

School Newsletter No 04
24th March 2022



Congratulations to our Swim Team!
They competed at the Barossa & Light District Swimming Carnival at Nurioopta on Friday 18th March.

From the Principal

I wish to thank the community for their well wishes as I recover from COVID. I'm looking forward to returning to work tomorrow.

Professional learning communities (PLC)

Over the past two years, we have shown great resilience and adaptability as our day to day lives have changed due to the impact of COVID. Despite the challenges of COVID, the school has endeavoured to keep learning at the forefront.

Our teaching staff are currently deeply engaged in their professional learning communities around the text 'Clarity'. PLCs are an action in our 2022-2024 Site Improvement Plan.

WHAT ARE PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES?

A professional learning community (PLC) in schools involves collaboration, sharing and ongoing critical interrogation of teaching practices in line with professional standards. PLCs are learning-oriented and promote the growth of teachers and students.

WHY PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES?

- PLCs are more effective than individual champions in ensuring that school-wide pedagogical changes are sustainable
- PLCs help develop teachers' confidence and self-efficacy
- Students achieve at higher levels in schools with positive PLCs

- PLCs encourage and build effective leadership and management
- When teachers across a school implement the same learnings and strategies, they create a consistent learning experience for students

Our PLCs are in year level teams (JP, MP and UP), with each member of the leadership team belonging to one also.

Parent Interviews - Week 10

Due to the impact of COVID and to ensure the safety of all, parent interviews will be conducted over the phone. This will happen in Week 10. Information was sent home and via Skoolbag this week re the process to book an interview. Bookings must be finalised by Thursday, 31st March at 3pm.

This is a time when valuable information is shared by parents and teachers to support improvements in planning for individual learning. Staff believe that their conversations at this time of the year are very valuable and ensure that students are supported in their education. An opportunity to connect and share information, concerns, highlights and particular strengths makes a significant difference to children's success and levels of happiness at school. We look forward to further 'stretching' children's learning and providing a challenging and engaging curriculum for the remainder of the year.

Principal Comments continued

NAPLAN

In Weeks 3 and 4 of next term, students in Years 3 and 5 will be involved in NAPLAN tests. Students will be undertaking NAPLAN online (except for Year 3 Writing). NAPLAN provides schools with a snapshot of each child's progress in their learning, strengths and areas for further improvement. If you have questions about the tests or would like more information, please contact your child's teacher or go to www.naplan.edu.au.

David Pitt
Principal

Student Shout Out

Riley McLean

Playing football fairly with all students during recess and lunch times



The Premier's Reading Challenge has now commenced for 2022.

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to:

- Encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading
- Improve literacy levels.

The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and early September. Students will read 8 books from the Challenge booklist (which they will find in either the school library or local library) and 4 books of their own choice. Some JP classes complete the Challenge together and may not begin until later in the year.

Challenge forms have been sent to classrooms for distribution. If your child misplaces their form or has any questions about the Challenge, please ask them to pop into the Library to see me.

Davina Holthouse

Upcoming events

TERM 1

Friday 25th March

National Ride2School Day

Wednesday 6th April

SAPSASA Athletics Carnival – Lyndoch

Starting Monday 11th April

SAPSASA Softball Carnival – Boys & Girls

Starting Monday 11th April

School Swimming – Gawler Aquatic Centre

Thursday 14th April

End of Term 1 – Dismissal 2.10pm

TERM 2

Monday 2nd May

First day back for Term 2

Please note that these dates are subject to change

M&S School Fees 2022

Materials & Services Charges for 2022 are now due. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or EFT. Our Account Details are:-

Acc Name: Kapunda Primary School

BSB: 105-006

Acc Number: 056779640

Applications for School Card Assistance can be made, so if you think you are eligible for School Card, please complete an application online at www.sa.gov.au or fill in a School Card Application Form available at the School Front Office.

If you would like to negotiate a payment plan then please contact myself or the Principal to discuss. Contact by phone on 8566 2008 or come in and see us in the office.

Thank You & Regards

Annie Crowhurst - Finance Officer

A big congratulations to Skylar Argent who was our first student to complete the 2022 Premier's Reading Challenge.



A word from MR RYAN...



