



## Newsletter - Week 3 Term 3 2020

### From the Principal

Welcome back to another exciting term! This term is off to a very successful start with children settling quickly into their class activities. Unfortunately it was not a successful start to the term for our Principal, Rachel McLennan. Rachel sustained fractures to both her arms in a fall on the first morning! We miss her and wish her a speedy recovery. I have been appointed Acting Principal with Deana Cuconits as Acting Deputy until Rachel is well enough to return.

#### Term 3 Support Staff Changes

As we say farewell to Gerry Howell and Excell Ibarra and wish them all the best for the future, we welcome Jerico Yambao and Jillian Rudgley to our SSO team. We also welcome some new families to our school community and trust that your time with us will be enjoyable and successful.

#### Pupil Free and School Closure Days

To help your forward planning, we wish to advise that Governing Council has approved a **School Closure day** on **Monday 7th September**, followed by a **Pupil Free Day** on **Tuesday 8th September**. On the pupil free day staff will be delving deeply into learning design and assessment.

#### Special Events

As part of our Health and PE curriculum all children from Reception to Year 2 will be involved in swimming lessons at the Elizabeth Aquadome Swimming Centre from Tuesday 11th August to Friday 14th August. More information is included on page 3.

The Year 7 students will be going on camp to Woodhouse Activity Centre from Monday 10th to Wednesday 12th August where they will be engaged in structured activities providing new, physically and mentally challenging practical experiences as part of the Outdoor Education curriculum. Students' reflections will be included in our next newsletter.

The school assembly on **Thursday 27th August** will include the **Book Week Parade**. The theme for Book Week this year is **'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'** and students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite curious character for the parade. Due to social distancing restrictions, we will ensure the next newsletter is loaded with photographs from the parade.

#### Social Distancing

We continue to focus on making our school a safe place for children during this pandemic. Children are still being encouraged to thoroughly wash their hands with soap and water and to use sanitiser. We also have an additional school cleaning during the day. Whilst we have been permitted to return to face to face assemblies at the moment, only parents of students in the presenting class are able to attend. Thank you for understanding and cooperation.

We are limiting the number of visiting adults as much as possible and ask that you please continue to drop children off outside buildings. If you need to chat to a teacher, please contact them via Class Dojo to arrange a time to meet.

**Vicki Poulain**

#### 2020 School Fees are overdue

Thank you to those parents who have settled their accounts for outstanding School Fees. Final Notices will soon be issued to families who are in arrears and who have not made arrangements to pay off their accounts by instalments. Please remember to apply for School Card if you are on a low income—this needs to be done each year. We accept various methods of payment including Centrelink deductions. We also have the **Qkr app** that can be downloaded from our website to pay accounts.

**Lynne Lean**  
School Finance Officer

#### OSHC

The service will be **available for the Student Free Day, on Tuesday 8th September** with a minimum number of 20 students attending. However we **will not be offering this service for the School Closure Day** on Monday (7th September).

Please Contact us to make your booking on **8281 5104 or 0401 121 430**.

**Aida Chapman - OSHC Director**

#### DIARY DATES

##### Year 7 Camp

**Monday 10th August to  
Wednesday 12th August**

##### Early Years Swimming

**Tuesday 11th - Friday 14th August**

##### No Pen Day

**Tuesday 18th August**

##### Science Week

**15th - 23rd August**

##### Year 3/4 SA Water Incursion

**Thursday 13th August**

##### Year 7 SA Water incursion

**Tuesday 18th and  
Wednesday 19th August**

##### Year 1/2 SA Water Incursion

**Thursday 27th August**

##### Scientific Bubble Show

**Thursday 3rd September**

##### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

**MONDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER**

##### STUDENT FREE DAY

**TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER**

##### 3-Way Interviews

**Monday 14th to 18th September**

##### Dental 4 Schools Program

**Monday 21st September**

We are holding the *School's Fun Run Crazy Colour Day* as a major fundraising event this year! The event will be held on Friday September 11th. We are really hoping to raise \$20,000 which will pay for upgrading sports and yard play equipment.

All our student sponsorship forms, together with our parent letter were sent home last Friday. Our first job is to get as many students as possible creating a Student Profile Page. Once you have the form, you should sign up for a Student Profile Page at [schoolfunrun.com.au](http://schoolfunrun.com.au). You'll be able to access online fundraising and can win a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Experience!

Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward, and the more money you raise the better the reward, and the more you help the school!

We are looking for all students to participate and we are organising a great day for our community.



If you have any questions about the Crazy Colour Day please contact the School Fun Run Office on **1800 FUN RUN** or ask our friendly school staff.

