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Newsletter

Important Information

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Week 1

29/4/24

Pupil Free Day

1/5/24

Yr 12 Developing Minds

3/5/24

NYP Football Carnival

Week 2

7/5/24

7/8 Basketball Carnival

6/5/24 - 10/5/24

Combined Schools Year
10 Work Experience
Camp

8/5/24 - 9/5/24

Parent Teacher
Interviews



Government of South Australia
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Be Ready ■ Be Engaged ■ Be Respectful
Positive Behaviour for Learning

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Teaching & Learning Coordinator

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Students with Additional Needs
Coordinator

Helen Moloney

Student Wellbeing Leader/FLO

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Student Wellbeing Leader

Principal's News

What a truly wonderful term it has been. As I look back over the past 11 weeks I am incredibly proud of our school, its staff and students and our place in the community.

The House competition extending beyond Sports Day certainly adds to the sense of connection and pride within our school. It was wonderful that our young people were in community for the Clean Up Australia event and earning points for their houses.

An element of the Positive Behaviour for Learning House ticket system I like is that thought the winning house chooses the end of term reward, the whole school receives the reward, not just them. The reward acknowledges everyone's success and growth and we celebrate together. What a day Friday will be! I am especially looking forward to the Staff v Student cricket match with the slogan of "Let's hit cancer for 6" This fundraising venture for Childhood Cancer has been organised by our Student Leadership Group and as I sit writing this I know their target of raising \$400 has already been exceeded to more than double this amount. Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated.

In 2019 Moonta Area School had an External School Review. These are usually held on a 3 year rotation across Department for Education sites. Due to circumstances which impacted all areas of our society since then, delaying some processes, our latest review was held in late March. All teaching staff on site during this time, plus some Teaching Assistants and members of Governing Council plus large forums of students were interviewed as part of the process. Tours of the site were led by Assistant Principals Samantha Schultz, Wendy Williams and I. Learning Areas were visited and teaching and learning programmes, plus policies and recording systems across all facets of our school were investigated over the three school visit days. Prior to this there had been meetings and sharing of the improvement work we have been undertaking since the 2019 review. We are waiting on the final report and recommendations for our continued improvement. It was reaffirming however, on the final day, when the leadership executive met with the three review officers to hear praise for our students and how they presented themselves and spoke and for the wide number of programmes we have in place, plus student opportunities at Moonta Area School. One of the review officers commented that the school 'has strong pillars for continued success with a committed staff, high levels of trust and confidence, plus happy students who are engaged in their learning and a supportive parent body'

The term break ahead will see major changes within our beautiful main building. Demolition of our front office commences on Monday and recarpeting of a major section of the library is part of the overall transformation. All 54 windows of the main building will be replaced and with new paint what a facelift this will be! This work is due for completion by June 30th. I know there will be some disruptions to access during this time but it will be worth it and I ask in advance for your understanding. We will keep our community advised as we receive direction from the builders. On Friday of this week boulders are being delivered ready for work throughout the break on establishing an outdoor learning area off of the middle school, including a large lawn area.

We wish teacher Cerys Kirkwood and her family all the best as they set off on a wonderful adventure travelling Australia for the rest of the school year. I am sure Cerys will keep in touch and we look forward to hearing about the places she visits and the experiences she has.

Term 2 commences on Tuesday April 30th for our students. Staff will be undertaking professional development on Monday April 29th in the areas of Aboriginal Education, Positive Behaviour for Learning and Individual Learning Plans.

Beth Hector
Principal





How things have changed since 2004...

In Feb 2004 Facebook was launched by Mark Zuckerberg and it was called The Facebook, a social networking website for Harvard University students.

Mobile phones in 2004



A movie night at home looked like...



AND Moonta Area School values of Learning, Caring and Sharing were developed

The garden in the picture is not the garden you see now. We see development showing us that all things can grow and flourish.

NOW in 2024 we are reflecting on our values as we move forward

SO watch this space as we seek your input



Clean Up Australia Day



In Week 8, students participated in Clean Up Australia Day. Students worked together in their house teams to clean up rubbish in the Moonta community. Well done to Flinders who picked up the most rubbish!



