



## Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2021

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

I hope that all of the mothers, grandmothers and caregivers had a relaxing Mother's Day last Sunday and were spoilt by their children. What a busy start to Term 2 we have had. Last week our Year 6/7 students spent two days at the Outdoor Adventure Camp at Woodhouse.

It was fantastic to visit these students for dinner each night and hear about their exciting but exhausting days. It was also a credit to our staff and students who attended who all worked together as a team to make the camp the success it was. Special thanks to Ms Baxter, Mr Currie, Tamia Blackwell, Kylie Todd and Ms V who gave up their own time to ensure that our students could have this opportunity.

This week marks the start of NAPLAN for students in Years 3, 5 and 7. We are confident that our students will approach this testing with a positive attitude as they have been well supported by teachers in their preparation for these tests. Please be positive with your children at home over the next week about this testing.

In other exciting news, the Department for Education have offered our school \$250,000 to retire our ECO Community Room and to refurbish an existing space in our school. The demolition of the Eco Room will be undertaken in the July school holidays, with a closing ceremony being planned to coincide with Reconciliation Week. In consultation with our ATSI community it has been decided that we will refurbish the Science Room with mini kitchen facilities also being included in the alcove area outside this room. Landscaping will also be undertaken in the space where the current ECO Room stands. Initial plans are to create a cultural gathering space with tiered seating and indigenous symbols representing past and present ATSI families as well as indigenous plantings for this area. We are aiming to hold a grand opening of these new areas as part of our 60th Birthday Celebrations which will be held on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> August, 2021.

Thank you to the Middle Primary Team, Mr Irwin and Darren who spent countless hours in the school holidays renovating our Middle Primary classrooms. Whilst there are still some new cupboards and plumbing yet to be completed, already this learning space has been transformed.

Finally this Friday the 14th May we are holding our first Open Morning of the year. Tours will meet outside the Front office at 9am and conclude at 10am with a Morning Tea in the Performing Arts space. Please feel welcome to attend and invite other interested families in our community. Enjoy your weekend.

Kind regards

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**Attendance:**

**84%**

**Weeks 1, 2 & 3**

### DIARY DATES

14/5

Open Morning  
9am

17/5

NAPLAN  
Continues

25/5

Yr 6/7 Dream  
Big

26/5

National Sorry  
Day  
Reconciliation  
Week

28/5

Assembly 9.10



## SCHOOL PHOTOS



School Photos will be taken at our school on:

**Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

Please take time to read the relevant information on the MSP Photography payment envelopes and remember these helpful points:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other. You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day
- Family envelopes are available at the school office *and need to be ordered before or on photography day*. Please make sure your children are aware they are having a family photo and present the family envelope to the photographer on the day.
- **Please enclose correct money as no change is given.** Cash, cheques, credit card and money orders also accepted.

Parents can send the money to the school on the day in the self-sealed envelope supplied however **On-Line Ordering**, where parents are now able to select their preferred package online makes it much easier for our parent community.

Placing your child's order online is the safest & easiest way to order school photos. Just enter the shootkey printed on your child's envelope and make your selection! If you are having a Sibling photo taken, do the same with the shootkey printed on that envelope (envelopes available from schools front office) and you're done. It really is that easy!

The range of options available to you online has increased. As well as the option to download a Low Resolution image for a smart-phone, parents will now have the option to purchase a High Resolution Digital Download of their child.

An added incentive for our families is that MSP now offers a 10% discount for all orders above \$90.00 a family. To receive this discount online your orders must be placed in one transaction. If you are paying with cash please total your order amount, then apply your discount and place the correct money in the self-seal envelope.

## SCHOOL UNIFORM

Please ensure your child comes to school in school uniform. We have a large stock of new uniforms for purchase and some second-hand uniforms available for a gold coin donation. Thankyou.

**NEW STOCK HAS ARRIVED !!!!**



## YEAR 6/7 CAMP WOODHOUSE

On Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of May the year 6/7s went on a camp to Woodhouse Activity Centre, in Adelaide Hills. We all got to stay in the Old Woodhouse Manor, which was built in 1863. On the first day we got to explore the magical gardens around the manor, then it was straight into activities.

