



WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL

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OUR SCHOOL VALUES:



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Governing Council Meeting
Tuesday 3 April - 7.00pm

Year 8 Immunisations
Thursday 5 April

SAPSASA Softball
Monday 9 – Friday 13 April

Term 1 ends – Assembly in Rm 16 at 1.55pm; buses leave at 2.35pm
Friday 13 April

Interschool Track & Field - Cowell
Tuesday 10 April

Term 2 begins
Monday 1 May

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews – school finishes at 1.00pm, interviews begin 1.30pm
Wednesday 2 May

SRC Induction
– TENTATIVE DATE /TIME
Gymnasium at 12.25pm
Thursday 3 May

SAPSASA Netball/Football Trials
Friday 4 May

NAPLAN
Tuesday 15- Thursday 17 May

School Photos
Wednesday 22 August

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

G'day Everyone

This term has flown!!

Term 1

It has been a jam packed term with so many things going on at school and, even though we are near the end of the term, there are still so many up and coming events. Across the school there has been some powerful learning and the student behavior and academic application has been exceptional. Please come in and check out some of the great work your children are undertaking.

SAPSASA

I hope that the students who participated at SAPSASA Swimming had a great experience! Good luck to the girls participating in the Softball Carnival in Adelaide in Week 11.

Track & Field

I would like to thank all the staff and volunteers for their work setting up and making for another successful day. The Sports Committee has worked hard to ensure that students had an active and fun day. Congratulations to the carnival winners, Gawler and all Age Group winners on the day.

Illness

We have had several illnesses going around at the moment. Thank you to everyone who has let us know that your child is sick and won't be attending school.

Reading

Thanks to all the people who are listening to students read. Reading is the cornerstone of a great education.

We ask that you listen to your child/children read every day. We would appreciate it if you are able to come into the school and listen to students read. We want all students to have great literacy skills and we need your help. We need volunteers for reading for all classes, including our Secondary classes.

Grounds

During the holidays there will be work going on around the school grounds. We are fixing the amphitheater as the old permapine is splitting and the sleepers are where the termites are coming from. These old materials are being replaced with sandstone blocks and concrete sleepers. A walkway will be added to the amphitheater. We are currently talking to the department about renovating the students' toilets.

Uniforms

Students can now order the new school jackets – these will be available by order only. **Orders need to be in with payment by Friday 13 April** and should be available by Week 2 of Term 2. We have jackets for sizing available at the Front Office for students to try. This is an extra option and does not replace the regular school jumpers.

Governing Council

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 3 April at 7.00pm in the Conference Room.

Easter

I hope that everyone has a safe and fun Easter break!!

Please come into the school for a visit.

Yours truly
Ned Loades
Principal



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY SAPSASA Swimming

Congratulations to Holly Garnaut and Megan Baldock for representing our school in SAPSASA Swimming in Adelaide last Friday. We hope they enjoyed their experiences in Adelaide.

School Track and Field

It was great to see students competing and putting in their best efforts on Sports Day. Throughout the day there was a lot of support and encouragement amongst the students in each of the groups. Thank you to the parent volunteers who helped on the various events and the Parents and Friends Committee for the excellent catering. Well done to Brayden and the Sports Committee for organising a successful day. Feedback from the Junior Primary students; the Lucky Dip and Colour Run were the highlights of the day!!

Interviews

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews will be held on Wednesday 2 May. As is previous years, school will finish at 1.00pm and interviews will begin at 1.30pm. An interview letter & Booking Sheet will be sent out to parents in Week 11.

End of term Assembly

The end of term assembly will be held on Friday 13 April in Room 16 at 1.55pm. School will finish at 2.25pm.

Wishing all students and their families a safe and Happy Easter

Karen Lynn

Assistant Principal – Primary



FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY Reports and Interviews

As mentioned in a previous newsletter, Secondary reports will only be distributed at the end of Term 2 & 4. Interviews will be conducted on Wednesday 2 May (Term 2 Week 1) to discuss student progress and performance. It is envisaged that Booking Sheets will be distributed in Week 11 of this term so that appointments can be scheduled with teachers on that day. We look forward to seeing parents and students on interview afternoon.