Thanks for supporting the school, we can't wait for our event!

**Mr Medlin**  
Wellbeing Leader - Fun Run Co-ordinator



Many of our families have taken advantage of the Qkr! App available for download on our website. This secure app is easy to use and suitable for iPhones or Android smartphones. It is designed especially for schools to enable busy parents and carers to make payments for school fees and also place canteen orders for their children from the convenience of their phone without even coming into the office. It is becoming more and more popular with our school community and well worth investigating!

**Lynne Lean - School Finance Officer**

## Sammy D Foundation Presentation

*On Thursday 23rd July all of the Year 6 and 7 students went to the hall for a presentation by Neil Davis, who was the father of Sam Davis. Sam was a really good person, a good sportsman and was respected and liked by his friends. When he was 17 he went to a party with some friends. Some other people arrived at the party who were not invited and there was a fight. Sam was king hit from behind and was killed.*

*My parents have talked to me about situations like that and how dangerous a king hit can be. Even though you imagine a king hit to be hard, the doctors told Mr Davis that the punch that killed Sam could have been given by a child. It was just that it hit him in a very vulnerable spot.*

*Over 400 people went to the hospital to say goodbye to Sam and over 1700 people attended his funeral.*

*In 2012 Sam's parents founded the Sammy D*

*Foundation as a way to make young people aware of the impact of what violence can do, not just to that one person, but to all of the friends and family members as well as the whole community. Mr Davis told us that to prevent any escalating of violence in a public place, it was best not to get involved and to get your mates and leave. He also told us to talk to our families and friends to prevent anything like this happening again.*

*A lot of us, including the teachers, were very upset by Sammy's story and it was incredible how courageous his father was when he was talking to us. The main reason for starting the Sammy D Foundation was to make young people aware of the dangers of violence and the life changing consequences that can occur.*

**Tyla Room 32**

## Recycling Materials from Home

The Year 1 students in Room 20 have been talking about utilising recycled materials. Students have brought in used cardboard to create artwork. After brainstorming the many things we could do using the cardboard, they decided to draw our school! The children have been working in small groups to create artwork - *Our School*.

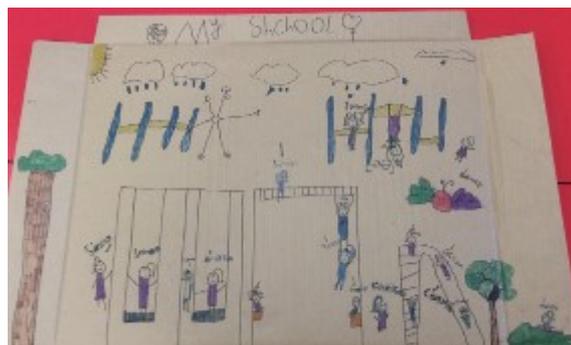
**Jurlena - We can draw about our school!**

**Jasmine - Let's include our school logo into it so people know we are from Parafield Gardens R-7 School.**

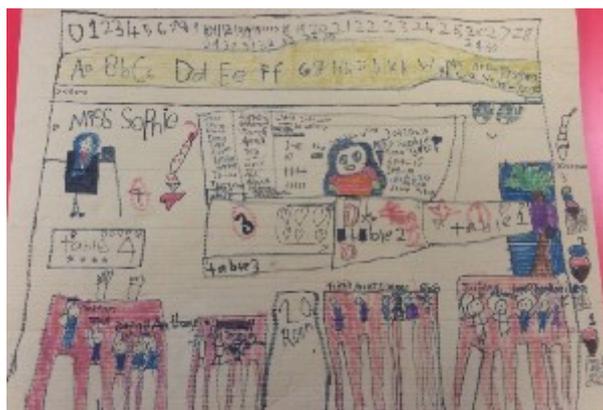


**Ved - We can draw about our playground! I love the Monkey Bars.**

**Domanic - We take turns on the slide and we do not push.**



**Lani - How about our class? It is part of the school! And us! We need to draw us in the picture. We are part of the school!**



**Sana** - *The Peace Garden!*

**Dawt** - *We ran out of room to draw all of us.*

**Lukas** - *We pretended they were sitting on the trees.*



### International Mud Day Messiness

International Mud Day began in 2009 and is celebrated each year on 29th June. This special event aims to connect children across the world through the earth, and what better way to connect with the earth than by playing in mud! It gives young children the opportunity to celebrate nature, the outdoors and getting messy! After all - when we are all covered in mud, we look the same!

