



Swan Reach Area School Newsletter



TERM 1

WEEK 11

11th APRIL 2018

EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

The SRAS Early Learning Centre (ELC) will be up and running from Monday, Week 1, Term 2. We are excited to join the Reception-Year One class with the Kindergarten class, as well as continuing Playgroup and Occasional Care for the remainder of 2018. Trish Horstmann will be the K-1 class teacher, working closely with Dorothee Moellers (ECW). Katie O'Shaughnessy and Sam Poole will continue to provide classroom support where needed.

During the day, the K-1 Class (Kindy/Reception/Year One) will be involved in many learning experiences including:

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| Literacy | Numeracy |
| Science | Japanese |
| Art | Music and Movement |
| HASS (History and Social Sciences) | |
| Health/PE (fine and gross motor skills) | |

These experiences will be very play based; combining teacher directed group work with activity based learning.

Kindy session times will remain the same-Thursday and Friday every week, and Tuesdays in weeks 5, 7 and 9. Occasional Care will initially be Friday mornings. Parents and Carers accessing this service will be surveyed to see what day is most suitable (Thurs or Fri).

Don't forget to keep the 4th of June free for our Amalgamation Big Breakfast. Keep a look out in next term's newsletters for more information on this event and other ELC news.

The ELC team

Trish Horstmann, Dorothee Moellers, Wendy Norman & John Robertson

INTEGRITY - CARE - RESPECT - SUCCESS - PARTICIPATION

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT - John Robertson

Hello Swan Reach,

Holidays are here! A time to refresh and enjoy the company of family and friends. For some of our families, term 1 has been tough going. We hope this break is one of renewal for you and new beginnings. Siblings can get a bit restless with families during extended breaks so it is a great opportunity to remind them about the key thinking and action habits of GETTING ALONG:

- **Being tolerant of others**
- **Thinking first**
- **Playing by the rules**
- **Social responsibility**



It is timely for us to acknowledge the organisation, commitment and teamwork of SRAS staff, parents, carers and students throughout a hectic and tiring, but rewarding, term. Wishing all many blessings and relaxing times.

FAREWELL

We wish Miss Caitlin Waechter all the very best for her future and thank her for her time with us in the Kindy. She is having a flying start to her holidays with a trip to America. Thanks Caitlin for filling in at such short notice and then departing, also at such short notice.

NAPLAN



The NAPLAN testing schedule begins in Week 3 of next term. If you have any concerns please see your child's classroom teacher before the tests. NAPLAN is a nationally developed program that provides schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and what areas need to be prioritised for improvement. NAPLAN is just one of many assessments in which your child can participate in. The NAPLAN individual student

reports are expected to be ready for distribution to parents and carers during August and September.

GOVERNING COUNCIL

Congratulations to Skye Sunman and Ben O'Shaughnessy for their election onto our governing council. Skye is taking on the secretary role and Ben is taking on a community member role.



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT CONTINUED

SITE IMPROVEMENT

We have recently purchased 3-D printers that will be utilised by the Maths and Technology faculty students. It is an exciting addition to our resources and learning curriculum. The one on the left prints in 2 colours while the one on the right prints in just one colour. Staff are grateful for the expertise of Chelsea Haby who is assisting in getting them operational.



Work continues to be done by Mr Greg Griffiths' Doorways-2-Construction lads on the outdoor learning area. Unfortunately its completion date has been delayed due to some materials being delivered late. However the flooring is almost complete — keep up the great work lads!

We are in the process of procuring a 12 seat Toyota Hiace Commuter. This handy asset will be of tremendous value for camps, excursions, SAPSASA & SSSSA events and local excursions. It can be driven by staff on a normal driver's licence. We hope to have it on-site early next term.



Many thanks to the finance committee from last year and the governing council who approved the budget to obtain these resources for our school.

AMALGAMATION NEWS

Please refer to information on the front cover regarding the Early Learning Centre (ELC), notably the K/R/1 structure and Occasional Care Roster beginning next term. It is exciting to know we will be ONE site, making communication and administration easier and clearer. We appreciate the community's patience during the 'waiting' period of uncertainty and also as we trial and review structures over the next few terms. Thank you.

