



BURRA COMMUNITY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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'Quality Teaching - Quality Schooling'

TERM 1 NO. 5

DATE: 31 March 2021

DIARY DATES

April	
2	GOOD FRIDAY
5	EASTER MONDAY
9	End of Term 1 : school dismissal at 2.20pm
26	ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY
27	Start of Term 2
28	SAPSASA Winter Hub Carnival at Blyth
29	Storytime in Library 9.30am
May	
3-7	Year 10 Work Experience
4	SAPSASA Cross Country at Burra
7	Careers & Employment Expo - Year 12
10-14	Life Education
14	Choir Rehearsal at Jamestown
15-16	Exeat Weekend
21	R-6 Assembly 9.00am First Aid in Schools Program R-6

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

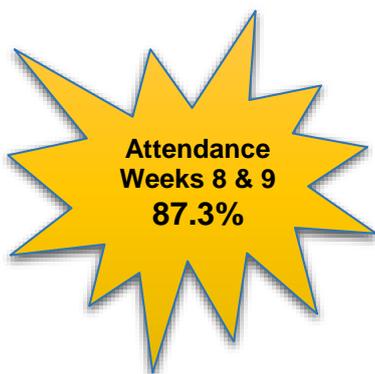
Congratulations to our five swimmers who participated in the SAPSASA Swimming Carnival in Marion on Friday. Our small group did very well, with Lucas Thamm winning gold in the U12 relay and Nick Jones winning bronze in the U13 relay. Emmylou Cooper, Lily Hancock and Cruz Miller did our school proud. Well done to all these students.

Thank you to all parents and staff for engaging in parent-teacher interviews this week. These are a good way of sharing information about your child's learning and of building connections between home and school. Please remember that you can make appointments with teachers at any time if you wish to discuss your child's progress.

It has been an action packed term with many sporting and co-curricular activities. The events held have required a great deal of input from all members of our school community and I thank all for your commitment and passion. This is what makes our learning environment rich.

I wish everyone a happy and safe Easter and holiday break, and look forward to seeing everyone back at school on Tuesday, April 27.

Alicia Hoddle



Respect
Honesty
Responsibility

10 Things We Can Learn from Superheroes



- 1 We all have something we are good at.
- 2 Being different can give you power.
- 3 Embrace who you are and be proud of it.
- 4 Adversity can be overcome.
- 5 True strength is helping others find their own.
- 6 Facing danger is the best way to overcome your fears.
- 7 Not everyone needs rescuing.
- 8 Nice guys don't always finish last.
- 9 You don't need superpowers to be a hero.
- 10 If you want to change the world, start with yourself.

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Department for Education

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Students from Burra Community School, Booleroo Centre District School and Clare High School with PEER trainer Tony Neilson, working on their Electro Technology VET in schools program.

Logical thinking, problem solving and fixing things – students who enjoy practical work and following technical instruction have enrolled in this career start program. This training is an entry point for students considering a pathway as an electrician, data technician or refrigeration mechanic.

The most obvious reason why a future in the trades looks so good right now is that, in a constantly changing economy, the trades are jobs that are in demand. No matter how the marketplace may shift, we will always need someone to keep the lights on and the water flowing. We need someone to build our houses and our offices, to pave our roads, and to ensure our phone and internet connections are fast. Right now, the demand for trade positions outpaces the need. In fact, it's not the high tech and engineering jobs that employers today are having the hardest time filling. It's the demand for skilled trades people, from welders and electricians, to plumbers, to machinists, and that challenge is only going to increase as our population ages, and those who currently make up the majority of the workforce transition out of these industries.

PEER deliver Electro Technology (Career Start) each Tuesday, onsite at Burra Community School. At the conclusion of the course students receive a nationally accredited certificate, assessed by ASQA as compliant with the Standards for VET Accredited Courses and the Australian Qualifications Framework. This equates to 50 Stage 1 SACE Credits at Year 11.

Students who study a VET qualification at school are more likely to succeed at studying higher level VET qualifications and gain apprenticeships or other employment when they leave school. In partnership with PEER we are laying foundation for the workforce of tomorrow, developing skilled and adaptable young people for the future.

Morgan Randall

PLEASE NOTE

School will dismiss at 2.20pm on Friday 9th April, with buses departing at 2.30pm

Term 2 commences on Tuesday 27th April.

LOWER NORTH ZONE INTERSCHOOL ATHLETICS

The dust had hardly settled following our own school athletics carnival, when a group of 36 students made their way to Balaklava to represent themselves and the school at the annual Lower North Zone Athletics Carnival.