Student Wellbeing News – Term 1 Week 8

Integrity, Team work and Leadership were the keys things that we took with us from the GRIP leadership conference. The conference was held on Friday March 11th at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre with the purpose of inspiring Primary School children to become better leaders. We listened to speakers who showed us great examples of how to STEP up and raise the standards at the school, with great practical ideas on activities that we could run to do this.

At the conference there was Year 6 students from schools across the state and we were able to mix with them and share some of the great things that we do at our school while also getting some ideas of how they display leadership at their schools. Some of the ideas they shared were how to fundraise and make positive impacts to the school community. We also learnt a lot of new games to share with the school and look forward to playing these teamwork games at assemblies, especially the karaoke game. Riley and Margot even got up on stage to play some of these games in front of the whole conference!

We found the day very beneficial to helping us become better leaders and will be using a lot of the problem solving strategies in our Student Voice meetings. We would like to thank the Light Regional Council for their donation which paid for our entry to the Conference. Ethan Baillie, Riley Pritchard, Margot Ross and Layla Valentine

Kapunda Primary School Captains 2022



What's Been Happening in Room 19A?

At the start of the year, students learnt about each other through these Self-Identity collages.



In Science, the year 5/6 students have been investigating how plants and animals are adapted to grow and survive in their environments. Students are aiming to grow the healthiest plant from seeds, and also to investigate how changing environmental conditions will impact on the growth of their plants.

In Visual Art, we have been learning about the painting techniques of Vincent Van Gogh.

Check out these works in progress,
inspired by the artwork "Starry Night"...



We use lots of Maths games to help build our mathematical fluency and understandings. "Salute" is one of our favourites. Why not try it at home?!

Salute You need: three people, a pack of cards

1. Choose the first leader.
2. The leader says "Salute". The other 2 players pick up a card

and hold it to their own forehead (without looking at it). The leader can choose to say "the total is" (and mentally add the cards together), or "the product is" (and mentally multiply the cards together).

3. The first player to correctly say their card wins. They keep both cards (to keep score).
4. After an agreed amount of time, rotate roles, so that all players have a turn as leader.



THE EASY WAY TO BOOK
**SCHOOL
INTERVIEWS**

Dear Parents,

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held Week 10 Monday 4th April to Wednesday 6th April **via phone**.
Bookings must be finalised by Thursday the 31st of March at 3pm, when bookings for this event will close.

For parents that do not have internet access, please phone the school on 85662008 and make a booking time through our office staff. Interviews are 10 minutes, however if you require more time, please contact your class teacher directly to make alternative arrangements.

Now you can book school interviews for the times that suit your family.

Got to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and follow this simple instruction. A link is also on our Kapunda SkoolBag app.

Enter code... tsw3c

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Enter your details



Select the teachers you wish to see



Select the appointment times that suit your family



When you click **FINISH**, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If you do not receive it immediately-check your junk mail folder and make sure you have spelled your email address correctly.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time and change your interviews, via a link in the email that was sent to you, when you made your bookings - until the bookings close on Thursday the 31st of March at 3pm



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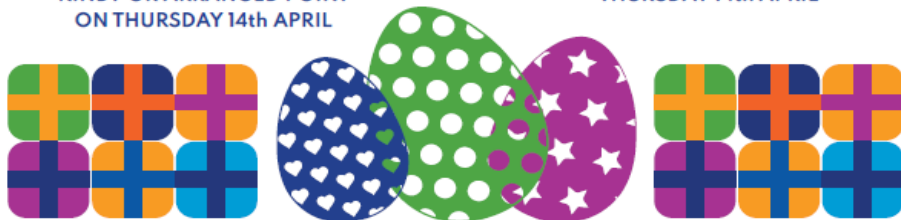
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FREELING



**LIGHT REGIONAL
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MARCH 25TH & 26TH 2022
10:00_{AM} - 4:00_{PM}

	Adults	\$15.00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jumping Castle • Petting Zoo • Fashion Parade • Farm Machinery • 4x4 displays
	Concession	\$10.00	
	Kids U15	free	

For bookings and information visit thefarmcentre.com.au or email lightregionalfarm4x4expo@belgravialeisure.com.au



PREMIER'S READING Challenge

Reading for the Challenge finishes on 9 September 2022
 For more information visit the website, phone 08 8226 4300 or email prc@sa.gov.au

www.prc.sa.edu.au

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