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Hincks Avenue Primary School

Newsletter

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From the Principal

Dear Parents / Caregivers,



Welcome back to Term3, here is our first newsletter for this term. In this edition,

I would like to share some information from **The Australian Primary Principals, Association (APPA)**.

APPA is committed to supporting families in ensuring every child has the best start in life. They have partnered with early childhood professionals to produce the **Thrive with Five** paper (See this further in the newsletter).

In the first 1000 days of a child's life, their brain grows really fast. Every time they see, hear, or touch something, it helps their brain make new connections. Eating healthy food and getting good sleep are very important because they help the child grow strong. When parents show love and care, it helps the child feel safe and learn to trust others. Playing and exploring helps children learn to talk and become curious, which makes learning easier as they get older.

Families benefit from a supportive community, ensuring both they and the child thrive. **Our school is part of a supportive community, and we want to partner with families to shape a lifetime of benefits for every child.**

Our school newsletter **will share information about the important five:** play, talk, read, eat well and sleep. Share these ideas with friends and family. Be a ripple for a bright future!

Let us know how we can support you to support our children. We are all in this together!

As always, myself and Ms Parsons do love a good chat and we do morning and afternoon duties. Feel free to come and have a chat to us in the yard and let us know how things are going for you.

Kindest regards,

Melissa Gloede

Hincks Avenue
Primary School

School Tours

Term 3 : To enrol in 2025



Book in or drop in!

For more information visit:
<https://hincksps.sa.edu.au/>
or call our office at 86457266
6 Schulz Avenue, Whyalla Norrie



Come see:

- * Meet our principal
- Meet our amazing teachers
- * Meet our great students
- Explore our classrooms
- See our Art centre, including our Music room
- * Learn about our **inclusive approaches** to delivering the curriculum



2024 Term 3 Dates

Aug 15th – Governing Council meeting 4pm

Aug 19th – Book Week Parade 9:10am in Gym

Aug 19th – 23rd – SSO Week

Aug 21st – Year 7 transition WSC 1pm – 3:30pm

Aug 22nd – I WISH performance R-3 @ Middleback Theatre

Aug 23rd – Hincks Students After school disco in gym 5:30pm – 7:30pm

Aug 26th – Combined Choir Rehearsal @ Sunrise 12:30pm – 2:30pm

Aug 29th – Boys Basketball Carnival

Aug 29th – Father's Day Stall

Sept 6th – Whyalla Wide School Closure Day

If you know of a family who could be interested in coming to Hincks in 2025, get them to book in a tour with me.

Kind Regards, Mrs Gloede

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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

- Go to our website and fill in the absentee section:
<https://hincksps.sa.edu.au/contact-us/>

School Communication

We like to keep our school community informed about what happens at our school.

With our new school system, one of the ways we do this is through email. This is why it is important for us to have your correct email address.

Please contact the school if your email address has changed or if you are not sure whether we do have your correct email address.

This way we can provide you with important school and student happenings.

Hincks Therapy Dog

We would like to proudly introduce the newest member of our Hincks Avenue Primary School Staff, Teddy.

Teddy has a very important role within our school. He listens to students read and helps students regulate their emotions when they are finding things a bit tough.

If you see him around in the front office, don't be shy and say hello to him!

Woof! My name is Teddy and I am an 8-month-old Chihuahua.

I love anything to do with chicken and sneak food from my mum any chance I can get.

My favourite thing to do when I am not working with students is to play. I love playing with my big sisters at home and with my toys. I especially love pipe cleaners and anything I can find to chew on my mum's floor (even her shoes!)



Award Winners – Term 2, Week 10

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

Elliot Watts, River Beall, Kayden Sambo, Tyshane Graham



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

Tyshane Graham, Maya Hallett-Cameron, Michael Jeakings, Braulio Anderson, Tony Fergusson, Elijah Eichner, Luna Phillips, William Lynch



News From The Fields

Maths in The Fields

Measure like an Egyptian

In Maths we have been looking at measurement, last week we started learning about different units of measurement and took a look back at some of the units used in ancient Egypt.

In ancient Egypt they used measurements based off of their arm, finger and palm: these were called; Palm, digit and cubits. We used these units to measure everyday things around our school including water fountains, tables, chairs and stationary.



