



WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL

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OUR SCHOOL VALUES:



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Student Free Day
Tuesday 13 March

Governing Council Meeting
Tuesday 21 March

Track and Field
Monday 26 March

Interschool Athletics
Tuesday 10 April

School Photos
Wednesday 22 August

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

G'day Everyone

Swimming Carnival

The swimming carnival was a great success even though we had to change the date from the Friday to the Monday. I would like to thank everyone for their understanding and support after the unfortunate accident at Basketball on Thursday night (15 February). I would like to commend the students for their attendance, participation and sportsmanship at the carnival. I would like to thank everyone involved as you make these days possible.

Interschool Swimming Carnival

The Interschool Swimming Carnival followed quickly after our swimming carnival and was a successful day for students involved. I would like to again thank everyone involved and commend the students for their behavior and participation.

Expectations

As a school we have high expectations of academic success and student behavior the student body has demonstrated the values of our school and community of *Respect, Honesty and Responsibility* and they need to be commended for such a great start to the year.

Student Diaries

Diaries are also an important means of communication between teachers and parents please ensure you are checking diaries for notes, homework expectations and signing at the end of the week.

Attendance

We know that good attendance is crucial for students to have academic success at school. As a school our combined student attendance average is 93% (which is good but could be better) our target for 2018 is 95%. Please let us know as soon as possible if your child is absent or needs an exemption.

Student Free Day

We will be having a student free day on 13 March to attend a training and development in Streaky Bay. The training and development will be with Wayne Craig and it evolves developing teacher's skills in teaching strategies. This aligns to the work our teachers have been doing together to extend the learning that students are doing. I have added a short blurb about the training for your information.

High Impact Teaching Strategies

Wayne Craig is a past Victorian Principal, Education Director, Education Consultant and co-authored Powerful Learning. Wayne will be working with the Streaky Bay staff at a student free day on Tuesday 13 March, unpacking the High Impact Teaching Strategies and focussing on:

- HITS links to theories in action, where they come from and why they matter
- Inquiry - what is the best Inquiry processes we can use in our classes and what skills and structures do we need to teach our students
- Collaborative Learning how do we teach students to effectively learn from one another in a safe and productive manner, a skill that also underpins effective Inquiry learning
- Questioning - Teacher questioning plays a significant part in extending and stretching our students, what kinds of questions should teachers be using and how do we develop them?

Please come into the school for a visit and check out the excellent work students are doing in their classrooms.

Yours truly
Ned Loades
Principal

We are a couple of orders short on uniform orders. If you would like to place an order, please send it to the Front Office by Monday 5 March. The uniform order form was in the Week 1 newsletter or are available from the Front Office.

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY

Primary SRC

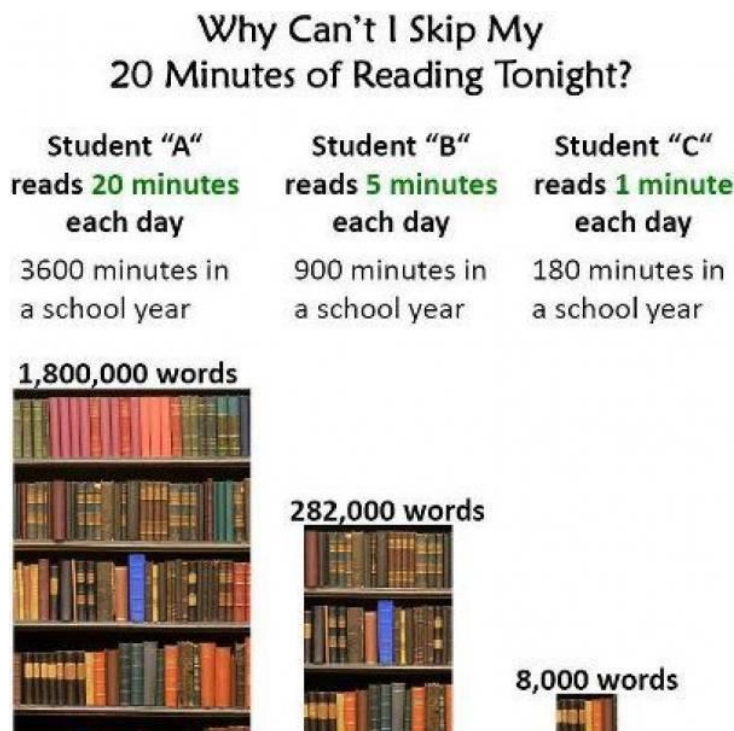
Congratulations to all representatives who have been elected for our Primary SRC and the office bearers who have taken on leadership roles.

