



WUDINNA AREA SCHOOL

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OUR SCHOOL VALUES:



DATES TO REMEMBER

SAPSASA Swimming – Adelaide
Friday 6 May

NAPLAN Testing
– Yr 3, 5, 7, 9
Tues 10-Fri 20 May

Governing Council – 7.00pm
Tuesday 17 May

Parent/Student/Teacher Interviews – school finishes at 1.00pm, buses leave at 1.05pm
Wednesday 25 May

Pedal Prix event – Adelaide
Sunday 19 June

School Photos
Wednesday 17 August

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

What a great start to the season!

This term we are striving to continue to provide as many learning opportunities and activities for our students.

Term 2

This term is already filling up with lots of activities including:

- SAPSASA Football/Netball trials
- Parent/Student and Teacher Interviews
- SRC Induction
- NAPLAN testing
- SAPSASA Swimming
- Tcharkulda Cross Country
- Pedal Prix

COVID-19

Rules around social distancing still apply. Face masks are required at school for all adults when indoors (except for teachers if it is impeding their ability to communicate while teaching) and students in Year 7 to 12 when indoors. Masks are strongly recommended for children in Year 3 to 6 when indoors. We will keep everyone up to date as the rules change.

We are currently getting a lot of staff and students with COVID. The availability of staff may mean that we need to make changes to classes and bus runs etc. Thank you in advance for your understanding and cooperation during this difficult time.

Instrumental Music

We are happy to welcome Jodi Martin back to teach Instrumental Music this term. We have many students excited by the opportunity to learn music once again.

AG

The Ag program continues to go from strength to strength. We have our wethers getting ready for the show and the steers will be here this week to take up residence in their new yards. This year the Royal Adelaide Show has incorporated a cross-bred steer section in line with many other show/competitions. Steve our cross-bred steer has already had lots of handling and is progressing well. We will be endeavouring to take three steers to the show this year. The seeding program will get underway soon with the Year 11 & 12 students participating in the program.

Professional Learning Communities (PLC's)

Wudinna Area School staff are always striving to be up to date with current learning methodologies and implementing best practice to engage and extend students learning. We know that working in teams is one of the best means of providing the most relevant and engaging learning activities for students. This teamwork is a reflection of the professionalism of the staff here at Wudinna Area School.

Governing Council

Our next meeting will be on 17 May at 7.00pm in the Conference Room.

Yours truly

Ned Loades
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – SECONDARY

Welcome back to Term 2; I hope that families have had a well-deserved rest and are feeling invigorated for the term ahead! Many farms are in the full swing of seeding, I hope the weather is favourable; and winter sport is one round in, go the Storm!

We have had a challenging start to the term, with COVID cases within our school really starting to ramp up. I want to thank the staff for being so flexible during this time and ensuring that quality learning continues to take place. I also want to thank our families, parents and students for following the COVID protocols, to keep the school safe as best as possible in the current climate.

NAPLAN Testing

NAPLAN online testing will begin on Tuesday 10 May and conclude on Friday 20 May; this includes catch up days if your child is absent during the test sessions listed below. The test sessions for Yr 7 and Yr 9 are as follows...

Tuesday 10 May	Writing
Wednesday 11 May	Reading
Thursday 12 May	Conventions of Language
Monday 16 May	Numeracy
Tuesday 17–Friday 20 May	Catch up days

Year 7 Ultimate Frisbee

Our Year 7's were scheduled to attend an Ultimate Frisbee competition on Thursday 12 May (Week 2) at Navigators College in Port Lincoln. On Monday, a decision will be made if we go ahead with this event, based on both student and teacher numbers. Thank you for your patience.

School Sport - Netball

We have more sporting events to look forward to this term/year. At the bottom of this page are all the events we have applied for as a school.

Jaimee Bensen

Assistant Principal – Secondary

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL – PRIMARY

Welcome back to Term 2. We would like to especially welcome Caleb Wynes, Chase & Billy Browning and their families to our school and we hope they enjoy their time living in our community.

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Tuesday 10 May	Writing
Wednesday 11 May	Reading
Thursday 12 May	Conventions of Language
Monday 16 May	Numeracy
Tuesday 17–Friday 20 May	Catch up days

Welcome to Bonnie-Lee

We extend a warm welcome to Bonnie-Lee Barnes Guy who is completing her final year teaching prac, 4 week block, in Kellie Rayson's Year 4/5 class. Bonnie-Lee is currently studying Primary teaching at Flinders University.

Wishing all mums and grandmas a very happy Mother's Day for Sunday.

