Last Friday 6th May was the Moonta Area School R-7 Cross Country. After our crazy weather for Sports Day, we all had our fingers crossed for good weather and were rewarded. The students were well behaved and were willing to try hard in their running events. It was lovely to see the students excited to compete and keen to cheer on their classmates. Congratulations to all students for having a go and a special mention to the following students on placing in their age group event.

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NAPLAN
The National Literacy and Numeracy testing has occurred for all students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 this week. Students in these year levels in schools across Australia have undertaken the same tests on these days. Students have their skills assessed in Reading, Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar), and Numeracy. Test results provide additional information on how students are progressing in these areas. Moonta Area School is committed to improving the literacy and numeracy levels of our students through quality and evidenced based teaching and learning processes. We are looking forward to receiving the results which we predict will show significant growth from the levels achieved when students were tested 2 years ago.

SA Excellence in Public Education Awards
I am proud of all staff at Moonta Area School who go above and beyond each and every day. This year, 11 of our teachers were acknowledged by the school community and were nominated for the SA Excellence in Public Teaching Awards. Congratulations go to:

- Shelley Hier
- Caroline Hutchins
- Wendy Williams
- Sam Schultz
- Ashely Dearlove
- Sonia Perkins
- Kris Straus-Scott
- Michael Thorpe
- Katie Koster
- Adele Keleher
- Melinda Ellis

I’m sure you will agree that the staff at Moonta Area School go the extra mile when educating their students. Thank you to parents and community members for making the nominations which acknowledge the work the school does to look after the best interests of our students.

Early Closure
As you know we will be closing the school on Tuesday the 17th of May to enable teachers across 11 sites in the Northern Yorke Peninsula participate in Professional Learning together. The purpose of this time is for educators from across the partnership to come together in small like groups to look at common areas of interest and professional need. All teachers participated in training in Term 1 ready for these groups to start next week. We thank parents and carers for the opportunity to participate in this partnership professional learning exercise and look forward to implementing our learning over the year.

Staffing
We thank Adele Keleher for the fabulous work she has done at Moonta Area School as Deputy Principal for the last 15 months. And wish her all the best in her new position as Principal: Wallaroo Mines for the rest of 2016. Adele has been instrumental in many positive initiatives at our school and her legacy will live on for year to come.

We congratulate Richard Hall who has won the position for the rest of 2016.

Premier’s Reading Challenge
Congratulations to the many students who have completed the Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC) so soon – to date, more than 80 keen readers have already submitted their Reading Record Sheets and there are many students who are well on their way to doing the same ... so keep reading and recoding everyone 😊

There is still ample time to be successful in completing the PRC – September 9th is the date that you must keep in mind as this is the last opportunity for submitting the official record sheet.

Our Story Tree in the Library (which celebrates the achievements of those who have completed the PRC) is looking remarkable but it needs many more leaves to continue its growth. For those of you who are now in the Beyond The Challenge of the PRC – a super well done to you. For those students who haven’t embraced the Challenge yet – there is still plenty of time to achieve this, so jump in and join us.
Harrison Hatcher, Decklan Waters and Tom Cockshell all stepped up one last time to take on the SAPSASA Lawn Bowls tournament. The boys entered into the triples tournament, meaning they played as one team. Brian Gum coached the boys to 2nd place last year and spirits were high to go one better at this year’s tournament. The event was held at the beautiful Modbury Lawn Bowls Club on what turned out to be a perfect day. Unfortunately, the boys did not quite get off to the perfect start, narrowly winning their first game, but losing a very winnable second game. It all came down to the last match of the round robin to see if the boys could progress. The boys finally hit their straps and played some exceptionally high quality bowls defeating a very talented side by 6 points (a considerable win in bowls terms). Unfortunately, it was not to be, as the boys missed out on the finals by 1 measly point. The boys were shattered, but proud of all they have learned and achieved over the two years. On behalf of Moonta Area School, I would like to take the opportunity to thank Brian Gum for the hours he puts into training our students each year. Every year he develops our students from people that have no real knowledge of the game, to extremely competitive lawn bowls players.
Boys

5 year olds
1st Lachlan Davey
2nd Hayden Leicester
3rd Declan Wiltshire
4th Jace Cowley

6 year olds
1st Ryder Dunlop
2nd Hudson White
3rd Reef Mackereth
4th Jack Christian

