



KAURNA PLAINS SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER - TERM 1, WEEK 8 2020

STRENGTH THROUGH LEARNING · TAINGIWILTA TIRKANTHI-ARRA

Students from Year 3 to 12 visited the Adelaide Fringe to see 'Yabarra – Dreaming in Light' (see article on page 3)



DIARY DATES

REMINDER
TUESDAY 24TH
MARCH IS A
PUPIL FREE DAY

Please note: School Assemblies, Excursions/ Incursions, Community Breakfasts, Governing Council AGM and Parent/Teacher Meetings have been cancelled until further notice.

See note on page 2 for more information.

March

24/3 PUPIL FREE DAY

April

9/4 Last day of Term 1
Early Dismissal

10/4 GOOD FRIDAY
PUBLIC HOLIDAY



NIINA MARNI

Dear Families,

In an effort to reduce the sharing of germs, we ask that families please collect their children from the carpark at the end of the school day. There will be Teachers and Support Staff waiting with the students, ensuring their safety until they are collected. This is effective immediately.



The breezeway gate will remain open in the mornings, but we please ask that families see their students off at the front entrance, and not enter the school grounds.

These extra containment protocols are to increase the health and safety for our students and staff, and we appreciate your cooperation during this challenging time, so that we can continue to offer quality education for our students.

Kind regards

Angela Walkuski, Principal Kaurna Plains R-12 School

NUT POLICY

Due to an increase of students with allergies, parents are requested to not send food to school which contains nuts or nut products. This includes sandwich spreads, such as peanut butter or Nutella.

As we currently have students with nut allergies, this is now increasingly vital as any contact with nut products can severely impact their health.



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19th March 2020

Dear Families

We're writing to advise you that while we remain aware and informed of the Corona Virus situation, we will be continuing to operate, with precautionary measures in place.

In the short term, we will be ceasing the following school events, until the Department for Education advises that it's safe to recommence full school operations:

- School Assemblies
- Excursions / Incursions
- Community Breakfasts
- Parent/Teacher meetings

Please be assured that Kaurna Plains School will continue to keep you up to date with information as it is released to us by the Department. Our commitment is to provide a safe healthy environment for our students, staff & families; while also maintaining consistent effective learning for students during this challenging time.

Please remember that Tuesday 24th March is a Student Free Day. Staff will be undertaking Professional Development training on this day.

If you have any questions regarding our operations during this time, please don't hesitate to speak with your child's Teacher, or call the office on 8252 4419 to make a time to speak with one of the Leadership Team.

Kind regards

Ange Walkuski
PRINCIPAL

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GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM

The Governing Council AGM for 2020
(previously scheduled for Wednesday 25th March)

has now been **cancelled until further notice**.

Nominations are still being accepted via the process below:

If you would like to be part of our School Governing Council this year, you will need to put in a “Self-Nomination – Parent Member” form in Aunty Ange’s office.

If you would like to nominate another family member, who is interested in being involved, then you will need to fill in a “Parent Member Nomination” form in Aunty Ange’s office.

Members from 2019, and prior years, will also need to put in a new nomination form please, as per Department Policy.

The AGM will be rescheduled once the coronavirus restrictions have been lifted.



PORT POWER VISIT

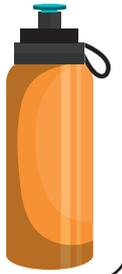
On Friday of Week 6 we had some Port Power players visit Kaurua Plains School to talk about the AusKick program. The Port Power players met with the students and talked to them about how to live a healthy life. They also played some games with the students. Some students got to take home a poster from the day and have their photo taken with the players.



SRC REPORT FROM AUNTY NATASHA

SRC recently met to discuss how some of the current issues around the Coronavirus will impact our school environment. SRC reps decided because the water taps outside may not be 100% clean, that students need to bring drink bottles to school and use the inside taps to fill them up. If you are unable to provide your child with a drink bottle, the school would be happy to help out. Please let the Front Office know. Unfortunately we have had to cancel all excursions which mean the end of term CORKA excursion has had to be postponed. Instead we will have a special lunch for those CORKA students at the school and hold an excursion early next term if the situation allows it. Thanks to SRC reps for their input into some important school decisions.

