

WALLAROO PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Every child matters every day.

All children can be high achievers.

Term 1, 28 Jan – 12 April
Week 5 Term 1 2019

Mar **Fri 1st – Induction Ceremony – 10:00 am**
Tues 5th – Early Closure Day – 2:20 pm
Mon 11th – Adelaide Cup Holiday
Tues 12th – Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 19th March @ First Break
**Pancake Day – Gold coin per pancake
donation to Uniting Care**

Dear Families,

This week I attended the two day Leaders Conference in Adelaide, where our Education Chief Executive, Rick Perse and Minister for Education, Hon. John Gardiner MP opened our conference by presenting the 2019 Strategic Plan and Actions in working towards a world class education system. It is no surprise that one of the actions revolves around parent engagement. Involving parents and carers in improving children's learning is the focus for a new strategy to be developed in 2019. Research clearly states that when parents and carers are involved in the education of their children, children's learning outcomes improve dramatically.

Our parent/ teacher interviews have begun. Congratulations on your engagement with this process. Our teachers are enthusiastic and committed to working closely with you to share your children's progress and to set targets for improvement. Please maintain close contact with your child's teacher over the year to continue to monitor progress towards your child's targets. We welcome the opportunity to work closely with you to ensure your child's academic, social and emotional needs are met.

Literacy improvement was high on the agenda at the conference. I was encouraged by fact that our whole school processes in teaching reading and comprehension were again confirmed. Interesting research was shared with us by Professor of Educational Leadership, Douglas Fisher. A child who reads for 20 minutes each day, reads 1,800,000 words per year and scores in the 90th percentile on standardised tests. Compare this to a child who reads for one minute each day, reads 8, 000 words per year and scores in the 10th percentile on standardised tests. *Therefore reading volume matters!* Please read with and to your children, listen to them read and encourage them to read each day since the benefits are enormous. Being able to read confidently and fluently enables children to make sense of other curriculum areas which contributes not only to their academic success but their confidence and overall self-esteem. Let's work together to ensure each child reads at home each night and completes the Premiers Reading Challenge. Developing this habit needs to begin early in the child's life. Please speak with our librarian, Mrs Di Seddon if you'd like some ideas on books or e-books suitable for your child.

Our Induction Ceremony for our Student Leaders will occur on Friday at 10:00 am. I look forward to sharing this celebration with families which will be followed by morning tea.

Warmest regards,

Julie



Congratulations! Congratulations to the following students on demonstrating one or more of our school values. The students were presented with their awards at our Week 4 Assembly. Baileigh Foster, Imogen Warren, Amaya Toribio, Lexi Geldart, Dakota Mercer, Damon Cocks, Marnie Dempster, Xavier Toribio, Kalais Lange, Blaine Miles, Rubin Hallett and Issy Hayes



Principal's Award: Brandon Rawson – for exceptional attendance and improvement in his learning across all areas.

Room 9 News

In room 9 we have been learning about twenty-four-hour time, persuasive texts, fractions and decimals. In twenty-four-hour time we have learnt how to transfer twelve-hour times to twenty-four-hour time. For example, 8pm is 20:00 and 12am is 00:00 or 24:00. We are learning about the sun, moon and earth in science and how they orbit each other. We have been looking at paragraphs and how they can be used to improve our writing and how they can be used to link all of our ideas in a text. In HASS we have been learning about different countries around the world the languages they speak. We are in the process of doing an investigation on a country from Europe and North America and comparing them to Australia.

Last week we had Adelaide Crows team players come to visit the school. Their names were Brad Crouch, Sam Jacobs and William Hamill. The footy boys came and taught our school how to tackle, bump, run, hand ball and kick the football. Our favourite activity was the tackling because we got to bump and tackle Bob. After our session ended we got the chance to ask the players questions about both football and their lives. It was great to find out more about the players and how they feel about playing football. We really enjoyed learning how to do these activities, and it was fantastic to meet the players.

By Rhianna Hancock and Lucy Sinton.



William, Alexia, Sam and Brad. Did you know???? Mrs Petersen taught Sam Jacobs at Ardrossan Area School!!!



Once again Ashton Scholastic is promoting reading with a 'Star Reader' initiative, and have given our school prizes and certificates to be handed out through the year. Each assembly one student from each class will receive a certificate, bookmark and sticker from their teacher in recognition of reading success. Also at each assembly Mrs Seddon will award one student from the school for their reading with a gift bag and certificate.



Term 1 Week 4 Assembly winners

Room 1	Samara Frick	Room 3	Sebastian Ferrone
Room 6	Lincoln Dalby	Room 7	Jayden Turner
Room 8	Charlee Gill	Room 9	Jacob Auricht
Mrs Seddon	Jacob Auricht		

Congratulations to these students and thanks to Ashton Scholastic for their generosity.



The Kadina Hockey Club wants YOU! Want to play a fun, inclusive, team sport that will help you get fit? Want to give a new sport a try but don't know where to start? The Kadina Hockey Club welcomes new players of any age, ability and fitness level. We have helpful coaches who will make you feel at home in our supportive and positive club.

Come and Try Hockey: Wednesday 6th of March 5:00pm at the hockey fields (cnr Drain & Port Rd, Kadina) and meet some of our club members, ask any questions and have a try at hockey. Beginners welcome. Trainings and registration for Mini Colts (5-9 yo), Junior Colts (under 13s) and Senior Colts (under 16s) start Wednesday 13th of March at 5:00pm. (Men and Women 6:00pm) Any queries please contact Leighton Giles on 0448308357. We look forward to seeing you.

Messy Church

The third Friday in the month except May and December. 3:15-5:30pm except April as this is school holidays so, 2:15-4:30 pm. Parents with children up to 12 years old can move from table to table, creating master pieces that you have never seen before. Then they can go into the church to listen to a story, which relates every activity to the theme from the bible. After the story, the children go out into the hall for a healthy tea, with sweets.

Sessions will be held in the Uniting Church hall on the corner of Taylor and Hay Street, Kadina

March 15th 3:15-5:30 April 12th 2:15-4:30

Copper Coast Table Tennis Club

Copper Coast Table Tennis club is seeking players aged 10+ to play in their junior competition. The junior competition is run in a relaxed, casual & non-competitive basis on Wednesday nights between 6.30 & 7.30 pm.

There is no weekly commitment as players can play regularly or when they want to. If interested please note there are free come'n'try nights on Wed 6th, 13th & 20th March at Showground pavilion @ 7:00 pm.

All enquiries to Owen [0408 213 746](tel:0408213746)

Wallaroo Football Club

Wallaroo Football Club Juniors, Sausage Sizzle and first training. Thursday 7th March, 5:00pm (Senior Colts, Junior Colts, Under 12s and Under 10s). Sausage sizzle provided for players, gold coin donation for non-players. Online registrations open - please see Wallaroo Football Club Facebook page for link or contact Junior Committee Secretary Danie Miller at wallaroojfc@gmail.com

