



SNOWTOWN



PRIMARY AND PRESCHOOL NEWS

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LISTENING

Term 3 Week 4 - 15th August, 2024

PRINCIPAL NEWS



'Can you come over and help us with a Maths problem?' asked Ollie. Imagine my surprise when I entered the Common Area and the whole school was waiting to wish me a Happy World Principal's Day. Our school captains Dejshan and Peter read a speech before introducing a whole site clip with learners talking about what they would do if they were the Principal. There seemed to be a lot of milo, music and ice-cream involved with the 'acting' principals. I was then presented with a gift bag from Agfert which included some fertiliser, a coffee mug and a maths picture book.

Thank you to everyone for your kind thoughts and wishes and for keeping the Assembly a total surprise. It is a pleasure and a privilege to be the Principal of our wonderful site.



Tree Planting

To celebrate National Tree Planting Day we partnered with the Snowtown Progress Association to plant 112 trees in the Snowtown Nature Reserve and with the Wakefield Regional Council to plant 300 trees at the Snowtown Cemetery. The significance of the tree planting events goes beyond just planting a tree—it symbolises a collective effort toward improving our planet's health and fostering sustainable practices. It improves biodiversity, enhances air and water quality and fosters environmental awareness. We are thankful for the support from Lynne and Bruce Michael and Chris Cocks from the Progress Association and Taryn Hall, Ian Hilliard and the Wakefield Regional Council Team.

Defibrillator

Our site now has a defibrillator which is located outside the library and Admin area. Defibrillators are important because they can rapidly restore a normal health rhythm during cardiac arrest, dramatically increasing the chances of survival. Thank you to the Snowtown Children's Centre, Community Library and the Snowtown Pool Committee for contributing funds towards the purchase of the defibrillator.



UPCOMING DATES

Book Week

Big Read and Dress Up Parade
Tuesday, 20th August
10.30am

3/4 Class Assembly
Friday, 23rd August
2.40pm

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.

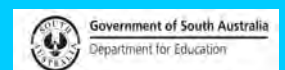
HATS

Students are required to wear broad brimmed hats outside from August - April.

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FIRST DAY of school



Welcome to the R/1/2 classroom Ted and Chris. We are so excited to have you both join us.

"I love going out into the Nature Play. I really like colouring in too." - Ted



"I love everything about school." - Chris



FIRST DAY of Preschool



Welcome to Damon, Josephine, Eedie & Millie who had their first day of Preschool in Week 1. They have settled in well at Preschool with Addie and Lucy.

What I love most about Preschool

"Playing with Addie and going on the swing." - Lucy

"Playing with Lucy and going on the swing" - Addie

"I love dressing up like a princess." - Jojo

"I love cooking at Kindy." - Millie

"I love lawnmowing with the lawn mower." - Eedie

"I like the chickens. They have a chicken house." - Damon



We all love making new friends and learning new things.

Year 5/6 Class

Quadrat Excursion



We measured square metre quadrats and we counted how many plants were in the square metre. We compared Matador Wheat and Commodus Barley. The Matador Wheat had 120 plants per square metre and the Commodus Barley had 81 plants per square metre.

The wheat crop was in a 150 Hectare paddock and the barley crop was in a 127 Hectare paddock. Our next task is to calculate how many plants are in each paddock.

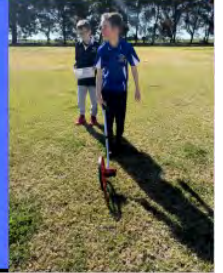
We also observed the plants and their root structures and measured the height of the plants. Thanks to Nick McCormack for meeting us at the paddock and providing additional information about rainfall and fertiliser.



Maths measuring the African Woodstar



This ship is the African Woodstar which is docked at Port Adelaide with fertiliser. We are tracking fertiliser ships that are coming to Australia. We wondered how big the African Woodstar is in real life so we marked the oval with cones for the length of the African Woodstar. It was as long as the oval all the way from the pine tree lined fence to nearly the car park on Glen Davidson Drive.



Catapults

Catapults were an awesome weapon back in ancient and medieval times. They were a good weapon to break down brick walls. Soldiers used to put burning hay into the catapult to shoot at castle walls and burn anything that was wooden in their base.

