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# Hincks Avenue Primary School

## Newsletter

No 5.

May 20th 2024

### From the Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

You may have heard a media release about Hincks Avenue Primary being successful in winning School Upgrade Funding. This is a super exciting opportunity for our school to have our Administration area upgraded and for it to be funded by a Federal Government initiative.



This upgrade will include:

- Making a designated office for Tayla (so she is not working in a corridor!)
- Having safe and accessible counters for our children and the community.
- Providing separate offices for Leadership staff
- Providing meeting areas for all staff to access
- Providing an accessible office for our Student Wellbeing Leader, which children can access without going through the office.

The upgrade will include extending the deck along the back of the office area and making it easier for parents to come and go through this space. We are planning for this work to start as soon as possible and we are happy to share plans with you, if you would like to see them.

This Thursday is our Governing Council meeting. Please come along, become a member and enjoy being part of helping our school to grow and develop. Our Governing Council meetings are pretty casual and it is a good opportunity to develop connections with other parents in a safe and fun space.

As you know, I have stepped into an Acting Principal role at MOPS for the next 7 weeks.

This gives me an opportunity to step outside of what is familiar to learn, develop and grow in a new community.

I leave you in the very capable hands of Lisa Parsons (Principal), Carlene Paterson (Deputy Principal) and Robyn Lindholm (Student Wellbeing Leader) and I know they are dedicated and passionate about our school and our school community.

I look forward to returning at the end of term and seeing you all again before the holidays.

Kindest regards,  
*Melissa Gloede*

## 2024 Term 2 Dates

**May 23<sup>rd</sup>** – Governing Council Meeting 4pm

**May 27<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>** – Reconciliation Week

**May 31<sup>st</sup>** – Hockey Carnival

**June 3<sup>rd</sup>** – MABO Day

**June 10<sup>th</sup> – PUBLIC HOLIDAY. NO SCHOOL.**

**June 20<sup>th</sup>** – Governing Council Meeting 4pm

**July 5<sup>th</sup>** – Last Day of Term 2.

## Term 3

**Friday July 26<sup>th</sup> & Monday July 29<sup>th</sup> – POTENTIAL STUDENT FREE DAYS. TO BE CONFIRMED**

## **Outside of School Hours Contact**

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

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

or

- Text our school number **0417 237 036**. This gets checked daily and checked regularly 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.

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## From the Deputy Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I am looking forward to being Deputy Principal this term while Ms Parsons is acting Principal.

For the last 4 years, I have been working with secondary schools, transitioning students into careers, as well as writing English and Maths topics for SACE.

Before that, I worked at Nicolson Avenue Primary for about 14 years.

I have lived in Whyalla for most of my life. I am looking forward to working with all the children, and families, as well as the staff, across this school. Feel free to introduce yourself and say hello

Kindest regards,

*Carlene Paterson*

## Finance News

It is not too late to apply for School card. Please see the front office if you need a form.

All invoices are now due; please contact Belinda for a payment plan on [Belinda.catchpole827@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:Belinda.catchpole827@schools.sa.edu.au)

Invoices can be paid via cash, card or EFT.

Banking details are as follows.

Hincks Avenue Primary School

BSB: 065 519

Acc: 10017267

Reference: Students Name School Fees

## Bush Foods Wellbeing Group

Our bush foods wellbeing group that is held on Monday afternoons have been quite busy over the past couple weeks. Last week we planted six plants named chocolate lilies. These are located near the side gate if you want to have a look before or after school. We have been busy keeping our journals and researching plants we already have in our yard. We hope to have many more plants in our garden by the end of the term!



## Award Winners – Term 2, Week 2

**Assembly Awards: Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Your Best**

Liuryzah Sy, Teddy Beall, Isaiah Dodd



# News from The Nest

## The Nest-Swimming Week

On Friday I played games and one of them was <sup>the</sup> captain's ship.