Clear blue skies and warm conditions greeted students, staff and parents as they assembled prior to the first events at 9.00am.

A quick team meeting enabled students to fill empty spots left by late withdrawals, ensuring we had maximum competitors in almost all the 96 events, as well as settling a few nerves.

The first events were under way. Those students not in events made their way to cheer on their teammates, seeing numerous students take places in the early events. Success continued throughout the day against some very strong competition from students from Clare, Kapunda, Riverton and Balaklava.

Congratulations to all those students who attended and gave their best, especially the way in which you conducted yourself throughout the day.

Highlights for the day included Bailey James finishing runner up in the U21 Boys, contributing along with many others, to Burra taking out the Di Day Shield (formerly the Handicap Shield) and narrowly missing out on the Improvement Shield to Balaklava.

Thank you to the many family and friends who travelled to support the team at the carnival.

Students from Burra will now combine with those from Balaklava and Riverton to form the Lower North Team for the SSSA Interschool Athletics Carnival to be held at the SA Athletics Stadium at Mile End on Wednesday, 7th April (Week 11). The team will be announced in the next few days.

Andrew Jettner



SAPSASA SWIMMING

On Friday 26th March, five students from Burra went to SAPSASA Swimming to represent the Mid North. The students were Lucas Thamm, Emmylou Cooper, Lily Hancock, Cruz Miller and myself. We all did well in our races with two of us winning a medal. Lucas won a gold medal for U12 Freestyle relay and I won a bronze medal for U13 Freestyle relay.

Overall, we had a good time swimming, and hope we can go again next year.

Nick Jones

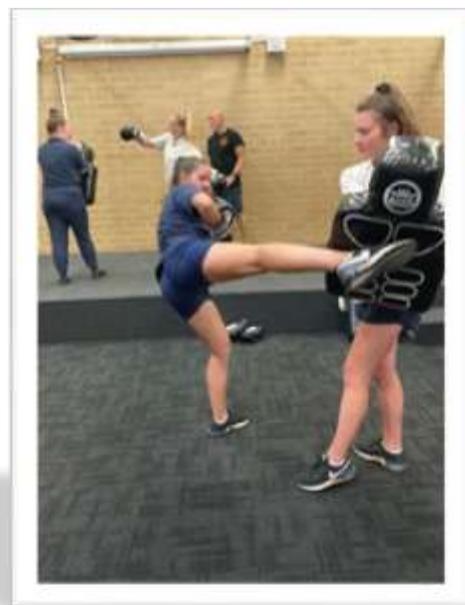
FROM THE WELLBEING COORDINATOR

On Monday our Year 11 and 12 students participated in meditation, mindfulness and martial arts session with Richard Thomas. Richard is a teacher at Balaklava High and a **sensei** who trains in martial arts. Many traditional forms of martial arts emphasize meditation and mindfulness, as well as mental strength. Richard discussed the benefits of mindful breathing - by practicing breathing techniques you can calm the mind and body, leading to increased self-control and reduction in impulsivity. Richard talked about brain plasticity and building new neuron pathways (brain plasticity is the ability of the brain to modify its connections or re-wire itself). Richard focused on making strong choices, persisting with aspects of school life that students can at times find challenging, and building resilience and endurance to complete those challenging tasks. He emphasized personal strength comes from having control over every decision and action we make.

Comments from the students were extremely positive, they included:

- Relax, do not be stressed all the time. Take time to breathe, the more relaxed you are, the more powerful you are.
- Stay calm, do not let your anger get to you.
- I found this very interesting, I always like to learn new things.
- It was really good. Richard is a great teacher
- If you are angry you can calm yourself by focusing on your breathing.

Along with Richard, I was extremely impressed with our students, as they engaged enthusiastically with all activities and demonstrated a high level of maturity and respect for themselves and each other.





In control of every movement

Dr Darcie Barry Keen will be in the school on Thursday to discuss health issues with our senior students. Dr Darcie delivers a free comprehensive and informative talk to senior students in many High Schools throughout our partnership.

For our primary students we are pleased to announce a fantastic partnership between Burra Community School and St John SA to teach our students how to apply first aid. The First Aid in Schools Program is a community initiative delivered by qualified trainers from St John SA. The aim is to equip children with the first aid skills they need if faced with a medical emergency. The course is fun and informative with hands-on techniques and demonstrations.

St John SA is a charitable organisation. To ensure the First Aid in Schools program is sustainable they are asking for a gold coin donation on the day.

All funds raised go directly to cover the cost of teaching your child's class first aid. If you have further questions, please contact me.

