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# Newsletter

## Important Information

### Week 3

8/8/23

Year 10 Subject  
Counselling

9/8/23

Year 11 Subject  
Counselling

11/8/23

Casual Day

### Week 5

23/8/23

Book Week,  
Science Week  
and Public &  
Proud Day

11/9/23

Pupil Free Day



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# Principal's News



**Beth Hector**  
**Principal**

Welcome back to Term 3 where our doors open to community for some great reasons to celebrate the learning that occurs. Our Year 12s are consolidating their studies and students moving into senior years are making choices about their future. Along with this we strengthen our transition processes from kindy to school.

Throughout Term 2 and into this term our Year 5/6 classes working with the company Makers Empire on The Magic and Mystery of Life on the Mines project. We have incorporated this in our Design and Technology programmes and have received staff professional development plus the gifting of resources including a 3D printer to participate in the programme. An exhibition of student work will be on display from September 1st to September 27th at the Mines museum. I hope many of you visit.

We continue to engage with community at many levels and last Friday I enjoyed joining with our Year 3 / 4 classes to plant trees at the RV Park on the edge of town. 70 trees were planted. The Residents and Rate Payers Association and Copper Coast Council commented on the enthusiasm and beautiful manners of our students, hoping to make this an annual event as part of National Tree Day.

What fun it has been to have our Japanese guests at MAS. A massive thanks to Jane Swan and Tamra Stringer for their organisation and to our wonderful families who have opened their homes and hearts to these young people. The mayoral reception on Tuesday evening was a lovely acknowledgment of by our wider community that this exchange programme is valued.

NAPLAN reports will be posted home in the coming days. There have been significant changes to the language of the reports and information re this has been shared with parents along with an invitation to meet with staff to discuss the results.

I want to thank both Wendy Williams and Samantha Shultz who will be taking on the role of principal at MAS until the end of this term. Wendy will do so until September 8th and then Sam will take over to end the term. As per the letter to families I am going to support to Central Yorke School in a time of transition to a new leader. We are very fortunate to have Adele Keleher join our executive leadership team during this time.

I look forward to returning in Term 4 and know that we will continue to go from strength to strength as a great Area School, with our heart in community.



# Story Dogs

Sally and Mrs McCauley are super excited to be starting Story Dogs this term with their beautiful Labradors, Archie and April. The program is a volunteer-run initiative. Sally and Archie will be working with students on Tuesdays, and Mrs McCauley and April will be working with students on Fridays.

If your child would like to be considered to work with our specially trained dogs, please return the permission slip that was sent home at the beginning of the term.

Stay tuned for more updates!



Sally & Archie



Mrs McCauley & April

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



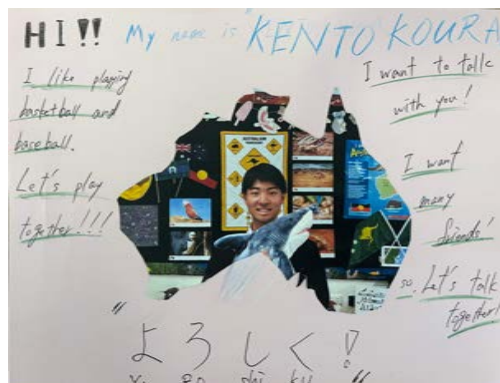
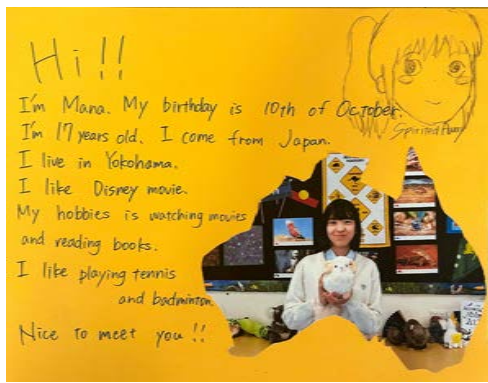
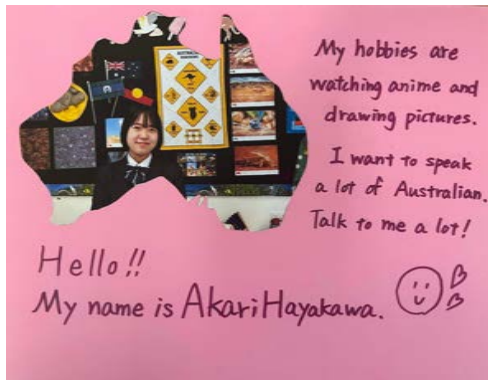
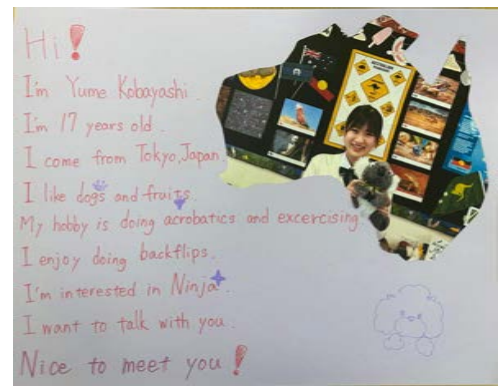
# Nihongo News! Japanese Homestay



On Thursday 27th July, Moonta Area School welcomed 13 Japanese high school students, their teacher Mr Sato and tour guide, Yuka, from Meiji Nakano Hachioji High School near Tokyo. Our 16-18-year-old visitors will be here experiencing our Australian country, school, and family life until August 10th.

