



Our students are confident learners and caring citizens prepared for their futures.

**– November –**

Tue 7	YELP Forum
Wed 8 to Fri 10	Year 5-6 Camp to Wirraway
Wed 8	Kindy kids to walk up to school for transition visit
Thu 9	Reception School Sleepover
Mon 13	9-11.30am Kindy transition visit 9-10.30am parent info session
Wed 15	Cultural Awareness Evening: 5.30pm-9.30pm – please book in the office or <a href="mailto:kathleen.best692@schools.sa.edu.au">kathleen.best692@schools.sa.edu.au</a>
Fri 17	Year 5-6 table tennis with Kangarilla
Mon 20	9-11.30am Kindy transition visit
Wed 22	2.40pm Volunteer Assembly & Opening of 2010 Time Capsule
Mon 27	Kindy transition visit for whole day, including whole school Step-Up Day
Wed 29	Cultural Awareness Evening: 5.30pm-9.30pm – please book in the office or <a href="mailto:kathleen.best692@schools.sa.edu.au">kathleen.best692@schools.sa.edu.au</a>

**– December –**

Tue 5	6pm Governing Council dinner
Wed 6	Rehearsal for End of Year Concert
Thu 7 OR Fri 8	High school transition day (public schools select one of these two days)
Thu 7	End of Year Concert - arrive by 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start
Fri 8	School Closure Day
Tue 12	Oak Tree Ceremony ( <i>held in the evening with staff and families of year 6 students only</i> )
Wed 13	Year 5-6 excursion
Thu 14	2.40pm Graduation Assembly
Fri 15	Visit to Toondilla (Riverbend Park) Please join us if you can from 10.30am <b>Early dismissal at 2.20pm from school</b>

**Principal's Message**

I am writing this as I sit in the office looking out at the beautiful oak tree and have a strong sense of gratitude for our school. Normally this message would be written by Ms Birrell. However, throughout this term, I will be backfilling leadership when Ms Birrell takes some long service leave days.

We have had such a busy start to this term. In week 1, the year 6 students had a day of aquatics at Port Noarlunga; we had such a great day learning different skills and water safety. In week 2 we completed our abandoned Sports Day from earlier in the year, with Thorpe taking out the overall points trophy as well as the team spirit trophy. It is my understanding that historically Thorpe's winning percentage has been quite low, so well done to the competitors. As my first Clarendon Sports Day, it was great to see so many families and old scholars at the make-up event to cheer the students on. As well as that, the amount of support all the students gave each other was outstanding!

Preparations for the end of year concert are in full swing. Julie-anne has choreographed some amazing dances that the students have been really engaged in learning. I can speak on behalf of the teachers when I say that her expertise is a great asset. To accompany this, the 5-6 Class has been working hard with Brad Pickford to create short films for the night as well.

This week, Ms Best has put in a lot of effort to organise a range of Science Week incursions. This included a whole school session with palaeontologist Professor Flint. The years 3-6 also learnt about the future of food with Hannah from 'Post-Dining'. Ms Best also organised a Science Fair with prizes and an escape room. Thank you to her for all of her hard work!

Next week, the Receptions have their school sleepover and the 5-6 Class has their camp to Wirraway Homestead.

Kind regards

**Simon**  
**Simon Hunter, Acting Principal**

*We acknowledge the Kaurna people as the traditional owners of this land.  
 We acknowledge their living culture and unique role in the life of this region.*



## Featuring the Year 3-4 Class



It has been a very busy and exciting start to Term 4, and we are so fortunate to have another pre-service teacher, Tayla, joining us for the first four weeks.

In English we have been reading and writing scientific information reports, and learning lots about birds of prey. This has led to us also creating mythical creatures in art, and we will soon write information reports about them too!

In maths, Tayla has been teaching us about shapes and angles which has been fun; we really enjoyed the scavenger hunt she set up for us.

Our dance practice has already come so far – a big thank you to Julie-anne who has already taught us most of the choreography. The next few weeks will be used to fine tune our performances ready to show everyone at the End of Year Concert.

One of our favourite activities this term has been Genius Hour. We have six weeks to work on something we are passionate about, and need to do fortnightly check-ins with the whole class to share our research, ideas and models. Stay tuned for fundraisers and new board games.

