



# WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL

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## OUR SCHOOL VALUES:



## DATES TO REMEMBER:

Governing Council Meeting –  
7.00pm  
*Tuesday 4 December*

### \*\*\*\*Early Finish\*\*\*\*

before R-12 Presentation Night  
School finishes 1 hour early –  
buses leave at 2.35pm;  
Presentation Night at Apex Park  
– begins at 7.30pm, students to be  
there by 7.15pm  
*Friday 7 December*

Term 4 ends – buses leave at  
2.35pm  
*Thursday 13 December*

Ag Steering Committee Meeting  
– 7.00pm in Conference Room  
*Wednesday 23 January*

Term 1 2019 begins  
*Tuesday 29 January*

School Photos 2019  
*Wednesday 21 August*

## 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 2019 is well underway.

## Staffing 2019

We are still working out the school staffing for 2019 and who will have what class once we have filled all positions.

## Agriculture

The Steering Committee met for our first formal meeting and we have a plan for the very beginning of the school year. Dan Vorstenbosch will be contacting people and asking for your assistance early in the year. We are keen to provide the teaching staff with an opportunity to get onto farms early in 2019 so that they can broaden their knowledge and incorporate the latest skills and technology into their teaching programs for 2019. Making the teaching and learning much more relevant and connected to our major industry within our region. The Steering Committee is also helping to ramp up the Agriculture program with plans to modernize and help make it an outstanding program.

The next meeting of the Steering Committee will be held Wednesday 23 January at 7.00pm in the Conference Room.

## 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. We won't be holding the practice run this year due to the time constraints. With the constant change in the weather we have also made a Plan B to use the Gym as the Hall will be set up for the markets for the Christmas Pageant. Thereby ensuring 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 Gym.

## Reports

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

## Facilities

Please come in and have a look at the completed amphitheatre and the new trees that have been planted. We are also in the process of redeveloping Building 29 which is very close to the netball courts. Building 29 will be used initially by the Kindy as they undergo a redevelopment and then it will become a Secondary classroom.

## Governing Council

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

## 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 can get back to harvest and that we get some sunshine.*

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.



## **FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY**

### **Primary Social**

A reminder, that our Primary Social will be held tomorrow night (Friday 30 November). The poster featured in this newsletter contains all of the details. At the conclusion of the social, students will need to be picked up by an adult. The cost for entry, food and drink is \$5.00. The theme for the night is formal, however students may wear casual if they prefer.

### **Presentation Night**

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, Presentation Night will be held on Friday 7 December. Primary students will need to be at Apex Park by 7.15pm with the Primary presentations beginning at 7.30pm. Please note, school will finish 1 hour early on this day.

### **End of Year Assembly**

The Semester 2 Awards for Primary and Secondary students will be given out at the end of year assembly on Thursday 13 December. The starting time for this assembly will be 1.30pm. Semester 2 reports will also be distributed on this day.

### **Thank you Classroom SSO's**

I would like to sincerely thank the SSO's who have been supporting students in the classrooms and on learning programs this year to enhance the learning outcomes of our students. We are fortunate to have a dynamic and dedicated group of SSO's who have a positive rapport with the students they work with and make life a lot easier for classroom teachers. Thank you to Triff Wedding, Jacoba Frischke, Cassie Stringer, Emma Bigg, Nola Buckham, Gidge Murphy and Ellie Dearman. Ellie will be leaving us at the end of the year and we thank her for her time and efforts and wish her all the best for 2019 with her new baby.

### **End of year Primary activities – Pool Party**

The Primary Pool Party will be held on Wednesday 12 December.

Further information will be sent out next week.

*Karen Lymn*

*Assistant Principal - Primary*

## **FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY**

### **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 30 November. 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.

### **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. 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 Meeting**

A Year 7 Transition Meeting will occur on Tuesday 11 December. This will allow students and parents to gain information related to Year 8 curriculum directly from the teachers responsible for its delivery. The meeting will commence in Room 16 (where assemblies normally occur) at 4.00pm. We look forward to as many students and parents attending as possible. 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 during Week 9; there may be an opportunity for all Secondary students (specific information to be sent to parents via a letter and consent form) to travel to Venus Bay for the day on Tuesday 11 December to allow the Year 8 students who did not complete their Boat Licence during the camp to finalise their testing; Wednesday normal lessons will continue with students completing alternative activities of relevance to their various subjects. On Thursday 13 December, students will be engaged in alternate activities, which may 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 13 December at the conclusion of the final assembly.

