



Department for Education

of South Australia

DATES TO REMEMBER

Week 6

Tuesday 25/8—Principal's Tour—10am Thursday 27/8—Principal's Tour—10am

Week 7

Tuesday 1/9—Rec to Yr 2— RAA Street Smart incursion Thursday 3/9—Rec to Yr 2— RAA Street Smart incursion

Week 8

Tuesday 8/9—Governing
Council 6.30pm
Friday 11/9—School Closure
No OSHC
Week 9
Tuesday 15/9—Lightning Carnival

<u>Week 10</u> Thursday 24/9 -Casual Day

(gold coin)
End of term 3— for students
EARLY DISMISSAL 2.10pm

Friday 25/9 -Pupil Free Day— Staff training—OSHC available

TERM 4

Week 1

Monday 12/10 -Pupil Free Day—staff training—OSHC available

Tuesday 13/10 -Students return

Week 4

Tuesday 3/11—Governing Council 6.30pm

Week 8

Tuesday 1/12—Governing Council 6.30pm

Newsletter

A Community of Successful Learners

Term 3— Week 4

AWARDS IN ASSEMBLY



Congratulations to our students who received awards in assembly this week. The picture above is a group who have participated in the maths enrichment program called 'TooSmart' The group below are our star collaborators. They have demonstrated their ability to work with others in lots of different settings. Apple have rated collaboration as the number 1 skill they look for in prospective employees so our future looks bright!



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Sports, Sports, Sports

Zac from room 9 has earned selection in the Hills/Fleurieu 10/u tennis squad to compete in the Foundation Cup in Berri later this year. Only the best players from the region get the opportunity to compete in this event which brings players together from all regional areas of South Australia.

Good luck Zac!



Library News

Welcome back to an eventful term. You should all have received a membership form for the Mount Barker Community Library and other information about the changes with our school library. Thank you to all the families that have returned their forms. Classes will commence visits to the Community Library later this term when our library is reconfigured into classroom spaces. Students can still borrow books for a few more weeks. We are grateful that the Community Library is giving our students the opportunity to visit and borrow books during our rebuilding phase.

When our school library is closed, I am still running the Scholastic Book Clubs that are issued twice a term. This is a great way to buy books for your children and start your Christmas shopping. It also gives the school an opportunity to purchase books with the rewards we receive from Book Club sales.

Premier's Reading Challenge closes soon. I will be entering data and collecting forms until the 4th of September 2020. Students only have a few weeks left to complete the challenge and hand in their forms. Many students have done this already but please do not leave it until the last minute. If your child has lost their PRC medal or certificate from unfortunate circumstances like the bush fires, please come and see me so I can organise a replacement. The medals and certificates for this year will be handed to the students during term 4. If you have any questions do leave a message and I will get back to you.

Happy Reading Suzanne Woithe Library Manager.



Hats, Hats, Hats

The wearing of hats is detailed in our school's Dress Code.

- Students are required to wear school approved broad brim (minimum 7cm) or legionnaires hats for all outside activities from the beginning of September to the end of May. Baseball and bucket hats are not acceptable.
- Students who do not have suitable head wear will remain in the designated shade areas during the play period
- Students may choose to wear their school hat during the months of June to August (inclusive).

Hats with our school logo are available from

Worklocker, 6 Dutton Road, Homemaker Centre, Mount Barker.

Phone 08 8398 3983

Doing it tough?

Flint Community Care (formerly Nairne Fire Support) are a not for profit organisation initially started to help those affected by the Cudlee Creek fires. They are now offering support with food parcels and essential household items to families in the Adelaide Hills who are doing it tough.

Phone: 0434862291 or Email: jess.dale@outlook.com

COVID update

Please remember to say goodbye to your children outside of the school buildings. We are finding parents, especially in the early years, are breaching the social distancing guidelines and entering the building. Normally in term 3 we would be encouraging even our youngest students to develop their independence and enter on their own and start to organise themselves for the day. If your child is particularly struggling please seek advice from the class teacher. Please be reminded that parents that gathering in groups before and after school is also breaching social distancing guidelines. Please drop off/collect and go.



A Community of Successful Learners



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR A 100% BULK-BILLED WELLBEING SERVICE FOR ALL STUDENTS

Is your child struggling in class, with friendships, self-confidence, anxiety or other issues?

We are in the process of gathering expressions of interest for a **100**% bulk-billed and a unique wellbeing service at **Mount Barker Primary School** which offers one-on-one support for your child, during school hours. **Grow Wellbeing** believes in a preventative and holistic approach to mental wellbeing, to support children as they navigate through school, teenage years and beyond. Of course, some mental health issues are more obvious and require immediate support, yet others are less so and can be misunderstood due to children acting as though everything is fine. This is where an opportunity is presented, to pick up on more subtle signs – such as sleep issues, worry, nightmares and challenges with focus and interest in homework or social activities.

Grow Wellbeing is a team of expert health professionals including Social Workers (mental health accredited), Psychologists, Clinical Psychologists, Occupational Therapists and General Practitioners who believe in a pro-active and community-based approach to enhancing wellbeing.

Grow Wellbeing provides <u>free</u> NDIS education, advice and support to families via their NDIS service coordinator. The NDIS coordinator aims to support families who have a current diagnosis seeking to apply or feel their current funding is either inadequate and/or is not working. Please either contact us at the school or Grow Wellbeing directly at ndis@growwellbeing.com

<u>The expressions of interest process is quick and simple</u> and requires a parent/guardian to sign a consent form (available from the Student Wellbeing Leader Sally Turra or Front Office) - you will then be guided on the next steps to arrange your child's sessions.

"All children deserve the opportunity to build and develop resilience, to cope with everyday life".

Please call Mount Barker Primary School (83911241) and speak with Sally Turra (Well-Being Leader) if you are interested in your child accessing this valuable resource.