Hockey Carnival

Last term, two teams of year 5/6 students represented Hincks Avenue at the interschool hockey carnival. We come up against some tough teams in the competition, that had some experienced players in them, but that didn't deter us. We did an amazing job, improving with every game throughout the day.

We had some wins, draws and a couple of losses but overall, the day was successful as we proved that we follow our school values and came away with the attitude award!

A huge thanks to Mr McArthur for organizing it, Kirsty and Karinna for coaching one team and Rob and Mr Sims for coaching the other. Go Hincksies!



Girls Basketball Carnival

On Thursday 1st August, the year 5/6 girls represented Hincks Avenue at the girls' basketball carnival. We faced some fierce competition but with improvement with every game played, we managed to go through the round robin undefeated.

We had to face Long Street in the grand final, they had done their homework from the last match up and brought their A game. It was an intense final with our girls getting over the line by just 1 point in the dying seconds! CHAMPIONS!

The girls displayed awesome sportsmanship and wonderful attitudes all day, we couldn't be prouder of them. Thank you to the organizers and Mr. McArthur for organizing a great competition, and Rob and Kirsty for coaching on the day.





Get your Colour on! Hincks Avenue Primary is hosting a Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun!

Our Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun will be on 27th of September.

Not only are we hosting an awesome Colour Explosion Run 4 Fun, but student's can also win up to 15 unique prizes by fundraising via online sponsorship donations.

Students have received a sponsorship book with instructions on setting up their cybersafe, online fundraising profile at www.australianfundraising.com.au.

This is an entirely online fundraiser; all cash donations must be converted to online donations to redeem your prizes.

Extra Incentives to Fundraise!

- ★ Online Golden Coins – complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit.
- ★ Monty the Monstar's Bonus Prizes – achieve milestones to unlock Monty's bonus prizes.
- ★ \$10,000 Budget Booster Bonanza Spending Spree for one organisation's highest fundraising student
- ★ Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2024.
- ★ A Play Station 5 Gaming Bundle – see your child's sponsorship booklet for more!

Happy fundraising!

APPA THRIVE WITH 5

Australia Primary Principals Association
PLAY TALK READ EAT WELL AND SLEEP

READINESS FOR LEARNING IS A MAJOR INFLUENCE ON FUTURE SUCCESS. APPA ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO FOCUS ON FIVE KEY WAYS THAT GIVE THEIR CHILDREN A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO DO WELL IN LEARNING.

1 PLAY
Make time to play with your child, including outside and inside play. Play develops key motor skills like running, balancing, throwing and catching. Play helps develop gross skills as children follow instructions, take turns, share with others and build resilience. As well as having fun, children increase fitness, muscle strength and flexibility, and enhance their creativity and imagination.

2 TALK
Talk with your children to build their speaking and language skills. Through conversations they increase word vocabulary, pronounce words better, understand instructions, and develop imagination and knowledge about the world around them. We know that by developing oral language skills we lay strong foundations which help children learn to read.

3 READ
Reading with, and to, your child sets up attitudes and behaviours for later learning. Modelling reading, too, influences your child's reading habits. Reading is more than books; it's reading the packaging on a breakfast box, the signs and notices around us and the stories your children write. Through books, children boost their imagination, creativity and knowledge.

4 EAT WELL
When children eat well they have energy for learning and play. They concentrate better and achieve more. Limiting your child's sugar intake, drinking water rather than soft drinks and ensuring plenty of fresh food sets up the right habits for later in life. Eating well yourself is the best way to influence your child's attitude to eating.

5 SLEEP
Children need sleep to give their body and mind a chance to rest and grow. Limiting screen time and putting in place routines and behaviours for a good night's sleep, will see your child more alert and ready for the day. Model the behaviour you want by turning off your screens and ensuring you get enough sleep.

PARKING AROUND SCHOOLS

POOR AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING CLOSE TO SCHOOLS PLACE CHILDREN AT RISK

MOST ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CHILDREN OUTSIDE SCHOOLS OCCUR WHEN A CHILD HAS THEIR SIGHT OBSCURED BY PARKED CARS

KEEPING KIDS SAFE

- Do not park on zig zag lines or KEEP CLEAR markings.
- Do not park across driveways.
- Do not park on footpaths or verges.
- do not drop kids off in the centre of the road.
- do not park where there is a no stopping sign or continuous yellow line.
- adhere to the speed limit of 25kph while children are present.

