



Snowtown Primary and Preschool News



Week 1, Term 1 –6th February 2024

TRUST

RESPECT

HONESTY

KINDNESS

LISTENING

DIARY DATES AND REMINDERS

Governing Council AGM

Tuesday 27th February
Kick Start
Tuesday 13th February

REMINDER

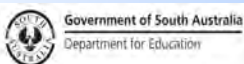
During Term 4 & Term 1 in the case of catastrophic fire danger, the school will be closed and the school bus will not operate. On all other days, the school has a Bushfire Action Plan that sets out what we do in the event of a fire front approaching the town. Part of this plan is an identified Refuge (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, 7 and 10 this term
ALL WELCOME HATS

Students are required to wear broad brimmed hats during Term 1.

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Principal News



Welcome back to Snowtown Primary School and Preschool! We hope you had a wonderful holiday break filled with joy, relaxation, and memorable moments with loved ones. As we embark on a new learning year, we are excited to reconnect with familiar faces and extend a warm welcome to all our new students and families.



The start of the year is always a time of anticipation and excitement as we look forward to the opportunities and adventures that lie ahead. Our dedicated team of educators and staff members have been hard at work preparing for the year ahead, ensuring that our students receive the best possible educational experience in a safe, supportive, and nurturing environment.

Here are a few highlights and reminders as we begin the new school year:

New Faces

We are delighted to welcome our three new Reception learners and our three new Preschool learners. We wish them all the best as they embark on their learning journey.

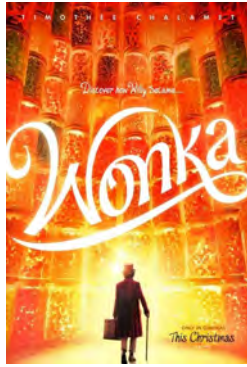


This year we welcome Mrs Carroll back to the 5/6 classroom. Miss Earl will be in the 3/4 class during Term 1 until Mrs Burford returns from leave in Term 2. Karin will also be in the 3/4 class for Term 1 until Mrs Burford returns next term.

2024 STAFF			
<u>Karin Bammann</u> Pre School Educator/3/4 (Wed)	<u>Ms Lisa Earl</u> 3/4 Teacher (Tues)	<u>Sharee Cocks</u> SSO	<u>Meghan Stewart</u> Finance/Admin/Library
<u>Miss Emily Jaeschke</u> R/1/2 Teacher	<u>Mrs Madeline Jak</u> 5/6 Teacher (Tues/Wed)	<u>Sharon Higgs</u> SSO	<u>Emma Weckert</u> Admin
<u>Miss Hannah Wilkinson</u> 3/4 Teacher (Mon, Thurs, Fri)	<u>Sandra Vangsness</u> Pastoral Care	<u>Megan McGregor</u> SSO	<u>Carley Darling</u> Community Library Assistant
<u>Mrs Amanda Jameson</u> NIT Teacher (Thurs)	<u>Alison Jones</u> Autism Inclusion Lead	<u>Mrs Mary Carroll</u> 5/6 Teacher (Thurs, Fri)	
<u>Katrina Ebsary</u> Finance	<u>Trish Boschetti</u> Principal/5/6 Teacher (Mon)	<u>Wayne Lee</u> Grounds	

Wonka

The 5/6 class are doing a novel study this term on Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. As part of that unit of work they will be going to see the new Wonka movie at the Blyth Cinema on Monday, 26th February.



As the movie is so wonderful we would like the whole site to attend the movie on the same day. If you are able to volunteer to attend the movie with us please let us know.

Preschool

Our Preschool learners have had an active start to the term. On Monday they worked with the 5/6 class to trace around their bodies and paint them. On Tuesday each week they go to the library for their library lesson with Carley.



TRUST - We value integrity and being able to safely express opinions, beliefs, thoughts

RESPECT - We value respectfully looking after our school.

HONESTY - We value telling the truth and taking responsibility

KINDNESS - We value being kind, helpful and sympathetic

LISTENING - We value communication and listening to all voices.



