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Hincks Avenue Primary School

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From the Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

You may have noticed the bunting in the middle of the school yard. A few people have asked about this, so I thought I would share what is happening in this space. The old permapine logs are falling apart, so essentially we want to renew the space by edging the garden with large rocks. We are

trying to source large flat rocks (without sharp edges) at the moment and if you happen to know of any, please let me know.

In the space, we will also have a couple of paths that go to the Di Bryant learning Hub and Shooting Stars. We would also like to make use of the natural water flow by making a 'dry creek' that will catch water when it rains. The plan for this space is to have a natural native garden that looks great and is relatively easy to maintain.

In addition to these landscape changes, I have also applied for a grant to make an Outdoor Learning Centre. This will be a 7M wide Gazebo that has log seating in a circle and colourful rubber flooring. While this will be a great space for teachers to take learning outside, it will also be a great place for parents to sit in the afternoons while they wait for their children.





This project will take a while, but we start to see changes in 2023 and I look forward to sharing this progress with you.

On Wednesday afternoon, I had a Whyalla City Engineer visit from the Whyalla City Council. We talked about the traffic situation around our school. We voiced concerns about road safety and the need for a crossing on Hincks Avenue. He has taken this on board and over the next couple of months he will collect data to support with this project. This will be a natural visual survey of pedestrians and cars at the busy times of drop off and pick up. Once they have gathered this data we will talk further and put forward a proposal. Thank you for your feedback and concerns in regards to this matter, please keep communicating with me about your ongoing concerns and I will keep you in the loop with developments as they occur.

Kindest regards, Melíssa Gloede

2023 Term 1 Dates

Feb 23rd – Gov Council AGM

Feb 24th – The Sixers Assembly

Mar 10th – The Mighty Lions Assembly

Mar 13th – Public Holiday: Adelaide Cup

Mar 15th - 27th - NAPLAN

Mar 16th – National Close the Gap Day

Mar 30th – Governing Council Meeting

April 5th – School Photo Day

April 7th – Public Holiday: Good Friday

April 10th – Public Holiday: Easter Monday

April 14th – Last day of Term 1

Outside of School Hours Contact

If you need to contact the school for any reason (eg. positive covid case, student in isolation) outside of school hours or on the weekend, please either:

- Phone the school on <u>8645 7266</u> and leave a message on the answering machine. This is checked daily each morning through the school week.

or

Text our school number <u>0417 237 036</u>.
 This gets checked daily and checked reguarly on weekends as well.

NEW PHONE NUMBER

We have a new Virtual Number now live!

0417 237 036

This number can be used to text message us for student absences, booking meetings, questions etc.



Finance News

School Fees and School Card

School fees for 2023 is \$269 per child. We accept cash, credit card or EFTPOS payment.

Our banking details are: Hincks Ave Primary School

BSB: 065 519 Acc No: 10017267

Ref: Invoice number and child name

School card forms are available at the front office or alternatively follow the below link

to apply online.

https://online.forms.sa.edu.au/content/forms/af/public/application-for-school-card.html

You must apply for school card every year.

For any queries, please email Belinda.catchpole827@schools.sa.edu.au

Assembly Award Winners Week 2



Be Your Best: Harvey Parker, Tony Fergusson, Justice Clancy

Be Respectful: Anna Tyrell



Be Your Best: Tyler
Oswald

News from The Cygnets









Cygnets have been learning all about school and settling into new routines. We are exploring number patterns and size in Maths. We have learnt five phonemes and blending these into words. We have practiced holding our pencils and writing.





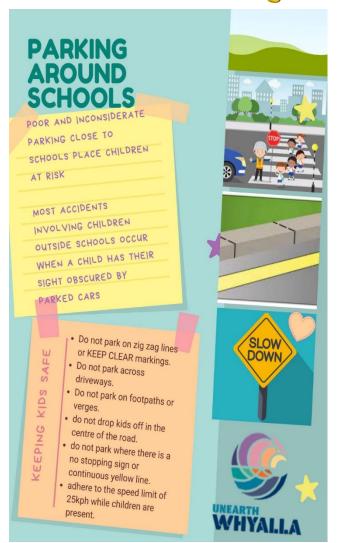








Car Parking at Hincks Avenue P.S



Parents please be aware that we now have students who need to access the Iron Knob Bus. This bus needs to pull up in the bus loop at around 8.15 every morning and then at 3.10 in the afternoon every day. The bus has a strict schedule that they need to stick to and need to make it to the next school on time.

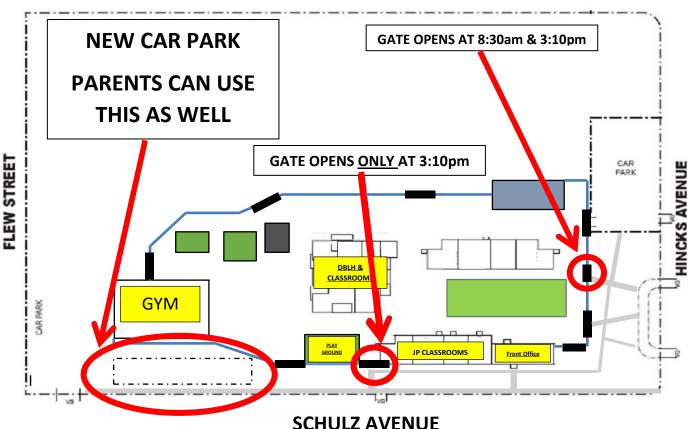
If you need to park your car to walk in to pick up your child, please park on the road/carparks, **not the bus loop**. The bus loop is a 'kiss and drop/pick up' area, not a 'leave the car to get your child' park.

To ease the traffic congestion on Hincks Avenue, we will open the side gate up on Schulz Avenue (see map below) in the afternoons only. We still ask that parents use the main gate entrance in the mornings so we can keep an eye on any students who may try to leave.

We have made a car park in front of the gate/gym, which can be accessed from the gym car park. Parents are able to park here as well in the mornings and in the afternoons.

We encourage all parents to come into the yard at the end of the day and utilise seating and shelters while waiting for the students to finish school. Please do not enter classrooms until after the bell goes.

CLUTTERBUCK STREET











OUR COACHES
AUSKICK: SEAN SEELEY

BENNETT OVA



Join Port Adelaide Football Club Players for a kick and catch followed by an opportunity for autographs.

E THURS 2 MARCH 2023

4:30PM - 5:30PM

FOLLOWED BY SIGNING SESSION

WHYALLA SECONDARY COLLEGE 0

117 NICOLSON AVE, WHYALLA NORRIE SA 5608

AGES 5-15



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