Neville Michael brought his catapult into our class so that we could see it. A few days later we made catapults and they work! They look really cool but not as cool as Neville's, his had more tension so it goes further but ours go up really high. Neville's slings go really far. We got to try it out and sling marshmallows into people's mouths or into their hands so they could catch it and eat it. When I slung it, it went past two people. None of them caught it so he said "Good shot!" because if it was real it would have broken the castle.

Xavier.





TREE PLANTING

Nature Reserve



"I liked it when everyone was working together and planting all the trees."



"I loved digging the dirt out of the ground and then putting the tree in the ground I can't wait until they're grown." - DJ



"I loved to dig the dirt and I named two out of 112 native plants. I called them "Besselian" and named a wattle "William".—Charlie W

"Tree planting was fun and also let us have a lot of sun. It also let the 5/6s have some fun with the younger kids." - Ollie



"I liked putting the trees in the ground and hopefully they grow. I also liked getting on my knees and digging the ground out to put the plant in the ground."—Xavier



"On the 25th of July we planted trees at our cross country running course . We planted 112 trees. I loved planting trees and others in my group also enjoyed planting."—Peter





TREE PLANTING

Cemetery



"We planted native trees and our group worked together to put them in the ground. I enjoyed tickling their roots!"

- Scarlett



"We planted over 100 trees in the nature reserve. Once they grow it will look beautiful and I am excited to explore the area in the future." - Blake



"Tree planting was really fun. We planted 300 in about an hour." - Heidi



"I enjoyed working with my group to plant the trees. In my group was Sid, Peter and Mackenzie" - Jy



"It was so fun and it is looking really good now." - Ted



"It was lots of fun planting 300 trees with the whole school. It looks amazing now." - Elka



"it was very inspiring watching the whole school plant trees. I hope we get to do it again in Year 2." - Morris



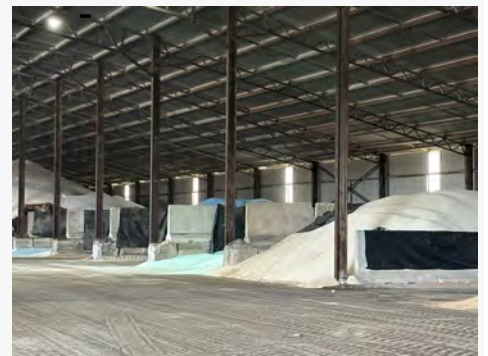
Year 3-6

AGFERT Excursion



“On the 22nd of June the Year 3-6s went to Agfert in Balaklava to learn about fertiliser and what it does. We learnt about three main types of fertilisers one being urea, one DAP: Diamonium - Phosphate and MAP: Mono - Ammonium - Phosphate.”

-Ollie



“I enjoyed going into the shed and touching the fertiliser and the urea” - Paul



“The different types of fertiliser were interesting to learn about.” – Sid





“We saw the urea get loaded onto a truck. It was interesting because the auger looked like a dinosaur’s mouth” – Tyrone



“The road trains carry 9000kgs of fertiliser. My favourite part of the day was the sausage sizzle.” - DJ



“It was interesting to learning about the different types of fertilisers and why some were coloured” - Millie



“I liked visiting Agfert. It was great receiving a showbag at the end.”

- Sofia



A big Thank you to Derryn and the team at Agfert for a wonderful day. The sausage sizzle hit the spot and the showbags were greatly appreciated.



SAPSASA

Basketball



A big thanks to Matt Wilkinson for driving the bus and coaching. Thanks to Mrs Jak for coaching also.



"We got to play with a lot of kids from football and cricket. It was lots of fun to get to know new people. I loved shooting goals when we were playing." - Ollie



"I loved playing basketball with the other kids." - Peter



"It was fun playing basketball with the girls from the other schools and making new friends." - Sofia



"I liked playing against the other teams and I enjoyed our team getting to the finals." - Harry

"I liked how my Dad coached me." - Charlie



"It was great playing in our team, we passed the ball a lot between us and it felt great getting goals in!" - DJ



BECOME A FACILITATOR

WHAT IS DAUGHTERS & DADS CRICKET?

Daughters & Dads Cricket is a 9-week, award winning, evidence based program that:

- Improves girls' cricket skills and social-emotional wellbeing
- Promotes gender equity to help daughters reach their potential
- Enhances the bond between daughters and their fathers

WHAT ARE WE LOOKING FOR?