SNOWTOWN NEWSAGENCY 2024 SCHOOL LUNCHES MENU

* AVAILABLE MONDAY, WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY *

Item	Category	Price
Pizza single		
Bacon and Cheese	Amber	\$3.00
Ham and Pineapple	Amber	\$3.00
Pastries etc		
Mrs Macs Pie (Good eating)	Amber	\$4.00
Mrs Macs Snack Pie (Good eating)	Amber	\$2.00
Mrs Macs Sausage Roll (Good eating)	Amber	\$3.00
Lasagna	Green	\$5.00
Toasted Sandwiches		
Wonder White (high fibre)		
Cheese	Green	\$3.00
Ham	Green	\$3.00
Ham & Cheese	Green	\$3.50
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	Green	\$4.00
Drinks/Ice-creams		
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 and Thursday are heat up lunch days at school **

Heat Up Lunch Day On Tuesdays & Thursdays

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.

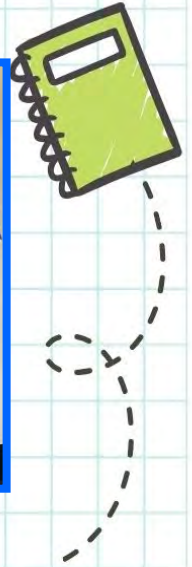


**Please avoid
child to school**

**needs to be microwaved on other days of
the week.**

**sending your
with food that**

BACK TO SCHOOL



FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL



My favourite thing about school is....

"Drawing rainbows." - Ned

"Playing hide and seek with my school friends. I have also learnt to be quiet in my classroom."

- Mia



"Going to the pool and swimming." - Mackenzie

FIRST DAY OF PRESCHOOL



My favourite thing about Preschool is....

"Jumping on the trampoline. I like playing with the trains with Ted." - Chris

"I like being a passenger in the boat and walking on the balancing beams." - Ted

"Playing mums and Dads with Lucy, Millie and Lara is fun. We look after the kids. We take them to childcare." - Addie

"I like driving the boat with my kindy friends and swinging on the swing. I can swing by myself." - Lucy

Harry enjoys the stop and go game with the tambourine.



Christmas Concert 2023



"I liked it when the boys in our class had a special part in the Troll dance." - Alfie



"It was really fun when we did party party in the whole school dance." - Morris



"Dancing was the best part because it was fun." - Reggie

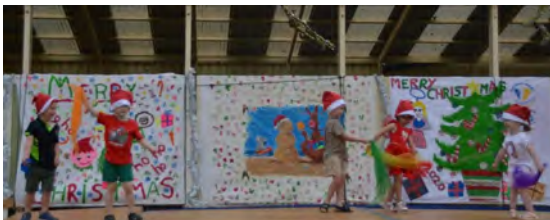


"I had so much fun doing our Troll dance and it did not matter that our headbands fell off in the wind." - Frank

"It was really funny that Santa was driving on the oval in the Wilkinson's Pa's red car." - Elsie



"My Pa drove Santa to the concert in his little red car." - Charlie



"I liked the 2/3/4 dance and the props they used." - Elka



"My Mum really liked the concert she kept smiling at me." - Xavier



"I enjoyed the sausage sizzle and cold water before the performance."

- Harry



"I liked having a sausage and doing all the school dances. Seeing Santa for an ice block was also a highlight"

- Peter



Hayley & Ben Flynn presented with the Volunteering Award. award



" My favourite part of the concert was getting a sausage and an iceblock from Santa." - Alex



Maddox Tottman presented with the Lions Club award



Congratulations to class award winners.