Our whole school (and the kindy) recently enjoyed an excursion to Glenthorne National Park (Ityamaiitpinna Yarta) and Warriparinga Wetlands; we explored an awesome new playground, tasted bush tucker on a nature walk and had a go weaving. It was such a fun day! See more photos on the next page.



## Sports Day Conclusion!

After some controversy surrounding the scores displayed at the beginning of our Sports Day conclusion last week, the final winner was Thorpe, with second place going to O'Neill and third Freeman. Thorpe also took out the Team Spirit Award and accepted both of their shields with grace.





## Whole school excursion to Warriparinga & Glenthorne National Park



We hired two buses to take our whole school (and the kindy) on an excursion; we took turns going to Warriparinga Wetlands in Bedford Park and Glenthorne National Park (Ityamaitpinna Yarta) in O'Halloran Hill.

At Warriparinga the children attended a weaving workshop run by an Elder who spent her time beginning the baskets, unpicking portions that didn't quite work out for the kids and adding new colours to help them complete their projects.

Glenthorne was a great place to run and climb – if you haven't been yet, it's well worth a visit.



## Clarendon Spring Fair

What a wonderful day it was on Sunday at the Spring Fair! The atmosphere was incredible and it was amazing to see some of our students showcasing their products and entrepreneurial talents.

To all of our helpers on the Books, Games & Puzzles stall: the amazing Rolly and Tilly B for your help with setting up and working on the stall, Elisa Ridings, Natalie Tilbrook, Kathy Farrugia, Chris Dossetter-Smith, Katie & Andy Nash for the very efficient pack up and to all of the staff who contributed on the day – THANK YOU! We could not have done it without you!

Thank you also for of the donations we received from everyone. We were able to raise \$140 for our lovely kindy and the remaining items were donated to the op shop. 😊

To Gavin, Brad and your team, congratulations on such a successful day, we are extremely grateful to be a part of such a vibrant, co-operative community.





# SCIENCE STUFF from SCIENCE WEEK!

## Science Fair

Congratulations to our Science Fair winners who were announced at assembly yesterday and presented with certificates – there was a winner and runner up for each class as well as an overall winner and overall runner up. Below are some photos from Wednesday afternoon; we had lots of entries and were pleased that some parents/carers could come by early to learn more about them.



## Escape Room!

The Escape Room after assembly yesterday was a fun place to be – kids undertook various activities with help from adults/other students and filled sticker charts as they completed tasks.



## Post-Dining

Hannah from Post-Dining came to discuss some alternative future foods with our years 3-6 students. Most kids gave things a try; the facial expressions say a *lot*. The workshop transported students into four alternate food futures, set in 2050, based on research from the Australian Academy of Science. Topics included native food, the water footprint of food, edible insects and weeds, food waste, and food technology.



## Oliphant Awards

A big congratulations to Beau in year 4 who won second place in the Rowe Scientific Prize for his entry in the Oliphant Awards. You may remember Beau's entry from our newsletter dated 1 September where he highlighted the difference between the Great Barrier Reef from 2013 when he was born, to today. Well done, Beau!





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## **THE KANGARILLA RESILIENCE TEAM**

Invites you and your family to a

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**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

At the Kangarilla Progress Hall, Kangarilla Oval

**FREE BBQ & SOFT DRINKS, Tea, Coffee, & Zooper Doopers**



**MEET SMOKEY THE KOALA & THE CFS CADETS**



**RADICOOL REPTILES, for children to meet and learn about reptiles – bookings essential, follow the link below. (Free event)**

<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/radicool-reptiles-tickets-731074091287?aff=oddtcreator>

**SUSTAINABLE FIRE PROTECTION, Purchase Basic Safety Equipment.**

**6.30pm: WELCOME**

**6.40pm: PILLOWCASE PROJECT, Kangarilla Primary School.**

**6.50pm: PLANNING FOR THE UNPLANNED - Getting financially prepared in case of a natural disaster.**



**7.20pm: SNAKE AWARENESS AND SAFETY, Protecting your family and pets**



**7.40pm: CITY OF ONKAPARINGA**

**7.50pm: CFS, bushfire safety information**

**8.00pm: CLOSE**

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