FROM THE PRINCIPAL
G’day Everyone

Time is flying and the finish line is in sight. We have a lot planned for the end of this year and the planning for 2017 is well underway.

Assistant Principal Primary
I would like to announce that Marie Elson has been successful in winning the Assistant Principal’s role at Tumby Bay. Marie has worked very hard here at Wudinna and had a huge positive impact on many students and teachers educational careers. I am sure that Marie will be as successful at Tumby as she has been here and I wish Marie all the best for this exciting change in 2017.

Staffing 2017
We are still working out the school staffing for 2017. We have had quite a few new enrolments which has made a large impact on the number of students in the Primary section of the school, which is great. The increase in numbers affects how we structure the classes for 2017 and our best laid plans have been thrown out and we are back at the drawing board.

Grain
We want some of your grain please!! Neil Seaman has been working hard to ramp up the Agriculture program and we are seeking donations of grain to help improve the Agriculture block. If you are able to make a donation our NGR card is at the silos.

Presentation Night
We are keen to hold the Presentation Night at the open air Apex Park again this year; that way everyone who wants to attend can. With the constant change in the weather we have also booked the hall. This ensures we have a venue for the Presentation Night no matter what the weather does. So if it doesn’t rain we will be at Apex Park and if it rains and is stormy we will be in the hall. School will finish at 2.25pm on Friday afternoon before Presentation Night. Buses will leave at 2.35pm.

Reports
It is reporting time again and teachers have been working hard writing reports. Reports are extremely important to understand how your children have been doing at school and this term’s report reflects on the year’s work. If you have any queries or concerns please make a time to discuss this with your child’s teacher.

Assembly
Our end of year assembly will be held at 1.55pm on Thursday 15 December. The SRC certificates, as well as the Academic Achievement Awards will be presented at this assembly.

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.

I hope everyone has a good harvest, free or at least with limited break downs and rain.

Yours truly
Ned Loades
Principal
**FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY**

**SAPSASA**

_Cricket/Tennis_

Saxon O'Brien and Phoenix Foster (Cricket), Brad Lymn, Madison Barns and Elijah Oswald (Tennis) represented Central Eyre Peninsula in Adelaide last week. They all had an enjoyable and valuable experience, with the tennis players particularly experiencing success. Please see later reports.

**Primary Social**

Congratulations to the Primary SRC for organising a really great social last Friday. Thank you to the DJs, Caitlin Thomson and Kiah Tomney. Thank you also to Andrew Buckham for supplying and setting up the sound and lighting equipment and to Craig Standley for assisting with the lights set up and surrounds. Myf Spencer-Smith and Trina Grace have been a wonderful and hard working support to the SRC members. Thank you to all staff who gave up a portion of their Friday night to supervise the social. Well done to all students on their positive behaviour and attitude.

**Kindy-School Transition**

The Kindergarten students had their final Transition Day yesterday. It was great to see them adapting to school life so well at this early stage.

**Reception/Year 1 excursion**

The R/1 class went to Streaky Bay yesterday on their excursion. They participated in activities to extend their learning from the classroom. Thank you to Di McKenna, Leanne Lynn and Alanna Barns for accompanying the class. Thank you to Trina Grace for organising this educational experience for the students.

**Thank you Classroom SSOs**

I would like to sincerely thank the SSOs who have been working in the classrooms this year to enhance the learning outcomes of our students. Pat Wilkins, Melissa Thomson and Doug Calow worked with students with specific needs in the Primary and the Secondary sections of the school. Emma Bigg, Cassie Stringer, Miriam Brands and Ellie Dearman worked with Primary students. Nola Buckham, Tessa McKenna and Emma Bigg worked with students on the QuickSmart and TooSmart Maths programs. Gidge Murphy has worked with students on the Kitchen Garden program. Thank you to these SSOs for your contributions this year.

**Thank you Carol**

Carol Cummings has worked all year as the school’s Pastoral Support worker. She does an amazing job and we value her skills and assistance highly. From a Primary point of view, we appreciate the way Carol assists our students with their well-being. The students relate so well to Carol and they find it easy to talk to her. Thank you Carol.

**Reports**

The Semester 2 reports will be distributed on the last day of the school year.

*Marie Elson*

*Primary Assistant Principal*

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**FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY**

**Secondary Subject Award Sponsorship**

Thank you to all individuals, families and businesses who have offered to sponsor a subject award this year. Currently we still have four awards that still require sponsorship – a subject award is valued at $30.00. Should you be able to sponsor an award this year, could you please fill in the Reply Slip at the end of the newsletter and let me know of your willingness to participate. Can you also include payment for the award at the time of returning the slip please.