*Glenys McGuire*

*Assistant Principal – Secondary*

## **FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER**

Well done to Brayden Chambers, Melissa Wendland and our capable bus driver, Di McKenna, for taking our Year 8 students to their Aquatics Camp at Coffin Bay last week. I was able to visit their training grounds and see the young people getting coached in many different skills out on the water. It was lots of fun watching the sailing boat crew, the "tinny" crew and the paddle boarders do their thing BUT we could see stormy weather approaching. Back to Nyroca Camp Monday night and not the best weather for Tuesday and Wednesday. The students eagerly pressed on with their training but because of the windy weather only Luke and Chad were able to finish their boat license. The remaining students will soon have another opportunity to get their licence at Venus Bay. Well done Year 8's!  
*Cheers! From Carol.*

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

A reminder our book sale is still on, and a selection of new books are also available (nothing over \$10). Please have a look for, and return, overdue books and return Library Bags that belong to the library.

*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.



## **BUS DRIVER NEEDED**



A one-line expression of interest in writing is invited from all eligible persons, for the position of

### **WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL BUS DRIVER for the Warrambo Run**

Approx 210kms per day

Commencement date: 29 January 2019

Drivers must have:

- Driver Accreditation, which includes:
  - Criminal Screening Check by DCSI
  - Medical
  - Governing Council Approval
- MR Licence or higher

Applications close Friday 30 November.

Please contact Stacey at the school on 8680 2263 to help get these documents & for any further enquiries.

## **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 asap so I can have idea of numbers and staffing needed. If you haven't enrolled online 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 12.45pm 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, 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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## SAPSASA CRICKET

On Sunday 18 November 2018, Jake, Jackson, Ezra and I made our way to Adelaide to compete in SAPSASA Cricket against other schools and regions from all over South Australia.

On the first day, we played against Murray Lands at West Beach Oval. The weather was hot and we had to keep applying sunscreen so we wouldn't get burnt while we were playing. Jack Kenny was our coach and when we all first got there, he announced that he had picked Jackson Petty to be our team's captain. The game was played on a turf pitch and Jackson won the toss so we decided to bowl first. Murray Lands made 113 runs and I almost made a hat-trick, taking two wickets with four balls. Jake opened the batting for our team and he made forty-two runs! Jackson then made fifteen runs and unfortunately Ezra and I did not get the chance to bat



because we made enough runs to win the game before it was our turn. Team photos were taken after our game. The second day of cricket got cancelled due to rain so the whole team went bowling together at Marion and it was a lot of fun. The third day also got cancelled due to rain, so we went to an indoor cricket centre called Mega Indoor Sports Centre where we still got to play cricket, even though it was not competitive SAPSASA like we were in Adelaide for.

On the final day, Jackson won the toss again and we decided to bat first. Ezra and Balyn opened the batting against Lower EP. Balyn made twenty runs and Ezra made eleven, Jackson made five and Jake made one. I got the highest amount of runs for the day. We all got bowled out for about one hundred runs. Ezra opened the bowling and got no wickets. I was the second bowler and I got the opening batter out with the first wicket for the day. Jake and Jackson got one wicket each for this game. We weren't the winner for this game, however, it was a good game.

It was really great to be able to have the opportunity to meet new friends and compete in Adelaide. I really hope I get another chance next year to beat my personal achievements because I had so much fun.

*By Balyn O'Brien*

## SAPSASA GIRLS CRICKET

On Sunday 18 November 2018 after a long trip, Zoe, Billie, Shannon, Ricca and Bella arrived in Adelaide ready to play SAPSASA Girls' Cricket. They were chosen to represent WAS in Term 4, Week 6 2018 to compete against school regions in South Australia for the first time. All games were 20 overs long and all team members had a turn at batting and bowling. Throughout the whole week, everyone had a turn at being the wicket keeper.

The first day was very hot. The girls played at the EP Nazzar Reserve near Semaphore. They played South-West Country. Despite losing, Ricca displayed awesome throwing skills, running a player out and Billie made a caught and bowled. Bella was in full wicket keeper attire and just about passed out due to the heat!

The second game was close, despite the opposition being very experienced and intimidating. Zoe hit five 4's, Ricca hit two 4's and also got a wicket. Shannon and Bella also made runs. Day two weather was the opposite to day one, with it being cold and rainy.

The girls played at Jubilee Park near West Lakes. After being lost, Shannon Ricca and Zoe eventually, thanks to Google Maps, arrived. In the first game, the girls went out confidently, but lost by a narrow margin. The second game was unfortunately cancelled due to the other team forfeiting. This resulted in a technical win for the girls and also meant that they could go shopping at West Lakes and Harbour Town! That night, all of the Wudinna Area School SAPSASA students had tea together at The Watermark.

Day three was also cold, but windier. One and a half games were played. The girls batted first and not many runs were made. Due to horrible, wet and windy conditions, the second half of the game was not played. This resulted in a draw. The weather came good, so a shortened game was played. Despite a team member from Kimba making a spectacular catch, the girls lost.