ICT in the classrooms

Last week Cendall Cowan worked in the Primary classrooms to support teachers in their delivery of the Digital Technologies curriculum. The lessons and activities planned by Cendall were engaging and enjoyable for students, using iPads for coding and problem solving.

Reading

There are currently lots of parents, grandparents and community members volunteering to listen to reading in our Primary classrooms. We would like to sincerely thank these volunteers for their assistance in helping students to practise and develop their reading skills. Reading to an adult at school and at home every night is a vital part of a child's literacy development as outlined in the graphic below.



Karen Lynn

Assistant Principal – Primary

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY

Secondary Enrichment Activities

Throughout the year, students will be involved in subject-based activities outside the school environment that will help to enrich their learning. In 2018 we will return to the usual excursion offerings. This year they will be: Year 8 Aquatics Camp (Coffin Bay), Year 10 Careers Trip (Adelaide), Year 9 trip (the venue and focus is still to be determined) and Year 12 Curriculum Enrichment Trip (Adelaide). Planning has commenced for the Year 10 Careers Trip that will be conducted in Week 10 of Term 2 (2-6 July) and information related to these will be distributed as they become fully planned. It is planned that the Year 9 trip will more than likely be conducted during Term 3 and the Year 8 Aquatics Camp will again be in Term 4.

Secondary Reports

Through discussion with leadership, staff and Governing Council, Secondary reporting schedules will align with Primary reporting structures this year. Therefore, written reports will only be distributed in Terms 2 and 4. Parent, student, teacher interviews will be conducted during Week 1 of Term 2 so that progress can be discussed. It is important to note, however, that parents can contact subject teachers at any time to discuss concerns you may have about your child's progress or to gain an update on how they are progressing with their learning. Allied to this, where teachers have concerns about student learning and progress, they will contact parents to arrange a time for a discussion so that students can move forward and succeed at school.

Secondary SRC

After a meeting last week the following people were elected to leadership roles:

Angelica Calow – *President*

Thomas Scholz – *Vice-President*

Jessica Sampson – *Secretary*

Aaron Magay – *Treasurer*

NAPLAN Testing

Year 9 students will be involved in NAPLAN Testing from Tuesday 15 to Thursday 17 May. Please plan for your students to attend school on those days so that they can be involved in these gauges of student progress.

Lattitude Global Volunteering

Information from this organisation was received this week related to the availability of students volunteering overseas during their Gap Year (ages 17 to 25). If you are interested in accessing information on volunteering, copies of leaflets are available from me or you can visit their website on www.lattitude.org.au

Glenys McGuire

Assistant Principal – Secondary

FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER

A few years ago I purchased some great little cards called - "Buz Helps" – www.buildupzone.com. Buz is cartoon type bee who gives helpful advice and hope to kids! This week I want to share with you what "Buz says to children when they get worried." 1. Although you may feel bad, feeling worried or scared is not a bad thing. It often helps us to be careful. 2. Find someone you trust that you can talk to. Tell them how you feel and what makes you feel that way. 3. Remember – nothing is so bad that you can't talk about it. 4. Worries don't like being talked about, because it often makes them go away. 5. If you believe in God – Pray and ask for help. 6. Try to think of good things to get your mind off your worries. I hope these "BUZ WORDS" are helpful! Cheers! *From Carol*



PRIMARY SRC REPORT

The Junior Primary classes (R-2) have chosen representatives amongst their peers to become the Student Representative voices for their class, while the Primary students (3-7) who were interested in nominating for SRC had to submit a written application and prepare a speech to present to their peers and teacher/s before voting occurred. The following students are to be congratulated on being elected to be part of the SRC. A formal Induction Ceremony will be held later this term with a date still to be finalised.

