



WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL

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OUR SCHOOL VALUES:



DATES TO REMEMBER:
Year 8 Camp to Coffin Bay
Monday 19-Wednesday
21 November

SAPSASA - Tennis & Cricket
Monday 19-Friday 23 November

Governing Council Meeting –
7.00pm
Tuesday 4 December

R-12 Presentation Night
School finishes 1 hour early –
buses leave at 2.35pm
Friday 7 December

Term 4 ends – buses leave at
2.35pm
Thursday 14 December

Term 1 2019 begins
Tuesday 29 January

School Photos 2019
Wednesday 21 August

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

G'day Everyone

I hope that harvest is relatively breakdown free!

Teaching Staffing for 2018

We will have some staffing changes next year including:

Lauren Brown has won a position at Edward John Eyre

Melissa Vickery will be returning to Adelaide for family reasons

This will cause some changes to our staffing plans that we will be working on next week. I would like to thank both Mel and Lauren for their work here at Wudinna Area School and wish them all the best for their futures.

Hay

I would like to thank Tom Whittle for his very professional work baling hay in the Ag block. Tom persevered with some mechanical issues which besets everyone at this time of year. Tom baled the barley that the year ten students had sown and provided us with some much needed feed.

Ag Steering Committee

The Ag Steering Committee will be meeting on Tuesday 20 November at 9.00am in the Conference Room depending on the weather. **If there is a lot of moisture around that will afford us the time to meet.** We want the committee to help further develop our agriculture program here at Wudinna Area School.

Bushfire Season/Catastrophic weather forecast

Please note, our school is in a Low Risk area which means our school remains open but buses do not run when catastrophic weather is forecast for the West Coast district. Parents are encouraged to access a new brochure which provides important information about what our schools/preschools will do on a catastrophic fire day or in the event of a fire. For a copy of the brochure visit www.decd.sa.gov.au and search 'bushfire brochure'.

Mobile Phones and Devices

Please fill in our survey as we are seeking your feedback about the use of phones in school. The survey is later in this Newsletter, or use the following link or QR-Code at the bottom of this page - <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/KC97FXX> . Please complete survey before Friday 16 November.

Parent Opinion Survey

Please complete your survey for the school as we value your feedback. This is your opportunity to share with us what you think about our school and it informs us of the improvements we can make. Please follow the link and fill out the survey, if you would prefer a hard copy drop into the Front Office and we will provide you with one. <https://www.schoolsurvey.edu.au/s/dcXnYNDY>

We have received very few of these surveys back. It would be great to see a better response. Please respond by 30 November.

Governing Council

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 4 December at 7.00pm in the Conference Room.

Yours truly
Ned Loades
Principal

School Buses

With harvest already started could everyone please remind their contractors/truck drivers that when a **school bus is on the side of the road with its lights flashing that the road legally becomes a 25km zone.** This is the ruling for ALL vehicles.



QR Code to
complete` Mobile
Phone Survey

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY

Primary Social

Our Primary Social will be held on Friday 30 November. Please refer to the poster for further information. The starting time is 6.30pm and students can be picked up at 9.00pm by an adult. The theme is formal, however, students may wear casual. Students will only need to bring \$5 entry fee which will include food and drinks for the night. The SRC Executive and Year 7 families will provide homemade goodies and drinks. The social will be held inside and outside Room 16.

Reports

Semester 2 reports will be distributed on the last day of the school term Thursday 13 December.

Best of luck to the students involved in SAPSASA Tennis and Cricket next week in Adelaide; we hope you have an enjoyable time.

Karen Lymn

Assistant Principal - Primary

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY

Year 8 Transition Meeting

This year we have changed the format of Year 8 Transition. We are intending to hold an Information Meeting for both students and parents where each of the Secondary teachers responsible for teaching specific curriculum areas presents information about their program of work, assessment, homework requirements and provide examples of the types of tasks that students will complete within each of their subjects. The meeting is currently planned for Monday 10 December at 4. Final arrangements will be communicated via a letter sent home closer to the date.

2018 Yearbook

The 2018 Yearbook will be sent shortly for printing and will be distributed to those who have prepaid in the last week of this term (trusting that it returns from Adelaide by then!). As in previous years, a limited number of copies have been ordered and 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 7 December at Apex Park. Student seating will be provided and they will move up to the stage to collect their awards. Like 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.

Secondary Subject Award Sponsorship

This year we are again seeking the support of the community in sponsoring Academic Achievement Awards at the Presentation Night in December. Any families, businesses or other organisations who are willing to sponsor an award, these will be gratefully accepted throughout the

coming weeks – a subject award is valued at \$30.00. These sponsorships are very valued by the school and particularly by the students who are the recipients. If you are able to sponsor a subject 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? If you have a potential subject preference, please indicate this on the slip and we will do our very best to accommodate this request.

Stage 1 student work completion

All summative assessment tasks will be completed by the end of Week 7 for Year 11 (Stage 1) students. Therefore, students will no longer be required to attend school after Friday 30 November. Final results must be submitted to the SACE Board no later than Monday of the 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.