**Stage 1 student work completion**

All summative assessment tasks will be completed by the end of this week for Year 11 (Stage 1) students. Therefore, students will no longer be required to attend school after Friday 2 December. Final results must be submitted to the SACE Board no later than Monday of next week. Students could avail themselves of the ability to begin preliminary work for Year 12 (Stage 2) over the next two weeks and should contact their subject teachers to gather the necessary resources to begin this process.

**2016 Yearbook**

The 2016 Yearbook was sent for printing and should return in the next week or two. Limited additional copies were ordered; these will be available on a first pay first assigned basis. Should you wish to have a copy and have not paid at the beginning of the year, please do so at the Front Office as soon as possible. The cost of the publication is once again $20.00 per copy.

**Presentation Night**

Secondary Awards covering a wide range of activities undertaken during the year will be presented at the Presentation Night on Friday 9 December at Apex Park. Student seating will be provided and they will move up to the stage to collect their awards. Similar to last year, they will remain on stage until all awards in that section have been presented and then return to their seats for the next group of awards. Students will be required to be dressed in school dress code throughout the night, including appropriate footwear.

**Year 7-8 Transition**

It is planned that the Year 7 Transition Day will occur on Monday 12 December. This will allow students to move between specialist classrooms and have a taste of what a Secondary timetable entails. Unfortunately (due to staff leave) some staff will be unable to be there on the day and students will not gain experience across all learning areas. It is also planned that a meeting for parents, students and leadership staff will occur at the conclusion of the day where parents are invited to ask questions to clarify any requirements related to the Secondary program. A letter will be sent out to all families of Year 7 students shortly.

**Final week activities (Week 9)**

Students will continue their normal timetabled lessons until the end of Wednesday 14 December, completing alternative activities of relevance to their various subjects. On Thursday 15 December, students will be engaged in alternate activities, which will include some time spent at the pool.
Final Reports
Semester 2 Reports will be distributed to all students in Years 8-11 on the last day of school, Thursday 15 December.

Glenys McGuire
Assistant Principal – Secondary

FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER
Our school staff heard some “sad news” last Tuesday that Marie and Dave Elson are leaving our Wudinna community to live in the lovely Tumby Bay! Marie will take up her new appointment at Tumby Bay Area School and Dave is posted to Pt Neill Primary School so that little red car will be going up and down the highway! I think there is another reason the Elsons want to live near the sea?? Yes you’ve got it! FISHING!! I hope they get out on the bay to catch some garfish and whiting!! Many thanks to Marie for her faithful commitment to Wudinna Area School and for the excellent support I have personally received in my role over the last 10 years from this dedicated lady. Dave and Marie will be sadly missed in our district and we say ALL THE VERY BEST to you both as you move to Tumby Bay! Cheers! Carol

PRESENTATION NIGHT
The Wudinna Area School Presentation Night will be held on Friday 4 December at 7.30pm in Apex Park, weather permitting. We will use the amphitheatre facility and seating will be provided for the most part. We will use the Wudinna Hall if the weather is predicted to be unfavourable.

The theme will be “A Wudinna Christmas”. The program on the night will include Primary items and the presentation of awards for Primaries, Secondaries and volunteers.

The end of Semester 2 awards (Primary Merit Cards R-4 and High & Outstanding Academic Awards) will be presented at the end of year school assembly, as happens with Semester 1 awards. Each Primary class will present the item that they have been practising.

The Presentation Night will be a similar format to last year with no interval.

No tickets will be sold but there will be the opportunity for a gold coin donation per person.

Community and family members are welcome to attend the dress rehearsal of the Primary items free of charge at Apex Park at 9.45am on Friday 9 December. The dress rehearsal will take approximately 45 minutes.

School will finish at 2.25pm on Friday afternoon before Presentation Night. Buses will leave at 2.35pm.

Glenys McGuire and Marie Elson on behalf of the Presentation Night Committee

SCHOOL MAGAZINES FOR SALE @ THE LIBRARY
The old magazines we have for sale are now $5.00 each. The date range is 1972 to 2014.

The 2015 magazines are still available for $20. Please share this information with families who no longer receive the newsletter.

