

Angaston Primary School

Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Term 1 2020

26th Feb
District Swimming

26th March
State Swimming

8th March
Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

12th March
Special lunch – Sushi
Yr 3-5 Opera Performance

15th March
Harmony day picnic
Casual day – gold coin
Carly foundation

29th – 31st March
Parent /Teacher Interviews

30th March
X – Country – 9:45am

1st April
Sports Day

8th April
Yr 3-5 Opera Performance

2021 Pupil Free Days
School Closure Day:

8th March – Public Holiday

2nd April – Good Friday

5th April – Easter Monday



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Dear Families,

We are now over half way through the term, with most students now familiar with the expectations and routine of school. Every day matters in the school life of our students. Each day of attendance has a positive effect on their development and future success. Students who do not attend school regularly (including lateness) miss planned learning experiences, sequences of instruction and class participation. The impact of this loss is compounded with each absence. It is also more difficult for them to build positive relationships with others. It is acceptable for a child to miss school when they are too sick to attend, have an infectious illness e.g. gastro, need to attend medical appointments that cannot be made outside of school hours, have been granted an exemption etc.

You need to notify the school of your child's absence and the reason for it as per DfE protocols. If you cannot do this in advance, send a message via Skoolbag app, or phone on the day or send a note covering the days missed when your child returns.

A predictable and positive morning routine can help children arrive at school feeling calm and ready to make the most of the day. This type of routine is particularly important for students who may still be feeling anxious about school or who have difficulty separating from parents. Involve your child in planning ahead for the school morning. They could prepare clothes and get school bags ready the night before. You can check diaries/communication books/Dojo etc. the night before in case there is a message from the teacher or if there is something special going on the next day. Make lunches the night before so you don't have to worry about that during the rush of breakfast and making it to the bus or car on time. If you drop your child at their classroom door and they are anxious about you leaving, tell them what will happen when they go inside the classroom so there are no surprises. Say goodbye and let them know you will see them at the end of the day. It is better to leave quickly, and in my experience, most children settle within minutes. Wait for your child to be dismissed by the teacher at the end of the school day, and then leave the classroom before greeting them. Sometimes being seen through the classroom window or waiting at the door creates anxiety for your child which means they lose focus and may not hear important information from the teacher about the following school day.

Parent/Teacher Interviews will run in week 10 from Monday 29th March to Wednesday 31st March. Booking information will be sent home to families via the SKoolbag app, and paper note on Monday 15th March. Interviews are a great opportunity to learn more about your child's academic, emotional and social development meet and get to know the class teacher, and make plans with the teacher about how you can both support your child. If you do not have any particular concerns, it is still worth attending as it's one way to show your child that you're interested in their learning and what's happening for them at school. Of course, if you do have concerns, it is a chance for you to raise them with your child's teacher if you have not done so already.

NAPLAN Online will take place for Year 3, 5 & 7 students next term. The NAPLAN Online assessment window starts on Tuesday 11 May (week 3) and finishes on Friday 21 May (week 5). All students are expected to participate in NAPLAN online. Adjustments can be made for students with disabilities such as additional time etc or in some cases, students may be exempt from sitting the test. If you have concerns about your child's ability to participate in NAPLAN please speak with their teacher. If you believe your child should be exempt, please contact me at the school to discuss your concerns and if required, fill out the necessary paperwork. Exemptions need to be finalised before the end of this term. More information is available to parents at the following website.

<https://nap.edu.au/docs/default-source/resources/naplan-online-information-brochure-for-parents-and-carers.pdf> As well, attached to the newsletter is the NAPLAN privacy collection notice for your information.

All schools participating in NAPLAN Online will participate in the Coordinated practice test (CPT) on Thursday 25th March at 11.00am. This date and time is set nationally. The CPT is a confirmation of ICT technical readiness. Student's performance in the CPT is not assessed. On Tuesday, we held the APS Governing Council AGM. We farewelled Donna Mitchell (6 years on Governing Council) and Daina Krushel (9 years) who have decided to retire after many years of contributing greatly to our school. As well, I would like to thank Christine Sherwood who has chosen to step down as Governing Council chairperson (but remaining as a council member) for contributions made to the school community while in this role. We certainly appreciate the time and effort of our volunteer parents to support our school.

