



Term 2 Week 4

Important Dates

Principal's News

I would like to say a very sincere and large thank you to the Parents and Friends Committee for their organisation of the Sausage Sizzle held at St Monica's Polling Booth during the recent Federal Election. We were blessed to have a beautiful day with the sun shining on us and even more blessed to have many families volunteer to cook and serve our visitors. It was a smooth and successful fundraiser for us and all money will be used to provide more resources for the students.

Another large thank you must also go to two very generous businesses who donated goods for this sausage sizzle. The sensational **Slape and Sons** sausages helped with sausages, onion and napkins and the delightful **Dulwich Bakery at Collinswood** donated all the bread. Please support these amazing businesses and let them know we appreciate their support.

Whilst talking about the Parents and Friends, I would encourage any parent or carer to join this very productive and welcoming group who work so hard to support our students and community. You may not be able to attend every meeting, but you are most welcome to join them as a casual member or assist at an event. The more the merrier!

School Disco Friday 24 June 2022

Time to get your groove on!

Reception to Year 2 - 6.00 - 7.15pm

Years 3 to 6 - 7.30 - 9.00pm

The next event being organised by the Parents and Friends is the school disco. The theme is "Crazy Colour Disco". While the children are busy burning off their energy, parents and carers are invited to the library for a very enjoyable evening of wine tasting from Virgara Wines. Creche will be available, more information will be sent home closer to the date.

More details to follow in coming weeks.

Sports Day Friday 4 November 2022

Please mark this date into your calendars for our second go at our school's annual Sports Day. It will be held at Clearview Oval and all families are most welcome to join us. Look forward to another great community gathering.

Peer Mediators

Our Year 6 students have completed their training in Peer Mediation and now are fully operational. These leaders are rostered on to be of service to our younger students who may have an issue at the break times. They can assist in simpler tasks such as tying shoe laces, opening lunch boxes or drink bottles or help with some low level friendship challenges. An important part of their training is to discern when they should get an adult involved to assist with a particular issue. Their leadership and care for the younger students is a wonderful thing to witness. Many thanks to these students for their leadership and service and also to Ms Sarah Morris for training them in this initiative.

Pupil Free Day

A gentle reminder that we are having a pupil free day on Friday 10 June. Staff will undertake their update in First Aid Training on this day. OSHC will be available to families on this day. Please contact Jodie or Annette to book your child/ren in.

God's blessings,

Emily Sayer

Principal



Thriving People

Living Kurna Cultural Centre

"We are living, learning and playing on Kurna Land" was today's theme that underpinned this year's Thriving People event.

On Monday Jacob, Abby and Lily participated in the Thriving People event at the Living Kurna Cultural Centre, Bedford Park.

We started our day with a smoking ceremony and had ochre placed on our foreheads. We learnt about ochre, crushing and painting with it. We tried weaving and especially enjoyed the bushwalking activities, learning about the salt bush berries and that some fruits and berries cannot be eaten. We also looked at fire pits our Kurna neighbours used and building our connection with country.

The whole day was a wonderful way to immerse ourselves in aboriginal culture.



Gifted Education Week

This week, Catholic Schools across South Australia celebrate Gifted Awareness Week. Students have a range of talents and strengths. We have run some special lunchtime activities each day this week to challenge children's thinking including:

'Mystery Box - problem solving narrative', General Knowledge Quiz Show, Portrait drawing with a difference, Rubik's Cube Challenge and Dance Lesson.



Student Voice - Nude Food Initiative

This year we have seen an increase in food packaging at the school and therefore litter around the school. To support our environment, we have set each class a challenge... to make their lunchboxes NUDE! This means trying not to bring packaged items to school, instead, choose 'naked' food such as fruit and veg or use containers to bring food in such as biscuits and sandwiches. If you show your

'nude' lunchbox to the teacher, students can earn house points!



Sacramental Program Retreat

In preparation for their upcoming Confirmation, students from our school joined students from St Martin's Parish School to participate in the Parish Sacramental Program Retreat. The full day event allowed the children to dive deeper into the faith by exploring the 'Fruits of the Holy Spirit', while also enjoying the company of other children in their parish. The fruits of love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control are what others see, experience and enjoy from us.

If you wish your child to complete their Sacraments of Initiation, contact the parish office or Bronwyn Ridley (APRIM) to be placed on the 2022/23 Program which will commence in Term for 2022.



Autism SA

Upcoming workshops:

- Understanding Autism, 30th May 3:45 - 5:15pm
- Why's and How's of Evidence Informed Strategies, 6th June 9:30-12:30pm
- Choice making Frameworks 15th June 3:45-5:15pm

- Supporting Resilience and Wellbeing 22nd June, 9:30-12:30pm

- Achieving Inclusion, 29th June 9:30-12:30pm

For more information please visit: <https://autismsa.org.au/training-consulting/>

Sarah Morris

(Leader of Learning - Wellbeing and Inclusion)

Soup Making

Over the term we have been making soup every recess on Wednesday for the Adelaide Day Centre. We have been able to do this because of the donated veggies and ingredients from our community. Our soup allows homeless people in Adelaide to receive a free hot meal this winter. We would like to thank all the people taking part in either donating or cooking. Thank you! Brooke and Georgia - Year 6



Pat's Library News

Please refer to the images below regarding news and events happening in and around the Library.

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 learning up again to challenge you to read about Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths (STEM) on the lead up to National Science Week. The reading and design competition started in 2018 and last year over 2000 entries were received!

This year you can have additional themes:

NATURE & SPACE
As in previous years, there are great prizes to be won. To enter you need to read a STEM topic or space-themed book, preferably from the Premier's Reading Challenge books and then use your imagination for your entry.

GUIDELINES
Complete the tasks, 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, invertebrates, insects 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 cosmic scientific, space travel and astronomy.

THE PRIZES
All children who 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

- K-2 Creative** Draw a picture in response to the PRC book you have read.
- 3-5 Invention** Plan an invention (description, drawing) inspired by your PRC reading.
- 6-8 Problem Solving** Design a STEM poster related to your PRC reading, to inspire interest in science-related fields.
- 9-12 Innovation** Create an infographic to illustrate how you would solve a problem you have read about using STEM.

APPLY
Submit each entry 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 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 1102, Adelaide, SA 5002

CONTACT
Mark Williams - Manager, Premier's Challenges
08 8208 2202 (weekdays) or email mark.williams@prc.org.au
More about the Premier's Reading Challenge:
www.premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au

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St Monica's acknowledge the Kaurra People as the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live, learn and work. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual connection and relationship of Aboriginal peoples to this country and commit to the ongoing journey of

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Term 1 2022

Saturday 2 April 11.00am

Term 2 2022

Saturday 14 May 11.00am

Saturday 4 June 11.00am

Saturday 18 June 11.00am
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