R/1—Frank McCormack & Elsie Stringer

2/3/4—Reggie Wilkinson & Jace Veloso

5/6—Alexander Flynn & Silas Bernhardt





Moonta Beach Excursion 2023



"Wilko jumped into the water to get Charlies hat."
- Ollie



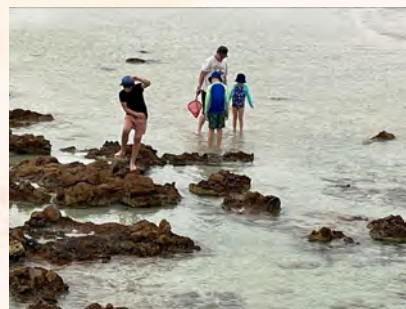
"I went fishing and I caught a whiting. I had to throw it back as we didn't have any ice to take it home with."
- Peter



"On the beach excursion at Moonta Bay, I helped the little kids from the kindy."
- Sid



"I saw a stingray at the beach."
- Alfie



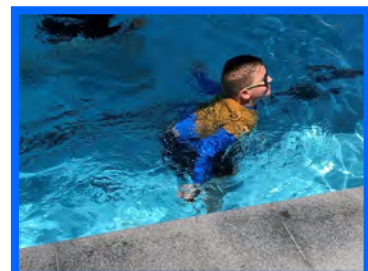
"Ollie and I caught a big crab."
- Millie



SWIMMING LESSONS

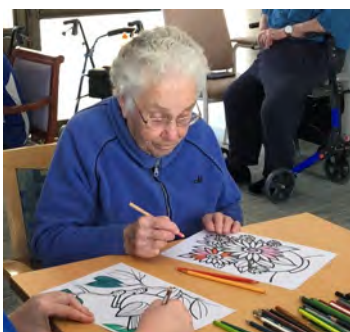


The students loved swimming lessons. They had lots of fun learning new skills with Jess the instructor. Students learnt all about water safety, how to rope rescue, improved their stroke techniques, how to float and be more confident in the water. We were fortunate to have warm weather for our lessons this year.



LUMEAH HOMES VISIT

On Monday the 5th of February the year 5/6 class visited Lumeah Homes. The students and residents had a great time meeting each other and forming new friendships whilst doing activities together such as playdough, colouring in and the tovertafel. Overall it was a wonderful and positive experience and the residents appreciated the visit.



2024 Governing Council

The 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the Snowtown Primary School and School Based Preschool Governing Council will be held on **Tuesday 27th 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 2024 office bearers of chairperson, deputy chair, secretary and treasurer will be elected at our first meeting of the 2024 Governing Council.

GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

Nominations are required to fill Parent (2 year term) and Community (elected yearly) representatives. In 2024 the following Councillors will be continuing -

Nick McCormack, Nicole McCormack, Megan McGregor, & Rebecca McGregor.

Sarah McGregor, Glen Wilkinson, Matthew Wilkinson, Belinda Stringer. 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 **27.2.24** Further details about the Governing Council Constitution and Code of Practice for Councillors can be obtained by contacting the school.

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

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 / / 2024

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE FRONT OFFICE BY FRIDAY, 27th FEBRUARY, 2024.

EMERGING LEADERS VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT WORKSHOP

Learn the skills you need to attract, motivate and retain volunteers for your community group or organisation.

Whether you're a community group, sporting club, men's shed, art group, RSL or any non-profit entity, you'll learn the skills you need to attract, motivate and retain volunteers in this exciting 3-hour workshop facilitated by NFP Success.

This is a free workshop.

Places are limited so don't miss out!

Workshop:

Hamley Bridge Bowling Club - Tuesday 20th February, 6-9pm - [Register here](#)



Aqua fitness fun at our local pools

We're encouraging everyone in the Wakefield Region to discover the benefits of getting up and moving by offering free aqua fitness classes.

Friday February 9, 2024

Snowtown Swimming Pool

Kids: 4-5pm

Adults: 5-6pm

Children under 10 must have
parental supervision



Free entry for participants
Free sausage sizzle

If you are not participating in the Aqua Fitness classes and want to use the pool for general swimming please arrange entry with the pool committee as per swimming pool rules.



WAKEFIELD
REGIONAL COUNCIL

Mindfulness

Do you sometimes feel like there is too much happening around you?

Are thoughts keeping you awake at night?

Would you like some time out to become more relaxed?

Or are you just interested in knowing what Mindfulness is about...