REMINDER

WHAT: Big Breakfast to celebrate our amalgamation and also reconciliation week. We will be unveiling the Community Hand Mural begun last year and being finished off expertly by the Stewart family. There will be some minor activity stands for families to have fun and create together.

WHEN: Monday, 4th June, 2018

CONGRATULATIONS

We are most thankful to know that Ms Dorothee Moellers will be supporting our Early Learning Centre (ELC) on Kindy days for the rest of 2018. Her experience and expertise will be invaluable. She and Mrs Trish Horstmann have engaged in several planning days, guided by Mrs Wendy Norman, and look forward to their collaboration and teamwork. Thank you both for your enthusiasm, flexibility and desire to make the ELC a fantastic learning environment for our youngest learners.

PASTORAL CARE REPORT

Hi everyone,

I hope you all had a relaxing and enjoyable Easter break and didn't eat too much chocolate! I thought that being the last week of term (already!) I would give you a quick snapshot of what I have been doing here at school. This year, I am only **coming in one day a week so it's always a jam-packed day!** Firstly, I start off with running the breakfast club which I find a great way to start my day at school and catch up with many of the students and staff. Then during the day, I often visit the music lessons with Mr Jesser and even join in with the bands on vocals or keyboard. I have started a choir at lunchtime for the primary students and usually have about 12 children attending. We have a lot of fun and make a lot of noise and will be able to showcase our talents later in the year at an assembly or presentation night. I organised some Easter cooking for the primary students where they decorated some biscuits beautifully. Some biscuits were very artistic!

Happy Holidays. I hope you all get to spend some quality time with your children during the holidays and that they come back refreshed and ready to start another term.

Julie Maxwell,
Pastoral Care Worker



FOOTBALL CLINIC

Last week the reception to year 7 students were able to participate in a football clinic at the school by the SANFL. The students were able to learn and build on their football skills.



Filtration Plant Visit

Recently the 6/7 class visited the Swan Reach Filtration Plant as part of their learning in Science.



Ag Lessons

Mr Griffiths has been busy with the Ag students making Shiraz sauce. All produce grown and made by the students is available for sale in the library.



CMASSA

Congratulations to all competitors, staff, parents, grand parents and friends who travelled to Lameroo for CMASSA. It was great to see everyone helping out to make the day run as smoothly as possible. Swan Reach won the Secondary Shield, we came second in the Primary and second overall.





SSSSA

Last Friday selected students traveled to Adelaide to compete in SSSSA athletics at Santos Stadium. The girls placed 3rd and the boys placed 7th, which resulted in the Murraylands team coming 3rd overall. Thanks to those parents that made the trip down and to Mr Cowland for coordinating and transporting some of our students to and from the event.



Basketball Clinic

We had a basketball clinic on Friday the 6th of April. James from Murray Bridge Basketball Association came to Swan Reach Area School to help us get better at basketball. We all appreciated him coming out here and we all learnt so much. Briannah

On the 6th of April we had a basketball clinic with James. He taught us how to properly dribble and how to shoot the ball. At the end I think we all felt more confident in our skills. Josh



The basketball clinic was good because James taught us some of the basics of basketball and we played some games. Jazzy



On the sixth of April, week 10, Thursday James from Murray Bridge Basketball Association came up to Swan Reach to teach the 6/7 class how to play basketball. We all learnt so much and had so much fun. I'm sure everyone took a lot away from this. We are going to use the skills for our upcoming basketball tournament. Kane

James from the Murray Bridge Basketball Association came down to Swan Reach to teach us about basketball. I picked up lots of tips and have improved since last year. I enjoyed playing basketball and hope to learn more. Dana

On Thursday the 6/7s went to a basketball clinic in the gym with James and he taught us how to play basketball properly. We practised dribbling, chest passing, bounce passing and catching. We played a game and it was all fun learning and fun playing. Jayde

Basketball is a fun sport. You shoot a ball through a hoop. In a game if you get a goal it is worth two points in the game. Mason

Basketball Clinic

On the 6-4-18 we had James from Murray Bridge Basketball Association come to teach the 6/7 class some basketball, for our tournament coming up. What I took away from it was you are allowed to dribble and run with the ball, stand as close as you want when you are defending and try to control the ball so the other team can't get it. Narelle



On Thursday 6th of April week 10.