Semester 1 (Terms 1 & 2)

Jill's R/1 – Lukas Fridd, Delilah Waters
 Melissa Vickery's R/1 – Brody Merrill, Elsey Lymn
 Emily & Karly's Yr 2 – Riley Allen, Sofie Little
 Myf's Yr2/3 – Emmie Sargent, Jake Brands
 Miss Appleby's Yr 4 – Marney Marshall, Cameron Smart
 Mrs Sampson's Yr5 – Baden Simpson, Zahara Miles

Semester 2 (Terms 3 & 4)

Jill's R/1 – Skye Gosling, Oscar Sampson
 Melissa Vickery's R/1 – Torah Scholz, Toby North
 Emily & Karly's Yr 2 – Patrick Gill, Lola Waters
 Myf's Yr2/3 – Alli Cummings, Darcy Barns
 Miss Appleby's Yr 4 – Indy Foster, Mayson Peters
 Mrs Sampson's Yr 5 – Rebecca Sampson, Ella Scholz

Executive Members

All members (both Semester 1 & 2) of the Primary SRC held a meeting to vote in the Executive group. These students are in either Year 6 or Year 7 and are elected for the whole year. Congratulations to our Executive Committee members into the following positions:

President: Bella Porter (Miss Wilson's Yr 7)
Vice-President: Myher Beard (Mrs Sampson's Yr 6)
Secretary: Bree North (Mrs Sampson's Yr 6)
Treasurer: Kyne Foster (Miss Wilson's Yr 7)
Executive Members: Jesse Foster, Willow May (Miss Wilson's Yr 7)

Veronica Sampson and Kellie Wilson

Primary SRC Co-ordinators

LABELLING PROPERTY

Please remember to label/mark all children's clothing, hats, lunch boxes, drink containers etc.

If your child has second hand jumpers etc, please change the name in them also.

PHOTOGRAPH REMINDER

With Sports Day coming up, a reminder that when you are taking photographs, films or digital images of your child's participation in school events, please be mindful that these are for personal use only. Images taken of other students should not be placed on social media such as *Facebook* or *You Tube*. We appreciate your respect and co-operation in this matter.

SCHOOL CARD APPLICATION

Did you know that you can apply for School Card online by using the link below?

<https://forms.sa.gov.au/#/form/5834d2f7088f952660c135df/app/5a67e4ba4d4331278c6e2be5>


Paper copies are also available at the Front Office if you would prefer to fill out one of those.

REMINDER


Please ensure that you sign your child/ren in and out when they are leaving the school for an appointment or otherwise.

RELIEF BUS DRIVERS WANTED

We are desperately seeking relief bus drivers. If you think this may be of interest to you please contact Stacey at the school on 8680 2263 for more information.



BUS DRIVERS NEEDED



An expression of interest is invited from all eligible persons for the position of

WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL RELIEF BUS DRIVER

Commencement date: As soon as possible

Drivers must have:

- Driver Accreditation, which includes:
 - Criminal Screening Check by DCSI
 - Medical
 - Governing Council Approval
- LR Licence & Above for Small buses
- MR Licence & Above for Large Buses

Please contact Stacey at the school on 8680 2263 for any further enquiries.

Skills Competitions

Our school will once again support the conduct of competitions within various subject areas.

We encourage parents to support their child's learning opportunities by encouraging them to enter, as these competitions provide valuable information related to the student's strengths in a range of subjects.

In the past, students have obtained commendable results in the Maths, English, Science and Digital Technologies competitions. The cost of entering each competition is listed below.

All students participating in the competitions will receive certificates according to their performance ranked against other students competing in Australia and the Asia/Pacific region. It will be greatly appreciated if you can fill in the Reply Slip included in this newsletter and return it with the correct payment to Stacey Georgiou at the Front Office before Friday 9 March.

Competition	Years	Fee	Date of Competition
Digital Technology	3 to 10	\$9.90	Tuesday 8 May
Science	2 to 12	\$9.90	Tuesday 29 May
English	2 to 12	\$9.90	Tuesday 31 July
Mathematics	2 to 12	\$9.90	Tuesday 14 August

We encourage participation by as many students as possible.

Georgia Kontos

2018 Competitions Reply Slip

Attention: Stacey Georgiou (return to the Front Office by Friday 9 March).

All competitions are held at the school.

Family Name: _____

Competition	Years	Fee	Name of students entering (include class teacher and year level)
Digital Technologies	3 to 10	\$9.90	_____ _____ _____
Science	2 to 12	\$9.90	_____ _____ _____
English	2 to 12	\$9.90	_____ _____ _____
Mathematics	2 to 12	\$9.90	_____ _____ _____

Wudinna Area School Swimming Carnival

The Wudinna Area School Swimming Carnival was held on Monday 19 February. In preparation for the carnival, all Primary students practised their swimming skills and strokes, as part of the program run by Susie Boylan and her team, Mel Crosby and Demi O'Brien.