Glenys McGuire

Assistant Principal – Secondary

FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER

Have you ever made a good sponge cake? I know this community has many experienced country cooks and even my brother in Port Lincoln has finally learned how to make a delicious Saturday night cream sponge! During Week 3 the Year 10 girls and myself had a lesson in “sponge making” with Melissa Wendland. There is quite a “step by step” process to mixing a good sponge and Melissa demonstrated her expert skills in showing us this art. Very soon we got to “HAVE a GO” and the best part was the tasting time! Julie Shepherdson was one of our student cooks and if you know her mother, Elaine, you will know she knows how to make sponges! Well done to Mrs Wendland and the Year 10 girls! *Cheers! From Carol.*

PRESENTATION NIGHT

The Wudinna Area School Presentation Night will be held on Friday 7 December at 7.30pm in Apex Park, weather permitting. We will use the amphitheatre facility and seating will be provided for the most part. If the weather is predicted to be unfavourable then we will use the School Gym.

The end of Semester 2 Awards will be presented at the end of year school assembly, as happens with Semester 1 Awards.

We will not be having a break between Primary and Secondary sections.

No tickets will be sold; however, there will be the opportunity for a gold coin donation.

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

The Primary classes will not be having a rehearsal at the Apex Park during the morning of Friday 7 December.

The Presentation Night Committee

LIBRARY NEWS

Well done to all the students who successfully completed the 2018 Premier’s Reading Challenge.

All the certificates and medals will be given to the students this week.

@ the library, students in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 have been learning about Remembrance Day. The term is flying by with only 4 weeks to go. Now would be a good time to look for overdue books and return library bags that belong to the library. Have you downloaded the new library App? Come and see us at the library if you need more information about this.

Linda Heath

BUSES

Please ensure that you are at your bus stop a couple minutes prior to dropping off and picking your child/ren up. This saves unnecessary waiting time for bus drivers and other parents.



ITCC

INTRODUCTION TO
COACHING COURSE

LEARN HOW TO COACH ATHLETICS!

The ITCC is designed to help participants become better placed to assist children to perform basic athletic skills. The course is great for those who want to know more about the skills of Athletics, so that they may help to coach children, assist at Little Athletics Centres or prepare students for school athletics carnivals.

EYRE PENINSULA COURSE - WUDINNA

SATURDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2018

LOCATION: Central Eyre Little Athletics Centre - Wudinna Area School, Medley Terrace, Wudinna SA 5652

TIME: 9:00AM - 3:00PM

COST: \$75.00 per participant (must be 16 years of age at time of the course)

REGISTER ONLINE: www.littleathleticsa.com.au/ITCC

08 8352 8133 | coaches@salaa.org.au | www.littleathleticsa.com.au

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Vacswim in Wudinna 2018

Vacswim is nearly here. A huge thank you to those who have already enrolled and let me know via text or email. If you have enrolled and not let me know can you please text me so I can have idea of numbers and staffing needed asap. If you haven't enrolled on line please do so soon and of course let me know. If you have been a regular for Vacswim but not able to do it this year can you also let me know as well so I can cross them of my lists.

Lessons for Level 1 to 7 will start on Monday afternoon 17 December from 12.45 with one lesson, then 2 lessons on Tuesday and Thursday (morning and afternoon) Wednesday and Friday morning with one lesson.

It looks like we will once again have a large group participating in the Bronze Awards, which is fantastic, but just a reminder it will be necessary to have some extra time which may be Friday 14, Sunday 16 December, Monday morning, Wednesday afternoon and for examining Friday afternoon and Saturday morning if needed! I will be sending out more information to those participating soon.

Keep the enrolments coming and stay tuned.

Susie Boylan

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Year 9 Camp – Coodlie Park



On Wednesday 24 October, Week 2, the Year 9 class, Di McKenna and Mr Bowley left for their camp to Coodlie Park, between Venus Bay and Elliston. The students enjoyed a quick break at sunny Venus Bay on the way over and were greeted with perfect weather and conditions. We arrived at Coodlie Park a little after lunchtime, met Hassie and his dog Mia and quickly got settled in. We met Simon, who works for Greening Australia, to collect seeds belonging to various sorts of trees.

The following morning, we headed out to Baird's Bay for our Dolphin and Sea Lion tour. We all got suited up and were taken out in the tour boat to the dolphins. They were feeling rather playful and came to inspect us right away, swimming and spinning around us. Unfortunately, the sea lions were less enthusiastic to see us because they are about to start mating season. We then had a quick lunch at Sceales Bay before surfing. Despite the cold weather earlier, the air had warmed up so the water was perfect. Everyone was extremely enthusiastic even though everyone had their fair share of wipe-outs.

We drove out to Talia the next day to have a sandboarding session on the sand dunes. The conditions were perfect and the students thoroughly enjoyed sandboarding and a beautiful view of the Talia Beach with dolphins jumping in and out of the waves. We then headed back to Venus Bay for a swim and an ice-cream before getting back to school just after 2.00pm. Everyone was puffed but it was obvious that we all had great fun.





I like *this* reef...



Look! Seals!



Australian Pickers



Australian MasterChef 2018

2018 Secondary Award Sponsorships

Please return to Glenys McGuire

I/We would like to sponsor a Secondary Award for 2018.

- ☐ 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

✂

Use of Mobile Phone in school

– please complete and return to Front Office, or complete online (URL & QR code printed on first page)
by Friday 16 November

1. Should secondary students have access to mobile phones during school hours?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No - not at all
- ☐ Yes - but only during recess/lunch breaks

2. Should secondary students have access to music via their mobile phone during lesson times at teacher discretion?

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No

Comment

3. Which of the following are you?

- ☐ Parent
- ☐ Secondary Student
- ☐ Staff Member