ACADEMY PHOTOGRAPHY SPECIAL PHOTOS
If any parents wish to view and purchase special photos (muck-up, SRC, House Captain, Whole School) they can do so on the Academy website www.academyphoto.com.au and using the below shoot key WYVY7X7H

EYRE REGION NETBALL ACADEMY
MyNetball Registrations for the 2017 Eyre Region Netball Academy open on Tuesday 29 November, 2016 and close on Friday 13 January 2017 and will be open to all girls in the following age group:

- All Netball SA Regional and Metropolitan Netball Academies will be for players 14-16yrs as per the National curriculum
- To be eligible to trial for a Regional or Metropolitan Netball Academy for the 2017 intake, players must turn 14 years old by 30 September 2017. i.e. players must be minimum 14 years old on 30 September 2017
- For the same intake in 2017, players cannot turn 17 years of age prior to 1 November 2017, i.e. they must still be 16 years old on 31 October 2017.

Please note: There will be a $20.00 non-refundable trial fee applicable and can be paid by Credit Card during the registration process or paid by direct deposit (details on the registration form).

The link to the MyNetball page is below.
If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact our Head Coach Meagan Lienert or Program Manager Megan Lienert.
Year 6/7 Poetry

~fireworks~

Frightening at first,

Inspirational, terrific

Rainbow colour show

Eve of New Years

Wonderfully exciting

Open, bright

Raising above heads while

Keeping you awake

Stars, the perfect backdrop

- MONTANA. F

Fixing machinery

cAttle yards

Rams

Machine dirt

New lan....

Great crops

- Emerson O’B.

Giraffes

As they eat leaves all day,

All the young want to play.

Stretched necks nice and tall,

A bit too long to fit in a pool.

Born with hardly no hair,

People stop to look and stare.

Almost as tall as an eight year old,

Uncoordinated, lanky and bold.

Brown and yellow patterns,

Of oddly shaped batons.

The giraffe lives a life of fear,

With lions and tigers hunting near.

Wind

Strong, cold

Damaging, whistling, howling

Summer, winter, rain, shine

Warming, heating, boiling

Dry, humid

Sunshine

-Andrew S

FIRE FIGHTERS
FIGHT FIRES

- KYE O’R

BEACH

THE WAVES ARE crashing,

people ARE splashing.

The glaring sun,

is no fun!

- Safara M

COLD SAND

BIG WAVES

AIR WINDY

BEACH

WINDY AIR

WAVES BIG

SAND COLD

- LILY.P

HOT AND COLD

I love the cold,

It never gets old,

But I hate the heat,

It’s never a treat!

-CAIN B

TESS

Tess and I went for a walk.

but she did not talk.

Her beautiful fuzzy fur.

Did not bother her.

There came a whirly wind,

that blew a rustle tin.

Tess and I returned home.

we were now alone.

Dad returned with a broken bone.

he broke his arm.

at the farm.

- Tae.T

BEACH

The WAVES ARE crashing,

people ARE splashing.

- Blake B
**Family**
My family is great,
but they always come home late.
My mum is hardworking,
but does not like twerking.
Dad is happy,
when he is not snappy.
Chloe is nice,
and likes to eat creamed rice.
I am as shy as a little lamb,
that lives by a dam.
We all like to have fun,
in the nice hot sun!
- Leah D

**Miss Francis**
Miss Francis is not so tall,
I wonder if she likes to crawl.
An OompaLoompa can reach her toe,
I wonder if she will ever grow?
- Gabbie.S

**Snow**
White small
Falling dropping covering
Cold winter round fun
Warming exciting sinking
Rough dry

**SAND**
Kaya B

**Aussie Christmas**
Its Christmas morning,
I woke up yawning.
I ran into the kitchen,
Now Santa’s beer is fiction!
To my eyes
I see,
One million Prezzies.
That one looks like a bike,
Grandpa is having a pipe.
Now it’s time for lunch,
I’m very hungry because I skipped brunch.
Bring out the lamb,
But don’t forget the ham!

**Ocean Dreams**
The little boat rocks to the sound of the sea,
Don’t worry, you’re safe with me.
Hand in hand,
We’ll soon meet sand.
Don’t peep,
Go on to sleep
And soon you’ll see images of sheep,
Dancing around in the meadow so glad,
Unlucky to find something bad.
Wake up now the sun is up,
Go fill your cup,
Arise today, sleep tonight,
Everything is alright.
- Charlotte V
To all pool users,

Just a reminder on some of the pool rules and expectations of the lifesavers during public swim times. The pool is to be opened by the canteen volunteer and it is preferred that an adult collects the case. If there is not a lifesaver present all children, regardless of age, need to be supervised by an adult. The chlorine levels need to be checked before anyone gets in the pool. Also ensure the safety divider rope is across the pool. If you are on canteen please introduce yourself to the lifesaver and vice versa and work together to ensure equipment is used safely and is packed away.

