

Respect, Excellence, Perseverance, Diversity



Mallala Primary School

Through the increased efforts to really connect the school and students with the local community we have seen some great things happening. On Wednesday, Ray from the RSL joined Norm, Roger, Colin and Dave from the Mallala Men's Shed and spent a good part of the day working with John on our new outdoor classroom area. Most of the logs for seating are in and over the next few weeks the space will really start to take shape. Previously the Men's Shed volunteered to cut a large number of wooden blocks for the Junior Primary students. John then supported students to sand and oil these blocks. On my wanderings this morning I witnessed the final results of this collaboration at work. Our R/1 students were building, cooperating, problem-solving, negotiating and using their imagination while having the best fun. Look for further photos in the next newsletter! We really value the time and work that our friends from the Men's Shed and RSL are putting in.

Governing Council

Thank you to those who attended our AGM and first Governing Council meeting for the year. Governing Council plays an important role in many of the decisions that shape our school. I am very pleased to announce that Governing Council members for 2020 are Angela O'Loan (Chairperson), Kylie Pym (Secretary), Daryl Standley (Treasurer) Jayne Tiller (Staff Rep), Jess Daniel, Karen Arts, Leonne Hewson, Brooke Griffiths, Mary-Jane McArdle, Danielle Martin, Dianne Russell and Sharna Wildbore. We would like to thank our outgoing members Tameaka Darby, Sarah Kenny and Jade Tait for their contribution and the wonderful work they have done.

It is not too late to join Governing Council. If you are interested in nominating please contact the Front Office. Our next meeting is on Tuesday 17 March at 7:00pm, Week 8 in the school Library. I apologise for the incorrect week in the *What's On* Calendar.

Coming Events

Don't forget our Open Classroom Morning to be held on Thursday 5 March, Week 6. The morning begins with a whole school Assembly followed by an opportunity to get into classes and join in the learning and then concludes with a shared morning tea in the Gym. The Pupil Free Day is on the next day with staff involved in professional learning around behaviour, wellbeing and ICT. With Good Friday being the last day of Term, our Sports Day will be held on the Thursday of Week 11 with the early finish time of 2:15pm. This worked well last year and organisation has already been made to switch a preschool day so that our preschool children can also participate in the fun.

Have a great weekend and enjoy the beautiful weather.

Sharon, Luke and Kirsty



Term: 1

Week: 4

Date: Friday 21st February

Key Dates...

Thursday 5th March

Open Morning

Further Details to Follow

Friday 6th March

Pupil Free Day

Students do not attend school on this day.

Monday 9th March

Adelaide Cup

Public Holiday

Thursday 19th March

Hosted by

Assembly Room 4

Thursday 19th March

Harmony Day

Assembly—Hosted by Room 2

Class Value Awards

Tyson Verbis
 Kaleah Quinn
 Faith Quinn
 Noah Quinn
 Georgie Lange
 Annabel Helps
 Marc Barber
 Ryan Barker
 Harvey Griffiths
 Jude Daniel
 Charlotte Kennison
 Mahlia Darby
 Kristy Baker



TEAMWORK

Humanity Awards

Thomas Blackham
 Zeth Bennier-Russell
 Dominic Robbertsen
 Toby Delany
 Rhimzey Machell



*Korean
 Award
 Room 7*

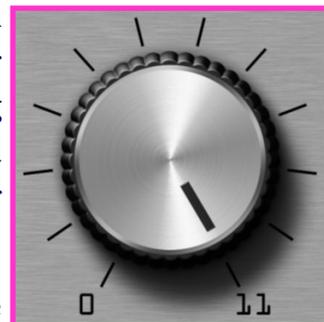
*PE
 Award
 Room 5*

*The Arts
 Award
 Room 7*

*Observers
 Bear
 Award
 Room 7*

Self Regulation—with Kirsty

This year, we will introduce the Volume of Emotions Tool described in the Berry Street Education Model in all of our classrooms and learning spaces. This supports our young people to develop and consolidate their social and emotional skills and make helpful choices about their behaviour.



The Volumes of Emotions Tool is a visual cue. It looks like a circular volume dial and is used to explicitly teach: the language of emotions, that emotions differ in intensity, that we have some control over the intensity of our emotions and that we can practise skills that enhance our positive emotions.

The Volumes of Emotions Tool is used by our leaders, teachers and support staff during learning programs such as Friendly Schools, Child Protection Curriculum and the Learning Areas of the Australian Curriculum. It is also used as an anchoring point and visual cue during yard play.

There will be information session held at school early in Term 2. Please register your interest by emailing Kirsty: kirsty.jeffery649@schools.sa.edu.au



Family Brain Teaser



Answer Week 2 = 20 hours 24 minutes

Week 4: In the final One Day International (ODI) Cricket match last week, Australia defeated India by 35 runs. So Australia won the series, 3 games to 2. What percentage of the game in the series did the Australians win? And what fraction of the game?



Preschool with Melissa and Emily

What a fantastic start back we have had in our Preschool so far this year.