UNEAARTH WHYALLA

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



BOOKWEEK – WEEK 5

BOOKWEEK PARADE – MONDAY 19TH AUGUST 9:10am in the Gym

The theme is 'Reading is Magic'. We would love to see students dress up for the parade. There will be prizes for the best costumes!

HINCKS AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL
INVITES OUR STUDENTS TO OUR

GLOW DISCO

COME DRESSED IN FANCY
DRESS
BEST DRESSED WINS A
PRIZE

- LOLLY BAGS
- GLOW ITEMS
- FRUIT BOXES/WATER

FOR SALE FROM \$2-\$5

\$2 ENTRY FEE

5.30PM-7.30PM

FRIDAY AUGUST 23RD

HINCKS AVENUE GYM

LOCKED IN EVENT



MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS ROUND

AUGUST 23 & 24

FRIDAY AUGUST 23

**SOUTH
WHYALLA**

VS

**WEST
WHYALLA**

BENNETT OVAL

SATURDAY AUGUST 24

**WEEROONA
BAY**

VS

ROOPENA

BENNETT OVAL

**NORTH
WHYALLA**

VS

**CENTRAL
WHYALLA**

MEMORIAL OVAL

FRIDAY AUGUST 23

FROM 4PM AT BENNETT OVAL

AFL PLAYERS MEET AND GREET
AND FAMILY FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES



GUEST STARS
FORMER AFL PLAYERS
RORY SLOANE & JAMES POOLE

SATURDAY AUGUST 24

FROM 12.30PM AT BENNETT OVAL

FAMILY FRIENDLY ACTIVITIES
AND STALLS

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MENTAL HEALTH MATTERS ROUND

LOST IN
SOUNDS



AND
EMMA TAYLOR

SATURDAY AUGUST 24

7.30PM – 12AM

WESTLAND HOTEL FUNCTION ROOM

TICKETS
ONLINE: \$10
AT THE DOOR: \$15



FOR TICKETS!

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT
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GIRLS' GROUP

VENUE: 9-11 Colebrook Street, W/S

Lego Mural

AGES: 8-17 yrs **DAY:** WED (F/N)



TIME: 3pm-6pm **START DATE:** 14/8/24

Emotions/feelings, self-care, culture, identity, support networks, dealing with stress, self-esteem, worries & goal setting, positive self-talk & exercises etc.



BOYS' GROUP

VENUE: 9-11 Colebrook Street, W/S

AGES: 8-17 yrs **DAY:** WED (F/N)



TIME: 3pm-6pm **START DATE:** 15/8/24

Build bunkers for laser guns activity & cook on a budget



PYC Youth Say (Leadership Group)

VENUE: 9-11 Colebrook Street, W/S

AGES: 14-25 yrs **DAY:** WED (F/N)

TIME: 3pm-6pm **START DATE:** 21/8/24

\$500 towards you
or your children's
education



saverplus

Saver Plus is a free financial education program that matches your savings, dollar for dollar, up to \$500

What can the \$500 be used for?

- Laptops & tablets
- Lessons & activities
- Uniforms & shoes
- Books & supplies
- Vocational education
- Camps & excursions

To join Saver Plus, you must meet all of the below criteria:

- Be 18 years or over
- Have a child at school or attend vocational education yourself
- Have regular income from paid employment (you or your partner)
- Have a current Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*

*Many Centrelink payments are eligible

Saver Plus is an initiative of the Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ, delivered in partnership with Berry Street and The Smith Family. The program is funded by ANZ and the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

To find out more:
Enquire online at saverplus.org.au
Email saverplus@bsl.org.au
Call 1300 610 355

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Our school is taking part in the Commissioner's Student Voice Postcard initiative!



Commissioner's Student Voice Postcards

Many South Australian primary school aged children are directly supporting the important work of South Australia's Commissioner for Children and Young People, Helen Connolly, as active participants of her annual **Student Voice Postcard** initiative, currently being rolled out to all schools across the State. The initiative is helping Commissioner Connolly gain a clearer understanding of what is important to primary school children. She is asking this under-represented group to respond to four simple questions that invite them to tell her what matters to them most, what aspirations they have, what worries them, and what they would change to make their lives better. All responses are anonymous. No personal information is collected. The Commissioner will use the postcard responses to inform her advocacy work to improve the lives of SA's children and young people.

Learn more about the Commissioner's Student Voice Postcard initiative at www.commissionerspostcards.com.au