The Year 1 students in Room 1 had so much fun celebrating this day at the end of last term. Activities including investigating, 'cooking', painting and simply having fun!



### Early Years Swimming Reminder

As part of our Health and PE curriculum all children from Reception to Year 2 will be involved in swimming lessons at the Elizabeth Aquadome Swimming Centre from Tuesday 11th to Friday 14th August.



Lessons will be conducted by qualified Education Department instructors. All forms and payment should have been returned by today.

Children will need to bring the following items every day:

- towel
- bag to carry dry clothing
- plastic bag for wet items
- goggles (optional)
- bathers may be worn under their school uniform

We know that the children will have a wonderful time learning many new water and safety skills.

**Unfortunately due to Covid restrictions, parents will not be allowed to attend swimming lessons. This is in line with the strict government guidelines relating to capacity and social distancing limitations for the Elizabeth Aquadome.**

**The Early Years Team**

### Poem from Room 32

Some of the students in Room 32 have written an acrostic poem in relation to being respectful and what it means at our school.

**R**esponsible students  
**E**veryone works together  
**S**tudents are all special  
**P**eace is always here at our school  
**E**veryone matters  
**C**ourage is a part of us  
**T**errific teachers teach us  
**F**aith is one of a kind  
**U**nite together  
**L**oyalty is always needed

**Kaitlin, Abel, Temperence, Mason and Christopher**

### Scholastic Book Club Issue 5

Orders from the Scholastic Book Club Catalogue **Issue 5 are due 10th August 2020**. Use the Linked Online Ordering and Payment (LOOP) to place your order online and use your credit card to pay. NO cash orders will be accepted.

Please remember there is **no obligation to purchase** - book club is an optional service.



### After School Soccer Program

This term our school is hosting a soccer program after school. These sessions provide the students with the opportunity to learn more about soccer, improve their existing soccer skills, have lots of fun and improve their fitness levels. The training sessions are provided by Salisbury Sharks United soccer club. Following are

some comments from the students in Room 12 who have attended these after school sessions.

"I was tired after soccer but I loved it!" **Thomas**

"Our coach Shawna taught us how to dribble the ball." **Angus**

"I learned how to pass the ball, it was easy because our coach taught us how to do it properly." **Jai**

"It was fun and exciting being coached by Salisbury Sharks." **Lincoln**

"It was fun and my favourite part was dribbling the ball." **Luluo**

"I loved it." **Ravneet**

"Soccer training was great!" **Advaita**



## Shapes in Art

The Year 2 students in Room 6 have been learning aspects of 2D shapes during maths lessons. Afterwards the children were asked to design and create a city using some of the shapes they had learnt about.

*In Maths we talked about triangles, rectangles, hexagons, pentagons, octagons, squares and circles. We talked about how many sides there were for each shape. A pentagon has 5 sides and looks like a house with a roof, two walls and a floor. A hexagon has 6 sides and the octagon has 8 sides. A circle has 1 curved side. Then we got a piece of paper and a ruler and drew an outline of a city using different shapes. We had another talk and Ms Sharan gave us pieces of coloured paper and we cut out matching shapes to glue onto our paper to fill in the shapes of the city. I used black, orange, yellow & white for the clouds and brown and green for the tree. It was a fun activity and we were all pleased with our pictures. They are hanging outside our classroom.*

*We also made a card for Ms McLennan because she broke both of her wrists and is at home getting better. We wrote some jokes for her to cheer her up.*

**Vincent Room 6**



## Class Awards

**Term 3 Week 2: Room 1:** Ume **2:** Thomas **3:** Kara **4:** Tyrone **5:** Moksh **6:** Cortez **7:** Joshua **8:** Manya **9:** Kai **10:** Peter **11:** Lian **12:** Lincoln **19:** Cathy **20:** Lukas **23:** Lily **24:** Jimmy **25:** Dhyan **26a:** Gianni **26b:** Hayden **27:** Akeeliah **28:** Briannah **29:** Jordan **30:** Tyler **31:** Josh **32:** Kaitlin **33:** Madalyn **34:** Kristy, Aaron

**Health/PE (Mr C) Room 25**

**Health/PE (Mr Parsons) Room 12**

**Music/Drama (Ms Yates) Room 7**

**Music/Drama (Ms Mentha) Room 19**

**Auslan (Ms Krohn) Room 32**

**Auslan (Mrs Neilson) Room 29**

## School Crossing Monitors

Thank you to our School Crossing Monitors for weeks 1, 2 and 3 for their positive approach and enthusiasm to the task.

