



# Elizabeth Park Schools Newsletter

Term 3, Week 4. 18<sup>th</sup> August 2023



## News from the Principal

Happy term 3! What a start to the term we have had! Our term started with Swimming week for our Rec- year5 students and they did a wonderful job. The feedback from the pool staff is that our students do an amazing job of displaying our school values of care, respect and responsibility and continue to make us proud in and out of school.

Next week is Book Week. One of our favourite weeks at school, starting with our annual dress up parade Monday morning. We love seeing kids dressed as their favourite characters and discussing their favourite books with them. Some of the teachers are dressing in a theme, ill give you a clue: "I hope you can find us".

Last week we had a rescheduled Colour Run and we were so lucky with the weather this time around. It was wonderful to see the preschool children, primary school students and families come together for an afternoon of fun. The community raised an unbelievable \$9, 500!!!! We are truly blown away. Thankyou to everyone for your generosity and support. It also meant that a number of staff members qualified to be slimed by our school captains. It was such a fun afternoon and we are very grateful to everyone for participating and to Mr Wake for organising. Our next event like this will be Sports Day next term, I hope we are just as lucky with the weather.

Our Community Hub is continuing to grow now running playgroup and English classes. If you would like any information about these programs please pop into the Hub and say hi to Emma, Helen or Kaity. Stay and Play has started on a Tuesday afternoon for families to stay afterschool while their children to play with their friends and for families to connect with each other. Emma will be at the playground every Tuesday from 3:10-4:15 to support this. All families welcome. Please ensure that if your child is staying that a parent/caregiver is also there to supervise.



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Department for Education and  
Child Development

## Important Dates

### Week 5

Book Week

21st August – 25<sup>th</sup> August

Book Week Dress Up

21<sup>st</sup> August

### Week 7-10

PAT Testing

4<sup>th</sup> Sept – 29<sup>th</sup> Sept

### Week 7

Indigenous Literacy Day

6<sup>th</sup> September

Community Hub Royal Life Saving

7<sup>th</sup> September

PIC Transition

8<sup>th</sup> September

### Week 8

Chess Tournament

15<sup>th</sup> September

### Week 9

Reading Superstars

19<sup>th</sup> September

Bricks for Kids Excursion Rm 8, 9 & 21

26<sup>th</sup> September

### Week 10

Police Band Rm 4 & 6

26<sup>th</sup> September

End of Term

29<sup>th</sup> September

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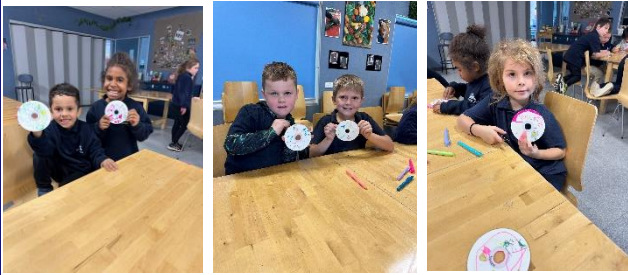
SCHOOL HOURS: 8:50am-3:00pm

Recess 10:40am -11:00am

Phone 8255 1160

Lunch 12:40pm -1:10pm

## Aboriginal Education



Nunga Club Reconciliation CD drawings



## EALD News

Welcome back to Term 3! We hope you all had a wonderful break and are ready to take on the term.

This term Jess Patrick has returned to the school after 6 months leave. Jess will be sharing the EALD role with Penny for the remainder of the year and she will also be working part time in our pre-school.

We are so lucky to have 3 BSSO's to support our school, their names are: Zahra – who speaks Dari, Farsi, Hazaragi, Arabic and Persian. Mountaha – who speaks Ababic. Chuda – who speaks Nepali.

We also have access to translators from all other languages we can organise for you.

## Bike Shed

The Bike Shed in Blackwood kindly donated some refurbished bikes for our students.

Last term parents received a text message to put forward a nomination for their child to receive a refurbished bike. The Bike Shed were generous enough to provide all students who were nominated with a refurbished bike.

We are very grateful for the generosity of the volunteers at the Bike Shed.



**COME & TRY ATHLETICS**

Learn more and try Little Athletics at our free introduction sessions.

COME & TRY  
**Sat 19 Aug 1.30pm**

COME & TRY / INFORMATION NIGHT  
**Fri 8 Sep 5.45pm**

BRIDGESTONE ATHLETICS CENTRE  
FROST ROAD, SALISBURY



[jets.org.au/preflight](https://jets.org.au/preflight)

Northern Districts Athletics Club  
Family, Fun & Fitness

## Parent Survey

You're invited to complete the 2023 annual parent survey, which is now open. In the week beginning Monday 31 July you'll receive an email or SMS from the Parent Survey Team with a unique link to participate in the survey. If you didn't receive an email or SMS with your unique survey link, contact [education.ParentSurvey@sa.gov.au](mailto:education.ParentSurvey@sa.gov.au) and include our school's name in your email.

The survey takes less than 10 minutes and will help us understand:

- what we're doing well
- where we can improve
- what's important to you.

It has been coordinated centrally so that added administration workload isn't placed on the school.

Your answers won't identify you or your child. Only collated feedback will be provided to our school.

Information collected will inform school improvement planning and activities at the school.

The survey closes midnight Sunday 27 August.

The link is:

<https://survey.education.sa.gov.au/sc/GvUb0xwiQqWPfOXmJ6GFA2>



### Our school is taking part in the Commissioner's Student Voice Postcard initiative!



### Commissioner's Student Voice Postcards

Many South Australian primary school aged children are directly supporting the important work of South Australia's Commissioner for Children and Young People, Helen Connolly, as active participants of her annual **Student Voice Postcard** initiative, currently being rolled out to all schools across the State. The initiative is helping Commissioner Connolly gain a clearer understanding of what is important to primary school children. She is asking this under-represented group to respond to four simple questions that invite them to tell her what matters to them most, what aspirations they have, what worries them, and what they would change to make their lives better. All responses are anonymous. No personal information is collected. The Commissioner will use the postcard responses to inform her advocacy work to improve the lives of SA's children and young people.

Learn more about the Commissioner's Student Voice Postcard initiative at [www.commissionerspostcards.com.au](http://www.commissionerspostcards.com.au)



# HASS

HASS covers the learning area of Humanities and Social Sciences and our focus for semester 2 is Geography. All classes are enthusiastically participating in a range of topics that aim to develop in our students a sense of wonder, curiosity and respect about places, people, cultures and environments throughout the world and a deep geographical knowledge of their own locality, Australia and beyond.

The Geography Unit topics covered in terms 3/4 are:

- Rm 16 & 17 Where We belong
- Rm 14, 22 & 23 Caring for Places
- Rm 1, 2 & 7 Where are we in the World?
- Rm 4 & 6 Australia's Neighbours
- Rm 5 Africa and South America
- Rm 8, 9 & 21 Europe and North America

Jennifer Attard