Natasha Trestrail, Positive Education Leader & 7-9 Health/PE and SAKG Teacher



CORKA KIDS AND DEADLY LEARNERS

Congratulations to the following CORKA Kids and Deadly Learners:

- R-2 CORKA - William, Stella
Deadly Learners - Sophia and Shanaynay ★
- 2-4 CORKA - Matt
Deadly Learners - Sheliqua and Nathias
- 4-6 CORKA - Nat, Lily
Deadly Learners - Sasha, Jordan
- 7-9 CORKA - Kylor, Phoenix
Deadly Learners - Elley, Annika
- 10-12 CORKA - Zoe-Anne, Justin, Tia
Deadly Learners - Tia, Lavigne, Mack, Kyle ★



TERM DATES 2020

- Term 1 28 January - 9 April
- Term 2 27 April - 3 July
- Term 3 20 July - 25 September
- Term 4 12 October - 11 December

BELL TIMES Monday to Friday

Gates open to the wetlands..... 8:40am

Start Time.....8:50am

Literacy Block Times

Lesson 1 8:50 - 9:40am

Lesson 2 9:40 - 10:30am

BREAK 1 10:30 - 11:00am

Eating time in Class.... 11:00 - 11:10am

Lesson 3 11:10 - 12:00pm

Lesson 4 12:00 - 12:50pm

BREAK 2..... 12:50 - 1:10pm

Eating time in Class..... 1:10 - 1:20pm

Wellbeing/Cultural Programs/Friday

CORKA Times Lesson 6

Lesson 5 1:20 - 2:10pm

Lesson 6 2:10 - 3:00pm

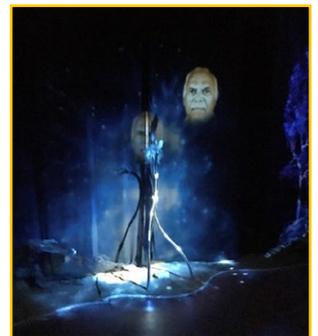
End of each day 3:00pm

YABARRA – DREAMING IN LIGHT

As part of the school's participation in the Adelaide Fringe this year and connecting students to Kaurna culture, students from Year 3 to 12 went to see a version of the Kaurna Dreaming Story Tjilbruksi. It was called 'Yabarra – Dreaming in Light'.

The event was an amazing multi-sensory interactive show that engaged and delighted the students that attended.

If you wish to go, it is a free event held at Tandanya every day until the end of the Fringe and an opportunity not to be missed.

