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Newsletter

Important Information

Friday 14/4/23

2:05pm early dismissal

Term 2

Week 1

1/5/23

Pupil Free Day

Week 2

8/5/23 &

10/5/23

Parent Teacher Interviews

Week 3

Kernewek

Lowender



Issue: 3



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

Principal's News



Beth Hector
Principal

What a wonderful term it has been! We have had the opportunity to share in many traditional events and celebrate together, a perfect example being the return of our twilight Sports Day event after the restrictions of COVID.

The student growth I have witnessed in classes with students articulating not just what they are doing, but what they are learning reinforces the strong professionalism of our staff as we all work together on our Site Improvement goal of increasing the number of students achieving in the higher bands for reading and maintaining those students already there.

At Moonta Area School we are committed to quality teaching and learning whereby every child and young person has the opportunity to develop the skills fundamental to becoming a globally literate individual.

Reports are being finalised and these will be posted to families at the end of the holidays to arrive in time for Parent / Teacher Interviews on Monday May 8 and Wednesday May 10. Interview booking instructions will be distributed at the end of this week. Our Year 7-12 interviews will take on a new look this year with round table discussions involving a group of teachers, parents and the students.

Term 2 will commence with some staffing changes. Thank you to Ms Naomi Miettunen who has taught middle school HASS this term while Mr Dave Steele has been on leave. Dave returns to this role next term. I am taking some leave at the start of term for 4.5 weeks to attend a family wedding overseas. Ms Samantha Schultz will take on the position of principal, Mr Tyson Wait that of Assistant Principal and Mr Andrew Maidment will be the Year 7-12 Teaching & Learning Coordinator.

"We acknowledge the Nharungga Peoples the Traditional Owners of this land and we pay our respects to their Elders past, present and emerging."

There is so much to be grateful for at MAS. In the past week alone we have been visited by the Starlight Foundation to assist with hearing checks and the local Religious Education team who bring much joy to our children as they share the values we also hold as a school community. Our staff are amazing – they regularly go above and beyond as they seek ways to ensure our young people have access to opportunities beyond the core curriculum. It has been a busy term of sporting events, excursions and intensive multi-skill courses.

2023 has seen us reconfigure our Student Leadership structure. Along with this I am hosting “Business Lunches” with small groups of this team each time twice per term. I appreciate and value the ideas that have been shared with me and this week at our assembly the Cornish flag will be displayed. Thank you to Bede Mackereth, whose idea this is. As we prepare for Kernewek it is a perfect way to acknowledge and show pride in our heritage.

As a school we connect strongly with community. We are excited to be participating in the Makers Empire & National Trust Moonta Mines project. I know there will be some great news to share with you about this as the year progresses. ANZAC Day will be commemorated during the holiday break and I look forward to again attending the Moonta service with members of our student leadership team as we pay our respects.

I wish you all a safe and happy end of term break.

Welcome to the 2023 Governing Council

Ricki Mackereth - Parent - Chairperson/Grounds & Facilities

Ryan Jarvis - Parent - Deputy Chair/Treasurer

Janelle Phillips - Parent - Secretary/Sport & Rec Committee

Naomi Fulton - Parent - Canteen / Sport & Rec Committee

Kylie Van Duin - Parent - Community Links

Willis Daveson - Parent - Committee member

Candice McFarlane - Parent - Committee member

Grant Keleher - Parent - Committee member

Fred Drogemuller - Community - School Community Partnerships

Bruce Schmidt - Community - Copper Coast Council

Kloe Appleton - Student Representative

Ayden Aurisch - Student Representative

Karina Kay - Staff Representative

Wendy Williams - Staff Representative

Beth Hector - Principal

Special Visitors

Last week, our local Religious Education team visited primary classes. Easter Bunny also hopped by the Moonta Kindergarten and then into classrooms to deliver Easter eggs.



Easter Raffle

Thank you to the Queen Square Market Committee for organising the raffle and choosing Moonta Area School Leaders to be the recipients of the proceeds. We were amazed at the generosity and thrilled that \$562.35 was raised.

Thank you to all who purchased tickets, and a massive thank you to the local businesses for their generous donations.

- Make it a Home
- Taste the Yorke
- Lifeline Moonta Shop
- The Moonta Collective
- Moonta Coffee Barn & Gelateria
- Copper Trails Bike Hire
- Moonta Antiques
- Hair Goals
- Hair Bitz by Wendy
- Optom All Vision Care
- Marshalls Menswear



Choir Assessment

On Wednesday, 5th of April 2023, Robyn Filmer the director of Music for the Primary Schools Festival of Music visited the Moonta Area school choir for their Choir Assessment.

We worked through the repertoire for the 2023 Primary Schools Festival of Music. We sang with and without music.