A highlight of the carnival was the teamwork and support offered by the Secondary students to the Junior Primary students in their modified activities. Student participation on the day was the main focus, with students being encouraged to support their house by entering in either the Division A or Division B events.

Medallions were presented to the Best Female and Male swimmers. Jackson Petty won the Best Primary Male Swimmer for the carnival and there was a tie for the Best Female Primary Swimmer, Rebecca Sampson and Marney Marshall. Ella Loades-Stokes was the recipient for the Best Secondary Female Swimmer and Cainton Standley-Grace was the Best Male Secondary Swimmer.

Jackson Petty came first in the Under 13 Boys Freestyle and Breaststroke events as well as achieving second place in the Backstroke and Open Under 13 Boys Butterfly events. Marney Marshall received first placed ribbons in the Under 9 Girls Freestyle, Backstroke, and Breaststroke events. Rebecca Sampson, competing in the Under 11 Girls competition, achieved first placed ribbons in the Freestyle, Backstroke and Breaststroke events.

Ella Loades-Stokes, swimming in the Under 13 age group, came first in the Freestyle, Breaststroke, Backstroke and Butterfly events. Cainton Standley-Grace, competing in the Under 15 age group, achieved first in the Freestyle, Breaststroke and Backstroke events; these were swum over a 50m distance. He also achieved a first place ribbon for the Open Boys Over 13 Butterfly event.

The scores for the day were: Gawler (Yellow) 318 points, Eyre (Blue) 311 points, and Sturt (Green) 308 points. The close scores highlighted the contribution of all swimmers having a go and receiving participation points for their house. Unfortunately no records were broken on the day.

Thank you to all the parents and staff for time-keeping and assisting with the events. A special thank you to Karen Baldock, and all the volunteers, who assisted in the Wudinna & Districts Swimming Pool Canteen to ensure the students and parents were fed and refreshed with drinks.

Riley Martin and Georgia Standley-Grace (Representatives for Gawler) received the Swimming Carnival Shield and thanked the students from the other houses for the great competition, as well as the staff and parents for a successful carnival. They also thanked the students in Gawler house "for swimming very well and winning the shield."

We now turn our attention to Sport Day which will be held on Monday 26 March commencing at 9.30am on the school oval.

Brayden Chambers
Sports Coordinator

Interschool Swimming Carnival

The Interschool Swimming Competition, contested between Wudinna, Lock, Karcultaby and Streaky Bay Area Schools, was held on Friday 23 February at the Wudinna and Districts Swimming Pool.

The four schools competed for the overall Championship Shield as well as the Handicap Shield and various age group Handicap Pennants. Lock and Karcultaby Area Schools combined for all events along with the relays.

Congratulations to Streaky Bay Area School for winning the Championship Trophy.

1 st	Streaky Bay Area School – 314 points
2 nd	Wudinna Area School – 244 points
3 rd	Karcultaby and Lock Area Schools – 173 points

Handicap Shield results:

1 st	Streaky Bay Area School – 328 points
2 nd	Karcultaby and Lock Area Schools – 318 points
3 rd	Wudinna Area School – 304 points

Handicap Age Group results:

Age Group	1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Under 11	Streaky Bay 41 pts	Karcultay & Lock 26 points	Wudinna 25 points
Under 12	Tie between Streaky Bay and Karcultaby and Lock 55 points		Wudinna 41 points
Under 13	Streaky Bay 34 points	Wudinna 33 points	Karcultaby and Lock 27 points
Under 14	Karcultaby & Lock 77 points	Streaky Bay 67 points	Wudinna 64 points
Under 15	Wudinna 51 points	Karcultaby & Lock 50 points	Streaky Bay 42 points
Over 15	Wudinna 92 points	Karcultaby & Lock 90 points	Streaky Bay 81 points

Congratulations to Ella Evans, a Streaky Bay student, for breaking the current record for the Under 14 Girls Backstroke event over 50 metres. She swam this event in a time of 38.30 seconds. The previous record of 38.84 seconds was held by Hannah Petty since 2011.

Jessica Sampson and Georgia Standley-Grace, School Captains for Wudinna Area School, accepted the Handicap Pennants for the Under 15 and Over 15 age groups. The Streaky Bay Area School captains accepted the Championship and Handicap Shields.

Brayden Chambers
Sports Coordinator

Gawler victorious at Swimming Carnival



