



# Munno Para

## PRIMARY SCHOOL

Respect, Responsibility, Success

NEWSLETTER  
Term 3, Week 9 2022

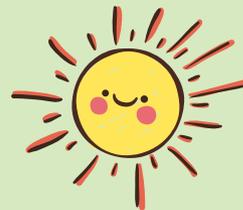
"Change is the end result of all true learning." - Leo Buscaglia

### Principal's Message

Dear families,

#### New Curriculum resources

On September 10 the Department released the next stage of the Curriculum Resources, to support teachers with their implementation of the Australian Curriculum. These resources are created by South Australian teachers, for South Australian teachers and are designed to help translate the Australian Curriculum and Teaching for Effective Learning (TfEL) into relevant and practical learning opportunities. They assist with the planning and assessment required for all year levels and to ensure a consistent, high quality teaching and learning program which is aimed at improving the learning outcomes for every child, in every class, in every school.



We will continue to engage with and work in collaboration with experts such as Kate Marschall from the Literacy Guarantee Unit, Sheree Wingard our Curriculum Lead and more recently Pina Capella from the Brightpath Writing team to support us with our implementation.

#### Class Placements for 2023

As the term draws an end, we have begun planning for 2023. One of the main tasks during this time is placing students into classes for the following year. It is important to note that due to fluctuating student numbers (particularly over the Christmas break) we are unable to guarantee class placements until our census day which is in Week 2 of Term 1 the following year.

We cannot stress enough that if you have a preference for your child, please put it in writing, as once we have placed students in classes it is very difficult to make any changes. Please be aware that if you put in a request you need to state your reasons for the request and we only consider requests based on educational and social/wellbeing needs. We do not consider requests based on teacher preference. All requests should be addressed the following way:

All requests need to be received by Friday Week 10 of Term 3.

To the Principal  
Class Placements  
Private and Confidential

#### Reception Enrolments for 2023

We are now taking enrolments for Reception for 2023. Please come into the Office to fill out an Expression of Interest form to ensure you are on our list. Principal tours can be arranged by ringing Heather in the front office and booking in a time. Information packs have been sent to our local pre-schools and to families who have already completed the Expression of Interest form.

#### Split classes

This term we have had to split classes more than we would like due to not being able to acquire a temporary relief teacher when a teacher is absent. I understand the impact this has on our students with changing routine and inevitable impact on their learning. Unfortunately, this is a state and nationwide issue which is front and centre of discussion at all levels of Government.

I greatly appreciate your support with this and know that we exhaust many alternative options before making the decision to split a class.

### Diary Dates

#### TERM 3:

Friday 30 September  
Premier's Be Active Challenge concludes



Closing date for 2023 class placement requests

Colour Splatacular

Last day of Term 3 - 2pm finish

#### TERM 4:

Monday 17 October  
First day of Term 4



#### Reminder:

Last day of Term 3  
Friday 30 September  
2:00pm early dismissal  
School resumes for Term 4  
on Monday 17  
October

### Assembly

Week 3, 6 and 9

### Bell Times

8:45am Teacher on duty in the yard

8:50am School day begins

10:50am Lunch play

11:20am End lunch play

1:00pm Recess play

1:20pm End recess play

3pm Home time



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## Principal's Message (continued)

### Attendance

Students arriving late and getting picked up early over time has a significant impact on their learning. There will always be emergencies and events to consider, but regular lateness does add up. We are including this table, which demonstrates this clearly.

When your child misses just...	That equals...	Which is...	And therefore from kindy to Year 12, that is...
10 minutes a day	50 minutes of learning each week	Nearly 1 and ½ weeks per year	Nearly half a school year
20 minutes a day	100 minutes of learning each week	3 weeks per year	Nearly a year of school
30 minutes a day	150 minutes (half a day) of learning each week	4 weeks per year	Nearly 1 and ½ years of school
60 minutes a day	A whole day of learning each week	8 weeks per year or nearly a full term a year	Over 2 ½ years of learning

If your child is going to be absent, it is important that you let the front office know at your earliest convenience. We really shouldn't have any unexplained absences. Whether the reason is illness, family reasons or an unavoidable appointment, informing the school ensures the correct absence code is recorded and all students are accounted for.