SACE News

The SACE Board is in the process of modernising the way that the certificate is administered. From 2017, the process of submission of student work began to change, with electronic files being uploaded onto the SACE website for moderation and marking. This process is being expanded this year and, for the first time, our students will be impacted. Two subjects (English and Research Project) are required to submit work electronically in 2018 and this will require students to name their files in a specific manner and ensure that work is lodged electronically with the teacher on an ongoing basis throughout the year so that files are not lost or deleted. These changes will continue over the coming years with examinations also changing to an electronic format – the first of these is English Literary Studies for this year; a subject that is not offered at our school. However, over time all students across the state will be impacted and preparation for these changes is being planned for in our school. An overview of the SACE Modernisation process is provided for you below.



SACE modernisation 2016 – 2020



SACE
Board of SA

Electronic submission and collection of assessment materials	Quality assurance, marking and professional learning	On screen exams and subject renewal	SACE International
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student assessment currently involves the packaging and movement of more than 12,000 plastic bags of student work and 42,000 envelopes containing students' essays, reports and investigations. Over the next five years, student assessment will be further aligned with teaching and learning technologies used in classrooms, so as to better meet students' needs. In doing so, the SACE Board will progressively transition from paper to digital form: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the submission and collection of all student work completed for school assessment; and the submission of 42 000 external assessments. The move to electronic submission and collection of student work will: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> meet the growing demand from students and schools to present evidence of learning in multimodal formats; encourage all stakeholders to place greater value and emphasis on evidence of learning in multimodal formats; reduce the administrative burden; and allow teachers more time in the classroom. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As student work is submitted electronically, the SACE Board will progressively transition its marking and moderation procedures to an online environment, so as to increase the validity and reliability of assessment. This initiative will incorporate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> marking on screen 42 000 external assessments; moderating on screen the work completed for school assessment; marking on screen 17 examinations; providing online professional learning and training for teachers in assessment; and providing teachers with online and "on demand" access to benchmarking and clarifying materials to support them in their role as educational assessors. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The SACE Board will conduct 8 on screen examinations by 2020, commencing with English Literary Studies in 2018. The move to on screen examinations will initially reflect the way students are learning in the classroom. Over time, it will support the SACE Board and schools to more effectively assess a broader range of skills that students will need to succeed in work, further training or study in the 21st century. For example, as part of an on-screen exam, a student may be asked to analyse and evaluate scenarios contained in a video or 3D graphic, or solve complex and unfamiliar problems through a series of simulations. To complement the integration of technology into assessment, SACE subjects will be renewed to ensure that they strongly promote the general capabilities, innovation and entrepreneurship. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The SACE is currently delivered in the Northern Territory, Malaysia and China. A significant proportion of the graduates from these areas come to university in South Australia. The SACE Board will introduce a mid-year results cycle in Asia in 2018 to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> facilitate the continued expansion of the SACE; and help attract more overseas students to local high schools and universities. This initiative strengthens the SACE as an international qualification, and supports the State government's stated goal of increasing the number of international students studying at a South Australian university.






School Track & Field

Congratulations to Brayden Chambers and everyone involved in the operation of the Track & Field event on Monday of this week. Everything went off very smoothly and it was great to see so many parents and community helpers on and around the oval to support the students of our school. I was particularly impressed by all of the students who competed to the best of their abilities and, very importantly, supported each other throughout the day in many and varied ways.

Interschool Track & Field

Brayden Chambers, Georgia Kontos and Neil Seaman will be travelling to Cowell on Tuesday 10 April (Week 11) with the Interschool Track & Field team to compete in this annual event. We wish to take this opportunity to wish all competitors the best of luck and performance on the day.

Glenys McGuire

Assistant Principal – Secondary

FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER

Well done to our Sports Coordinator, Brayden Chambers, for organising our successful Track and Field Carnival last Monday. There was great student participation and a real spirit of encouragement within each House Team during the different events which was good to see and hear! Everyone was “having a go” to earn points for their team!