“
We learnt a lot and it was fun, I really enjoyed the singing.
- Ava Penna
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"It was a lovely thing and I loved it. I like all the songs we do and singing in a group."
- Liana Johnstone
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Sports Day 2023

First place **MONTEIRA** with 1239 points

Second place **EYRE** with 1161 points

Third place **FLINDERS** with 1152 points



Congratulations to the MAS Sports Day age group champions

U9 Girls Winner: Jade Gray

Runner Up: Scarlet Croker & Liana Johnstone

Under 9 Boys Winner: Ajay Chapman

Runner Up: William Kroschel

Under 10 Girls Winner: Savannah Keldermans

Runner Up: Emmy Thomas

Under 10 Boys Winner: Jylah Trott

Runner Up: Rory Phillips

Under 11 Girls Winner: Ruby Howse

Runner Up: Charlotte Keldermans

Under 11 Boys Winner: Jack Keleher

Runner Up: Bede Mackereth

Under 12 Girls Winner: Imogen Phillips

Runner Up: Wynter Knibbs & Sienna Madigan

Under 12 Boys Winner: Liam Crocker

Runner Up: Jaiden Groben

Under 13 Girls Winner: Lataya Stephens

Runner Up: Alina Gummow

Under 13 Boys Winner: Reef Mackereth

Runner Up: Jack Christian

Under 14 Girls Winner: Charlotte Keleher

Runner Up: Mikayla Mobbs

Under 14 Boys Winner: Benji Jarvis & Ethan Osborn

Runner Up: Toby Braley

Under 15 Girls Winner: Leilani Gummow

Runner Up: Erika Aurisch

Under 15 Boys Winner: Curtis Jolly

Runner Up: Will Gow

Under 16 Girls Winner: Olivia Jones

Runner Up: Lara Chamberlain

Under 16 Boys Winner: Caden Young

Runner Up: Brodie R

SENIOR Girls Winner: Alexa Northey

Runner Up: Hayley Durdin-Dodman

SENIOR Boys Winner: Brae Hughes

Runner Up: Ayden Aurisch



Senior Captains Visit Parliament House

Our Captains Kloe Appleton and Ayden Aurisch were invited to attend a tour of Parliament House with Mr Fraser Ellis MP - Member for Narungga. Students were addressed by Premier, the Hon. Peter Malinauskas MP and Leader of the Opposition, the Hon. David Speirs MP. As part of the tour, students were able to observe parliamentary proceedings.

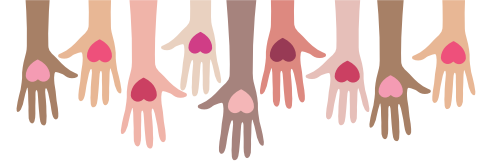


NYP SAPSASA Football Carnival

The students were well-behaved and showed great sportsmanship and some real natural talent! A special congratulations to Jack Keleher, who took out both the handball target and longest kick competitions.



Harmony Week



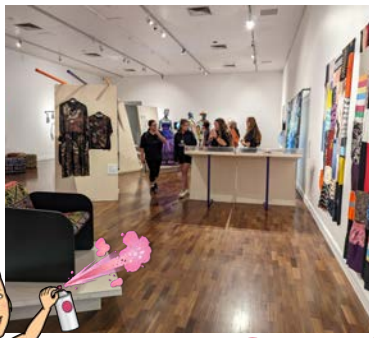
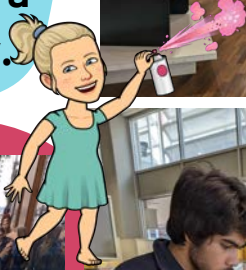
The Student Leadership team held a Casual Day to conclude our activities for Harmony Week. Harmony Week celebrates Australia's cultural diversity. It's about inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.



Art Attack



In week 9, the Years 11 & 12 Creative arts students had the opportunity to go on an excursion to Adelaide. The students visited the Year 12 SACE art, which showcased the best of last year's Year 12 students' art works, along with a guided tour of the Jam Factory.



Moonta Area School OSHC

We welcome children from all local schools.

On behalf of OSHC families I would like to thank Lisa Daddow as the outgoing Director. Under her leadership, the Moonta Area School OSHC has provided a wonderful service for our families. I know she will be sadly missed, and we wish her all the very best on her new adventure.

I also acknowledge and sincerely thank Tash Hubbard, OSHC staff and MAS staff for working hard with Lisa and myself to keep OSHC running smoothly over the past few weeks.

I am very happy to announce that on behalf of Governing Council, we have appointed Joanne Watkinson as Director of Moonta Area School OSHC.

Joanne comes to us as an experienced OSHC Director and we are very excited to welcome her to our team.

Joanne will commence as Director on April 13th and is looking forward to meeting children, staff and families.

Wendy Williams
Assistant Principal



**OSHC have vacancies for Before and After School Care.
For enrolment's please contact 0439817475**

CALLING ALL PROSPECTIVE HOMESTAY FAMILIES!!!



Once again MAS plans to host a group of **students from** Meiji Nakano Hachioji High School, **Japan in Early Term 3!!!**

Our visitors will stay for **2 weeks** from the **27th of July**.

We are looking for **families of year 7-11 students** to host! It is a terrific opportunity for families and students to learn, share cultures and build international friendships.

During the day the Japanese students will attend a school program to improve their English. The family's role is to provide the after-school **experience of Australian family life**. Those who have done this in the past have really enjoyed the experience.

There is a simple accreditation process which will happen next term. Please call us at school on 8825 2088 if you would like more information or fill out the reply slip and return to Mrs Swan via the front office.

Thank you,
Jane Swan & Tamra Stringer

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### JAPANESE HOMESTAY 2023 - Expression of Interest Reply Slip – (\*Please return to Mrs Swan or front office\*)

Our family is interested in the possibility of hosting a Japanese high school student from the end of July for 2 weeks as a part of this year's homestay.

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Parent Name/s

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Student Name/s & Class

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Daytime Phone No.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_



# STYMIE

To submit a Stymie notification, please scan the QR code.

