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Newsletter Term 4 Week 7 2023

Respect - Responsibility - Success - Service

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Welcome to Week 7, Term 4! This time of year is both exciting, with transition visits of new students occurring, whilst also being bittersweet, with the countdown of only two short weeks until our senior students Aidan, Hayden, Patrick, Jasmine, Noah and Erik are set to graduate from the school. We cherish the time that we have left with our students to ensure they have a positive end to their schooling journey and are ready for the next steps in their future pathways. We wish our graduating students a wonderful last fortnight of schooling, with many smiles, laughs and time spent together, and all the very best for their lives after school.

Over the past few weeks we have been excited to welcome a number of students and their families to the Riverland Special School, in readiness for transition both this term and at the beginning of 2024. This term we welcome Hudson and his family to the school and our wonderful community. In Term 1, 2024 we welcome Darrell, Kaiheem, Lucas, Janaya, Jaden, Cooper, Daniel and Gabriella and their families as a part of our school community. All students have had very positive transition visits to their classrooms and across the whole school, and we are already looking forward to having them here next year.

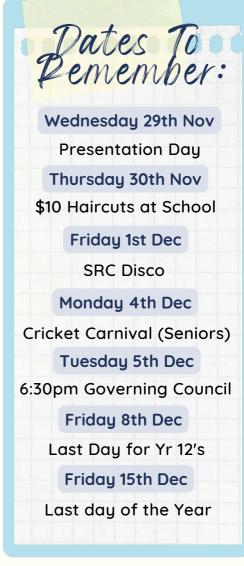
Presentation Day is set to occur this week on Wednesday starting at 9:00am in the Riverland Special School Hall. We take this opportunity to celebrate all of our students achievements and successes throughout the year, and acknowledge our graduating students as a whole school community. We look forward to seeing you there!

Look out for our last Newsletter in Week 9 of this term for Important Dates in preparation for Term 1, 2024. This will assist families in planning for next year with information about Pupil Free Days and other key activities.

Kindest regards,

Natalie Coote

PRINCIPAL: Natalie Coote









Every student. Every day.

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 2023 ATTENDANCE TARGET IS 90% OR GREATER

CURRENT RATE:

67.49%

Attendance rate derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 27/11/2023

STUDENT ABSENCES:

If your child is going to be away, please make contact with the school, stating whether it is for illness or family reasons. We are required to follow-up any unexplained absences. Thank you.



PHONE: 8582 1258



TEXT: 0457 275 691



CLASSDOJO

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

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.





NOVITA MIGHTY RIVER RUN CLIENT DAY





















On Monday 13th November, some of our students had the opportunity to attend the Novita Mighty River Run Client Day in Loxton. They even got to meet some special characters!



SCHOOL UNIFORM ORDERING:

If you would like to order school uniforms ready for the new school year, please contact our Administration team, thank you.

STUDENT AWARDS:

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











Celebrating Ability

BARMERA AQUATICS:

On Thursday 16th November, some of our older students were able to participate in the Aquatics activities at Lake Bonney. Windsailing, kayaking and knee-boarding were the activites - what fun they had!

































SCHOOL WATER DAY

Thursday 16th November





















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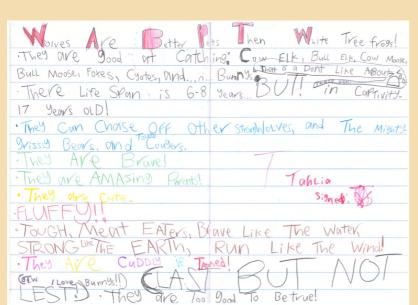


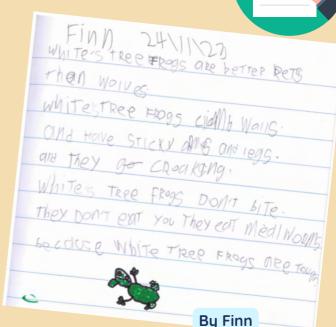


On Thursday 23rd November our Senior Students travelled to Adelaide for the largest domestic ticketed motorsport festival in Australia - the VAILO 500. During this special 'School Day' event, our students were able to get a 'behind the scenes' look at the cars and garages, as well as watch a number of live practices on the track. Despite the rain, everyone had a fantastic time!

CLASSROOM NEWS:

Our Banksia Class have been busy writing arguments after practicing some Persuasive Writing.





By Tahlia

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Barmera Christmas Pageant

Friday 8th December starting at 5:30pm.

Sensory friendly zone - located in front of the Anglican Church on the corner of Langdon Tce and Fowles St (It's the church with the colourful rectangle design on the side).

No loud noises or flashing lights from the floats.

People will need to bring chairs or a picnic rug to sit on.





