literacy here at Wudinna,” Ned says.

“We encourage students through activities, engaging their interest then letting them explore.”

Situated in an area with a large agricultural industry, the Wudinna school includes practical agricultural components to help engage their students.

“There is a lot of science in agriculture and a lot of maths as well,” he explains. “You need to know spray rates, fertiliser rates, fuel economy and so on.

“We try to make sure all of our learning is relevant and we strive to develop a growth mindset, getting kids to find out what they don’t know so they can explore what they need to know. It makes learning relevant.”

With the abundance of information available, Ned says it’s critical children are taught how to determine whether the information they are reading is accurate and relevant.

“We’ve moved beyond just thinking we need to fill kids with knowledge, they need to be able to use knowledge and research and understand what’s truth and what’s not,” Ned explains.

At Wudinna, the science curriculum is tailored across the different year groups.

“The kids love to get into a lab and feel like a scientist,” Ned says. “Bunsen burners and beakers are all part of that, we burn magnesium, get back to the periodic table... there’s a huge range of activities.”

As for the national science curriculum, he says they make it work for them.

“Like maths, we see where the connections are and we make the curriculum work for us. We do it properly, but we also tailor our teaching and ensure the activities are really engaging for our students.”

Wudinna Area School, with a population of 176 across reception through to Year 12, is situated on the Eyre Peninsula. The school made a decision to invest in a science laboratory years ago, because of the importance of science to its community.

Primary students have also benefited from a specialist secondary science teacher in recent years, who picked up teaching in the primary levels.

Principal Ned Lodes says education is all about relationships, and not only with the children but also with parents and teaching staff. Having a specialist who can engage and inspire children, while making themselves available for other teachers as a mentor and support network, has been extremely valuable.

Together with relationships, he says engagement and shaping children to think for themselves underlies all teaching at Wudinna.

We’ve moved beyond just thinking we need to fill kids with knowledge, they need to be able to use knowledge and research and understand what’s truth and what’s not.
Hello all!

With the warmer weather approaching after all this glorious rain, the kitchen garden at the school is growing rapidly (you should see our parsley). The time is now right for us to begin planting seeds for summer. We have been sowing seeds of tomatoes, corn, beans, capsicums, egg plants, carrots, onions, peas and many herbs. We will soon finish harvesting beetroots and the fabulous parsnips we showed you photos of in a previous newsletter. Remember that we love to see people popping in to check out all our hard work and we’d love to have some parents volunteer some of their time to work with us during our gardening lessons.

Any parents working in a class which their own children are members of are not required to undergo a Relevant History Screening. This seems to have been a deterrent for people volunteering in the past. So don’t be deterred. Please come and join us in the garden!!

Regards,

Gidge Murphy 😊

(Gardening guru)