



# Snowtown Primary and Preschool News



Term 2, Week 6 - 7th June 2023

**TRUST**

**RESPECT**

**HONESTY**

**KINDNESS**

**LISTENING**

## DIARY DATES AND REMINDERS

**Monday, 12th June**  
King's Birthday Public Holiday

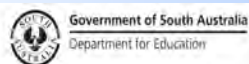
If students are absent from School please text or call with an explanation. This action supports our Attendance Policy.

Supervision of children in the yard is available from 8.30am to 3.15pm on school days. Parents are asked not to send children to school, or drop them off at school, before 8.30am. Prior to that time the school is unsupervised and children are at risk.

**ASSEMBLIES**  
Assemblies are held at **2.40 pm** in the Common Area Weeks 3, 6, 8 & 10

**HATS**  
Students are not required to wear a hat this term and may wear a school beanie.

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## Principal



So many amazing things have happened since our last newsletter.

### DreamBig

The DreamBig whole site excursion was a fantastic celebration of the Arts. We had an early start to the day so that we had plenty of time to travel through all of the roadworks before we reached our Adelaide destination. We were quickly immersed into the 'Fluffy' world of paper and relished the freedom of finding different ways to move the paper around before we all helped to send the paper off to the composting boxes. Our next stop was the Festival of Light where we enthusiastically experimented with light and shadows. We viewed the Gallery and saw our Snowtown art on display alongside special quotes about what learners envisaged their lives would be like aged 50. Our final activity was the Dinosaur Puppet Performance in Festival theatre where we learnt so much about Australian dinosaurs. The puppetry was quite amazing and the information connected so well to our Dinosaur learning from last year.



Thank you to Mrs Burford who secured our booking into Dream Big this year and to Mrs McCormack who finalised the excursion and ensured that lots of class learning was linked to the excursion.

### Questacon Science Circus

How long did the longest bubble last? An amazing one year and one hundred days. This was one of the facts we learnt when the Questacon Science Circus came to Snowtown. The two performers entertained us as they shared their hypotheses about noise and music and then did experiments to see if their hypotheses were correct. We learnt about how sound travels and different ways to conduct sound. The bubble performance was fantastic, especially when Morris was inside the bubble.



### National Reconciliation Week

For Reconciliation Week this year all of our learners participated in a quiz hosted by Mrs Jak. The questions were challenging and each table group persisted to learn some new facts about Reconciliation Week. On Tuesday we re-enacted the Bridge Walk and walked to the Golf Course and back with the Australian and Aboriginal Flags. Our indigenous learners proudly carried the Aboriginal flag all of the way. On Wednesday and Thursday we decorated a quilt designed by Mrs Woodforde. Unfortunately it was too wet and muddy on Friday to do our nature collage.





**National Simultaneous Storytime** is an annual event that aims to engage children of all ages to enjoy books by creating a sense of excitement around reading.

On Wednesday 24th of May we took part in the National Simultaneous Storytime and enjoyed the story *The Speedy Sloth* by Rebecca Young. We joined over 2 million other children around Australia.



"Carley read the book called 'The Speedy Sloth' and it was a cool story. It was about a sloth called Spike and she had pink fur and spiky hair. She loved running and worked out at the gym. She was the only sloth running and all the other runners laughed at her. She didn't care because she was prepared for the day." - Dejshan.



"It was fun making the sloth from the book called Speedy Sloth. Speedy Sloth was written by Rebecca Young." - Harry.



"We went to the library to read the Speedy Sloth. The moral of the story was that it doesn't matter who you are, you can still do anything if you put your mind to it." -Ollie.



"My favourite part of National Simultaneous Storytime was reading the Speedy Sloth book and showing our artwork to Carley." -Peter

"Speedy Sloth is good because at the end she didn't win but she still gave it a shot. She didn't win but she felt like a winner, and she got home from the race in time for dinner. She had spaghetti which is my favourite."

- Caelan.



"At 11 o'clock the whole school went to the library and Carley read us a book. I enjoyed it so much." - Maleigh.



