

Newsletter

From The Principal

Dear Families,

Thankfully we are over last weeks heat wave, and have some cooler weather so the children can get outside and run off some energy at playtimes.

Just a reminder that we have a pupil free day next week on Friday – just before the Adelaide cup holiday on Monday so this will make it an extra long weekend for students.

You may have noticed some work happening on site and some areas of the school have been bunted off for the time being.

We are paving the area by the kitchen garden and extending the shaded area which should look fantastic when completed.

Currently I have closed down the kitchen garden program as Kim is now working in the front office.

I will be advertising soon for a new Kitchen specialist to start in term 2. At the same time this will give us an opportunity to ensure garden beds are planted and there is produce to use for cooking.

The programme will then run according to the Stephanie Alexander plan where children will harvest vegetables and cook a meal to eat.



TERM DATES

Term 1 Dates

Monday 30th January

To

Friday 14th April

Thursday 9/3/2023

Assembly

Rooms 4 and 14

presenting

Friday 10/3/23

Pupil Free Day

Monday 13/3 /23

Adelaide Cup

Public Holiday

Text your child's absence to: 0428149662

Full Name/Class/Reason



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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Our playground is still closed as we await contractors to come and dig an area beneath the equipment and put in soft fall to ensure safety for students. We have had a lot of trouble with contractors but hope this will not take too much longer. At this stage it will re open the end of or before end of next week.

Just to let you know that we needed to put the school into “shelter in Place “ (in -vacuation) last Friday due to a directive from the Department as the bushfires and smoke were deemed to be of danger.

Processes for School Shelter in Place and Evacuations are being updated at this site and will need to be practiced more regularly so that procedures are smooth when this happens again.

We will always try to send families something on seesaw messenger when this happens so you have a heads up but this came upon us unexpectedly and threw us all a bit – so apologies for anyone who was inconvenienced.

I will send out more information as we update our systems.

Teresa Harriott

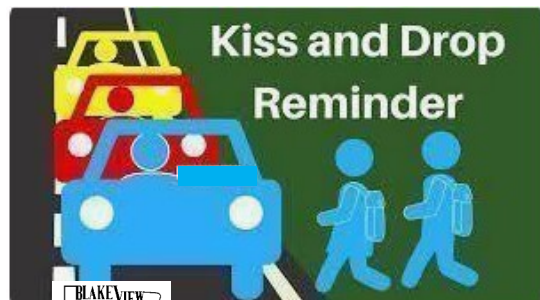
Principal



KISS AND DROP

We ask parents move forward as much as possible rather than stopping in front of the kiss & drop gates. Blakeview staff will check in with cars waiting and walk students to their cars.

Be aware the council monitors this area and stopping or parking on the solid yellow line can result in fines being issued.



ROOM 17 NEWS

In Room 17, we have been learning about teamwork skills and managing our big feelings when we face Challenges. We have spoken about what teamwork means and shared ideas about what great teamwork looks like. We have practiced working through team Challenges where students shared their thinking and, helped each other.



Students demonstrated some excellent self-management skills when they became frustrated and used teamwork to complete the challenges.

We started our new learning in week 3, where students have carried these skills and persevered with learning new maths concepts and supported each other when someone was stuck. It was a great start to the year for Room 17! ☺



2 Challenges within photos:

1. Brain teaser where they had to replicate a piece of cut paper without being able to touch the example. Some students were very resilient!
2. Marshmallow Bridge Challenge where students had to build a bridge out of toothpicks and marshmallows that could hold textas on top.



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PRIMARY SCHOOL CRICKET



**COME JOIN US FOR OUR NEW YEAR 2/3 MASTER
BLASTER PRIMARY SCHOOLS CRICKET COMPETITION!**

Where: Riverbanks College B-12, Angle Vale

When: Fridays, 5:30-6:45pm starting 3 March 2023

Cost: Term 1 will be free of charge
(Teams wishing to continue to play in Term 4 will incur a registration fee)

All you need is a team of 6 from your school!

Team Nominations due Friday 24 February 2023

**Scan the QR code or contact Hayden at
hwooldridge@saca.com.au
for further information**



SCHOOL VISIT

We had 3 of the players from Central districts come out to visit us recently. The students from room 18 had a great time learning new skills.



WITH LOVE FORMAL WEAR

With Love Formal Wear is a charity that provides year 6 and year 12 students clothes to wear at formals.