Our returning members for 2021 are Kate Thorn, Carly Clarke, Shari Davidson (Secretary), Christine Sherwood, Kylie Willshire (Fundraising), Darlene Morrish, Kate Gabel, Chris Yeend, Alice Howard, Erin Gray, Yuka Endersby and Rebecca Bolton. We also welcome three new members, Adam Forbes, Bruce Preece (Finance rep.) and Roswitha Voight (Chairperson). The staff rep is Kym Taylor. Looking forward to a productive year.

We have three lovely new drink fountains (chilled water) being installed next week, one by each unit, as well as repairs to the drink fountain by the hall. The new drink fountains have two taps, one to have a drink straight from the fountain, and another to fill drink bottles. The drink fountains may be too tall for some students to drink from (steps will be provided) but they should be able to reach the tap to fill drink bottles.

Congratulations to the following students who received Encouragement Awards at the last whole school assembly:

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| ❖ Thomas Carter | ❖ Julia Harris | ❖ Aaron Karger |
| ❖ Miyu Endersby | ❖ Hugh Wheeler | ❖ Hali Mullins-White |
| ❖ Kyla McDonough | ❖ Toby Forshaw | ❖ Theo French |
| ❖ Hugh Davidson | ❖ Aleeya Fraser | ❖ Hannah Schultz |
| ❖ Zoe Gransbury | ❖ Rory Price | ❖ Asuka Shepherd |
| ❖ Liam Heuppauiff | ❖ Macey Grant | ❖ Liam Pendergast |
| ❖ Amelia Zanker | ❖ Stanley Hampton | |

It has been great to see students back in the Angaston Primary School pool. As per DfE protocols, it needs to be between 23 and 36 degrees for students to use the pool. Fortunately, we are just reaching the 23-degree mark by lesson 5 most days. Fingers crossed we can get some more swimming in before the end of term. Many thanks to the parent volunteers for supporting the classes.

If you are not willing to learn, no one can help you. If you are determined to learn, no one can stop you.

Lynda Fitzpatrick-Brown

Welcome to our new student



Josephine O – Year 1



Harmony Day celebrations

Monday 15th March 2021

What are we doing?

- Casual clothes day: gold coin donation. The students voted and decided that the money we raised, would be given to a local charity, "The Kind Hearted Kitchen".
- Whole school picnic on the oval at lunch.
- Ice blocks will be supplied to every child (students who are unable to have ice blocks will be offered an alternative).
- Front fence display, linking home and school.
- Whole school photo on the oval (Tuesday 16th March).

Students are encouraged to wear orange.

A hand printout has been sent home recently with your child for parents/carers to decorate. If you have not received one, please contact your child's teacher.

PASTORAL CARE WORKER

For those of you who have forgotten, I have not had the pleasure to meet or those new to the school, I am Felyka Leske and I am the Pastoral Care Worker at Angaston Primary School. My role is to support the school including staff, students and the families. I am at Angaston on Tuesdays and Fridays and am here for any needs, concerns or support you require.



I would like to extend a great big welcome to all returning, starting or almost finishing at Angaston Primary School. Another year is a new start, a new chance to make more friends and a new opportunity to learn more about yourself and the world around you.

As part of my role, I have the pleasures of working alongside our Peer Leaders, creating a space for our year 6's and 7's to hang and encouraging creative expression through Krafty Kids. Outside of this, I spend my time across the Reception to Year 3's helping the class with the work at hand. As well as meeting with groups of students with similar needs. Being Term 1, we also have the Easter Seminar coming up in week 9 (forms are out in the coming weeks).

One of my favourite parts of the role is being that listening ear to students when they are feeling a bit out of sorts. Whether it is managing a friendship conflict, providing a space for a loss of a pet or family member, discussing an unfortunate circumstance (family breakdown, illnesses, sudden changes) or simply just feeling a bit off, I am grateful for the opportunity to help.

I am looking forward to another great year and want to remind you I am here to help.

