

Mallala Primary School



From the Principal

Mallala Primary School has several ways to make it easier for you to access information. Our school newsletter is available via email, on the Mallala skoolbag app, which can be downloaded from your mobile device's market place or app store, and on the school website. If you wish to be added to the mailing list, please contact the school or email alec.tibbitts694@schools.sa.edu.au Our school also has a Facebook site where you can see posts about upcoming events and other school information.

AGM

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday the 22nd of March at 7pm in the staff room. At this meeting we will present some information about last year

and our plans for this year. New Governing Council members will be elected, however, attendance at the AGM does not mean it is compulsory for you to join. Our AGM also provides an opportunity to meet the people who will be representing your views about the school. I hope you consider attending.

Pinery Fire

If you are experiencing personal or financial difficulties since the Pinery fire, we may be able to help by putting you in touch with services who are offering support. We are concerned for those members of the community who have not accessed support because they unaware of the services available or reluctant to utilise them. Pinery fire Recovery

Newsletters and Men's Connect articles are now available on our website. You will see a new menu item, "Pinery Fire" which leads to the newsletters. Available services are listed on the back of these newsletters.

Staffing

From next week, we welcome Pam Mace to the school for the remainder of term 1. Pam will be working from Monday and Tuesday, providing release time for teachers and on Wednesday in room 6. We welcome Pam and wish her a very successful time at Mallala Primary School.

Diary Dates

Monday 14th March

Public Holiday
Adelaide Cup

Friday 25th March

Public Holiday
Good Friday

Monday 28th March

Public Holiday
Easter Monday

Week of Monday 4th April

Parent Teacher Interviews

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Korean Certificate of Merit Awards

Aleisha Baker

And

Dahli Jacobson



Pupil Free Day
Thursday 24th of March
Students do not attend on this day.



Friday Occasional Care

Assembly Awards

Dean McMillian
Sharleigh Quinlivan

Emily Jones

Matt May

Airlie Clothier

Cooper Gove

Patrick Kelly

Jed Davis

Josh May

Sophie Speyer



Values Awards

Respect

Jake Humphrys

Tyson Weetra

Jack May

Fergus Tiller

Sophie Kelly

Excellence

Billy Aston

Pepper Batten

Perseverance

Addison Little

Diversity

Jack May

Tori McMillan

Our Occasional Care program has kicked off for 2016 and over the past 5 weeks our children have been busy experiencing all the different activities we have to offer. Occasional Care is a "now & then" care program which is based in our Pre School building. We run two sessions on a Friday, Morning (9am-11:45am) & Afternoon (12:15pm - 3pm) for children aged between 6 weeks and 4 years. Our program is based on the Early Years Learning Framework and activities are planned to cover all relevant outcomes for our age group.

The children experience a wide variety of activities to encourage them to try new things and have a go! Over the last 5 weeks the weather has been quite warm so a lot of our outside play has been based around water. We have explored running water in our creek, painting with water, colouring our water, water wheels and putting water in the sandpit. Our inside play has been based around "pretend play" with our supermarket, home corner and dressing up. We have a new craft activity every week for the children to explore different elements and creating their own work of art for you to display in your home.

We also welcome our new SSO, Chrissy Scott, who is our new playmate on Friday mornings. If you think your child might like to come along and experience our Occasional Care program please phone the school 85 272 240 for more information.

Rebekah Walker



Student Voice
Group
Class
Representatives

Adelaide Crows Recount by Taylah Barker

On the 15th of February we got the pleasure of having Adelaide Crows players Scott Thompson and Alex Keath visit our school. Many players from the Adelaide Crows football club visited the fire affected areas.

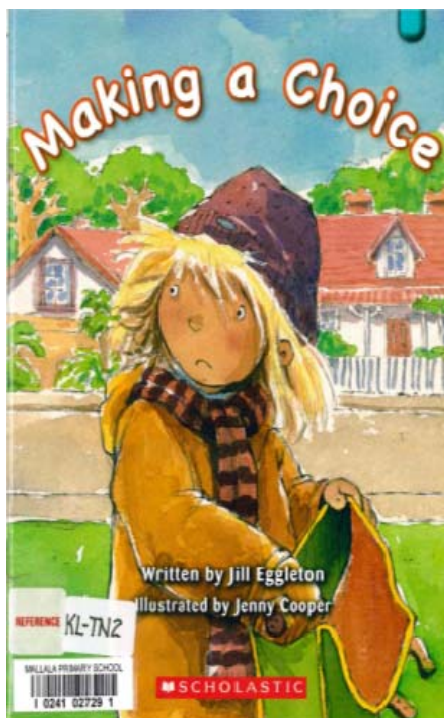
Scott and Alex came around 12:45pm they spent their time having a game of marks up and having a few kicks at goal with us. Everyone enjoyed spending time with the players, even though some of us aren't Crows supporters.

