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RENMARK NORTH SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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Term 1, Week 11

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From the Principal

SAPSASA NETBALL

On Tuesday 6th April, nine selected students participated at the SAPSASA Netball Carnival in Loxton. There were 19 schools participating in the Carnival and our school was competing in B division. We won 1 match on the day with the girls improving their netball skill throughout the day. Overall, the girls showed teamwork and sportsmanship and they were a pleasure to coach.



The girls who represented our school were:

Gracie, Jayda, Jasmine, Sienna, Nita, Jemma, Ocea, Elise and Maggie.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Attendance at school is an important contributor to a student's academic achievement – all school days matter.

We understand that sometimes students are absent due to illness, family or other reasons. If your child is absent from school for any particular reason please notify the class teacher via the class Dojo App or contact us on 85953274.



Year to Date (2021)

The average daily attendance rate, Year-to-Date, derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 31/03/2021



Previous Week

Attendance rate derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 31/03/2021

School Holiday Break

I hope everyone has an enjoyable break and I look forward to seeing everyone bright and fresh for the start of term 2 on **Tuesday 27th**

April, Monday is Anzac Day holiday.

Mary Shannon



April	May	Jun
9 Whole school walk 1:45pm	4 Sports Day	11 Student Free Day
9 Last Day of Term—2:10 pm Dismissal	11 Governing Council Meeting @ 7pm	14 Public Holiday
26 Anzac Day	19 SAPSASA Cross Country @ Waikerie	15 Governing Council Meeting @ 7pm
27 Beginning of Term 2	21 Music is Fun	18 SANFL 9 a-side Football
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Term 1 Governing Council Update

Hi everyone!

We hope everyone had a fabulous Easter weekend and have enjoyed Term 1!

Just a couple updates from Governing Council...

Last year, we surveyed the school community to gain an understanding as to your thoughts on where fundraising funds should be directed. The areas deemed most important were:

- Fence the front of the school
- Additional learning resources
- Refurbish the JP building
- Additional outdoor play equipment

We are pleased to advise we are on track to delivering on the above items!

With the support of local MP, Tim Whetstone, we have been successful with a fence being installed at the School, and Preschool. The new fence will be installed over the coming weeks and will offer greater safety for students.

During budget planning for 2021, Governing Council committed \$10,000 of fundraising monies towards improving IT resources for our students and the JP Building has been refurbished and is now complete and looking fantastic!

Towards the end of 2020, the State Government announced funding for SA preschools & schools, which was welcomed news for all! We received the following funding:

- Preschool: \$30,000
- School: \$60,000

This funding is for maintenance projects. The grounds committee will be meeting early Term 2, to finalise where this will best be spent, particularly as we consider the impact of Year 7s moving into high school from 2022.

The fundraising committee is committed to developing a plan to ensure fundraising funds are channelled to areas deemed most important. The ability to have the projects mentioned above delivered through alternative funding (opposed to fundraising funds) has been a huge bonus (and relief!). Currently, we are investigating options for possibility of some new outside play equipment.

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the Hot X Bun fundraiser, it was a fantastic success - we raised just over \$500! A special thank you to Tim & Belinda from Bakers Delight Renmark for providing us with the fundraising opportunity.

With the easing of Covid-19 restrictions, stay tuned for more information regarding some fun filled fundraising events - including the raffle that was postponed at the end of last year.

As always, if you have any suggestions or concerns you would like tabled at Governing Council - please see one of us! We hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable break.

Kind Regards,
Emma Mullin
Governing Council Chairperson



School Walk

We have really been enjoying our whole school walks each Friday morning. Every Friday, we join together as a school for some morning fitness and conversation with our peers. It has been great to see students from different classes interacting with each other while we walk one or two laps around the school.

We hope our whole school walk will encourage fitness, positive interactions, school pride and improve student wellbeing.

This Friday, we would like to invite families to join us on our school walk. This week, we will be doing our school walk in the afternoon rather than the morning, so that more families can join us. We invite families to meet us on the upper primary basketball court at 1:45pm, for a school walk around the oval. We think this will be a nice way to end our last day of the term.

We hope to see you there!