With Love Formal Wear will have its first Pop Up Event for 2023 on Saturday April 1st.

Book a time to find your perfect free formal wear for year 6 and year 12 students at 1506 Main North Road, Salisbury South

They will be open from 9am—3pm

<http://calendly.com/withloveformalwear84/with-love-formal-wear-pop-up-boutique-1>



ROOM 2

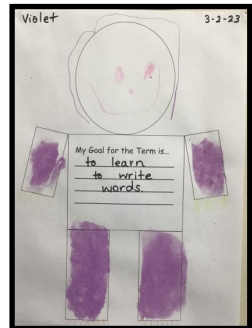
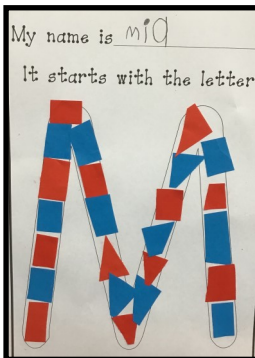
What's been happening in Room 2?

What a busy start of the year its been! In Room 2 we have started our literacy learning journey using Heggerty and InitialLit (whole class literacy programs incorporating phonological awareness, literature and vocabulary). We have developed our understanding of rhyming, syllables, letter recognition, initial sounds, blending and letter formation.

Our weekly library visits with our own decorated library bags have also been a highlight of our first few weeks of school. We have also enjoyed reading storybooks, developing our vocabulary and producing some fantastic artwork to support our understanding of these stories.

In Maths we have looked at a variety of concepts including sorting, patterning and number value. We have set a variety of goals for the term in literacy and numeracy and are working hard to develop our skills in all areas.

We are now experts at following the structures and routines of our classroom and enjoy the play based exploration using a variety of toys, games and equipment. Some of our favourites include our kitchen, shop and workbench. We are excited to experience all the new events the first year of school has to offer and making new friends along the way.



ROOM 14

This term in Room 14 we have been focusing on different character strengths linked to the Berry Street program, with the first couple weeks being based on 'kindness'.

As a class we talked about what kindness means to us, how to be kind to others, and the different ways we can set examples in being kind. The students have been participating in "The Kindness Project" where they have each made a kindness card with positive statements, and will soon be delivering these to the neighbouring streets letterboxes, as a means to spread kindness to others.

Here you can see the children working on their kindness cards, and also some examples of what they have produced.



2023 BELL TIMES

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri.		Thursday	
School starts	8:50	School Starts	8:50
Lesson 1	9:20—10:10	Lesson 1	9:20—10:10
Lesson 2	10:10—11:00	Lesson 2	10:10—11:00
LUNCH PLAY	11:00-11:30	LUNCH PLAY	11:00-11:30
Lesson 3 <i>Eating time 11:30—11:40</i>	11:30-12:20	Lesson 3 <i>Eating time 11:30—11:40</i>	11:30-12:20
Lesson 4	12:20-1:10	Lesson 4	12:20-1:10
RECESS PLAY	1:10-1:30	RECESS PLAY	1:10-1:30
Lesson 5 <i>Eating Time 1:30—1:40</i>	1:30—2:20	Lesson 5 <i>Eating Time 1:30—1:40</i>	1:30-2:20
Lesson 6	2:20—3:10	Early Dismissal	2:20

UNIFORM PRICE LISTS

SIZE	4-6-8	10-12-14 -16	S,M,L
BOMBER JACKETS	\$45.00	\$45.00	\$45.00
QUARTER ZIP JUMPER	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$35.00
POLO SHIRT	\$25.00	\$25.00	\$25.00
LONG SLEEVE SHIRT	\$27.50	\$27.50	\$27.50
UNISEX TRACKPANTS	\$16.00	\$16.00	\$16.00
SCHOOL DRESSES	\$45.00	\$45.00	n/a
BUCKET HATS	\$10.00		
COMMUNICATION BAG	\$10.00		

We support clothing bought from other suppliers if in school colours and without logos. We accept Cash and EFTPOS

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Parenting Workshops

Learn parenting strategies from expert psychologists.

You're invited to these unmissable **free** parent events!