First Aid in Schools Program will be conducted on Friday 21st May for students in Reception to Year 6.

The Life Education team will be visiting Burra Community School during Term 2. They will deliver a range of programs from respectful relationships to responsible choices for students from Reception to Year 10. Their programs align with the Australian Curriculum Health content.

As we near the end of an extremely busy first term I would like to wish everyone a very Happy Easter. Enjoy spending quality time with your families, stay safe, recharge and get ready for another action-packed term.

Sandra

PRIMARY AWARDS



SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS



BURRA COMMUNITY LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS

Monday 12th April to
Friday 23rd April

Library will be open from
11.00am - 1.00pm & 2.00 - 6.00pm.

Closed Monday 26th April due to
Anzac Day holiday.

PRIMARY [R-6] ASSEMBLIES 9.00am Gymnasium

Term 2
Friday 21st May
Friday 18th June



BURRA EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

*A Reggio Emilia inspired nature play centre
for all children and families!*

What we offer...



PRESCHOOL

Available for all children turning 4 or 5 years
on or before, May 1st (5 days per fortnight)

RURAL CARE (Long Day Care for children aged 0-12yrs))

Monday -Friday 8am-6pm
Before Kindy care 8am-9am
After Kindy care 3pm-6pm
(Childcare benefit and rebates apply)



SUPPORTED PLAYGROUP

Every Monday during term time 9:30am-11:00am
Activities run by qualified staff to encourage and
support families with their child's play and learning.

COFFEE n' CHAT PLAYGROUP Friday 9:30am-11:30am



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OSHC VACATION CARE - APRIL PROGRAM

Mon 12th April Mexican Day  Come along and enjoy Taco lunch and Mexican craft	Tues 13th April Creek Day Exploring the Magic Forest & Picnic at the Creek for lunch  Children need water bottles, hats & Sunscreen.	Wed 14th April Pizza and Milkshake Day  Let's cook up a storm and make Pizza and milkshakes for lunch	Thurs 15th April Excursion Blyth cinema  Peter Rabbit 2 (PG) Movie at 1pm back at OSHC by 5pm Children need packed lunch, water bottles, sunscreen & hats.	Fri 16th April Wheels Day  Bring your bike or scooter! Don't forget your helmet.
Mon 19th April Rock Painting  Paint rocks and hide them around Burra as part of the SA Rocks craze. Children need hats, sunscreen & water bottle.	Tues 20th April Excursion Blyth cinema  Raya and the last Dragon (PG) Movie at 1pm back at OSHC by 5pm. Children need packed lunch, water bottles, sunscreen & hats.	Wed 21st April Ocean Themed Day  Create your own under the sea creatures and walk to the creek	Thurs 22nd April Excursion Auburn Mini Golf  All children will need packed lunch, water bottles, hats & sunscreen.	Fri 23rd April Experiment Day  Come along and enjoy a fun day of science experiments.

Burra & Communities Vacation Care Program

Please keep this sheet for your information.

Please ensure you have updated contact phone numbers.

Also ensure you alert staff to any medical conditions and medicines required. Please give staff all medicine from bags.

- * Children using the program must have a booking. Please contact the service to organise this. Bookings may be limited due to availability.
- * The program runs from 8.00am to 6.00pm with half days available. See fees below.
- * The program caters for primary school children from Kindy to Year 7. Our aim is to provide a safe and stimulating environment for the children to enjoy and have fun in their school holidays.
- * Everyday a variety of activities are offered to provide choice and maximum fun. Feature activities are shown on the program. The program activities are subject to change depending on the weather and other factors.
- * Excursions are shown on the program. Please arrive before the departure time.
- * Please ensure you sign your child/ren in and out of the program each session.
- * PLEASE NOTE: lunch, morning tea, afternoon tea & a water bottle must be provided by the family for the child. (Food will be provided when stated on the program). Lunches can be hot or cold food and staff are able to heat your child's food. Please keep in mind a healthy focus for lunch food - Staff will encourage junk food to be the last choice (sandwiches, salad roll, 2 minute noodles, spaghetti, baked beans).
- * Suitable clothing is recommended for the weather and activities/excursion. Please include one spare change of clothing.
- * Check the program for any additional items required for activities.

FEES:

FULL DAY \$68.00 per child HALF DAY - \$34.00 per child
A Half Day is 5 hours or less in a day (excluding excursion days)

Child Care Benefit and Child Care Rebate is available to reduce fees

For more information visit: humanservices.gov.au/childcaresubsidy

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