Congratulations to Gawler for winning the day and well done to Alicia McCormick for her Captain’s speech. Congratulations to Alex Calow for breaking the discus record! A BIG THANK YOU must go to Karen Baldock and her team of volunteers at the canteen and barbecue; our day would not be successful without your excellent catering! Thank you to the many time keepers and helpers around the oval during the day. Cheers! *From Carol*

SAPSASA SWIMMING

On Friday 23 March Holly Garnaut and I competed in SAPSASA Swimming in Adelaide. It was jam packed. There were 7 kids on the team including Holly and I. It was like a school day. It started at 8.45am and ended at 3.30pm. It was extremely enjoyable. I competed in freestyle, backstroke and the freestyle relay. There was an interesting race called the multiclassed race. It’s where kids with disabilities can race together. I lost both races but I definitely have improved in my swimming. We also lost our relay but we had a lot of fun in Adelaide and it’s so sad that I can’t do it again. I encourage other students to try to get in to SAPSASA Swimming and, if they do, go because it is so much fun!

Megan Baldock



On Friday 23 March I woke up all pumped up for SAPSASA Swimming, although I was a little scared as well. I got ready for swimming and my Mum and Dad packed up ready for home. When we walked out the door we saw Karen, Megan & Megan’s dad. After that we arrived at the Adelaide Aquatics Centre. At the Aquatics Centre the seats were full; I was shivering when I was waiting to go out to the pool for my first race (which was freestyle). I was talking to a girl I had just met; her name was Isabell. Then we got told to go out to do our race. When I was standing ready to get up on the block I looked at the water and the pool was massive. In my race I came 9th. My mum said to me she was proud that I dove off the blocks. After a while I had to go do my backstroke. When I was doing my backstroke I came last. I had lots of fun doing SAPSASA.

Holly Garnaut

CANCER COUNCIL FUNDRAISING

My name is Abbey Briscoe-Dowden and I am in Year 11 and undertaking Stage 1 Community Studies. For my Community Studies assignment I have chosen to hold a fundraiser/raffle to raise money which will all go towards the Cancer Council.

Donation boxes will be located at the Wudinna Hotel Motel, Golden Wattle Roadhouse and Wudinna Bakery. A raffle will also be organised in the future so watch this space.

Many thanks to those businesses that have kindly donated assorted items for this raffle.

Abbey Briscoe-Dowden



MATERIALS & SERVICES FEES (SCHOOL FEES)

Thank you to the families that have already paid or are paying off their School Fees for 2018. We have had over half of our families pay which is great to see. For the families that have not paid - these fees are now OVERDUE. If you think you may be eligible for School Card or if you want to arrange a payment plan, please contact Stacey at the school.

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.

WUDINNA & DISTRICTS TELEPHONE DIRECTORY

We are close to completing the updated local Telephone Directory. If you know of any changes (deleting phone/fax line or change of mobile number) can you please let us know at the school ASAP

RELIEF BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

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:
 - Relevant History Screening by DCSI
(Note: National Police Check not accepted)
 - 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.



Are you a good listener?

Would you like to share your life experiences & skills to help a young person achieve & develop?

Do you have one spare hour a week?

If you answered "Yes"

Become a Community Mentor at

Wudinna Area School

The Mentoring EP Community Mentoring Program is an initiative to assist school students

What is Mentoring?

Mentoring provides guidance, support & encouragement to young people.

Community mentoring occurs at mutually convenient times on a one-to-one basis for one hour per week during School Term.

Come and find out more:

At Wudinna Area School

In the Conference Room

At 2.00pm OR 6.00pm on Wednesday 16 May

RSVP

Ned Loades – Wudinna Area School Principal

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School Jackets Order Form

Please note these jackets will **not be kept in stock**, they are **only available on order**.

The jackets are an extra option and do not replace the current school jumper. The jacket is black with red panels and white embroidered school logo, is fleecy lined and fully reversible (jacket is the same style as the current Wudinna United jacket). The hood is removable. Available in sizes 4 to 3XL and are \$55 per jacket. To have name embroidered on opposite chest will be an extra \$6.50

Some jackets available at the Front Office for trying for sizing.