If you require any further information regarding this, please contact the school and ask to speak with our Wellbeing Leader, Ryan Hunter.

**Aaron McPherson, Principal**

## Pastoral Care Support

### Who am I?

My name is Rhianna Dewey and I have recently been working at Munno Para Primary School as a pastoral care worker. I am super friendly, very extroverted, and LOVE chocolate. I have a background in psychology and a passion for people. I am currently studying a Diploma Of Leadership and have a second casual job. I love to talk, so please don't be shy if you see me wondering around and want to stop for a chat.

### What do I do?

My role is to support not only the students but also the parents and staff of the school. Quite often I will be working with students who need extra support or running different groups at recess and lunch times. My role is to be a friendly positive influence within the school. Part of my role is to partner with the local church community to meet all types of needs within families. Please get in touch if there is an area you need assistance.

### When am I here?

I have been given 10.7 hours per week and this is split over two days. I will be here Tuesdays and Thursdays. If a public holidays falls on one of these days, I have flexibility to come in a different day. More often than not I will be wondering around at the end of the day near the school gates, so hopefully I can meet some of you there.

### How can you contact me?

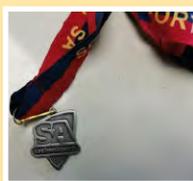
Feel free to contact me at the school either on a Tuesday or Thursday on 8254 8322, otherwise you can email me on [rhiannadewey@gmail.com](mailto:rhiannadewey@gmail.com).



## Sports News

### State Carnival

On the 20th of September the school and local district was represented by 4 of our students - Stewart Garce-Cooke, Ashleigh Brown, Thisali Dissanayake and Taylah Heitmann at the State Athletics Carnival. The students had an amazing day with all the students finishing in the top ten in an event. We are very proud of all their efforts and the way they conducted themselves. A special well done to the following students for receiving placings in their divisions: Stewart for placing third in high jump, Thisali for placing second in shot put and Taylah for placing second in long jump.



### Auskick

Well done to all the students who have participated in Auskick this term. It has been a great success with the students learning some AFL skills like kicking, handballing, marking and tackling. A special thank you to Mr Watson, Mr Keynes, Mrs Kempster, Mr Kyle and Gill for supporting the program each week. We look forward to next year with all the students back out learning more footy skills.

Mark Oliphant College  
welcomes you to  
**Year 7**



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Transition Information



Mark Oliphant  
College



**Year 7  
Transition  
Day**

**Friday, 9th December 2022**

Where: Mark Oliphant College  
Front Office  
Time: 9am-2:15pm

We are looking forward to spending the day with our 2023 Year 7 students!

Students will have the opportunity to meet the staff, explore the learning environments and get to know their peers.

**Important Information:**

Students will need to wear their current school uniform and bring a small bag containing their water bottle and food for the day. Our canteen will be open during breaks for students to make purchases if they wish.

For more information please contact:  
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**Middle Years Leadership Team**

While you may often deal with our Year 7 Coordinator, especially in your early days at MOC, over your time in Middle Years these are some key people who you will get to know.



**Kym Grant**  
Principal



**Adam Calnan**  
Assistant Principal:  
Behaviour



**Daniel Luciano**  
Head of Middle Years



**Matt Verner**  
Middle Years  
Wellbeing Leader



**Nicole Barry**  
Middle Years  
Wellbeing Leader



**Casey Rendell**  
Year 7 Coordinator



**Tegan Trenaman**  
Year 8 Coordinator



**Sam Luxton**  
Year 9 Coordinator



We have organised these events to support a smooth transition for our incoming Year 7 students. We look forward to seeing many of you at these events which will give you an opportunity to meet some of our key staff and visit the learning environment.