Day four was at Jubilee Park again. Because it was the last day, the girls only played one, shortened game. Ricca made another run out. Billie bowled a player out and Bella was a part of a twenty run partnership. All of the girls were tired except for Ricca!



The girls thought the week was fun, cold and a great experience. They learnt a lot about cricket such as what an over is and how to bowl properly. The girls got to make new friends and hope to catch up with them in the future. They definitely think that SAPSASA Girls' Cricket should continue in this region in the future.

### **SAPSASA TENNIS**

On Sunday 18 November, Rani Tomney, Sophie O'Brien, Ruby Oswald, Reef Tomney and I travelled the long journey to Adelaide to represent Wudinna Area School in SAPSASA Tennis. We played matches at Broadview and Prospect and competed against other regions from all over South Australia. We had an early start on Monday morning and we travelled to Broadview tennis courts for our first day of play. We had a hit together to get used to the tennis courts and, luckily for us, they were the same courts as the ones at the school. We played against Kangaroo Island first, beating them in all games! Next, we played Western Eyre Peninsula and we were still strong, winning all our games except one!

The second day was not so pleasant because it was pouring with rain for the whole morning and we had to wait two hours until we could play again. When the rain finally cleared, our team spent a very long time sweeping the rain off of the courts. The first round of games ended up being cancelled. We then played Northern/Whyalla and we also won all our games.

On the third day, we played at Prospect Tennis Courts against Port Pirie and everyone was half way through playing their games when it started pouring. We ended up getting a point each for the two games of the day and we were a little disappointed because we were certain that we were going to win against the first team! There was an upside to the games being cancelled though, and that was that we got to go to tenpin bowling and to laser skirmish.

On the Thursday, the first game we played was against Gawler and we won. In the afternoon we played North Eastern and we won all our games except for two. After that, half of our team went to Bounce and Sophie and I went to the new cinema at Prospect and watched a movie called The Nutcracker.

Friday was the last day of SAPSASA Tennis and we played against Playford and when we got there it was raining again! When the rain stopped it was the other team's turn to sweep the rain off of courts before we played and won all our games except for one.

Overall, going to Adelaide for SAPSASA Tennis was a great experience, not only to play tennis but to meet new people and experience life in the city. I thoroughly enjoyed my time and hope to be able to get the chance to do it all again next year... maybe with a little less rain!

*By Imogen Barns*





# 2018 Agriculture

2018 has been a busy year in Agriculture. Many new and exciting developments have occurred and there are still a lot of plans in the pipeline. The Ag Steering Committee are in the process of helping to get Agriculture a central theme throughout the school for 2019.

One of the biggest improvement for 2018 has been the installation of new fences, kindly done free of charge by Kerry and Carl Jericho. This has allowed us to house some stock and expand our learning programs.

Community involvement and generosity has been at an all-time high with many people expressing their interest in becoming involved. We thank everyone for their support and although many people do not want recognition I think it is important they are recognised for their contributions.

A huge thank you to the following people who have donated goods and/or their time: (sorry if I missed anyone)

Kerry and Carl Jericho

Craig and Toni Jericho

Mark and Sonia North

Tristan and Jo Waters

Ryan and Tania DuBois

Dallas and Gabrielle Waters

Jeff and Emma Bigg

Lubin and Sue Stringer

Troy and Jade Klante

Leon Gill and Megan Lister



Troy and Beck Sampson

Chris and Leanne Lymn

Greg and Leisa Barns

Tom and Jenny Whittle

Tyrone Cummings

Craig Walladge

Dan Vorstenbosch

Trent Allen

Steven and Chelsea Westlake

Also a big thank you to Elders Wudinna for the donation of our new feeder!



Thanks again and we look forward to 2019!





## Year 8 Camp Aquatics Camp at Coffin Bay

In Week 6, the Year 8 class accompanied by Mr Chambers, Mrs Wendland and expertly transported by Di McKenna, went on a 3 day camp to Coffin Bay. We stayed at Nyroca and travelled to Coffin Bay for aquatic activities. On Monday and Tuesday, the weather was overcast but calm. Students had the opportunity to engage in a variety of aquatic activities. Of those who sat for their theory boat test on Tuesday evening, all passed. Only 2 students had the opportunity to do the practical test to get their boat permit because the weather was too rough on Wednesday. A trip to Venus Bay is planned in Week 9 for all secondaries. Students who did not get their permit will have the opportunity to complete their small boat handling practical on the day.

Yvonne (aquatic organiser) commented how well-mannered the students were saying they were one of the best groups she had dealt with. As support staff, we were very encouraged by the appreciation shown to the instructors by the students.









