



# Snowtown Primary and Preschool News



Week 1, Term 1 – 2nd February 2022

**TRUST**

**RESPECT**

**HONESTY**

**KINDNESS**

**LISTENING**

## DIARY DATES AND REMINDERS

**Governing  
Council  
Meeting  
15.2.22**

### REMINDER

During Term 4 & Term 1 in the case of catastrophic fire danger, the school will be closed and the school bus will not operate. On all other days, the school has a Bushfire Action Plan that sets out what we do in the event of a fire front approaching the town. Part of this plan is an identified Refuge (School Activity Hall) where students and staff stay until the front has passed.

### ASSEMBLIES

Assemblies are held at **2.40 pm** in the Common room Fridays of Weeks 3, 6, 8, 11 **ALL WELCOME**

### HATS

Students are required to wear broad brimmed hats outside all year round.

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## Principal News

### Welcome Back



Welcome to the start of the 2022 learning year. The staggered start has meant that we have our Preschool and R/I learners here for face to face delivery and our Year 2-6 learners are learning remotely with some at home and some supervised at school. Whilst this may seem like a messy situation our powerful learners have quickly adapted to the changing circumstances and families are doing a wonderful job supporting at home. Staff are able to check in during online lessons each day and we have been impressed with what our powerful learners are achieving.

Our preparation days were spent organising learning spaces, online timetables, devices, dongles and packs ready for home learning. The collection of items using our contactless system was seamless and we thank families for their support to help this happen so efficiently.

## Welcome 2022 Staff

<u>Anne Jones</u> Kindy Educator	<u>Mrs Daina McCormack</u> 5/6 Teacher	<u>Sharee Cocks</u> SSO	<u>Meghan Stewart</u> SSO Finance Admin
<u>Miss Hannah Wilkinson</u> R/I Teacher	<u>Mrs Mary Carroll</u> 5/6 Teacher	<u>Sharon Higgs</u> SSO	<u>Emma Weckert</u> SSO Admin
<u>Miss Abbie Krieg</u> 2/3/4 Teacher	<u>Sandra Vangsness</u> Pastoral Care	<u>Megan McGregor</u> SSO	<u>Carley Darling</u> Community Library Assistant
<u>Mr Greg King</u> 3-7 Teacher	<u>Alison Jones</u> NIT Teacher	<u>Wayne Lee</u> Grounds person	

## New Receptions and Preschool Learners

During Week One we welcomed our 8 new Reception learners to the R/I class with Miss Wilkinson and our 5 Preschool learners started on Monday with Mrs Jones this week. It is always so exciting at the start of the year to see everyone in their new uniforms, learning their new routines and having lots of fun along the way.

**First Day of  
Kindergarten**



## Planet Ark Recycle Right Competition

I am very excited to announce that we are this years winner of the major prize across Australia. The waste reduction initiatives instigated by the Powerful Learner Action Team have earned us a win in the Planet Ark Competition. Our school will receive a brand new Buddy Bench made out of recycled plastic. When everyone is back on site the Team will run a process to decide where to put the Buddy Bench in the yard. The Bench has not arrived yet, but once it does we will post photos.

## Powerful Learner Action Team

The Powerful Learner Action Team have organised new recycling and soft plastic collection containers for each classroom. They also wanted to make sure there were two soft plastic collection points in the yard and this week they will be organising two new Soft Plastic Collection bins for the yard. The Team will need some help to deliver the Soft Plastic Collection to a Woolworths or Coles every fortnight. If you are able to help and take the soft plastic to a Woolworths or Coles please let us know. Please see the list of items that can be put into the Soft Plastic Bin. The Team will run some information sessions for classes at school in the next few weeks.