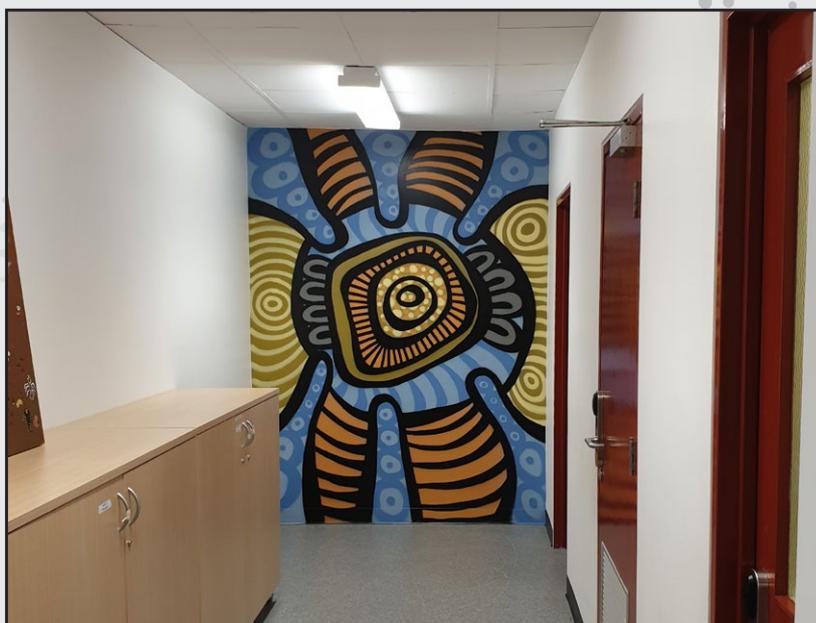


DEADLY MURAL

Scott Rathman painted a deadly mural in the courtyard hallway recently. If you haven't already seen it, check out these photos! We also have 2 more projects in the works with him, so keep checking around the school for these.

Scott has done AMAZING work at many schools. We think he's awesome and are so lucky to have him brighten up our school.

You can check out all of his other art on his Facebook page "[Rusted Tin – Contemporary Aboriginal Arts](#)".



RECEPTION TO YEAR 2

Niina Marni everyone! It is wonderful to share so many pictures of our class learning with you. With a huge focus on learning together and from each other the children are sharing their knowledge as a class daily. They are developing their numeracy understanding through many hands-on enquiry-based provocations with a strong emphasis on number.

The literacy block is supporting reading skills where the class has learnt to “tell and play” a story during shared read aloud and small word play. This encourages the children to use their oral language building vocabulary, comprehension and sequencing skills. The children are now working on creating their own stories about a favourite character.

Jolly Phonics sound work is on target and starting next week the children will be bringing home word box lists. You can assist them at home encouraging them to decode the words by sounding out the letters and blending the sounds to create the words. We are already practising this in class. If you have any questions about this, I am always available both at the start and end of the day to touch base with you.

Next term our school will be celebrating NAIDOC Week. Our class is hoping to create a class map of Country so that each child and their family is recognised as part of our school community. I will be sending out a note with one or two questions and will be grateful if you could support your child to be a part of this work next term.

Thank you for supporting your children in their learning.

Aunty Debbie & Aunty Bron



YEAR 2-4

We have been having an amazing time learning in the Wetlands.

- We built Wodlis
- Have had adventures
- Counted rocks
- Built a camp fire
- Made drawings in the sand

Most of all we had fun!

Aunty Wendy



YEAR 5 & 6

Niina marni,

This term, our class text has been 'The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe' by C. S. Lewis. Each week we not only read one or two chapters, but we watch the 1988 BBC series to compare and make connections between text and media.

We are loving the book and learning to master a text through completing tasks around 'talk, write and create'. For each chapter we have critical thinking questions, that allow us to put our feet in the characters shoes and make connections with our own lives. We complete comprehension questions, both literal and inferred that allow us to explore vocabulary and we draw and paint parts of the story for creative expression.

We are currently in the middle of the book and hope to have it completed by the end of term. Here's what some of the students think of the book:

"I like reading the book and doing the tasks, because I am understanding everything that is happening in the book. It's really entertaining." Sasha

"It's entertaining and I like the discussions between the siblings and the interesting characters, like the White Witch." Lily

"I like reading the story, but love when we get to watch it and compare." Jordan

"The book is really good and I am falling in love with the story. I can't wait for every chapter." Shayana

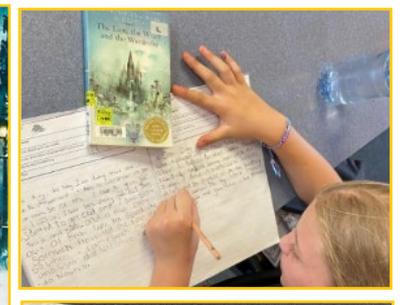
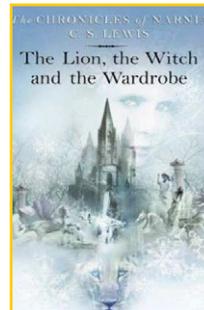
When the Pevensie children - Peter, Susan, Edmund and Lucy - step through a wardrobe door in the strange country house where they are staying, they find themselves in the land of Narnia. Frozen in eternal winter, Narnia is a land of snow and pine forests, and its creatures are enslaved by the terrible White Witch.