**Week 1 Room 25:** Deep, Aston, Jayden, Tarun, Ryan, Tala, Retima, Kiara

**Week 2 Room 30 & 31:** Taya, Tahlia, Olivia, Junaide, Sienna, Mexhid, Loveleen

**Week 3 Room 32:** Temperence, Mason, Christopher, Lucas

## Book Week 2020 Curious Creatures Wild Minds

**Book Week Parade during  
Week 6 Assembly  
Thursday August 27th**

**Come dressed as your  
favourite sport, movie or  
curious book character**



# Kick Start for Kids

**Kick start for Kids** is a holiday program which was offered to 35 students at schools in our northern area during the holidays. We were lucky enough to have 17 of our students attend this fun filled program, which is supported by volunteers along with Ryan, the leader. Activities included an excursion to 'Bounce', cooking sessions, art and craft activities, dress-ups, yoga, games and finishing with a barbecue lunch.

We were excited to be the host school in the northern area and we are looking forward to a continued relationship with Kick Start for Kids during the next holidays.



*We came to school in the holidays and we were in the Hive and also outside. There were kids from other schools here too and we had to try and make 10 friends. We all had name tags. We had dress-up clothes and I dressed up as Ariel. We had lots of food. We had scrambled eggs and bacon for breakfast, pancakes for morning tea, hot dogs for lunch and cookies for afternoon tea. We played chasey outside and we also played on the swings. I met Lucy and she was a helper and she was my best friend at camp.*

**Dakota Room 1**

*At camp we had a fashion parade from the dress up box. We had to parade like models. I dressed as a pirate and then as a teacher with glasses on. On the second day we went on a bus to 'Bounce' which is a trampoline place. There was a zip-line there and it was high off the ground, nearly to the roof! I went on the biggest trampoline in the big kids' area and I did jumping and somersaults. There was also a part where we could run and jump into a big air balloon. I got to play football with kids from other schools back here at school. They were from different year levels to me. I played against a year 3 boy and I scored more goals than him! On the last day for lunch we had a sausage sizzle. I made three good friends from our school at camp. We all had a great time.*

**Epharim Room 11**



*On the first day we were put into groups and we went on the bus to 'Bounce'. I was in Michael's group - he was a volunteer. I went with other kids too as well as Aaliyah from another school and her little sister. I played dodgeball with Aaliyah and we saw a flying fox, but I didn't go on that because I was a bit scared. On the second day we did face painting. It started to hurt a bit so I took it off. So then I played basketball but Daniel (from another school) accidentally kicked the ball onto the roof. We had hot dogs for lunch every day and different food for breakfast each day. There was also a yoga class but I stopped after about 5 minutes. Sometimes when we were outside we had to share the oval and equipment with the kids from OHSC but that was fine. My favourite part of camp was face painting because I made good friends with Aaliyah. She is now a really good friend and we chat with each other after school.*

**Tanya Room 34B**



# 100 Days of Learning

On Friday 24th July our reception students celebrated their first 100 days of school. We are so proud of their achievements, especially in the current situation. We, as their teachers and support staff, wanted them to enjoy a celebration party as positive affirmation of their learning.

*We have been at school for 100 days and we have learnt lots of things. We have made a list and here it is:*

- *Jolly Phonics sounds*
- *the vowels - a, e, i, o, u*
- *tricky words*
- *days of the week*
- *lots of people's names*
- *how to read*
- *to be kind to others*
- *to take care of ourselves, others and things that belong to the school, like play equipment and books and toys*
- *to play nicely with each other*
- *Book Making - we have made lots of books and even drawn our own pictures*
- *Maths - rainbow facts, numbers, number lines and number order*
- *hand writing*
- *Games in PE*
- *singing and playing games in drama*
- *how to be good listeners and use the 5Ls*

*We have lots of fun at school. Our teachers were all funny today. They dressed up like old people and pretended to be 100!*

**Spencer Room 2, Noora Room 3, Perez Room 4, Yasin Room 5**



Some children brought in 100 items from home including 100 pieces of Lego, 100 pieces of pasta and 100 leaves. Braxton from Room 2 brought in a \$1 coin, because it is made up of 100 cents! Very clever thinking! At school the children also made up little bags of '100 things' by sorting them into groups of 10.



The staff and students all celebrated with a shared lunch.



*I counted 100 pieces of little  
Lego - they are in groups of 10.*  
**Yasin**



*I counted 100 leaves -* **Elena**

# 100 days of learning

The children had fun making hats which said "I am 100 days smarter". They then enjoyed time taking part in investigative play.



*I had fun counting 100 balloons -* **Danny**