The Parenting Success Formula (Transition to School) - 15th March 2023 | 10am - 11am

Healthy Sleep Routines for Kids - 22nd March 2023 | 10am - 11am

Helping Children Cope with Divorce & Separation - 29th March 2023 | 10am - 11am

How to Have a Healthy Mind (For Parents) - 5th April 2023 | 10am - 11am


Understanding & Overcoming Anxiety in Kids - 12th April 2023 | 10am - 11am

Each workshop is a 45-minute presentation plus 15 minutes for Q&A.

Venue

Playford Uniting Church
232 Curtis Road (Cnr Douglas Drive),
Munno Para SA 5115

How to book

To book, please visit: 
<https://www.trybooking.com/CGFYB>

Meet your facilitators



Dr Tom Nehmy
Clinical Psychologist



Dr Neralie Cain
Clinical Psychologist



Dr Kaitlin Harkess
Clinical Psychologist



Jacinta Durrand
Clinical Psychologist

Questions & further information

Leanne at Healthy Minds | 0457 999 706 | leanne@healthymindsprogram.com

An event for adults. Children under 12 months welcome. Registration forms are available via our booking system or at the school reception. Please submit prior to or on arrival - if you are attending more than one of the five sessions, only one registration form is needed.

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COMMUNITY NEWS



MIGHTY MINDS

WHAT IS IT ABOUT?

Mighty Minds aims to nurture relationships between caregivers and their young children. We help you to build secure, loving relationships and provide assistance to overcome relationship challenges.

We listen to the needs of each family, assess and work collaboratively to meet individual family's needs.

WHO FOR?

Has your child had challenging or difficult childhood experiences? Do they struggle to regulate their emotions? Would you like to learn how to respond to their needs effectively in a safe and supportive environment? Mighty Minds is a FREE service available to families who live in Davoren Park, Andrews Farm, Elizabeth North or Smithfield and who have a child aged 0-4 in child care.



HOW?

A referral can be made via your childcare centre. Or, you can refer yourself via the form on our website or by telephoning our office. Referrals can also be made by external services or supports.



AND WHERE?

Mighty Minds aims to meet the needs of the family and therefore can be adapted to suit you. Appointments can take place within the family home, external services, or located at NACYS office in Davoren Park

COST

Might Minds is a FREE service



ABOUT US

NACYS is a not for profit, community based organisation, located in Davoren Park SA. NACYS staff have a commitment to providing support, listening to our community and advocating for them in all that we do.



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RESOURCE CENTRE

Welcome back to the Resource Centre.

“In 2023 the Library is the place to be”

The library is open from 8:30am each day until the end of the school day. Borrowing has started, all students have one borrowing lesson each week with their class teacher/s.

Please return any books borrowed from last year which you have found in the holidays.



The Premier's Reading Challenge is Celebrating 20 years in 2023 with a special 20 Book Challenge.

This involves reading an extra 8 books of their own choice in addition to the usual 12 books.

For those who complete the 20 year challenge as well as receiving their award for this year they will receive a bonus certificate.

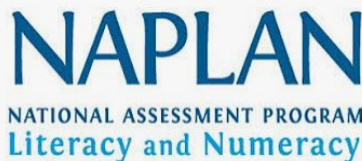


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NOTICEBOARD

NAPLAN

Between the 14th and 24th March, our Years 3 and 5 students will be participating in the various NAPLAN assessments. Over the years, we have seen a number of students and parents get quite anxious about these assessments. We are writing to let you know, that whilst it's understandable to be a little nervous, all we ask any of our students is to give it their best efforts. For the mums and dads at home, the best way that you can support your kids is to reassure them that that they just have to try their best, don't place unnecessary expectations or pressure about getting everything correct and please don't let it be the focus of that time frame. Children are made up of more than an assessment score, we all have our strengths and areas that we can improve. NAPLAN doesn't capture a sense of humour, social skills, or friendships. It does not focus on our school values; Respect, Responsibility and Honesty. Whilst NAPLAN is an important snap shot of students abilities in Literacy and Numeracy (and gives us as a school direction to strengthen if large numbers of students have not grasped a concept), the best advice we can offer, is just do your best.



School Interviews

In week 8 this term, we will be hosting Parent/Teacher interviews. This will be a perfect time to meet with your children's teachers and discuss how they have gone in the first term. More information and the online booking schedule will be sent out soon.



Swimming

In week 10, our R-2 students will be travelling to the Elizabeth Aquadome for their annual swimming lessons. Swimming is an important part of the school curriculum as well as being a great life skill. It is really important that we keep ourselves and others safe when in and around water.