Positive Behaviour for Learning Awards

At our Assembly in Week 10 we were very pleased to see the first Positive Behaviour for Learning Certificates awarded. These students have been selected for demonstrating our expectations: Be Ready, Be Engaged and Be Respectful.

All staff and students have been working hard to teach, learn and acknowledge positive behaviours, and anyone who has been at the Front Office at the end of each day will have seen the House Teams ticket canisters getting very full!

Each ticket represents someone being noticed and acknowledged for excellent behaviour. Keep an eye on our school sign to see the weekly and accumulated total tally for Flinders, Monterra and Eyre!



• Be Ready • Be Engaged • Be Respectful •

2024 Crossing Monitors

Please welcome our 2024 Crossing Monitors who have undertaken training with SAPOL and now volunteer their time to keep our Koala Crossing on Blanche Terrace safe for pedestrians and young people walking to and from school. This is a huge responsibility and we are all very grateful to them. May we take this opportunity to thank road users who remember to observe the speed limit and remind everyone that the speed limit reduces to 25 km/h when the lights are flashing, even if traffic monitors are not present.



Cross Country 2024





Outdoor Education Water Skiing 2024



In Week 7 of this term the Year 10 Sport and Recreation class participated in a waterskiing camp at Morgan. Throughout this camp the students were able to spend each of the four days enjoying water activities while sleeping outside in swags and preparing and cooking their own meals!



Mile End Athletics Carnival

During Week 9 students from MAS competed at the in Mile End Athletics Carnival held at the SA Athletics Stadium in Adelaide. These students gave it their all and displayed great sportsmanship throughout the day!



MOONTA AREA SCHOOL PRESENTS...

PBL REWARD DAY

PBL TERM 1
WHOLE SCHOOL REWARD DAY



ELECTIVES

BASKETBALL COURTS	COMPUTER CLUB
GYM (GAME)	LEGO CLUB
OVAL/FOOTBALL/SOCCER	SCRUB
PLAYGROUND HOP	

CASUAL DAY

STAFF:
DRESS AS STUDENTS

STUDENTS:
DRESS AS STAFF



TERM 1
FRI WEEK 11



STAFF **VS** STUDENTS

CRICKET MATCH



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Community Sport Achievement

Earlier this year, Brock and Ava Penna were selected to represent SA in their respective bow categories - Recurve and Compound.

Over the Easter break, Brock and Ava competed at the Youth Nationals Archery Championships 2024 at Tuggeranong ACT, along with approximately 130 Youth archers.

It was an amazing event. They gained experience in shooting their first big National Event, shot PBs and met some new friends. Their dedication to training and hard work paid off.

Ava Under 14 Female Compound: 900 round – Silver – 846/900; Field – Silver – 345/432; Indoor 18m – Gold – 535/600; 720 round – Gold – 698/720.

Brock Under 16 Male Recurve: 900 round – Gold – 851/900; Field – Bronze – 314/432; Indoor 18m – Gold – 560/600; 720 round – Silver – 673/720

Thank you to Archery GW, Archery Supplies and Mid North Archers for all their support in the lead up and at the event.



Moonta Community Library Library Corner



Returning Library Books

As the end of Term 1 approaches, we want to remind everyone it's time to ensure that all borrowed materials find their way back home to the shelves. So, before you pack up for the holidays, check if you have any library books at home. If you do, please return them to the library as soon as possible.

Contact the Moonta Community Library Team if you have any questions regarding the library process. Happy Holidays!

Celebrating Success in the Premier's Reading Challenge!

We are thrilled to announce and celebrate the outstanding achievement of Ella, who has become the first student at MAS to complete the 2024 Premier's Reading Challenge! Ella's dedication, passion for reading, and commitment to the challenge are commendable. Congratulations, Ella!

But that's not all—let's also extend our applause to Tayler, Seth, James, Jylah, Drazic, and Jack, who have also completed the Premier's Reading Challenge so far this year.

As we celebrate the achievements, we also want to encourage all students to consider participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge. Participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge is not only about reaching the finish line; it's about embarking on a journey of exploration, imagination, and personal growth through the pages of books.