**Parent Information Sessions**

**Tuesday 27th September**  
3:30am - 4:30pm

**Wednesday 5th October**  
9am - 10am

**Thursday 20th October**  
5:30pm - 6:30pm

We will be running three parent information sessions, offered over a range of different days and times in the hopes that you'll be able to join us for one. We will cover some important information about starting high school and also offer a question and answer session for anything you have been wondering about. While this session is targeted towards parents, you are welcome to bring your Year 6 child along if you wish. Jump online and RSVP to your chosen session.



**1:1 Transition Meetings**

**Wednesday 5th October**  
10am - 4pm

We encourage you to book a 15 minute transition meeting with our transition team. This will give you an opportunity to ask any questions or raise any concerns that are specific to your child, as well as getting to meet our staff. Appointments are made online at <https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/>, and then entering the event code **nwc3k**, or by using the QR code.



If you experience any problems please contact Casey Rendell or Daniel Luciano on 8209 1600 or directly via email at Casey.Rendell894@schools.sa.edu.au Daniel.Luciano471@schools.sa.edu.au

# Community Notices



## Useful Information



### Parent Questionnaire

We would like to maximise the potential for all students to have a smooth, happy and a safe transition to Year 7. We have created a short questionnaire so we can gain as much information from you, as parents who know your child better than anyone else. This way we, as a school, will be in the best position possible to support students as they begin their secondary school journey.

### Student Conversations

Members of our transition team are aiming to begin visiting primary schools in early Term 4. During this time we will be visiting classrooms and meeting with each individual child for a short, 5 to 10 minute interview. The aim of this strategy is for transitioning students to get to know our Middle Years leaders and for us to get to know each student.



### Student Devices

Year 7 students each have access to a Chromebook to use for their learning during the school day. The school is looking to introduce a Chromebook security deposit scheme for 2023.

### Uniform

Our school uniform can be ordered through Devon Clothing, either online, via our school website, or by visiting their store in Modbury, where your child can try on the uniform to check sizing. Their store is open Monday to Friday 9.00am - 5.00pm and Saturday 10.00am - 1.00pm.



### The School Day

Gates open at 8:30am and Home Group starts at 8:50am. It is an expectation that all students are on time for Home Group and attend daily. We ask that students arrive at school with enough time to put their belongings in their locker and be at their Home Group ready for an 8:50am start. School finishes at 3:10pm daily, with an early finish on Wednesdays when dismissal is 2.20pm.

### Stationery

Students are required to bring their own stationery for use during the year. Please check the back to school pack that you will receive in January for specifics as to what materials your child needs to bring.



## Don't Forget To:

- Complete and return enrolment form online or via hard copy by Friday 23rd September 2022
- Complete the Parent Questionnaire online
- RSVP to a Parent Information Session
- Book in for a 1:1 Transition Meeting
- Organise uniform through Devon Clothing

## OUR FIRST COME AND TRY DAY!

Sunday 2nd October 2022 9:00am

Join us at Kooranowa Reserve, Vincent Road!

### CENTRE DETAILS

Location: **Kooranowa Reserve, Vincent Rd,**

**Smithfield Plains SA**

Trainings: **Wednesday 6-7pm**

Meets: **Sundays, 9am - 12pm**

Ages: **3-17 years.**

Munno Para Little Athletics Centre teaches children the fundamental movements of all sports: running, jumping, throwing and walking. No matter your skill level or abilities, we welcome all children to come and have a go! Little Athletics is all about family, fun & fitness and making sure you can be your best!

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**JOIN NOW**

# INFORMATION DAY

**SUN 25TH SEPT** *Kooranowa Reserve,*  
**10AM-2PM** *Vincent Road, Smithfield.*

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**woolworths CRICKET BLAST**

**CRAIGMORE CRICKET CLUB**  
**JUNIOR BLASTER**  
STARTING SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER  
9:00AM-10:00AM

**SPORTS VOUCHERS**  
**ADELAIDE Strikers**