## SOFT PLASTIC BIN

Biscuit packets (outer wrapper only)  
Bread bags (without the tie)  
Bubble wrap (large sheets cut into A3 size pieces)  
Cat and dog food pouches (as clean and dry as possible)  
Cellophane from bunches of flowers (cut into A3 size pieces)  
Cereal box liners  
Chip and cracker packets (silver lined)  
Chocolate and snack bar wrappers  
Cling film - GLAD, COLES HOME brand and WOOLWORTHS Essentials Home brand ONLY  
Confectionery bags  
Document sleeves (remove the white reinforcement strip along the holes)  
Dry pet food bags  
Fresh produce bags  
Frozen food bags  
Green bags (woven polypropylene bags)  
Ice cream wrappers  
Large sheets of plastic that furniture comes wrapped in (cut into A3 size pieces)  
Meat - plastic packaging that has contained meat (rinse and dry first)  
Netting produce bags (any metal clips removed)  
Newspaper and magazine wrap  
Pasta bags  
Pet food bags (chaff/horse/chicken) - both the plastic and woven polypropylene types (but not woven nylon). Cut into A3 size pieces and shake free of as much product as possible  
Plastic Australia Post satchels  
Plastic carrier bags from all stores  
Plastic film wrap from grocery items such as nappies and toilet paper  
Plastic sachets  
Potting mix and compost bags - both the plastic and woven polypropylene types (cut into A3 size pieces and free of as much product as possible)  
Rice bags - both plastic and the woven type (if large, cut into A3 size pieces)  
Snap lock bags / zip lock bags  
Squeeze pouches with lid on (e.g. yogurt/baby food)  
Wine/water bladders - clear plastic ones only  
Please make sure your plastic is dry and as empty as possible.



## Antimicrobial Awareness

Congratulations to Sid McCormack who has had his artwork published in the Antimicrobial Awareness 2022 calendar.



Nicole McCormack from the Snowtown Hospital coordinated entries from the school, preschool and playgroup into an art competition. Antimicrobial Awareness Week is held globally in November each year to raise awareness of antimicrobial resistance and promote the responsible use of antimicrobials.

In Australia and around the world we are over using antibiotics to treat infections, especially when our bodies can fight some infections by themselves. By overuse we can create resistance, then the antibiotics are less effective when we need them.



In promotion of the Snowtown Hospital's Infection Prevention and Control program we ran the colouring competition released by SA Health. We had some fantastic entries from Snowtown Preschool and Primary School.

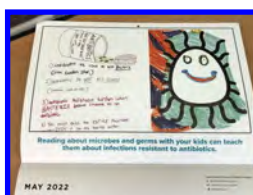
These entries were judged locally at the Snowtown Hospital by the Nurse Unit Manager Kerri Speed and awarded 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th prizes. All entries were entered online via the SA Health website. The school received a certificate of participation from SA Health.

These entries, as well as some wonderful bright germs painted by the Snowtown Playgroup were displayed at the Snowtown Hospital during Antimicrobial Awareness Week.

SA Health have released a 2022 Antimicrobial Awareness Calendar which featured one of the colourings we entered, by Sid McCormack.

Look out for the colouring competition

promoting Antimicrobial Awareness in November again this year!



## Remote Learning

Our remote learners have engaged with the daily theme which helps connect them and promotes positive wellbeing. Today is Fancy Hat Day to promote conversations about Cyber Safety.



## Lunch Orders

Please ensure that money is sent in with lunch orders. We are not able to process orders without money.

SNOWTOWN NEWSAGENCY 2022 SCHOOL LUNCHES MENU		
* AVAILABLE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY *		
Item	Category	Price
<b><u>Pizza single</u></b>		
Bacon and Cheese	Amber	\$3.00
Ham and Pineapple	Amber	\$3.00
<b><u>Pastries etc</u></b>		
Mrs Macs Pie (Good eating)	Amber	\$4.00
Mrs Macs Snack Pie (Good eating)	Amber	\$1.50
Mrs Macs Sausage Roll (Good eating)	Amber	\$3.00
Mrs Macs Pasty (Good eating)	Amber	\$4.00
Lasagna	Green	\$5.00
<b><u>Toasted Sandwiches</u></b>		
Wonder White (high fibre)		
Cheese	Green	\$2.50
Ham	Green	\$2.50
Ham & Cheese	Green	\$3.00
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	Green	\$3.50
<b><u>Drinks/Ice-creams</u></b>		
Big M 250ml - Chocolate/Strawberry	Green	\$2.50
Orange or Blackcurrant/Apple Juice 250ml	Green	\$2.50
Strawberry/Chocolate/Banana Swings 85ml	Green	\$2.00
Fruit Juice Ice Block	Green	\$1.00
** REMINDER - Tuesday is heat up lunch day at school **		





be  
 loving  
 creative  
 genuine  
 kind  
 honest  
 ALIVE  
 encouraging  
 PASSIONATE  
 hopeful