*We are running our Mindfulness and Meditation Course
in Clare in Term 1, 2024*

Evening classes commencing Tuesday 20th February for 6 weeks

6.20pm – 8pm

At the Clare Medical Centre

Cost: \$150

Early Bird (if booked before 25th January) & Repeat Participants: \$130
(Concession available on request)

In these 1 ½ hour sessions we will explore techniques to:

- ~ improve mental clarity, concentration, relaxation, and sleep ~ reduce stress
- ~ learn to be in the present moment and out of 'auto pilot' ~ improve relationships
- ~ manage pain ~ become less judgmental of ourselves and others.

Places are limited - to register or make enquiries, contact:

Melanie Michael: 0428 101 228 Michelle Sanders: 0407 795 104

midnorthmindfulness@gmail.com Certified Mindfulness-based Stillness Meditation Facilitator



BEGINNERS TENNIS *With Nigel*

**STARTS - TUESDAY, 30TH
JANUARY**

**AGES
5-8 YR
OLDS**

**4 WEEK
PROGRAM**

**TIME
3:10PM -
3:50PM**

Snowtown Primary School
Tennis Courts



KICK START 2024



TUESDAY
13TH
FEBRUARY
5.30-6.30

Parents, Cargivers & Students
please join us for a
**Free Family BBQ & Scavenger
Hunt**

- ✓ At the School - Front lawn area
- ✓ 5.30pm - 6.30pm
- ✓ Please bring a deck chair or picnic rug.

This will be an opportunity to chat to staff and to visit your child/ren’s learning spaces, receive the term overview and to participate in a scavenger hunt around the site



BBQ Sausage Sizzle

I.....(name of parent/caregiver) WILL / WILL NOT be attending

Number of Adults:

Number of Children (including students).....

Please return this slip before Friday 9th of FEBRUARY

Friendly February 2024



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



5 Make time to have a friendly chat with a neighbour

6 Get back in touch with an old friend you've not seen for a while

7 Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others

8 Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust

9 Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you

10 Look for good in others, particularly when you feel frustrated with them

11 Send an encouraging note to someone who needs a boost

12 Focus on being kind rather than being right

13 Smile at the people you see and brighten their day

14 Tell a loved one or friend why they are special to you

15 Support a local business with a positive online review or friendly message

16 Check in on someone who may be struggling and offer to help

17 Appreciate the good qualities of someone in your life

18 Respond kindly to everyone you talk to today, including yourself

19 Share something you find inspiring, helpful or amusing

20 Make a plan to connect with others and do something fun

21 Really listen to what people say, without judging them

22 Give sincere compliments to people you talk to today

23 Be gentle with someone who you feel inclined to criticise

24 Tell a loved one about the strengths that you see in them

25 Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why

26 Make uninterrupted time for your loved ones

27 Call a friend to catch up and really listen to them

28 Give positive comments to as many people as possible today

29 Acknowledge someone's problem or pain rather than trying to fix it



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

Term 1 Planner 2024

WK	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
1	29.	30	31 Swimming Lessons Baby Bounce	1 Feb Swimming Lessons	2 Swimming Lessons
2	5 Lumeah Homes visit 5/6 Class	6	7	8	9
3	12	13 Kick Start 2024	14 Baby Bounce	15	16 School Captain Assembly
4	19	20	21	22	23
5	26 Wonka Movie at Blyth	27 Governing Council	28 Baby Bounce	29	1 March
6	4 Leaders Day	5 Leaders Day	6	7	8 Sports Day
7	11 Adelaide Cup	12	13 Naplan Starts Baby Bounce	14	15 Back Up Sports Day date R/1/2 Assembly
8	18 Naplan week	19	20	21	22
9	25 Naplan Ends	26 Harmony Day Ride and Walk to	27 Baby Bounce	28 Preschool Combined pupil free day	29 Easter Friday
10	1 April Easter Monday	2	3	4	5 3 / 4 Assembly
11	8	9	10 Baby Bounce7	11 ANZAC Day Commemoration	12