The children have settled in really well to our morning and end of day routines with the packing unpacking of their bags. They are enjoying getting to know one another and playing with the various activities that are put out each day for them to use; wet sand play, blocks, playdough just to name a few things. Keep an eye on this spot for more Preschool news.

Melissa, Emily and SSO's



Playgroup - with Peta

Welcome back to Playgroup for 2020. It was great to see so many of our families from last year and also some new families joining our group. Our sessions are relaxed and give the opportunity for children to gain the necessary sharing and interactive skills that they will require when they head off to Preschool, while playing. It also gives parents, grandparents and carers a chance to meet other families in the area, have a cup of coffee and a chat. This fortnight we have been getting to know each other through play. The children have enjoyed bubbles, painting and outdoor gym blocks; with the perfect weather it has been nice to be able to spend time outside. Have a good weekend and we look forward to seeing everyone next Wednesday.

With thanks

Peta



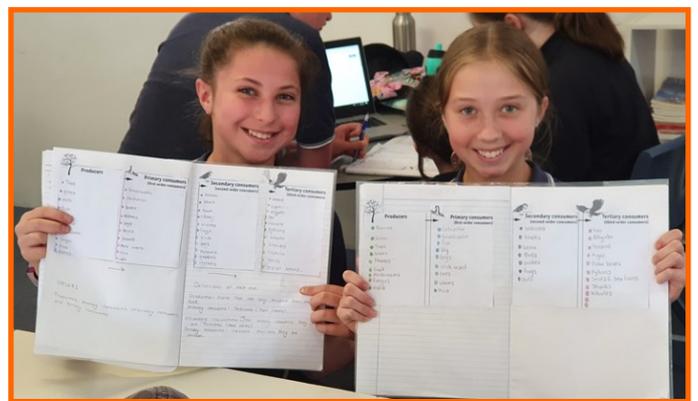
Occasional Care - with Sharna

Welcome back to our families for the year 2020. We started the year with a variety of activities which gave the children the chance to start to get to know each other and settle into the environment. This week we had trains, the home corner, playdough and books inside, while outside there were paints, sand pit and water play available. It was a great start to our Occasional Care sessions. Stay tuned for more news and photos of our adventures.

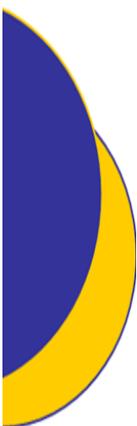
Enjoy your weekend. **Sharna**



Around the Classes



Jaynes Community Corner—Mallala Netball and Footy ball Club Visit



Through the school connection with the local community, we are really excited to be invited to join in with the local Football and Netball Clinic being held at the towns oval and courts, Friday 28th February. All classes will be walking down to the oval/courts at the times set out for each class and will have the opportunity to have a go at these sports. Many of our students already play these sports but this gives those that don't get

the chance to see what is involved and have a go. Thank you in advance to Amy Cawrse, Stacey Hardie, Dwayne Pratt and Nigel Humphrys for organising this event and giving up their time for our students.

Jayne Tiller
Community Engagement Officer
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Parent and Community Announcements

Advance Notice, Upgrade Project, Seal & kerb

Chivell Street, Mallala

Estimated time for the upgrade

2nd of March to June 2020

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.



**MPS Occasional Care
With Sharna**

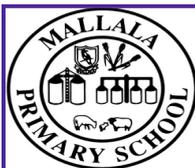
**OCCASIONAL
CARE**

SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR TERM 1
2020

Occasional Care provides short
periods of care for children under
school age.

Two sessions are run on a Friday.
MORNING SESSION: 9am-11:45am
AFTERNOON SESSION:
12.15pm-3.00pm

See front office for more details and
enrolment forms.



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Beach Volleyball Season is well underway and now that school is back it's time to start organising your teams for this year's Schools Beach Schools Festival – Glenelg in March. This event provides an opportunity for all schools in SA to get involved across a wide range of divisions and age groups, as there is something to suit all abilities with our Pairs & 4-a-side competition. We aim to provide an accessible point for schools to begin playing beach volleyball in a fun, safe, exciting and competitive environment. Details for the event are as follows:

Location: Glenelg Beach

Dates in March 2020:

Monday 2nd - Yr 8/9, Open (Yr 10/11/12) (Pairs)

Tuesday 3rd - Yr 8/9 (4-a-Side)

Wednesday 4th - Open (Yr 10/11/12) (4-a-Side)

Thursday 5th - Yr 2/3, 4/5, 6/7 (4-a-Side)

Friday 6th - Yr 2/3, 4/5, 6/7 (4-a-Side)

Times: 9:30am – 2:45pm

Cost: \$46 Per Team (4-aside) (Primary Schools

Must supply a Referee)

\$26 Pairs

Nominations close

**Tuesday 21st of
February 2019**

**To nominate or for
more information**

please follow the link:

<https://www.volleyballsas.com.au/junior/schools-beach-festivals/glenelg>