Once again, congratulations to Ella, Tayer, Seth, James, Jylah, Drazic, and James for their fantastic achievements in the Premier's Reading Challenge. Your enthusiasm for reading is an inspiration to us all!

Happy reading

Read & Rhyme Time and Rhyme & Play Time resumes Week 1 Term 2.

**Adults programs include Crafter's & Bookchat
Ring the library on 88251511 for more information!**

Library Opening Times

Monday 9-12

**Tuesday to Friday
9-5.30**

Closed Public Holidays





CLEAN AIR AT SCHOOL

Smoking and vaping are banned at this site including within 10m of the boundary



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Tobacco and E-Cigarette Products Act 1997



clearingtheair.sa.gov.au

From **1 March 2024**, new laws will ban smoking and vaping in a variety of public outdoor areas in South Australia. Regulations under the [South Australian Tobacco and E-Cigarette Products Act 1997](#) are being introduced to address risks associated with passive tobacco smoking and passive inhalation of e-cigarette aerosol.

This will occur through the creation of smoke-free and vape-free areas. The ban includes early childhood services premises, and education and children’s services facilities (including schools), and within ten (10) metres of their boundaries.

10-metre zone beyond the boundary

The new laws require the establishment of a 10-metre smoke-free and vape-free area in all public areas from the boundary of early childhood services and education and children’s services facilities. This area does not extend into areas that are not open to, or used by the public, or a section of the public. For example, residential premises that share a boundary with, or are within 10 metres of the boundary of, children’s education centres, child-care centres and school land.

Moonta Area School OSHC

April 2024 Vacation Care Program

Open 6.30am - 6.00pm

We welcome children from all schools!

For bookings please contact our OSHC team on 0439 817 475 or email dl1488.oshc@schools.sa.edu.au

Monday 15/4
UpCycle It!



creating with recycled materials

Tuesday 16/4
Silent Disco



Wednesday 17/4
Mad Scientist Day



Thursday 18/4
Adventure Day

Spend the day in the scrub!



Friday 19/4
SplashTown
Excursion



Monday 22/4
String Art Day



Creating art using string

Tuesday 23/4
Around the World:
New Zealand



Wednesday 24/4
Wacky Wednesday

Sponsored by:
Variety
The Children's Charity

Waiting List Only

Thursday 25/4
Public Holiday



Friday 26/4
Super Mario
Party



ALL Vacation Care bookings are considered PERMANENT. If your child is absent charges will apply.

For any booking cancellations after Friday Week 9 of the school term full fees will be charged to your account for Vacation Care.

Notices

Monday 22nd April

Holiday Fun!

Come and join us in our clinic at Moonta Area School in the holidays for some interactive fun!

- ✔ Social Interaction
- ✔ Fun and Laughter
- ✔ Indoor and Outdoor
- ✔ Friendships!

We look forward to cultivating friendships, developing new skills and making special memories during these school holidays!

\$35 per child

10:00 - 11:30 or 1:00 - 2:30

Call Jodie to book in!
0417 856 837



Girls Footy Clinic

21st April 2024

Join former Crows and Power AFLW Captain Erin Phillips with special guest Greg Phillips.

Ages	Time	Location	Food	Clinic
Girls 7 to 15	10:30am	Port Broughton Oval	Lunch & bar facilities available	\$10

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE

Register participation

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1204581?embed>



A little better than
yesterday,
is the goal.



#saysomething

PUPIL FREE DAYS

Monday April 29

Tuesday June 11

Monday September 9

Friday November 29



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19 +26
APRIL

KOPPER KIDS BIKE MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP

AGES
10-15

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 (10-12PM)

FRIDAY, APRIL 26 (2-4PM)



\$40 PP

Join us for a 2-hour bike maintenance course for kids to learn how to clean a bike, repair a puncture, replace a tube, take a wheel off + on and conduct a safety bike check.

Includes: 1 x tube for your bike, 2 x tyre levers, thumbs up repair kit (\$20RRP), a bottle of water + snack.



NB: Every child MUST bring their own bike.

LIMITED SPOTS AVAILABLE. BOOKINGS ONLINE ONLY AT [HTTPS://EVENTS.HUMANITIX.COM](https://events.humanitix.com)