Team building games and ice-blocking were really fun and lots of students got really wet, trying to master the rope swing and rock climbing across the river on Challenge Hill. After a beautiful indoors BBQ, we had fun with Mr. Currie and his quiz, then it was time for nighttime walks.

We stopped at the Labyrinth Maze and tried to find our way out in the dark, there was a lot of screaming. Next up was spotlight in the pine forest and then back to our dorms to get ready for bed.

Up nice and early and after an amazing breakfast we were off to do lots of fun activities including, laser skirmish, tube-sliding, adventure trail and mandala art. Laser skirmish was definitely a favourite with all the students and teachers.

At night we roasted marshmallows around the campfire and told some scary stories and finished with another game of spotlight.

Everyone was pretty tired by Friday morning, but we kept going to do more of Challenge Hill, played some disc golf and got ready to go back home.

All in all our camp was fantastic, awesome, amazing, fun, incredible and exhausting. Thank you so much Tamia, Kylie and Miss V for coming with us and helping Mr Currie and Miss Baxter.

**By Bell, Taya, Storm, Bella and Asia**



## PERSUASIVE TEXT

### Ducks Make Good Pets

A Persuasive text by Izabella Wilson

I know ducks make great pets. Ducks are really cute. Ducks can swim and they lay eggs. Ducks are really friendly.

Firstly, when ducks are babies, they don't have feathers. They are very fluffy and cuddly. When they are grown up, their feathers are smooth and you can stroke their feathers and cuddle them.

Secondly, ducks have webbed feet which help them to swim. If you have a pool they will swim in it. It is good to watch. Watching a duck swim is relaxing so ducks help you relax.

Finally, ducks lay eggs. Duck eggs are good for eating and cooking. You can cook cakes with duck eggs. Duck eggs are big and yummy.

Forget cats, horses, dogs and guinea pigs. Get yourself a duck because you will love it. You can sell the duck eggs and get rich.

## ACTIVITIES CLUB

### CHRISTIES BEACH MORNING DANCE CLUB

Start your mornings off right and join us EVERY Tuesday and Thursday in the GYM!

8.30 am start

Tuesdays: YOGA


Thursdays: Hip-Hop

We can't wait to see you there

**All year levels welcome!**

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**GIRLS  
BASKET  
BALL  
COME  
AND TRY  
DAY!**

AGE 5-15; THURSDAY 20, MAY 5-6PM  
MORPHETT VALE STADIUM



# READING FOR UNDERSTANDING

At Christies Beach Primary School, we continually encourage and foster a love for reading. In Terms 2 & 3 we will be introducing different reading comprehension strategies to the school community to support students to read for meaning. Every few weeks we will introduce a new strategy and different activities that you can do at home to support students with their reading. Our first two strategies are predicting and visualising.

## PREDICTING

Using clues from the text, pictures and speech to help work out what might happen next



What do I think will happen next?

I predict...

I think...

### ACTIVITIES

- Hide text and show only illustrations, diagrams and pictures. Children predict and create their own text to match the illustrations.
- Predictions about events in the story are made by children before reading the text. Children then check their predictions after reading.
- Children look at cover of book and make predictions about what words are going to be in the text and explain why.

#### CHALLENGE:

Can you predict what happened before and after this photo was taken? Why have you made these predictions?



### ACTIVITIES

- Read a section of a text without showing any pictures and children draw a visual representation of their interpretation of character/setting/event from that piece of text.
- Children are asked to create character portraits and include key words to describe the character's thoughts and feelings.

#### CHALLENGE:

Can you draw a visual representation of the text below?

*No one had lived in the house for years. The blue paint was overgrown with weeds. The windows on the lower floor were boarded up, and some of the windows on the second floor had been broken, probably by kids throwing rocks at it.*

## VISUALISING

Creating a picture in your mind as you read



What can I see, hear, feel, smell or taste?

I am picturing...

I can imagine...