



# WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL

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## OUR SCHOOL VALUES:



**Parents & Friends  
Meet & Greet at 5.00pm  
Wednesday 5 February**

**SAPSASA Cricket & Tennis  
Tryouts  
Thursday 6 February**

**Swimming Carnival  
Years 3-12  
Friday 14 February**

**Splash Day-Years R-2  
Tuesday 18 February**

**Governing Council AGM-  
7.00pm  
Tuesday 18 February**

**School Photos  
Wednesday 19 August**

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

G'day Everyone

### Welcome back to school for 2020!

I hope that everyone got to have a safe, enjoyable, and well-earned break. I trust everyone is ready for another big year! We have an exciting year planned and are looking forward to an excellent year of teaching and learning.

I would like to introduce and welcome our new staff for 2020 including:

- Jesse Castley (English/HASS/PE)
- Genevieve Wright (Ag/Science)
- Erica Sharplin (Year 7)
- Imogen Sampson (Home Ec)
- Kathryn Hardwick-Franco (English/HASS/Research Project)
- Jodi Martin (Instrumental Music)

I would also like to welcome all of our new Reception students for 2020 and our new enrolments in other year levels; we are extremely happy that you are now part of our school. We have had quite a few new enrolments across the school this year. It has also been great to catch up with returning students and they have all seemed to have grown so much over the holidays.

### Parents and Teachers 'Meet and Greet'

Parents and Friends have kindly organised a 'meet and greet' night. We invite families to an informal gathering at the Little Aths shed from 5.00pm on Wednesday 5 February for a sausage sizzle. We hope to see everyone here!

### Governing Council

The Governing Council AGM will be held on the Tuesday 18 February in the Library at 7.00pm. Nomination Forms for the Governing Council are attached, please fill it in and return it the school. We appreciate your support and I look forward to seeing you at the AGM.

### Term 1

It has been a great start to the year and staff and students are already working hard on the curriculum. If you are able, please come and visit our classes. Children love to share the work that they are doing with their parents. We are always keen to have parents and community members come and listen to students read. This is very important for students to become proficient readers and improve their comprehension skills. If you are able we would appreciate your support.

Term 1 is always a busy term. We will be having swimming lessons, swimming carnival, interschool swimming, track and field (Sports Day) and Interschool Track and Field which we are hosting to name just a few of the activities for students this term. We will need lots of helpers to ensure that these events are able to run.

### Procedures/ Maps/Info

If you need to contact your child for any change of plans etc., please contact the Front Office as teachers often do not check their phones due to teaching commitments. The Front Office will ensure that messages and changes in plans are communicated and teachers and students get the message. Please check our website as it contains lots of information that may be helpful to you. We are also keen for you to ring or come in and ask if you have any queries or questions big or small.

### Facebook

Please check out our Facebook page.

**Please come into the school for a visit we want your involvement and input into your school.**

Yours truly  
**Ned Loades**  
Principal

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

### **Welcome back**

Welcome back to all students and families to 2020. A special welcome to our new Receptions: Abigail Brace, Madelyn Finey, Rylan Grocke, Henry Scholz, Mardi Stringer, Hamilton Waters, Noah Sampson, Molly Waters, Kristella Rothwell-Smith, Amber Lymn, Chloe Beinke, Jonas Gosling and Emily Pope. These students are in Jill Petty's class and we hope they enjoy their time at our school.

### **Swimming**

Swimming lessons for Reception-Year 7 will begin on Tuesday 4 February. The instructors for this year will be Susie Boylan, Mel Crosby and Jenna-May Jackson. As mentioned in the class parent letters, the total amount for the cost of the lessons will be \$45 which can be paid daily, or the full amount can be paid to Stacey in the Front Office. The payment goes to the Wudinna and Districts Swimming Pool. The Reception – Year 2 students will have their own separate swimming carnival in the form of a "Splash Day" on Tuesday 18 February. The committee are currently working out the activities for the day and further details will be sent out in future weeks.

### **SAPSASA**

SAPSASA information has been sent out to parents this week as the Cricket and Tennis Carnival in Adelaide is now going to be held in Term 1 instead of Term 4. The Tennis and Cricket tryouts will be held in Lock next Thursday 6 February. Parents will need to organise their own transport arrangements to Lock.

### **Music**

Today I met with Jodi Martin who will be our new music teacher for this year. Jodi will teach music at Wudinna on Thursdays. Music students will need to bring their instruments on Thursdays and their lessons will be rotational. A letter with further details will be sent out early next week.

*Karen Lymn*

*Assistant Principal – Primary*

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

### **Welcome back to 2020**

It was great to see the students return to school on Tuesday looking refreshed and ready for a busy and productive year ahead. I hope that everyone had a great Christmas and New Year and that time spent with family and friends was enjoyable. We look forward as a Secondary cohort of staff to seeing students striving to do their best and achieving some excellent learning outcome throughout the year. We welcome four new staff members to our Secondary group this year – Jesse Castley, Kathryn HardwickFranco, Imogen Sampson and Genevieve Wright. They are a very welcome addition to the staff returning from previous years working with the students of our school.