Tempted by the promise of endless Turkish Delight, Edmund becomes the White Witch's servant - and it's up to his brother and sisters to release him from his enchantment and to rid Narnia of the witch. But just when it seems that all hope is lost, the Great Lion Aslan returns to help the children to save Narnia.

We suggest you read it, if you have not already, or at least watch the BBC series or Hollywood movie!

Uncle Tom's 5-6 class

Kaurna miyurna, Kaurna yarta, ngadlu tampinthi



YEAR 7 TO 9

Dojo success for 7-9 students

Congratulations to Jamaica and Harley from the 7-9 class for being the first students to reach over 50 Dojos this week.

Dojos are given to students who show outstanding commitment to their work, participate actively in their work, arrive to school on time and adhere to the school's C.O.R.K.A. ethos.

We would also like to welcome a newcomer to the 7-9 class, Annie Beres. Annie likes music (playing the guitar), she is in a choir, plays soccer and likes reading. Welcome Annie!

Patrick Sorrentino



SENIOR CLASS

Some reminders for parents and carers of students in the Senior Class

Please have a look at your child's school diary. They should have their deadlines written in there. There is also a document you need to sign - the Acceptable Use of Information & Communications Technology Policy on page xiii. On the next page is a general consent form allowing you to give consent for your child to attend local excursions, and there is a Sunsmart Policy to sign. Please sign these and remind your child to show them to either Liz or Antony.

There are a number of forms going home at the moment, including some for scholarships (which will provide your child with a laptop) and VET courses. Please ask your child if they have brought a form (or two) home to be signed. Some of our students who are undertaking VET courses still need to apply for their USI numbers.

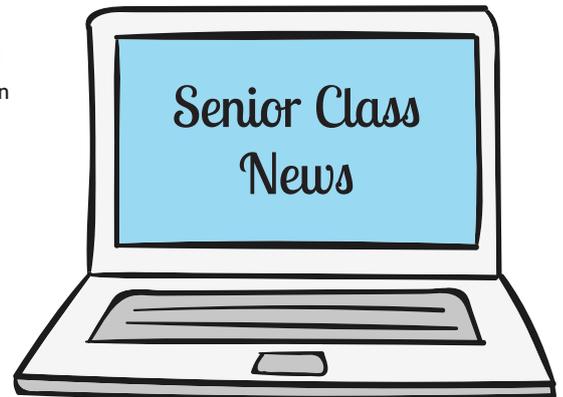
It is easiest to do this from home if you have connection to the Internet, as forms of identity are required.

You can create your USI number for the first time, from this website: <https://www.usi.gov.au/your-usi/create-usi>

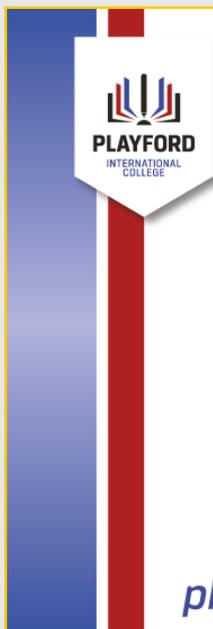
Thanks for your support as always.

Elizabeth Burke, Secondary Teacher

Marni ngadlu tampinthe Kaurna miyurna-ku iya yartangka tikanthe



COMMUNITY NOTICES



SCHOOL TOURS

Open to Year 5, 6 and 7 students
and their families

- Thursday 2 April, 5 pm
- Friday 3 April, 9:15 am

(Term 1, Week 10)

- **BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL**

Call 8255 7566 to confirm your place

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