Mrs Leske

*Fun recreational swimming,
in our own school pool!*



Our APS Peer Leaders



We have appointed Peer Leaders for this year. They each had to write an application that presented the skills they believed they had to support the children under the school motto.

Be Safe

Be Kind

Work Hard

I was delighted to read the amazing applications each child wrote addressing the motto and coherently presenting the skills they believed they were able to bring to the position.

We have a meeting each fortnight on a Friday to share what has been happening. The Peer Leaders will be offering a different activity each lunchtime under the shelter shed.



The Peer Leader Groups and activities are:

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Board Games	Skipping	Imagination	Large Games	Creativity
Petra Zanker Riley Vallerant Sienna Webster- Payne Aaron Karger	Katie Dinnison Lilli Walker Tahlia Gregory Olive Moors	Jemma Kersten Miley Leak Seattle Hyland	Josh Button Jemma John Cooper Gobell	Clancy Dewell Edie Bolton Jackson Yeend

Norton - Yr 4/5 & Argent - Rec



Angaston Show Display

Mrs Argent's Receptions and Mr. Norton's class have been working hard on their poster for the Angaston Show. We discussed eating a **RAINBOW** of **FRUIT** and **VEGETABLES** every day. Keep an eye out at the show for our schools amazing display!



HARMONY WEEK HANDS

We have also been working very hard on our Harmony Day hands with our buddies. We can't wait to see them displayed on the front fence of the school for Harmony Week in week 8! We have really enjoyed spending time working with our buddies so far this term.



SAPOL Safety talks



We were lucky enough to have Officer Randall Murch from SAPOL come to our school and speak to our students about safety and care when dealing with social media. Our students had many questions and enjoyed getting to know our friendly Officer.

Wellbeing and Engagement

Scarecrow Competition:

Angaston PS has entered the Scarecrow Competition! Our Scarecrows are named **Gus**, **Aggie** and **Dolly** and will be linked to our school motto of Be Safe, Be Kind, Work Hard. We look forward to sharing them with the community soon!

Cyber Safety:

On Monday 15th March, our 6/7 students will participate in a session facilitated by The Carly Ryan Foundation.

"Carly Ryan was 15-years-old when she was murdered by an online predator. It was the first crime of its type in Australia, occurring in 2007 when social media was a new phenomenon and paedophiles were starting to infiltrate the online space. Determined to help prevent harm to other innocent children and families and to help them navigate their online journey safely, Carly's mum Sonya incorporated The Carly Ryan Foundation in 2010" (The Carly Ryan Foundation 2010).

Sonia Ryan usually offers a parent session, but she is currently advocating for children's safety in the USA.



Snapchat

In each newsletter, I will be providing information on the different social media platforms. This will help parents/caregivers to make informed decisions on what is safe for their children to use. All factsheets provided by The Carly Ryan Foundation.

SNAPCHAT



Age Rating in the App Store:

13+

Snapchat is an application which is free to download on iOS and Android devices that allows users to send images and videos 'snaps' to each other.

How does it work?

The receiver of the 'snap' can view it for up to 10 seconds (depending on what time the sender sets). After the allocated time the 'snap' will then 'dissolve'. If the receiver screenshots the snap the sender will be notified. Keep in mind there are ways around this ensuring that the sender doesn't get notified if a screen shot is taken, so keep in mind that nothing is private on Snapchat and everything is easily retrievable.

Concerns

Snapchat is the number one application used for 'sexting' or 'sending nudes' between underage people. Users must be mindful of the social and legal consequences of sending images like these. If the user is under 18 years old it is illegal for them to produce or possess these types of images. It is classed as child abuse images.

Child abuse pictures are illegal if they are:

- asked for;
- taken;
- received and kept; or
- sent, posted or passed around

These actions are a crime even if the picture is only of you, your boyfriend / girlfriend or someone else who says it's ok. Even if a picture is not child abuse material, asking for or sending a nude / sexy photo can be an indecent act and this is a crime. The maximum penalties for child abuse material can be up to 15 years in jail and being placed on the sex offender register. The maximum penalty for an act of indecency is 2 years in jail if the person in the picture is under 16. If the person is over 16, the maximum penalty is 18 months in jail. (http://www.lawstuff.org.au/nsw_law/topics/Sexting)

Privacy

Privacy settings that are available within Snapchat are the ability to restrict who can send a user photos or videos, 'snaps'. This can be enabled by going into the Settings menu, select 'Who can send me snaps', then select 'My friends'. This will ensure only people the user knows will be able to connect with them via the application.