# Questacon



"It was cool when Morris was in the bubble."  
- Millie



"The bubbles were cool when they tried to beat the world record."  
- Jace

"I loved the bubbles."  
- Benny



"I found the slinky was interesting when they shook it."  
- Sid

"It was hilarious seeing Morris in the bubble." Violet



"I wish I could have gone in the bubble like Morris did."  
- Heidi



"I was the first volunteer. I liked learning about the noises with Laura. I liked how the noise travelled along the slinky." Elsie

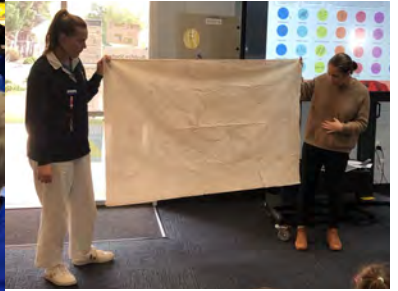




Reconciliation Walk



Reconciliation Quiz







"Fluffy was fun because of all the paper and there were fans and I got to jump in a big pile of paper. I used my jacket as a mop to make a big pile of paper and then the R/1 class grabbed handfuls from my big pile. I made a paper angel and it was fun."  
- Caelan

"My favourite part of Dream Big was when there were paper fights at Fluffy. I threw the paper in the air, in the fan and at people."  
- Sofia.



"My favourite part was Fluffy. There was scrap paper that we could throw around the building and up on sculptures. Then we had to pack it all up in boxes that had compost written on the front of the box." - Peter

"When we went to Dream Big we went to Fluffy. We threw paper around in a big room. I loved it so much."  
- Maleigh.



"The Sea of Light was fun because we got to walk around and draw with magic paint brushes. Before that we went to Fluffy and we got to throw paper at each other and throw it into a fan."  
- Harry.





# DREAM BIG

CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL  
17-27 MAY 2023



"I liked Fluffy because we had a war with the teachers."  
—Sid & Millie



"I enjoyed Fluffy because we all had a big war." Jy



"I loved Fluffy as it was the closest to snow I will ever get." - Tyrone

"My favourite experience was the dinosaur show. Someone on the stage told us all about dinosaurs."  
- Reggie

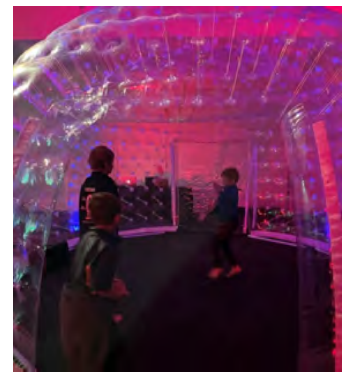


"I loved throwing paper at Miss Jaeschke." - Elka

"It was very fun. My favourite part was throwing paper at the teachers." - Zoey

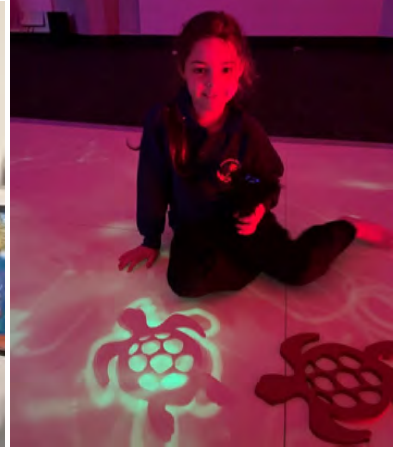


"I liked Fluffy as we got to throw all the paper around."  
- Jace



"I loved seeing the monkeys at Fluffy."  
- Morris

"I liked watching the Prehistoric show. It was cool seeing dinosaurs."  
- Elsie





# Science

## with the R/1 Class

This term, the R/1 class have been exploring Chemical Science. We have been investigating how everyday materials including spaghetti and chocolate can be physically changed in a variety of ways.

We explored the properties of cooked and uncooked spaghetti, and we were able to recognise that cooked spaghetti is an irreversible change.

We formed predictions and conducted an experiment to determine if milk or white chocolate melts faster.



"We tried to build a tower. It was really hard, and we made a big mess!"

**Chloie, Zoey, Morris**



"It was pretty hard, but I gave it a go."

**Lena**



"I liked putting the spaghetti in the bath."

**Marlee**



"This was a 10 out of 10!"

**Violet**



"It was really hard, and we both worked tough."

**Elka and Frank**

"It was really fun making a house out of spaghetti and marshmallows"

**Elsie**



"We had lots of fun and even got to have a marshmallow."

**Alfie, Marlee and Heidi**





# Digital Technology

with the R/1 Class

## Buzzing with Bee-Bots



"This is my code name."  
**Violet**

In Digital Technology this term, we have been learning about coding and algorithms. We made our names using a secret code and then created our own code.

