

Respect, Excellence, Perseverance, Diversity



Mallala Primary School

From our Leadership Team

It is unbelievable to think that we are already at Week 5! It certainly has been a busy start with the short first week, swimming, Open classroom Morning and the high temperatures last week.

It was great to see so many parents, grandparents and family members in classes and at the morning tea last Thursday. The students really enjoy the morning and it is a nice opportunity for parents to have an informal coffee with staff.

All Department sites have been allocated a QR code for all adults, both staff and visitors, to scan when entering the school. As with all business QR codes the information is kept for a period of 28 days before being deleted. If you do not use or prefer not to use the QR code we ask that you come to the Front Office to sign in via paper copy. These will also be kept for the required 28 days before being destroyed.

COMING EVENTS

The Footsteps dance program begins Tuesday of week 5. If you are having difficulty with payment please drop in or call Leanne in the Finance Office to make an arrangement. At times students will say they don't want to participate and change their mind when they see how engaging, fun and non-threatening the lessons are. We allow students to watch the first week as they often change their mind after this. Please note that the \$18 is for the whole program and there is no refund for missed sessions.

VOLUNTEERS – Reporting Abuse and Neglect Training

On Thursday 4 March at 9:45am (after Assembly) we will be holding a volunteer RAN Training in Room 8. This training is to provide volunteers with information about the requirements and responsibilities for the reporting of abuse and neglect. The session will be led by Sharon and takes about 2 hours. All volunteers who work are expected to attend a session or alternatively complete an online training. Certificates are provided for attendance. If you would like to attend this session please contact the Front Office and leave your name or alternatively contact Jayne Tiller via email on Jayne.tiller14@schools.sa.edu.au.

GOVERNING COUNCIL AND AGM

Thank you to the Governing council members who attended the AGM and first meeting for 2021. I would like to sincerely thank Angela O'Loan and Karen Arts for their time on Governing Council and Angela for her two year role as Chairperson. We are always looking for new members and due to some absences at the first meeting have not yet finalised roles for Governing Council. If you are interested in joining us please give me a call via the front office or email me on Sharon.okmasich583@schools.sa.edu.au. We are fortunate to have a friendly and supportive group of parents who will make you feel very welcome.

PARENT /TEACHER MEETINGS – Preschool in week 5, School in week 10

Preschool parent / teacher meetings are happening this week with families being able to book in via the online school interviews site; using the unique code provided on the information sheet. School interviews will be held in Week 10 with information about how to book coming out within the next couple of weeks. We continue to use the online school interviews process as it makes it easier to be able to coordinate times with more than one teacher.

Enjoy this beautiful weather.

Sharon, Luke and Anne



Term: 1

Week: 5

*Date: Monday
22nd February*

Key Dates...

Sunday 28th February

Working Bee

9—11am

Monday 8th March

Public Holiday

Adelaide Cup

Thursday 11th March

The Magician Fringe Show

Tuesday 16th March

Governing Council

7pm

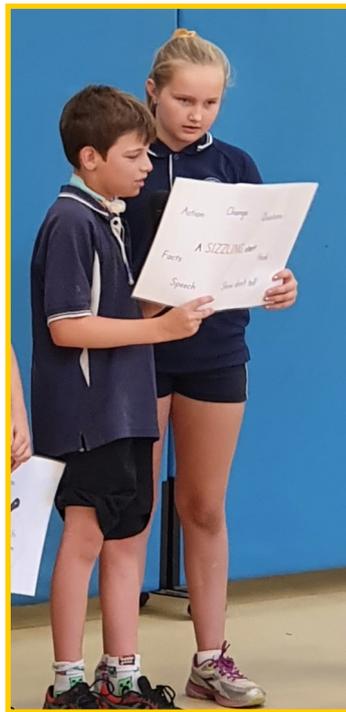


Class Value Awards

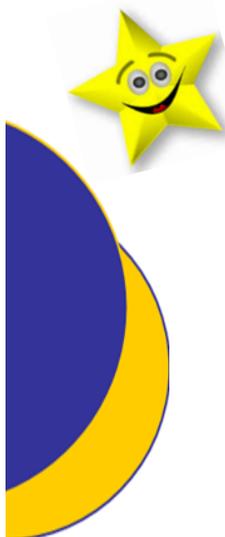
Patrick Martin
Darcey Vincent
Henry Lavers
Levi McIntyre
Korbin Kennison
Cash Matchoss
Georgie Lange
Dakota Pitson
Tyler Wildbore
Judd Griffiths
Isaac Cawrse

Humanity Awards

Mahlia Darby
Deegan Arts
Leela Hobbs
Kyson Quinn
Penelope Morgan
Ivy Baldwin-Smith



*Observers
Award
The
Pre-School*



The Seven Steps to Writing Success—Mr Shepley

Seven Steps to Writing Success:
STEP 2 – Sizzling Starts

You have seven seconds to grab the reader’s attention.