After lunch room 2 went into room 1 and we had a chance to ask Scott and Alex some questions. Some of the questions that people asked were-

- *Which team is the biggest competition in AFL?
- *How often do you train?
- *What do you think the new recruits will bring to your team?
- *My personal questions*
- *Did you want to play for Crows or did you just take the chance to play?
- *Do you like playing any other sport besides football?
- *Did you grow up supporting Crows or did you support a different team?



Miss Brown, Miss Barnes & Students



A group of students from room 2 have been working on this book during their guided reading sessions. They came up with the idea of extending the story to give it a different ending. Here is what they came up with.

Page 18 "I would love the bike!" said Mel.

"I would love to teach you how to ride a bike as well".

Mel surprised Mrs Maka with a new bike a month later. Mel got Mrs Maka onto the bike and told her to start pedalling.

When Mrs Maka had learnt to ride her bike, Mel and Mrs Maka would ride together.

Mel had left over money and bought Mrs Maka and herself each a helmet. Mel was glad she made the right choice and was honest.

By Samantha, Bianca, Montana, Emily and Lucy.

Miss Brown & Miss Barnes have been working together in the curriculum area of HASS (Humanities and Social Sciences). They are teaching their students the different areas of Business Economics such as;

- *Wants & Needs
- *Natural Resources
- *Human Resources
- *Capital Resources

They are looking at and around the Mallala area where many families are based. It is proving to be quite an interesting topic for the students to look into.

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Congratulations to Oska Rana, Tess Rana, Sophie Tiller, Harry Beckel and Riley Beckel on their outstanding horse riding which won them the Interschool Gymkhana Iris Stephenson Teams Perpetual Trophy for 2016. This is the first time that a Primary School has won this award, and they were competing against High School aged students. A tremendous achievement.

These amazing young people showed skill and pride in their riding, a sport they are very passionate about.

Well done to you all.





Gawler Hockey Club
RECRUITING NOW
 Junior & Senior Players
 No experience necessary - The club is registered in the sport vouchers program
First Training and Come'n'try evening for Juniors:
 Wed 30th March 2016 5pm onwards
 at our home ground:
 Karbeethan Reserve
 Angle Vale Road, Evanston Gardens
 For more info Please visit our website
www.Gawlerhockeyclub.com
 or contact Lisa Johnson
 on 0419 110 725

DISABILITY EXPO AND FORUM

GAWLER, BAROSSA, NORTHERN ADELAIDE PLAINS AND NORTHERN ADELAIDE
Wednesday 30th March 2016, from 6:00 pm (Expo) and 7:00 pm (Forum)
Gawler Community and Recreation Centre, Nixon Terrace Gawler.

The full roll out of the National Disability Insurance Scheme (NDIS) will dramatically increase and improve the delivery of services and support for people living with a disability. It will also create opportunities for their families, carers and those seeking employment in the disability sector.

To understand how the NDIS will create opportunities, Member for Light Tony Piccolo MP, in association with National Disability Services, is organising a Disability Expo and Forum where a range of speakers and exhibitors from across the disability sector will be present.

Speakers	Service Providers	Employment/Training Opportunities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Disability Insurance Agency (NDIA); Disability SA National Disability Services Advocacy 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Children Services Day Options Respite Services Accommodation Sport and Recreation Culture and Arts The carer experience and support for carers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> TAFE SA Job Network Employment Service Australian Disability Enterprises Disability Employment Services

The speakers will provide an overview of the proposed roll out of the NDIS across the Barossa and Northern parts of Adelaide, discuss what the transition from the State scheme to the Commonwealth scheme means for current users of disability services, in addition to a great deal of information relating to the disability services currently available.

Who should attend?

- People living with a disability
- Parents and Carers
- Special Education Teachers and School Counsellors
- Service providers
- Local Government representatives
- Disability sector job seekers

Accessing the NDIS can be a little overwhelming at times so the availability of advocacy services will also be discussed.

To register your interest to attend, please go to www.tonypiccolo.org/disabilities-forum-expo. All registrations must be submitted no later than 5:00 pm **MONDAY 28th March 2016**.