This is an amazing opportunity to learn from and share cultures whilst building international friendships. While here, our visitors will be participating in an immersion program with Mrs Swan designed to help them with their confidence in English speaking and will be interacting with our R-6 students as well as tailing their 'buddies' to a few of their lessons. Be sure to say "ohayou" (good morning) or "konnichiwa" (good afternoon) when you see our guests around the school!





## JAPANESE CULTURE MORNING:



In honor of our visitors, we are holding a special Japanese festival event on Friday, week 2. For a scheduled time within Lessons 2-4, R-6 students will have the opportunity to socialize with our Japanese visitors and to participate in a variety of culturally rich activities and games facilitated by our Japanese students and their middle/high school buddies. Students will be given play money “yen”, to use as entry tickets to games and activities, and to purchase from stalls. Keep an eye out for photos on our Facebook page.

~ Mrs Swan

# Sports News

## Community Sport Achievement

Brock Penna recently shot at Mid North Archers, Port Pirie, in the Archery Australia National and State Indoor Championships, which were held on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th July. He was selected as the U14 representative in the Archery SA State Youth Recurve Team and they placed 4th for the event.

Brock was successful in his U14 Male Recurve division – achieving 1074/1200 which earned him Gold Nationally and in the State.

Brock stepped up and brought a fight to the Open Male Recurve division, achieving 1082/1200 which placed him 20th Nationally, out of 78, and 4th in the State, despite experiencing equipment failure early in the Sunday shoot.

An amazing achievement for someone who has only been shooting a Recurve for less than 12 months due to battling target panic with a compound 11 months ago.



# CASUAL DAY

## FRIDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST

### GOLD COIN DONATION

THEME: BE A HERO OR WEAR BRIGHT COLOURS



COME TO THE OVAL AT LUNCH TIME TO SEE THE FLAMING DRAGONS CAR!

# MAS Out of School Hours Care - Vacation Care

*We welcome children from all local schools.*



“I really liked Bush Buddies, decorating biscuits and laser tag” – Xara



“Lawn bowls was actually really cool, I was so close” - Khyden



“I really liked all the games on celebration day and laser tag” – Madeline

“My favourite part was making friends, if I hadn't come I wouldn't have met or made friends with some of these people” – Nate

“I liked the scrub and lawn bowls, all the different activities and sports and I really enjoyed meeting some new faces” – Nathan, assistant educator.

“Musical chairs and laser tag, I want to do them again” – Grayson

“I liked playing basketball on the courts” - Angus



**Our Before School Care and After School Care programs have spaces available for casual or permanent bookings. Contact our OSHC Director Joanne Watkinson on 0439 817 475 or [dl.1488.oshc@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.1488.oshc@schools.sa.edu.au) for further information.**

# School & Community News

## What's on at the library?

Opening Times Mon 9-12, Tues to Fri 9-5.30

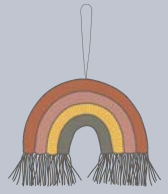
Read and Rhyme Time Tuesdays 10am

Crafters Session Wednesdays 10am - 12pm

Play Baby Play Thursdays 1.30pm - 3pm

Bookchat Fridays 10am - 12pm

For enquiries please ring the Moonta Community Library on 8825 1511



**CHEERLEADING / TUMBLE  
DANCE / POM CLASSES**

AGES 4YO-ADULT / COMP & REC TEAMS  
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**DENTAL  
ASSISTANT  
TRAINEESHIP**

SA Dental is offering up to 30 Dental Assistant Traineeship positions at dental clinics across South Australia.



### Dental Assistant Traineeships

SA Dental is offering up to 30 Dental Assisting Traineeship positions at clinics across the State. The 12-month Traineeship contract includes on the job training and attendance at TAFE where you will gain a Certificate 3 in Dental Assisting while earning \$19,040 - \$39,646 a year.

If you are 17 – 24 years of age (or up to 30 years if Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander) and have finished year 11, you may qualify for a Traineeship.

Applications open 28/07/2023 – 20/08/2023 for the January 2024 intake.

For more information on the Dental Assistant Traineeship please visit: [www.dental.sa.gov.au/about/careers](http://www.dental.sa.gov.au/about/careers)

# Public & Proud Showcase

Wednesday 23rd August

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BOOK WEEK®

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POWERING FUTURE INDUSTRIES



**national  
science  
week 2023**



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