

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Over the last four weeks, the school has been busy with many families and parents visiting and engaging in One Plan Meetings with teaching staff. It has been a pleasure to have families within the school and be able to sit in many of these meetings and connect, oversee the planning and engagement with individual student goals, and talk about the learning and development of students. If you have not yet had contact with your child's teacher regarding One Plan Meetings, please do so, it is a wonderful opportunity for you to be involved in setting goals, ask questions, and see your child's classroom and learning environment.

Over the holidays a number of projects were undertaken around the school including the installation of high contrast felt walls in our internal withdrawal spaces, new cabinetry in the junior classrooms and the primary playground was prepared for the installation of a climbing frame. Next week the climbing frame is scheduled to be installed (which the students are very excited about), with the hope that it will be officially open from the beginning of Week 6. Look out for photos on Facebook!

We have received notification that we have been awarded a Federal Government grant of \$25,000 to upgrade our Playway and install a new sandpit in the back playground. We are currently planning out this space with work to be completed by the end of this year.

We have 12x new Communication iPads across the school including Proloquo. These support our commitment to increase student accessibility and use of a range of communication systems across the school. The number ensures that all teachers and key SSO staff have a device and therefore students are able to access with support at all learning and break times throughout the school day.

Sports Day is scheduled for Friday 2nd June, and we are looking forward to inviting families on site to enjoy this event for the first time in a number of years. Please ensure that you return your order forms if you would like lunch on the day. We are excited to see you all next Friday.

Natalie Coote

Dates To Remember:

Friday 26th May

Sports Day lunch orders due

Friday 2nd June

Sports Day

Monday 12th June

Public Holiday



SOME OF OUR STUDENTS RECENTLY HAD THE HONOUR OF LAYING WREATHS AT THE BERRI ANZAC DAY SERVICE FOR SCHOOLS IN BERRI. HAYDEN, CHARYIS & KALEB REPRESENTED THE SCHOOL ~ GEORGIA & TASHARA REPRESENTED GIRL GUIDES



TRANSPORT



IS YOUR CHILD ILL? OR AWAY FOR FAMILY REASONS? DO YOU NEED TO CANCEL THE AM OR PM TRANSPORT RUN?

A reminder that it is the parent/carer responsibility to notify the bus company the night before (if possible) if your child will NOT be needing transport on their morning or afternoon run.

EXPRESS X: 8213 6600

BUSBIZ: 8586 6333

SCHOOL TIMES

*Monday, Tuesday,
Wednesday & Friday:*

8:30am to 3:10pm

Thursday:

8:30am to 2:20pm

RECESS: 10:40AM TO 11:10AM

LUNCH: 12:50PM TO 1:20PM

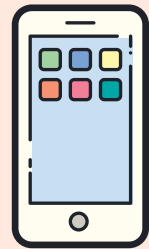


CONTACT US

To make contact with the school or report student absences, please use the following methods:



**PHONE:
8582 1258**



**TEXT:
0457 275 691**



CLASSDOJO

If you need help connecting to ClassDojo, please contact the front office.

STAY CONNECTED

We regularly post updates to ClassDojo and our Facebook Closed group. These platforms are available to our current families, students and staff only. This is where we share the most important school information. We use our PUBLIC Facebook page to stay connected to the wider community when needed. If you need help connecting, please let us know.



STUDENT INFORMATION:

Please make sure the school has the latest information for your child. This includes contact numbers, address & medical information. Please update the school when these details change.



Meet The STUDENT TEACHER



All About Me...

Hi! My name is Jess (Miss M). I am so excited to be a student teacher at RSS this term!

I am a final year student from Flinders University. I am completing the double degree in Primary education and Special education.

This term I will be learning from Cindy and the team at RSS to develop my teaching strategies and practices. I will be teaching a range of lessons and subjects throughout the term. I hope to send home some updates of what your students get up to this term and hope to talk to or meet all parents!

My Favorites

- My favorite food is pizza.
- My favorite drink is coffee.
- My favorite color is blue.
- My favorite hobby is gardening.
- My favorite sport is Muay Thai.

My Family

I grew up in Broken Hill and have lived in Adelaide for almost 7 years. At home, I have a turtle called Squirto and about 20 fish.

ATTENDANCE



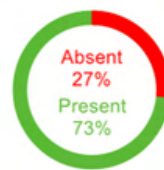
Please remember to inform the school of any planned or unplanned student absences. This may be a written, verbal or phone explanation prior to, or 'on the day' and a follow up note in your child's message diary the next day.

This will help the school to maintain accurate records.

OUR 2022 ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 90% OR GREATER



Year to Date (2023)

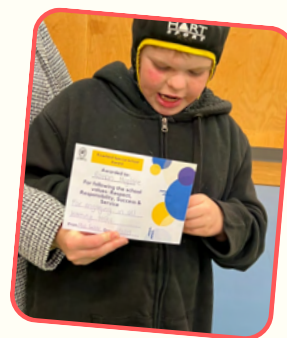


Previous Week

Attendance rate derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 18/5/2022

STUDENT AWARDS:

Congratulations to our students who received awards at our recent assemblies. Well done for following our school values so fantastically!



GIRL GUIDES:

ANZAC Day Camp

4pm RSL ANZAC Eve Youth Vigil

Following a graffiti attack on the SA State War Memorial on Anzac Eve 1999 the RSL invited youth organisations in South Australia to "Hold Ground" on the North Terrace site for the twelve hours preceding the 6am Anzac Day dawn service. Youth community groups are invited to be involved in honouring those who sacrificed so much by serving their country in times of conflict. Girl Guides, Scouts, Army, Navy and Airforce cadets, CFS, SES, Girls brigade, Boys Brigade, Surf life saving and St Johns members are involved.