Students often start too early in the story, ie. “I woke up. I had breakfast...”, etc.

Students at Mallala Primary School have been encouraged to identify “Sizzling Starts” in the texts they’re reading and utilising some of the following techniques when composing their own stories.

- * *Start with action*
- * *Begin at “Moment of Change”*
- * *Use dialogue (or an argument)*
- * *Paint a picture (Show, Don’t Tell)*
- * *Ask a question*
- * *Make your reader curious*
- * *Use humour or tell an anecdote*
- * *Start with an onomatopoeia –*
“BANG!” “CRASH!” “WHACK!”
“SMASH!” “THUMP!” “SLAM!”

You can support your child in becoming a better writer by identifying sizzling starts in the books they read at home (great readers make great writers). They can then share these with their class the following morning. Identifying sizzling starts in movies also aids in developing an understanding of how a strong beginning can draw the viewer in.

Luke Shepley

Step **2** **Sizzling Starts**

Start with action or at a ‘moment of change’

Then backfill ... Who, What and Why

seven steps
TO WRITING SUCCESS

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program

This week Room 4 made Spinach and herb Flat Breads. Fantastic team work from our students made a delicious treat for everyone to sample.

Tameaka Darby



“...No one is born a great cook
 One learns by doing.”



Open Classroom Morning



Thank you to all the parents and families that came to our open morning. It was lovely to see so many of you in classes and then enjoying a cuppa at the end.



Jayne's Community Corner Coffee and Op Shop

On Wednesday morning the year 6 and 7 students headed down to the Mallala Coffee House and Op Shop to have an induction and a welcome to the year.

Steph, Mrs Blacket and myself all spoke to the students and gave them a brief rundown on what goes on in both of these areas.

Each Friday two students will head into the Op Shop and two into the Coffee House for 45 minutes. The students will learn how both of these volunteer run organisations operate and what are the tasks and skills involved in running these.

The students will also get to interact with different members of our community and share their knowledge and learnings with their friends and family.

The students will be going on a roster until the end of the year to attend these 2 venues so that everyone gets a turn before they head off to high school.

They will also be working towards being able to run the Coffee House by themselves in Term 3. They will be able to invite a family member or caregiver to come and attend on that day and enjoy a 'café

experience' run by the students.

We are looking forward to seeing the students learn new skills and talk about what they love the most.

Jayne Tiller
Community Engagement Officer
Mallala Primary School



Miss Anne and Miss Tynan have been looking at the brain, which is the most complex part of the body. They looked at the different parts and what each part does, how it initiates body movements, emotions, senses, intelligence and how it is the controller of our behaviour. It is a fascinating organ and Miss Anne will be taking this to other classes across the school.



Parent and Community Information

United FC COLTS TRAINING

All grades Starting
March 25th @ 4:30pm
@ Long Plains Oval...
FREE SUBS FOR 2021 SEASON
Contact Mark Pym 0417851213
with any queries!



ALL JUNIOR PLAYERS WELCOME

The Mallala Netball Club invites all Junior players to register for this coming netball season. Junior registrations are now open please see the clubs Facebook page and follow the link MYNETBALL. Choose the most suitable registration for your child. Sports vouchers are available through www.sportsvouchers.sa.gov.au.

Registrations will close on the 11th March.

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME: 10~17 years

More information:

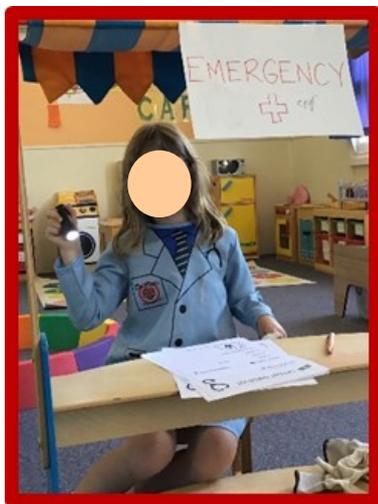
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HAPPY HAVEN OSHC



Dr C ready to treat patients at the OSHC



Hunter writing letters to his friends

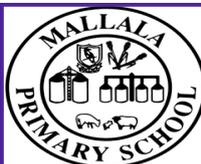


Jaime-Lee painting creating a Sun for the OSHC Garden

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