Students were introduced to our Bee-Bots and had to plan a route and program a Bee-Bot to follow a path and write a sequence of steps (algorithm).



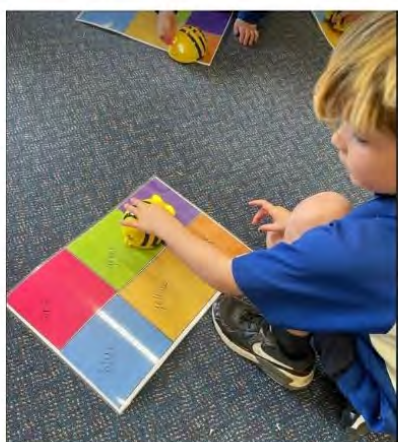
"The Bee-Bots were fun, and you can create your own code for it to follow."  
**Marlee**



"I coded my Bee-Bot to get to blue and he made it."  
**Alfie**



"I loved making a code."  
**Heidi**



"It was hard to code the Bee-Bot to turn corners, but I figured it out."  
**Frank**



"I just loved the Bee-Bots."  
**Morris**  
"Using the Bee-Bots was fun."  
**Elka**



"I can make my own code and follow it."  
**Elka**





# Preschool

The Preschool Children have been drawing self portraits. We spent time discussing how we look now that we have been Preschool learners for one whole term. The Preschool Learners all agreed that they have grown and learnt new ideas and thinking.

**Mackenzie**



**Ned**



**Mia**



Mackenzie has been making and creating with a range of materials.



"I like cutting and sticking. I made a spider. I used sticky tape, pipe cleaners and a paper plate."

**Mackenzie**

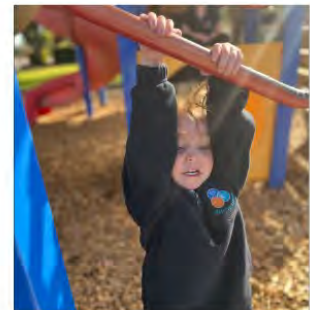


Ned collected big autumn leaves at Dream Big. We painted and printed with the leaves.

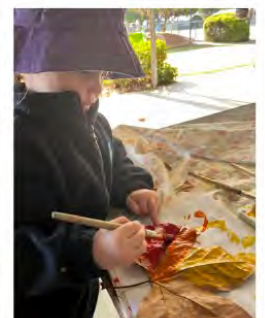


"I have been making my tummy muscles bigger and stronger, so i can sit up tall and do lots of writing at school."

**Ned**



Mia has been stretching and climbing on our visits to the school.



"I printed with the leaves. I used autumn colours which are red, orange, yellow and brown".

**Mia**





Our Reception/Year one's have begun exploring "7 Keys of Communication" using our little Kimochis friends.

😊 If you could ask your child to show you what they are practising, it would encourage them to apply their Communication Skill in their home setting too.

Key 1:

## How to Get Someone's Attention!

1. Call the person by name.
2. Wait for eye contact before speaking.
3. Use a Communication Tap (gentle tap on shoulder if necessary to gain attention or eye contact.)



Note: If you would like home Communication activities, or wish to clarify anything about these Communication Keys, please contact me via the school phone number or my email:  
[sandra.vangness342@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:sandra.vangness342@schools.sa.edu.au)



# RECYCLE, EARN & PLAY

**Our school\* is taking part in the Wonder Recycling Rewards campaign this term.**



Help us collect bread bags so we can earn points to redeem on new RHSports equipment.

It's simple! All you need to do is keep your empty bread bags and send them to school\* with your kids! We will then place them in Wonder's pink collection box and post them off to be recycled. The more we collect the more points our school\* earns!

**Collections close 7th July.**

**Tip for collecting:**  
Use one empty bread bag to collect a bunch of other bags.

**Did you know?**  
Last year, schools collected over **10 tonnes of soft plastic**, that's the weight of an elephant!

**LET'S GET COLLECTING!**

\*Includes early learning centres and pre-schools.



**Collection boxes are located in the Staff Room, library, classrooms and Kindy.**

## ENROL NOW PRESCHOOL ENROLMENT

FIND OUT MORE

Government of South Australia  
Department for Education

If your child turns 4 before 1 May, they're eligible to start preschool in term 1 that year.

