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The Pines School Newsletter



Week 1 Term 2
3rd May 2024

Respect, Belonging and Engagement in Learning

Leadership News

Welcome back to Term 2 and a special welcome to all of our new students, families, teachers and SSO's. We have a lot of exciting things happening for our students in Term 2.

On Monday next week we are excited to welcome back Musica Viva for a student performance called Da Vinci's Apprentice. Students will be introduced to a range of new instruments as they learn about a girl named Roberta, who dreams of becoming an apprentice to the great inventor, Leonardo Da Vinci. We would like to thank Musica Viva for providing this performance to students free of charge, as part of our three year Musica Viva Residency.



Da Vinci's Apprentice

Next week we are also hosting a special event for music education leaders from across South Australia. Some of our instrumental music students will be performing at this event, which will also be attended by Blair Boyer, our Minister for Education.

Later in the term the Year 5 and 6 students will be going to camp at Arbury Park. They will be participating in team building activities, environmental studies and orienteering. We look forward to hearing about their adventures when they return.

As the weather gets colder, it is important for students to be wearing school-coloured jumpers that are either black, bottle green or maroon. As part of our sun smart policy, students need to continue to wear bucket hats until the end of week 6. School jumpers and hats can be purchased from the front office.

Thank you to families who continue to bring their children to school on time. Classroom doors open at 8:40am and class begins at 8:50 am. Not only is arriving late disruptive to learning, but many students have expressed that they feel uncomfortable entering class when they are late. Please support your child to be on time everyday as this helps set them up for a successful start to their day.

Our first day of term was a pupil free day, where our teachers and SSO's engaged in a range of training programs. Those who work in junior primary classes participated in advanced Kimochis training. Kimochis means 'feelings' in Japanese. This is an evidence based social emotional program that our teachers run each week in their classrooms. It supports students to identify and acknowledge their feelings, as well as communicate appropriately using their both their words and body language. It also helps students understand how others are feeling and models a range of ways students can resolve conflict with their peers. The training provided educators with additional tools to use within their classroom on a daily basis.

Our primary educators participated in Maths training, led by Krystal Lawrie, a maths leader for schools in the north. Big Ideas in Number is one of our schools' main maths focuses, as it develops our students capabilities as Mathematicians. Teachers and SSO's looked at Proportional Reasoning, which includes fractions, ratios and percentages, to better be able to support and extend our older students with their maths learning.

School Photos will be happening in week 6 on Wednesday and Thursday, June 5th and 6th. Forms will be coming out in the next few weeks. Don't forget to smile .

Dates to Remember

2024

TERM 2

Week 2

6 May

Musica Viva Performance

Week 4

20-25 May

Years 5/6 Camp

Week 5

27-31 May

Reconciliation Week

Week 6

5-6 June

School Photos

Week 7

10 June

King's Birthday
Public Holiday

Principal
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WELLBEING CORNER



Parenting Teenagers in Australia

...a workshop for multicultural families

Families
Growing
Together

Parenting in Australia is a **FREE** workshop that helps you as parents and caregivers to build an understanding of your teenager and their healthy development.

Our workshops are full of helpful information with a choice of simple, practical strategies that each family can adapt for their own parenting situations.

Topics to support your parenting include:

- 🔗 Parenting in a new culture
- 🔗 Teenagers' development
- 🔗 Understanding teenagers behaviour
- 🔗 Staying connected with our teenagers
- 🔗 What about conflict?

Our workshops are based on the latest parenting research and use information from **Parenting SA**.

Light refreshments and crèche provided.
(Bookings essential)



Where: Morella Community Centre
90 Kings Road Parafield Gardens

When: Part 1 – Thursday 27th June 2024
Part 2 – Thursday 4th July 2024

Time: 12.00pm – 2.30pm

To book: Morella Community Centre - 84068484

Everyone is welcome, bookings essential.

Please arrive 10 minutes early to register.

Delivered by the Department of Human Services.

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AUSTRALIAN CITIZENSHIP TEST PREPARATION COURSE



A free 7-week course to prepare for the Australian Citizenship test in a supportive learning environment.