Welcome to our new  
 Pre School students  
 Elka, Millie, Morris, Zoey & Ella

hello  
 First day  
 of school



you're off to  
 great PLACES  
 today is your DAY  
 your MOUNTAIN is  
 waiting so...  
 get on your WAY!  
 -Dr. Seuss



I like playing on the  
 Playground—**Khloe**

School is good. My favourite  
 thing in class is drawing in  
 the lines.—**Heidi**



First day of School for  
 Lena, Violet, Heidi, Johnny, Elsie,  
 Frank, Khloe & Alfie

I like learning new things  
 and playing with my friends  
 at school.—**Elsie**



I am the  
 mathematician  
 of the day.—**Lena**



My favourite thing  
 about school is playing  
 on the playground.—  
**Violet**



My favourite thing is  
 playing with my  
 friends.—**Frank**

My favourite thing about  
 school is recess because  
 we get to eat whatever  
 we like.—**Alfie**



## 2022 Governing Council

The 2022 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Snowtown Primary School and School Based Preschool Governing Council will be held outside on

**Tuesday 22nd February at 7pm.**

Governing Council meetings are held twice per term.

Roles and Responsibilities of the Governing Council include:

- Work with the Principal to set and support the direction and vision of the school and preschool
- Work with the Principal to monitor and review the site improvement plan (education outcomes/priorities)
- Develop and approve local policies
- Be the employing authority of Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) and Canteen services if applicable
- Represent the parents/caregivers/families within the school community

Be part of an interview panel, for OSHC/canteen and in the case of Principal appointments the Chairperson usually takes this role

Governing Council members are proactive, respectful, maintain confidentiality and able to work collaboratively with other Governing Council members, school leadership, staff and other school stakeholders. The 2022 office bearers of chairperson, deputy chair, secretary and treasurer will be elected at our first meeting of the 2022 Governing Council.

TRUST - We value integrity and being able to safely express opinions, beliefs, thoughts and feelings in a safe environment.

RESPECT - We value respectfully looking after our school.

HONESTY - We value telling the truth and taking responsibility for our actions.

KINDNESS - We value being kind, helpful and sympathetic towards other people.

LISTENING - We value communication and listening to all voices.

## GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

Nominations are required to fill Parent (2 year term) and Community (elected yearly) representatives.

In 2022 the following Councillors will be continuing - Megan McGregor, Jemma Michael, Nicole McCormack, Nick McCormack.

Amanda Harris, Belinda Stringer, Sarah McGregor, Kerry Cocks, have completed a two year term and are available for re-election.

I wish to nominate for a position on the Snowtown Primary School and School Based Preschool Governing Council. I understand that the tenure of this position is for a period of 2 years.

I am aware that in the event we have more than the required nominations, elections will be convened at the AGM of the Governing Council to be held on **22.2.2022**. Further details about the Governing Council Constitution and Code of Practice for Councillors can be obtained by contacting the school.

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I am not an undischarged bankrupt and do not receive a benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors.

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I have not been convicted of an offence of dishonesty or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person.

Name .....

Signature .....

Seconded by (Name) .....

Signature .....

Date ..... / ..... / 2022

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE FRONT OFFICE BY FRIDAY, 18h**

**HEAT UP LUNCH DAY ON TUESDAYS**



If your child/ren would like to use this service they will need to bring their lunch in an alfoil container or wrap their food in alfoil so the food can be heated in the pie warmer ready to eat at lunchtime.

**Please avoid sending your child to school with food that needs to be microwaved on**

# TERM 1 PLANNER 2022

WK	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	January 31 First Day	February 1	2	3	4
2	7	8	9 Newsletter	10 Kindy	11
3	14	15	16 Newsletter	17	18 Assembly—TBA
4	21 Possible Hockey Clinic	22 Governing Council	23	24 Kindy	25
5	28	March 1	2	3	4 Assembly—TBA
6	7	8	9 Newsletter	10 Kindy	11 Playgroup—TBA
7	14 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	15	16	17	18 Sports Day Playgroup
8	21	22 Harmony Day Governing Council	23	24 Kindy	25 Playgroup Assembly
9	28	29	30 Newsletter	31	April 1 Playgroup
10	4	5	6	7 Kindy	8 Playgroup
11	11	12	13 Newsletter	14	15 Good Friday Public Holiday