If your child turns 4 between 1 May and 31 October, they're eligible to start preschool in term 3 that year.

If your child is born after 31 October, they're eligible to start preschool in term 1 the following year.

**DON'T FORGET!**

**At preschool, children are learning through play to:**

- ★ make friends, share and play with others
- ★ become confident learners
- ★ understand their feelings and the feelings of others
- ★ express their creativity through dance, movement and art
- ★ develop their physical skills and fine motor skills
- ★ develop their literacy skills such as listening, speaking and communicating
- ★ develop maths skills such as counting, measuring, and solving problems

**Government preschools provide specialised support for children, including:**

- ★ bilingual support for children with little or no English
- ★ educational support for children with hearing, speech or language impairment and children with developmental delay or disability
- ★ Aboriginal children and children in care can access preschool from 3 years of age

Learn more about how to enrol your child in a government preschool by visiting [www.education.sa.gov.au/preschool-enrolment](http://www.education.sa.gov.au/preschool-enrolment)



# Joyful June 2023

MONDAY



5 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down

TUESDAY



6 Get out into green space and feel the joy that nature brings

WEDNESDAY



7 Do something healthy which makes you feel good

THURSDAY

1 Decide to look for what's good every day this month

8 Find joy in music: sing, play, dance, listen or share

FRIDAY

2 Say positive things in your conversations with others

9 Ask a friend what made them happy recently

SATURDAY

3 Re-frame a worry and try to find a helpful way to think about it

10 Bring joy to others by doing something kind for them

SUNDAY

4 Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it

11 Eat good food that makes you happy and really savour it

12

Write a gratitude letter to thank someone

13

Take a light-hearted approach. Choose to see the funny side

14

Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you

15

Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it

16

Speak to others in a warm and friendly way

17

Take time to notice things that you find beautiful

18

Look for something good in a difficult situation

19

Get outside and find the joy in being active

20

Rediscover and enjoy a fun childhood activity

21

Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement

22

Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh

23

Create a playlist of uplifting songs to listen to

24

Bring to mind a favourite memory you feel grateful for

25

Show your appreciation to people who are helping others

26

Make time to do something playful, just for the fun of it

27

Be kind to you. Do something that brings you joy

28

Notice how positive emotions are contagious between people

29

Share a friendly smile with people you see today

30

Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to it)



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

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AVAILABLE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY'S  
**SNOWTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL LUNCH ORDER FORM**

Name - \_\_\_\_\_

Class - \_\_\_\_\_

Item	Cost	Quantity	Total Cost
<b>Pizza Single</b>			
Bacon & Cheese Pizza Single	\$3.00		
Ham & Pineapple Pizza Single	\$3.00		
<b>Pastries etc (Please write W/S if you'd like sauce)</b>			
Pie	\$4.00		
Snack Pie	\$2.00		
Sausage Roll	\$3.00		
Pasty	\$4.00		
Lasagna	\$5.00		
<b>Toasted Sandwiches</b>			
Cheese Toastie	\$3.00		
Ham Toastie	\$3.00		
Ham & Cheese Toastie	\$3.50		
Ham, Cheese & Tomato Toastie	\$4.00		
<b>Drinks</b>			
Big M - Chocolate Milk	\$2.50		
Big M - Strawberry Milk	\$2.50		
Apple/Black Currant Juice	\$2.50		
Orange Juice	\$2.50		
<b>Ice Blocks</b>			
Swing - Strawberry	\$2.00		
Swing - Chocolate	\$2.00		
Swing - Banana	\$2.00		
Fruit Ice Block	\$1.00		
TOTAL ORDER			\$
TOTAL MONEY ENCLOSED IN ENVELOPE			\$
CHANGE NEEDED			\$

AVAILABLE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY'S  
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# TERM 2 PLANNER

WK	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
6	5 World Environment Day	6	7 Newsletter Photography Workshop in the Library. 3.30pm	8 Kindy Kindy Pre Entry 9-11am	9
7	12 Public Holiday	13 Kindy Pre Entry 9-11am	14 Baby Bounce	15	16
8	19 Kindy Pre Entry 9-12.30am	20 Governing Council	21	22 Kindy Biggest Morning Tea and Open Morning 10.00am	23 R/1 Assembly
9	26	27 Kindy Pre Entry 9-3am	28 Baby Bounce	29	30
10	JULY 3	4	5 Newsletter	6 Kindy	7 Student Led Assembly



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