- Passionate & enthusiastic
- Relevant experience (e.g., coaching, teaching, presenting experience)
- A current Australian Working With Children's Check

WHAT'S REQUIRED?

- Attend half a day training (online)
- Complete 3 x 45 min online modules
- Deliver programs outside of school hours

Get paid for each program you deliver

Upskill with evidence-based pedagogy, coaching skills & gender equity tools

Make a difference in girls' lives

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

Contact: Taryn Williams

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Come and Try Scouts!



Tuesday 6th, 13th, 20th August

The 'NEW' Clare Scout Hall

Melrose Park (where the mini trains are)

6.30—8.00 pm

Joeys 5-8 years. Cubs 8-12 years. Scouts 12-15 years.

Any Questions Call:

Group Leader Andrew Lane **0418 808 903**

or Email gl.clare@sa.scouts.com.au

children's Book week®

Reading is Magic

#CBCA2024



Please join us for

'The Big Read and Dress Up Parade'

Tuesday, 20th of August at 10.30am

Come dressed as a character from a book.

SNOWTOWN SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY'S

BABY BOUNCE

FREE

FUN, DANCING, SINGING AND RHYMES

Wednesdays at 10am
School Term Time - Odd Weeks

Snowtown School Community Library
31 Glen Davidson Drive Snowtown

JOIN OUR

BOOK CLUB

Snowtown School Community Library

TIME: 5:30PM - 6:30PM

WHEN: EVERY SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

Register via the Facebook events or call 8865 2006

SNOWTOWN COMMUNITY LIBRARY

BOOKINGS REQUIRED

IT DROP-IN SESSION

Do you need support with your laptop or phone, have questions about the internet or cyber safety? **Power Computing** will be available in the Library to provide tech support!

COST:
 Business \$89/hour
 Non-Profit \$71/hour
 Seniors \$60/hour

LOCATION
 SNOWTOWN SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

DATE & TIME
 EVERY 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH FROM 2PM

08 8865 2006 [facebook.com/snowtownlibrary](https://www.facebook.com/snowtownlibrary)

Snowtown School Community Library - Feedback Form

We want to hear from you!

The Snowtown School Community Library is currently seeking feedback from the community regarding our services and events over the last 12 months.

If you would like to share your feedback with us, please complete the feedback form using the QR code above. Alternatively, pop into the Library and complete a paper form during opening hours or visit our Facebook page to access the form link.



School Term Time:
 Tues, Wed & Fri 9am - 4:30pm
 Thurs 9am - 7pm
 Hours may differ during school holidays

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SPECIAL ASSEMBLY

Premier's Reading STEM Challenge Awards

Friday 16th August 2024

9:15am

Common Room

Mark Williams who is the manager of the Premier's Reading Challenge will present the awards.



PINE CONES FOR SALE \$5 A BAG

SNOWTOWN PRESCHOOL FUNDRAISER
PICKUP FROM THE FRONT OFFICE

ENROL FOR PRESCHOOL 2025

Children are entitled to access 4 terms (1 year) of government preschool in the year before they start school.

Children who turn 4 years old:

Before 1 May are eligible to start preschool at the beginning of the year.

On 1 May to 31 October can commence preschool through the mid-year intake at the start of term 3 of that year.

After 31 October will be eligible to commence preschool at the start of the following year.



ENROLMENTS FOR 2025 ARE NOW OPEN

For more information and to organise a tour or enrolment pack please contact Snowtown Primary School on:



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Term 3 Planner 2024

WK	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
4	12	13 PUPIL FREE DAY	14	15	16 Special STEM Assembly 9:15am
5	19 Book Week	20 Big Read & Dress up Parade 10.30am	21 Baby Bounce	22	23 3/4 Assembly
6	26 SSO Week	27	28	29	30 SAPSASA Athletics Day at Clare 1 st Fathers Day
7	2	3	4 School Closure/ Adelaide Show Baby Bounce	5	6 SAPSASA Athletics Backup
8	9 Year 5/6 Hotshots Tennis	10 Year 3/4 Hotshots Tennis	11	12	13 R/1/2 Assembly
9	16 Interviews	17 The Amazing Race	18 Year 6 CHS Tour 9.00am Baby Bounce	19 Books to Life Performance at Bute	20
10	23	24 Kindy Farm Excursion	25 Year 6 Camp	26 Kindy Excursion to Brinkworth	27 End of term Assembly