7 year olds
1st Hunter Jones
2nd James Richardson
3rd Luke Trenwith
4th Sam Freund

8 year olds
1st Zane Pollard
2nd Tahj Madigan
3rd Will Gow
4th Cody Peck

9 year olds
1st Fraser Elsworthy
2nd Mason Dunlop
3rd Luke Chamberlain
4th Blake Conway

10 year olds
1st Ashton Wardle
2nd Brock Pollard
3rd Brae Hughes
4th Bobby Carpenter

11 year olds
1st Jett Smith
2nd Jayga Warmington
3rd Tyrese Jolly
4th Brock Elsworthy

12+ year olds
1st Harrison Hatcher
2nd Hayden Sonntag
3rd Michael Musolino
4th James Carpenter

Girls

5 year olds
1st Violet Cooper
2nd Eva Richardson
3rd Matilda Reynolds
4th Imogen Phillips

6 year olds
1st Tayla Oxspring
2nd Emily Waters
3rd Daisy Leach
4th Madeline Peters

7 year olds
1st Charlotte Keleher
2nd Sunny Weekley
3rd Brie-Anna Graham
4th Miley Knibbs

8 year olds
1st Charlotte Wiltshire
2nd Maeve Cockshell
3rd Leilani Gummow
4th Blair Ramsey

9 year olds
1st Olivia Jones
2nd Scarlett Hatcher
3rd Matilda Carruthers-Murray
4th Lilah McKenzie

10 year olds
1st Isabel Hobbs
2nd Asha Johns
3rd Shelly Webb
4th Alexa Northey

11 year olds
1st Brooke Irlam
2nd Mackenzie Jones
3rd Ella Greenland
4th Kennie Dunlop

12+ year olds
1st Emma Prout
2nd Michaela Woodward
2nd Jemima White
3rd Courtney Swift
4th Bella Cini

Thank you to the 8 parents that volunteered to help out at this event. They were well supported by our Year 10s out on the track and the Year 8/9s that ran races in support and also helped out on the oval. Thank you also to the Sport & Rec Committee for organising and running yet another excellent event.

Sally Hackett
On Monday 11th April Moonta Area School took a team of 45 to Mile End to compete in Athletics at Santos Stadium. The school had moved up a division to D1 due to the good results of the previous year.

The team was chosen from the Sports Day results and Interschool results. Students were allowed to compete in up to 6 events on the day.

State coaches made their way around to watch individual students to see if they should consider further training to reach higher levels in their athletics. A couple of students were approached or approached the state coaches themselves. This was a great honor to be approached but also one state coach commented on the overall standard of our Moonta students considering their limited practice time.

Moonta came 3rd in the boys, 3rd in the girls & 2nd overall. This means that in 2017 we will move up a division again. Well done, our athletics continues to grow.

Students that received first place in an event were:
Olivia Congdon – U16 Relay
Kara Hackett - U15 100m, Hurdles, Javelin
Claudia Hatcher – U16 100m, 200m, 400m, Relay
Ruby Markham – U16 Relay
Charlie Mieglich – U15 Long Jump, Triple Jump
Tyler Moore – U14 100m, Triple Jump
Gabby Morby – Open High Jump, Long Jump
Ella Mullins – U16 Relay
Jacob Taylour – Open Hurdles, Shot Put
After successfully winning a community grant, the school is constructing a community meeting place incorporating a pergola, barbecue and seating. The layout is based on an Aboriginal circular design and will be situated in the bottom corner of the school grounds near Blanche Terrace. This will complement the Remembrance Trail. Your personalised brick will be placed in this space and will be open to the public from Remembrance Day where you can walk the trail or make use of the meeting place. The money raised will help to purchase more bricks to complete the design.

**IN HONOUR OF YOUR GENEROUS CONTRIBUTION, A PERSONALISED ENGRAVED PAVER(S) OF YOUR CREATION WILL BE PLACED IN THE COMMUNITY MEETING SPACE BY THE REMEMBRANCE TRAIL**

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You could dedicate a paver to family members who served in the armed forces. Logos on bricks are also available – please contact the school for details.
Week 3: Will, Ryan, Decklan (Reserve: Kane)
Week 4: Misty, Montana, Rachel (Reserve: Liana)
Week 5: Cecil, Cooper, Austin (Reserve: Brock)
Week 6: Sheridan, Isabel, Bella (Reserve: Mackenzie)