6am ANZAC Day Dawn service at the State War Memorial
Assemble with 10000 people for service at 5.30am. Watch and listen to the ANZAC ODE, Australian and New Zealand National Anthem, listen to the Last post and revile, stay silent for two minutes.

8am ANZAC Day March

Assemble to be placed in the march line, learn how to carry the banner and support the diggers while marching. The march started at 9.30am, we marched from the SA Museum in North Terrace to St Peters church on King William Street.

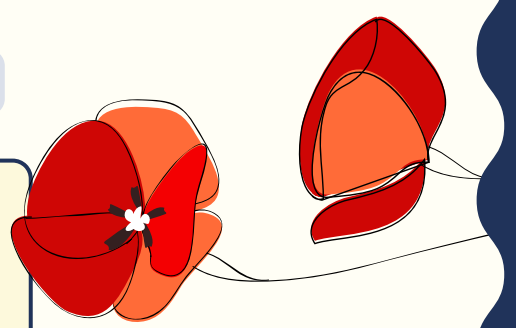
11.30am ANZAC Remembrance Service at the Cross of Sacrifice

After the march we took part in the service in the Memorial Garden opposite St Peters cathedral.

The Girls also had time to enjoy some time exploring the beach, building sandcastles, and collecting shells.

We stayed for two nights at Dolphin Bunkhouse on the Port River at Snowden's beach Largs North. On Wednesday they went to the Adelaide Botanical Gardens before traveling home. It was a very busy trip but an experience of a life time.

Diana Sully



Thank you to the Berri Riverside Holiday Park for helping to fund the trip for our Special Girl Guides group.



SAASTA:

16th to
20th May

South Australian Aboriginal
Secondary Training Academy



Riverland SAASTA students who met the Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for attendance, behaviour and academic effort attended the SAASTA Aboriginal Power Cup in Adelaide.

On the Wednesday they visited Flinders University and were involved in a careers/leadership day run by Power Aboriginal Programs and SAASTA. They had guest speakers about the health industry, pharmaceutical, engineering, aerospace engineering, electricians and Aboriginal health.

On Thursday they were in the city playing football against all the other SAASTA academies and participating in a career expo. The guernseys are designed by Isacc Morgan (Renmark HS) with the themes for our elders, inspired by his Nanna.

Friday night they attended the Yartapuulti vs Naarm AFL Match at Adelaide Oval and participated in a cultural dance on the field.

Congratulations to our student Noah, who was able to take part in this fantastic experience!

We are very fortunate to have Mr H back at our school teaching Instrumental Music to some of our students on Thursday mornings. They are starting to sound very groovy!



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC



Congratulations to Tashara, Jo, Gemma and Charyis for achieving their Girl Guides BP award. A big thank you to Mrs Sully for working so hard to help the girls to achieve this award and taking them to Adelaide to attend the ceremony.



COMMUNITY NOTICES



Riverland

If you require assistance,
please phone

08 8130 6188



Extraordinary Parents and Carer Support Group

The Extraordinary Parents and Carer Support Group is a peer-led support group for parents and/or those in a caring role for children with additional needs.

The support group meets monthly and is a chance to connect with other parents and caregivers going through a similar experience. Speaking with others in a similar boat can offer a better understanding and help us feel less alone.

Tea, coffee and cake are provided.

When: Once a month on a Sunday | 10.30am - 12.00pm

Where: Renmark Tintra Lawn Tennis Club | Paringa Street Renmark 5341

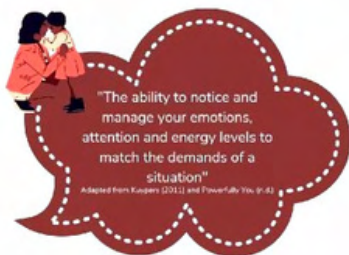
For more information please call Emma at Relationships Australia SA Berri on (08) 8582 4122

Relationships Australia
SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Relationships Australia SA's Children and Parenting Service is funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.

Online Parent Resource – 'An Introduction to Regulation'

Regulation is:



This online resource:

- will help you to understand regulation
- will give examples of how you can respond to your child's big feelings
- may take up to 1 hour to complete
- does not need to be done all at once.

Link to parent resource: https://rise.articulate.com/share/RG_ziH9hfrq9hGFpQ6Alfq65fpKbhtbD

QR code for parent resource:



AFSS is Seeking Foster Carers across the Riverland

- Are you passionate about the future of Aboriginal children and young people?
- Are you supportive and understanding?
- Can you help keep young people safe and connected to their culture and community?



AFSS is looking for people just like you, who want to play their part in caring for Aboriginal children and young people.

Please Contact AFSS:

Nicole Barber ✉ nicole.barber@afss.com.au ☎ 8582 5503



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RIVERLAND SPECIAL SCHOOL

FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

Sports Day

FRIDAY 2ND JUNE

STARTS AT 8:45AM
~
FAMILIES WELCOME

MURRAY

BONNEY

KATARAPKO

Students can come dressed in their house colours!

8:45AM	Welcome to Country
9:00AM	Year Level Sprints
9:30AM	Tabloid Events
10:30AM	Recess Break
10:50AM	Tabloid Events
11:50AM	Ball Games
12:30PM	Lunch Break
1:00PM	Team Relay Events
2:10PM	Presentations

Tabloid events include: Skittles, Basketball Rookie, Footy Soccer, Archery T-Ball, Beanbag, Frisbee, Vortex, Target