### **Best wishes for 2020 to the Year 12 students**

In 2020 we have five students who are aiming to complete their SACE and move into the next phase of their lives – whether that is further study or employment. Our students are: Demi Hebbberman, Riley Martin, Lyka Pulgo, Jessica

Sampson and Julie Shepherdson. The students selected their subjects wisely, carefully considering their potential future pathways; two students have chosen to undertake Open Access study to meet their needs; Riley with Physics and Lyka with German (Beginners). Two students are also combining their studies with school-based apprenticeships: Riley with Electrotechnology and Jessica with Agriculture. We wish all students a successful year and the fulfilment of their desired pathway.



### **Course Overviews**

Again in 2020, we will send home an overview letter of what students will be studying in each subject – this will be completed at the start of each semester. We aim to compile the outline letters for Semester 1 and distribute them to parents and caregivers by the end of Week 2 of this term.

### **Secondary SRC**

For 2020 Jaimee Bensen and Nat Phillips will undertake the role of the Coordinators for this year's Secondary SRC. Thank you to both staff members who were willing to take on this important job in our school. Elections for student representatives will take place over the next couple of weeks and they will play a vital role in the student voice of our school community. Thank you to all involved for being willing to work on the SRC this year.

*Glenys McGuire*

*Assistant Principal – Secondary*

### **FROM THE PASTORAL CARE WORKER**

Welcome back to school all staff and students! I hope you had a good holiday break! We enjoyed our time at Pt Neil with family and friends. Our school and community are thinking of the Oswald-Field and Lymn families who are grieving at the loss of their loved one. Our hearts go out to you at this time and may you find help and comfort from precious memories, family and close friends. Let's look out for one another in this new year! *Cheers! Carol.*

### **SWIMMING CARNIVAL AND SPLASH DAY**

The annual Swimming Carnival for Years 3-12 will be held on Friday 14 February (Week 3) commencing at 9.30am. This carnival allows students to compete and participate for House Shield points. The day allows students to showcase their swimming progress in a fun but competitive nature and to encourage and support their house through participation, barracking and singing. Students in Years 3-12 are expected to attend the carnival

as per normal school day and to participate to the best of their ability to ensure the carnival is enjoyed by all. This year we are introducing a separate R-2 Splash Day on Tuesday 18 February commencing 12.00noon as recommended by the Sports Committee after reviewing last year's carnival.

Having two separate carnivals will allow all students to demonstrate their progress and provide opportunities to participate in more competitive and non-competitive events.

Catering will be provided at both carnivals for students, staff, parents and spectators. All students will need to pre-order their lunch; further information will be provided closer to the date.

Parental assistance will be required for time keeping, stroke and place judges for both events. Please allocate a preferred time on the Wudinna Area School Facebook page.

If your child/ren are unable to attend their respective carnivals it would be appreciated if you could notify their class teacher before the events.

*Georgia Kontos  
for the Sports Committee*

#### **MATERIALS & SERVICES FEES (SCHOOL FEES)**

2020 Materials & Services Fees have been invoiced and sent out. Thank you to the families that have already paid or are paying off their School Fees for 2020. 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.

#### **NEW RECEPTION STUDENTS**



*Rylan, Chloe, Molly, Emily, Noah, Kristella  
Abigail, Jonas, Mardi, Amber, Maddie, Hamilton, Henry*

#### **NEW STAFF FOR 2020**



*Kathryn Hardwick-Franco*



*Genevieve Wright*



*Jesse Castley*



*Erica Sharplin*



*Imogen Sampson*



*Jodi Martin*

Hospitality Short Course  
TAFE SA Wudinna Campus

Espresso Coffee Making  
"The Perfect Cup"

This workshop gives participants the opportunity to practice skills in the preparation, making and serving of a large variety of espresso coffee styles.

Participants will gain skills in: Operating automatic espresso coffee machines and grinders, heating and texturizing milk, working with a large variety of industry equipment, coffee extraction and crema use.

The two accredited units of competencies gained are a combination of core and elective units from the Certificate II in Hospitality – SIT2016

- Prepare and Serve Espresso Coffee
- Use Hygienic Practices for Food Safety

This course is suitable for anyone who would like to gain employment as a barista/coffee attendant in a café, restaurant or hotel.

Cost: \$100.00 under SRC/RD funding, eligibility conditions.

Date: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> – Friday 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020 & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>

Venue: Wudinna Campus

For further information and register your interest contact:

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## Governing Council Nomination for Election Form

I \_\_\_\_\_ (full name) of \_\_\_\_\_ (address)

Nominate \_\_\_\_\_ (full name) of \_\_\_\_\_ (address)

I \_\_\_\_\_ (full name) of \_\_\_\_\_ (address)

accept the nomination and hereby declare that I have not been declared bankrupt and do not receive a benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors. I have not been convicted of any offence of dishonesty, or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person. I understand that should I be declared bankrupt, receive a benefit of law for the relief of insolvent debtors or be convicted of any of the offences listed, my membership of Wudinna Area School Governing/School Council will cease.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



Student ID Card: Please return to the Front Office by Monday 10 February

Please supply a Student ID card for the following student/s

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year Level \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year Level \_\_\_\_\_

Payment of \$7.50 per card is enclosed