It is important to read the Snapchat privacy policy as it provides information about how the images and videos are stored and used. Users need to be aware that Snapchat has the right to reproduce, modify and republish photos and videos, and save them to the Snapchat servers, particularly in relation to the 'Live Story' feature.

Snap Map

The feature is designed to help friends meet up or attend events together. This could be abused by others or used to track users. It shows exactly where the user is at all times and exactly what they're doing i.e driving a car, reading listening to music etc. To hide your location from friends, you can turn on 'ghost mode' in Snap Map.

To do this, pinch the screen when you are in camera to bring up Snap Map. Click the settings icon in the top right hand corner and set the phone to 'ghost mode'. Then Snapchat will stop sharing your location.

Be mindful who are you sharing images with and always remember that everything on the internet is permanent. Make sure you are happy for potentially anyone to see your snaps.



How to block a user

- Go to your friends list.
- Tap the name of the offending friend.
- Hit the gear icon that appears next to their name.
- Select Block to stop receiving Snapchats from that person or pick Delete if you want to remove him or her from your contacts.

How do I report abuse on Snapchat?

To report a Story on Snapchat, just press and hold on the offending Snap until a flag button appears in the bottom-left corner. To report a Snapchat account, press and hold on that Snapchatter's name and tap the button.

To report a Story on the web from your computer, click the button on the video, then click 'Report'.

More App Fact Sheets available from the Carly Ryan Foundation. Please email: info@carlyryanfoundation.com

BRADLEY'S BROADCAST

Year 6/7 Boys Knockout Cricket

On Monday the 22nd of February, a group of boys from the Year 6/7 classes participated in the first round of the statewide knockout cricket matches held at Angaston Oval. We played against Good Shepherd Lutheran School in the Angaston showdown. The boys batted and bowled really well and came away with the win. Final scores were Angaston PS 2/105 vs Good Shepherd Lutheran School 6/82. Special mentions go to Jackson Pettitt for top scoring with 24 runs and getting a wicket when he bowled. Harry Standing for getting 2 wickets and also to Cameron Sherwood and Edan Quin for keeping and batting really well. Great work by the two captains Mason Lade and Edan Quin for leading strongly and helping out the less experienced players. This was a great experience for the boys involved and for those that do not play club cricket. They represented Angaston Primary School extremely well. It was a fantastic day with the students displaying brilliant teamwork and cricket skills. Well done to all! We look forward to the next game where we will be playing a school from the Yorke Peninsula.

***Yours in Sport
Mr. Matt Bradley
Physical Education/Health Teacher***



Angaston Show Display – Fantastic, creative work by our buddy classes!



Term 1 Calendar 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 4	15	16	17	18	19
Week 5	22	23 SAPOL Cyber Safety Talk	24	25	26 District Swimming Assembly Schultz/Cheers
Week 6	1 / 3	2	3	4	5
Week 7	8 Public Holiday Adelaide Cup	9	10	11	12 Special Lunch Sushi Yr 3-5 Opera SRC Assembly
Week 8	15 Harmony Day Picnic Carly Ryan Foundation 6/7's	16	17	18	19
Week 9	22	23	24	25	26 Assembly Taylor/Irwin
Week 10	29 Parent/ Teacher Interviews	30 X- Country	31 Parent/ Teacher Interviews	1/ 4 SPORTS DAY	2/4 Good Friday Holiday
Week 11	5 Easter Monday Holiday	6	7	8 Yr 3-5 Opera Performance	9 Assembly Burne/Hearndon Early dismissal 2:05pm

Please note: Only Parents/Caregivers of the 2 classes hosting assembly are invited due to Covid restrictions. Thank you for your understanding.