Karen Lynn

TERM 2			
Thursday- Week 2 12/5	Port Lincoln- Navigator College	1 x 7 Boys 1 x 7 Girls	Ultimate Frisbee
Wednesday- Week 4 25/5	Port Lincoln- Navigator College	1 x 7/8 Girls 1 x Open Girls	Netball- Division B
Friday- Week 5 3/6	Wudinna	1 x 9/10 Mixed	Volleyball
Thursday- Week 7 16/6	Cleve	1 x 7/8/9 Boys 1 x 7/8/9 Girls	9-a-side AFL
TERM 3			
Thursday- Week 5 25/8	Port Lincoln- St. Joseph's	1 x Open Boys	Basketball
Thursday- Week 5 25/8	Port Lincoln- Port Lincoln High	1 x Open Girls	Basketball
Monday- Week 9 19/9	Port Lincoln- Navigator College	1 x Open Mixed	Netball
TERM 4			
Thursday- Week 2 27/10	Port Lincoln- St. Joseph's	1 x 7/8 Boys	Basketball
Thursday- Week 2 27/10	Port Lincoln- Navigator College	1 x 7/8 Girls	Basketball
Wednesday- Week 5 16/11	Kimba	1 x 7-10 Boys 1 x 7-10 Girls	Cricket Super 8's

Assistant Principal – Primary

At The Library...

I just want to remind everyone that the Premier's Reading Challenge ends Friday 9 September. I encourage all students, especially our upperclassmen, to participate in the challenge this year. More information can be found at the library or online at

<https://premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au>.

There is also a STEM Reading and Design Challenge within the PRC. Students must read a STEM, nature or space themed book, preferably from the Premier's Reading Challenge booklist and then use your imagination to complete a short project based on your age group. Prizes are available to the best individual entry and runner up for each age group and the school with the most entries. The challenge finishes 8 July so don't delay. Please see the flyer below for details. Printouts will be available at the library. More information can also be found online at

<https://premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au/2022/04/05/2022-prc-stem-competition-opening-soon/>.

Regards,
Grant

THE 2022 PRC
STEM Reading and Design Challenge
Incorporating Space and Nature

Starts 2 May and finishes 8 July
Announcement of winners in National Science Week, August 2022

THE COMPETITION

The Premier's Reading Challenge and partners are teaming up again to challenge you to read about Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) in the lead up to National Science Week. The reading and design competition started in 2016 and last year over 2000 entries were received!

This year we have two additional themes
- **NATURE & SPACE**

As in previous years, there are great prizes to be won.

To enter you need to read a STEM, nature or space themed book, preferably from the Premier's Reading Challenge booklist and then use your imagination for your entry.

GUIDELINES

Complete the task, according to your year level, listed below and send your entries to the Premier's Reading Challenge team. You may focus on STEM broadly or more specifically on SPACE or NATURE.

The NATURE theme: your entry must be inspired by a book about nature in South Australia, such as plants, animals, bushland, beaches, parks or perhaps your garden at home.

The SPACE theme: your entry must be inspired by a book about space such as human spaceflight, the planets and universe, satellites, space travel and astronomy.

THE PRIZES

All individual students will receive a certificate of participation.

A selection of prizes including passes to the Adelaide Zoo, Cleland Wildlife Park and Science Alive! and books, book vouchers, vouchers for the South Australian Museum gift shop and science magazine subscriptions will be awarded to:

- best individual entry and runner up for each age group
- the school with the most entries.

AGE CATEGORY PROJECTS

**R-2:
Create**

Draw a picture in response to the PRC book you have read.

**3-5:
Invent**

Plan an invention (description, drawing) inspired by your PRC reading.

**6-9:
Design**

Design a STEM poster, related to your PRC reading, to inspire interest in science-related fields.

**Mature:
Innovate**

Create an infographic to illustrate how you would solve a problem you have read about using STEM.

APPLY

Ensure each entry is accompanied by:

Student name, Student year at school, School name, School contact details, Teacher name

STEM Book read from Premier's Reading Challenge - include title and author

If not an entry for the broad STEM theme, identify if the entry is intended for the SPACE theme or NATURE theme.

SEND ENTRIES TO

STEM Reading and Design Challenge
C/O Premier's Reading Challenge
GPO Box 1152, Adelaide, SA 5001

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More about the Premier's Reading Challenge:
www.premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au

HOW GREAT IS IT TO SEE THE STUDENTS ENJOY THE BASKETBALL BACKBOARDS THEY CREATED!