The Lifesaver is responsible for responding to emergencies mainly in the big pool and being ‘ready to act’ if an emergency occurs. Many are young people and aren’t legally supervisors. The canteen person and other adults need to be prepared to help if needed and canteen information has been sent with rosters. Access to a phone and first aid is essential at all times the pool is open.

The pool is there for everyone to enjoy and as a community asset we need to support each to ensure it is pleasurable for all. This may include reminding children to walk, not eating or drinking in or near the water. In the event that anyone does display unsafe behavior, they can be asked to get out of the pool and if need be, can be asked to leave the pool area. As a reminder alcohol and water can be a dangerous mix and glass is prohibited from the pool area as a preventive measure. Broken glass in the pool means the immediate closure of the pool. This is also the case for bodily fluids so please ensure correct nappies are used (available at the pool) and anyone suddenly becoming ill is removed immediately from the water.

Children under 10 years of age MUST be accompanied and supervised by an adult. Children with PFD still need supervision as PFD are not life jackets. Safe supervision of children under 5 recommends adults/parents remain within arm’s reach of children when in water.

Wudinna is one of the few pools left with a diving board and we are lucky enough to have 2! Diving boards have their own risks so these will need to be used sensibly and safely.

Use of Diving Boards

Small -
1. One at a time.
2. Always jump from the end. *(Not the side of the board)*
3. No hanging off board.
4. No continual jumping on board (can be slippery).
5. Swimmers clear of area (across to lane 5).
6. Close board if too many people in the pool.

Big –
1. Close small board.
2. Must have extra supervisor *(If you are supervising you must be at the edge so you can clearly see what is going on.)*
3. Same rules as above, especially points 1, 2, 3 & 5.
4. Only open if not many in pool.

NO swinging on the safety rope divider This needs to remain tight so children don’t fall over the deep edge.

Use of Equipment

1. Equipment is stored in basket in lobby area. Share equipment. 
   Please put back when finished with it. Check drains for equipment prior to leaving the pool.
2. No equipment to be used from store room.
3. No jumping off the edge of the pool or boards, with noodles, kick boards and tubes.
4. Ball – only if there are not many in the pool and not in shallow area if smaller children are swimming. Keep the ball away, not brady.

LET’S BE PREPARED - DROWNING CAN BE A SILENT DEATH
Our Year 2 palaeontologists have begun to excavate their dinosaur skeletons 😊
SAPSASA Tennis

In Week 6 Elijah Oswald, Brad Lymn and Madison Barns went to Adelaide to compete with other teams in SAPSASA Tennis. They played reasonably well overall and won 6 out of 9 games. They went to the Beach House and to the Watermark and some people went to Bounce. All of the tennis players caught up with the SAPSASA Cricket players at the Watermark. We were all proud of our efforts and wished we could all do it again next year and in the end we came equal fourth. This year our team was made up of mainly Year 7s so we’ll have a whole new team next year. Overall we all enjoyed the week and had a lot of fun and it will be an experience we will never forget.

SAPSASA Cricket Report

Last week Saxon O’Brien and Phoenix Foster travelled to Adelaide to play in the SAPSASA Cricket Carnival. On Monday we played Southern at Rosewater. We bowled first and rolled them for 96; when we batted Saxon and Max Ramsey opened and made a really good partnership. Phoenix came in at 10, we won by 6 wickets. On Tuesday we played Upper South East at Rosewater. Again we bowled first and they were 9 for 150 runs. Saxon was run out for a diamond duck and Phoenix was court at square leg for duck, but we did win the game. On Wednesday we played at Brighton, against Southern Valley; we bowled first and they made 152. Phoenix opened with Angus Turner and both went for ducks, Saxon came in at 8 and made 1; we lost the game. On Thursday we played at The Heights School in Modbury. We batted first and Saxon and Max opened again and made a 20 run partnership, Saxon made 14. When Phoenix came in we were 9 down for 63 but Phoenix and Fletcher Kammermann put on 90 together and got us to 154. Fletcher made 38 and Phoenix made 52. After we bowled and rolled them for 80 runs. All up it was a great week and we really enjoyed it.
2016 Secondary Award Sponsorships

Please return to Glenys McGuire

I/We ……………………………………………… would like to sponsor a Secondary Award for 2016.

☐ I am happy to sponsor any Award

☐ I would like to sponsor an Award for the following subject (where possible) ………………………………………

☐ I have enclosed $30 for the Award