Another order MAY be offered late Term 2.

To be completed and returned with payment by **Friday 13 April**

Name _____ Phone Number _____



Quantity	Size	Embroidered name Extra \$6.50 (Please put name required below)	Total
		Grand Total:	

Wudinna Area School Track and Field

The Track and Field Carnival was held on Monday 26 March on the school oval. This carnival is a whole school activity with student participation on the day being the focus. Students practised the events during Physical Education lessons in readiness for the carnival and all participated with enthusiasm and tried to achieve their personal best. The Sportsmanship Award recognized students who attempted all events, helped chaperones and cheered positively throughout the day. This award was presented to Mahlee Beard (Eyre), Meika Tomney (Gawler) and Bella Porter (Sturt).

The Team Spirit Shield was presented to the house that demonstrated the best team spirit. Eyre was the recipient of this shield as the students in this house chanted, encouraged and participated a touch above the other two houses. Well done to all students in Eyre throughout the day.

One record was broken on the day. Alex Calow, a Junior Boy, threw 25.53 metres in Discus. The previous record has been held by Cody Boylan since 2007 who threw 25.28 metres.

Medallions were presented to each of the Age Group winners. The age group and second place winners were:

Age Group	Winners (House & Points)	Second Place (House & Points)
Subbies Girls	Marney Marshall (Eyre, 38)	Brooke Blayney (Eyre, 30)
Subbies Boys	Hendrix Cook (Eyre, 34)	Kobe Phillips (Eyre, 26)
Sub Junior Girls	Rebecca Sampson (Sturt, 59)	Ella Scholz (Gawler, 36)
Sub Junior Boys	Balyn O'Brien (Gawler, 53)	Charlie Habermann (Eyre, 35)
Junior Girls	Regan O'Brien (Sturt, 35)	Ella Loades-Stokes (Eyre, 33)
Junior Boys	Ezra Foster (Gawler, 38)	Kyne Foster (Sturt, 37)
Intermediate Girls	Jessica Sampson (Sturt, 50)	Gabbie Seal (Eyre, 35)
Intermediate Boys	Saxon O'Brien (Sturt, 35) Cainton Standley-Grace (Gawler, 35)	Kye O'Brien (Gawler, 29)
Senior Girls	Georgia Standley-Grace (Gawler, 48)	Abbey Dowden (Gawler, 30)
Senior Boys	Thomas Scholz (Gawler, 43)	Riley Martin (Gawler, 37)

Ball Games, Circle Gap and the Football Relay, culminated the Track and Field Carnival. Circle Gap is contested between the girls, and the boys participated in the Football Relay. These games create a healthy rivalry between the three houses, Eyre, Gawler and Sturt, as students spent many recess and lunch breaks practising to perfect their skills and techniques.

The final scores for the Track and Field Carnival were:

- 1st Gawler with a score of 1657 points
- 2nd Sturt with a score of 1461 points
- 3rd Eyre with a score of 1320 points

Alicia McCormick and Riley Martin, Captains for Gawler, received the Linda Heath Sports Day Shield on behalf of all competitors in their house. Alicia thanked the parents and staff for timing and acting as officials and all the students in Gawler for participating to their best. She also thanked the students from Eyre and Sturt houses for the great competition.

Thank you to the parents for assisting on the day as time keepers and officials. Many staff took on the role of chaperones and recording the students' times and distances. Parents and Friends must be thanked for providing lunch and refreshments throughout the day; they are greatly appreciated by students, staff and parents. Pat and Georgia were also thanked for the tremendous job in entering all the results. A special thank you to Mark Blayney and Zac Skipworth for their assistance in marking out the running track.

The Interschool Track and Field Carnival will be held on the Cowell Oval on Tuesday 10 April. We hope to see many parents and friends cheering our students who will be competing for the various Age Group Handicap Pennants, the Handicap, Championship and Ball Games Shields. The Opening Ceremony will be held at 9.15am with the first event commencing at 9.45am.

Brayden Chambers
Sports Coordinator