JUST A FEW FRIENDLY REMINDERS:

PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHING HAS HIS OR HER NAME ON IT.

NOW THE WEATHER IS GETTING WARMER, CHILDREN NEED TO WEAR A HAT.

MAKE SURE YOUR CHILDREN HAVE THEIR DRINK BOTTLES EVERY DAY, AS THE DRINK TAPS ARE STILL NOT IN USE.

THANK YOU.





Preschool Term 1

We've had a wonderful term getting to know each other in preschool. We've enjoyed exploring the yard, finding all sorts of nature including a whole snail family. We've created castles, roads and potions in the sandpit. We've built towers, houses and catapults in the block area. We've made playdough feasts, snakes and stamps. We've cooked special Indian bread with Ajit and learnt Punjabi colours and greetings. We've ridden bikes, made boats and camped all week. We've drawn, painted written letters, notes and masterpieces. There's too much to say but we've managed quite a bit in our days here. We cant wait to see you all next term.

Mrs Elisha Hill and Barb Chamberlain

Preschool Teacher and SSO



YEL – Fish Monitoring

Last Wednesday, we went with Cindy and the Wetland Officers to Bookmark Creek to check on fish nets and record how many there were in the creek before returning them back to the water. The Wetland Officers survey the fish in the Murray River to see whether the river is healthy and if any changes need to be made to the water for marine life to thrive.

We found...

Catfish

Boney Heron

Mosquito Fish

Yabbies

Shrimp

Common carp



We found four catfish, two adults and two fry, which are baby catfish. The fact that we found them means that they may be increasing in numbers. Some of the people we were with had never caught one in the traps, let alone four. Meaning, we were quite lucky, and that the river is very healthy.

Written by Chloe & Axel



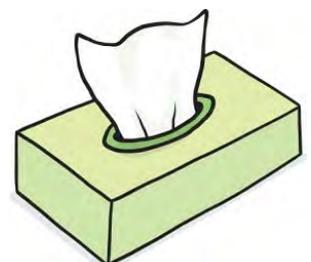
SCHOOL BAGS FOR SALE

We still have some school bags for sale for \$50.

If you would like to have a look or purchase one for your child, please come to the front office.



**COULD ALL STUDENTS PLEASE
BRING A BOX OF
TISSUES INTO
THEIR CLASS TO
SHARE
THANK YOU**



NUT AWARE

Our school has some children who have an allergy to nuts. Children are informed by teachers that they are not to share their food with anyone else.

We also understand that many food products contain traces of nuts, but we ask that you consider the food items that you send along to school for recess and lunch.



VOLUNTEERS

For Success Fridays, our students spend the last lesson of the day engaged in their choice of a fun activity to celebrate their success throughout the week. With the restrictions easing and allowing families back into school, we would like to reach out to any family members who would like to volunteer their time to work with a group of students for Success Time. If you have a particular skill or passion e.g. painting, jewellery making, boxing, cooking etc. and are willing to volunteer your Friday afternoons to work with a group of students, we would love to have you!



To volunteer in schools you must have completed the Responding to Abuse and Neglect course and have a current Working with Children Clearance

If this is of any interest to you, please contact Ms Mary Shannon or Miss Nadeen Yates for more information.

**ICECREAMS EVERY
THURSDAY AT RECESS
50C - \$1.00 EACH**

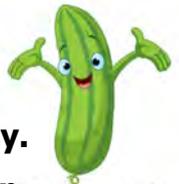


GRAB & GO FOOD EXPRESS

Every Monday and Friday.

Order using the QKr! App.

**Closing time for orders will be
8:00am on the day of ordering.**



School Banking will be returning next week. Our school banking day this year will be Thursday. If you are interested in opening an account you can apply online at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking or visit your local branch.

For every deposit your child makes through the school they will receive a token (please leave them in the banking wallet), for every 10 tokens they earn they will be able to choose a reward.



Playgroup will be held this
Friday morning from 9:00am – 11:00am
Cost: \$1:00
Please bring a piece of fruit to share and
remember your hat.

SAVE THE DATE!

RNS SPORTS DAY

Tuesday May 4th

(Term 3 Week 2)

More information to come!