James came out from a basketball clinic to teach us year 6/7 about basketball. I have learnt how to dribble a basketball properly. James and I were partners James taught me how to have two balls and bounce them at the same time while he counts to 11sec. Once we had all finished we had to shoot some hoops. After that we played a game of basketball. I had a lot of fun learning about basketball. Tahni

On Friday week 10, we had a man named James who came from Murray Bridge and came to our school to teach us about basketball and the techniques. Tessa

At the basketball clinic we learnt lots from James such as passing, dribbling and shooting. It was a very fun time and a great experience. Utah



At the basketball clinic we learned about how to throw, shoot, pass in form the boundary and dribble. Our coach for the day was James from Murray Bridge after we played a game while he showed us more stuff while we played. Noah

Reminder:

Thursday 12th April
SRC Casual Day
Black and white theme
50cent slushies will be available for sale

Friday 13th April
Last day term 1
School will finish at 2:15pm therefore buses will
be at stops earlier in the afternoon

We hope everyone
has a safe and relaxing
holiday break

ENJOY CLASSIC CARS, COUNTRY & ROCK N ROLL MUSIC RIVERSIDE AT THE

SWAN REACH CLASSIC CAR

River Run

TO THE REACH & MUSIC FESTIVAL

MGA

SUNDAY

APRIL **22** 2018

10AM - 5PM

SWAN REACH CLASSIC CAR FESTIVAL

NILDOTTIE COMMUNITY DINNER

FRIDAY April 20th 2018
NILDOTTIE HALL
6.30pm

Roast Lamb with Vegetables

Sticky Date Pudding with Cream/Icecream

Progress Members Adults \$15.00
Non Members Adults : \$20.00
Children Under 10yrs : \$5.00

Bar Facilities Available

Strictly NO BYO
Organised by
Nildottie Progress

Permanent Dinner Bookings - please contact us if you are unable to attend - Thank you
by April 13th 2018
Dot Haby 0427715815 / 85704297 or Suzie 0408028055
everyone welcome

ADELAIDE Thunderbirds
SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS
PRICELINE STADIUM

5-7 Years
Tuesday 24 April 2018
1pm - 3pm // Cost: \$45

8-10 Years
Monday 23 April 2018
1pm - 4pm // Cost: \$55
Tuesday 24 April 2018
9am - 12pm // Cost: \$55

11-16 Years
Thursday 26 April 2018
9am - 3pm // Cost: \$65

Register now and receive a 10% discount!
Register before 31 March for a 10% early bird discount. Learn from Cat Tulwatt, Abigail Latz-Morfol, Bonglele Msoni, Hannah Petty and their Adelaide Thunderbirds teammates!


adelaidethunderbirds.com.au

 

An exhibition of “Community Quilts”

by

Shared Stitches of Mannum
Quilting Group

Is now on display at the Gallery
Swan Reach

Women’s Rest Rooms
Victoria St Swan Reach

Open: Mon Wed Fri Sat
10am - 3pm until 28th April
Also open Sun 22nd April
10am– 5pm

To arrange a group visit on
another day please phone
0427 702 377

Junior Youth

For students in years 6 -9

When: Friday 13th April
2:30pm - 4:00pm

Where: Swan Reach
Lutheran Church Hall

Cost: \$1

Come along for an afternoon
of board game fun.

For further details
Phone

Caitlin Waechter
0438 860 349

or

Taryn Grieger
0427 702 377

DATES TO REMEMBER

Week	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Wk 11	9th Governing Council Meeting 7pm	10th	11th Newsletter	12th	13th Last day term 1 Early dismissal 2:15pm
Wk 1 Term 2	30th April First day term 2	1st May	2nd May Newsletter	3rd May P and F Meeting 9am in the library SAPSASA CC	4th May Year 12 Formal
Wk 2	7th	8th	9th	10th	11th
Wk 3	14th School Photos Finance Meeting 7pm Gov Council 7:30	15th NAPLAN _____	16th _____	17th _____	18th

Up coming events

4th June Amalgamation Big Breakfast/Reconciliation/Community Event
More details to come.

MID MURRAY IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME

10.30am - 11.00am

at the Swan Reach Area School/Community Library

3rd Tuesday of each month except December.

FREE Pneumococcal Vaccination is available for infants up to 2 years

Please book through the Cambrai Council office on 8564 6020

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