Lyra

On Tuesday I <sup>picked up</sup> ~~put~~ <sup>the</sup> sinkies

Zoey

Tuesday I picked up sinkies with my feet

Benji

On Tuesday I picked up sinkies with my feet

Elijah

On Tuesday I got some sun sinkies <sup>on the bottom</sup> on the bottom of the pool

Reef

On Thursday I saved ~~2~~ <sup>somebody</sup> ~~somebody~~

Ryder

On Wednesday I ~~learned~~ to jump in the pool and <sup>float</sup> ~~float~~ <sup>and I</sup> ~~float~~

Tony

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Tuesday  
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 Elliot

On Wednesday <sup>u ed</sup>  
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<sup>back</sup>  
 ITR  
 Isaac

On Friday we played  
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 and not potato  
 Hunter

On Monday <sup>tried</sup>  
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 a sickie but I  
 couldn't a w i t d e t i x t  
 couldn't quite  
 Natalia

On Monday I was on  
 top of the wall  
 Renelle

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## Table Tennis Carnival

On Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April, some of our year 5 and year 6 students participated in the Table Tennis carnival at Jubilee Park. Each pair played four games across the day against teams from other Whyalla Primary Schools.

Our students played their hearts out, only losing a handful of games all day. They conducted themselves admirably, showing fantastic teamwork and displayed great sportsmanship across the whole day.

As a result of this, our students went on to win the overall tournament for the day. This is an absolute credit to how well this group of students worked. Congratulations to all our players!

Our team consisted of Ruby Chapman, Alex Johnson, Joross Floria, Anita Bishop, Ayesha Mata, Charlee-Ann Franklin, Radge Galang, Macey Johnson, Bianca Gill, Adelyn Taylor and Hilton McKnight.

The team was coached by Mrs Smith & Tyler Robinson.



## Soccer Carnival

On Friday 10th May, some of our year 5 and year 6 students participated in the Whyalla Soccer carnival.

Our students started the day playing cautiously as a team however; we found our rhythm and began to put the ball in the back of the net. We finished top of our division making it to the grand final.

During the grand final, we were playing with one less player and a player with a leg injury but we persisted to finish the game. The result did not go our way losing 3-0 however, it was a great day had by all.

Our team consisted of Ao Marama Doidge-Mohi, Axel Hammond, Reggie Betts, Kaine Ainslie, Shannon Peel, Austin Hart, Alex Johnson, Joross Floria, Elliot Rincon-Parker and Ricky Evans.

The team was coached by Mr McArthur & Tyler Robinson.





# Swimming Lessons Week 2



# Swimming Lessons Week 3



# Road Safety Centre Visit 09.05.2024



**BUS LOOP  
NO PARKING**

**KISS AND DROP ONLY**

**NO PARKING AND LEAVING  
YOUR VEHICLE**

**PARKED CARS STOP BUS  
ACCESS**

**ALTERNATIVE PARKING IN  
FRONT OF THE GYM**

# Party in the Park



National Families Week



## Activities on the Day..

- Giant garden games
- Minute to win it games
- Food
- Photos

Special Appearances by the  
'Centacare Care Bears'

Movie Screening: Leo  
(from 5pm)

**When:** Wednesday,  
22nd May 2024

**Where:** Norton Park  
(McRitchie Crescent, Whyalla Stuart)

**Time:** 1pm - 7:30pm



This event is proudly brought to you by:



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# Free home internet access for students

## There are currently 2 options available

- wireless internet access from the Department for Education through the Student Home Internet Program
- NBN internet access until December 2025 from the Australian Government through the School Student Broadband Initiative



Scan to find out more

## You might be eligible if you

- have a school aged child
- don't have reliable home internet access or have no active NBN connection



[education.sa.gov.au/student-home-internet-program](http://education.sa.gov.au/student-home-internet-program)

Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and social justice organisation the Brotherhood of St Laurence (BSL).

It is delivered in partnership with not-for-profit organisations The Smith Family, Berry Street and BSL.

ANZ and the Department of Social Services fund it.

[saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au)

Terms, conditions and eligibility criteria apply.



**Saver Plus** gives you down-to-earth money talk – and a **\$500 incentive** to build your savings!

If you save up to \$50 a month for 10 months (the length of the program), **ANZ will double it.**

### What can the \$500 be spent on?



Laptops and tablets



Uniforms and shoes



Vocational education



Lessons and activities



Books and supplies



Camps and excursions

### To join Saver Plus

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a Health Care or Pensioner Card
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops

**Saver Plus supports people to develop life-long savings habits.** It's delivered by Brotherhood of St. Laurence, The Smith Family and Berry Street. It's funded by ANZ and Department of Social Services.

[saverplus.org.au](http://saverplus.org.au) 1300 610 355