Every Tuesday,
7th May to 18th June 2024
09.30 to 11.30 am



Morella Community Centre
Kaurna Country
90 Kings Road, Parafield Gardens
5107



To register call **8406 8484** or email
communityconnections@morella.org.au

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Available**



This program is funded by DHS
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Reconciliation & NAIDOC Week Performances

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

This year for Reconciliation Week (27th May to 3rd June) and NAIDOC Week (7th July to 14th July) we have organised an incursion performance which will be on Tuesday, 18th June to celebrate and learn about all the Aboriginal cultures throughout Australia.

Majeda Beatty will be our performer this year, she is the very talented sister of Ryka Ali who performed at The Pines School in 2021.

This will be a whole school incursion at no cost to families.

We hope all students will learn from and enjoy the performance.

Ngaityalya (Thank you—Kurna)

Aboriginal Education Team

MAJEDA BEATTY MURRI ISLAND GIRL



THE PERFORMER

Taking you on a journey of Australia's First Nation dreamtime through an interactive and vibrant experience, **Majeda Beatty presents both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island** cultures as well as sharing her perspective on being an indigenous millennial woman. She believes in the importance of cultural pride and carrying on past traditions as well as moving forward in a modern world.

Majeda is a Sydney based singer, actress and dancer who comes from a proud Wuthathi mother, her roots stemming from Far North Queensland and an African American father. Growing up she was taught the importance of her culture from her mother through movement, song and storytelling. At five years of age Majeda started performing in schools with her family's cultural dance group and over the years her talents have seen her perform over a wide variety of mediums. In recent times she has become well known for her starring role in the ABC3 Drama series 'Ready For This'.

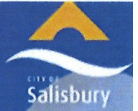


THE PERFORMANCES

K – 6: The richness of both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island cultures will be shared in this two part, immersive performance which is tailored to the age groups of the audience through song, dance, stories and language, all with high levels of participation. The flags will be discussed and Majeda will present and demonstrate various instruments, artifacts and costumes specific to each culture as well as the importance of ochre and the significance of the body paint designs in aboriginal culture. She will perform and teach dances for audience participation.

Years 7 – 12: Similar to the above whilst providing more mature, age appropriate content. Students will learn about indigenous inventors and freedom leaders through an insightful and inclusive experience. Preconceptions will be challenged with teachings of traditions, history and even thought provoking insights into the future the First Nation communities hope for.

PARK SAFE AT SCHOOL



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Read the signs

Some common signs to look out for;
No Parking, Bus Zones, No Stopping, Disabled Parking etc.



Know the rules

Take some time to learn what the signs and lines mean and some common rules, such as **no parking and stopping** on a verge, across a drive way, close to a corner or across a pedestrian ramp.

Check for lines

Each line has a meaning, so before you stop check for yellow lines, white lines, dotted lines or painted islands.



Park Safe at Schools

Park safely to keep all pedestrians safe, travelling to and from schools and to their cars.



For more information on parking safely visit salisbury.sa.gov.au/parksafe

NO PARKING

DROP OFF & PICK UP AREA ONLY

2 Minutes Maximum

Please stay with your vehicle at all times



For more information on parking safely visit salisbury.sa.gov.au/parksafe

COMMUNITY NEWS



Puddle Jumpers—Extra Food Support
Bagster Road Community Hub
Monday's from 5—8pm
Hot meals, pantry items, fresh fruit and vegetables
Kid's activities
No bookings required
Telephone: (08) 8487 1830



Canteen News

Please ensure that your child's *Profile on the Qkr! App* has their correct classroom number for the 2024 school year.

If you have already placed an order and your child goes home early, please notify the canteen or if before 9am, orders can be cancelled using the App.



TIP OF THE WEEK

Q. How do I cancel food orders that have already been paid for?

A. To cancel a food order from your itemized eReceipt:

1. Open Qkr! and tap Activity.
2. Scroll down to 'Order History' and sign in with your password.
3. Tap the red circle with a minus symbol on the order to be cancelled. Select the entire order or individual items to cancel and tap 'OK'.
4. If your eReceipt contains food orders for more than one child, you will need to cancel one by one.

OR **To cancel a food order from the calendar view:**

1. Open Qkr! and select the relevant menu.
2. Tap on the tick icon on the date for which you want to cancel the order.
3. Tap the red circle with a minus symbol on the order to be cancelled. Select the entire order or individual items to cancel and tap 'OK'.

Cancelled items are shown in red on your eReceipt confirming they have been cancelled and a credit is available for future food orders. The value of any credits will be automatically deducted from your next Qkr! food order.

Please contact your school office to cancel any other (non-food) school payments according to school policy.

