



HUB NEWS

Aberfoyle Hub Primary School Parent and Caregiver Newsletter
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From the Principal

by Sarah Magnusson

Dear Families.

Staffing News

We farewell Kerry Heil, Deputy Principal, who will be leaving us at the end of this term. We thank her for the positive impact she has had improving student learning during her time at the Hub and wish her all the very best next term and beyond.

Welcome to Amanda Allen who will be joining the Hub next term as Deputy Principal. Amanda has already spent some time here getting to know staff, students and some families.

School Newsletter

Next term the newsletter will be published twice – once at the beginning and at the end of term. There will continue to be ongoing information sent to families via email and through Class Dojo.

Enrolments 2024

Please contact the school if your child is eligible to start school next year and you have not yet completed an enrolment form. If you know of any families with children eligible to enrol and have not yet done so or any families looking for a new school then please advise us as soon as possible for a school tour and enrolment form. This information helps us to make informed decisions about class placements for next year.

Enrolment forms are available from the Front Office.

Please contact the school for any queries.

Reminder: Class Placement Request Forms

As per previous newsletter, if you would like us to consider any additional information for your child's education next year, please contact Cathrine in the Front Office for a form.

Please return the forms marked Confidential to Sarah.Magnusson893@schools.sa.edu.au or to the Front Office.

Forms are due tomorrow (29/9/23).

Term 3 highlights @ The Hub

- Excursion Room 19 & 21 Parliament House & "The Twits" play
- Instrumental Music
- SAPSASA Basketball/Athletics
- End Season Soccer/ Basketball & Pedal Prix best achievement for a while
- Breakfast Club
- Hub Art Show
- Choir Concert
- Premier's Reading Challenge
- Amanda Rishworth Visit- Flags to SRC Reps
- Wakakirri
- Festival of Music
- · Code Club
- Science Alive
- · Book Week and Book Week Parade

Festival of Music

I had the pleasure last week of attending the Choir performance at the Adelaide Festival Centre. Well done to all of our students who excelled on stage. They did an amazing job. I am so proud of all our students who participated led by Mrs Helen Nicholas. They certainly demonstrated our school values of resilience, being respectful and taking responsibility of their actions throughout the afternoon and into the evening performance. Well done to all involved.



SEPTEMBER

Friday 29th September, Last dayTerm 3

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

Friday 29th September, Term 3 Week 10

OCTOBER

TERM 4 commences - Monday 16th October

NOVEMBER

YR5/6 AQUATICS- Friday 3rd November

PUPIL FREE DAY

Friday 10th November

SPORTS DAY

Thursday 16th November

DECEMBER

LAST DAY TERM 4.

Friday 15th December

Absences

The Front Office can be notified of any student absences by phoning 8270 5055 or sending a text to 0428 910 895



Continued from the Principal

ICAS Competition

Congratulations to the following students who sat the ICAS earlier this term. ICAS is an online academic competition that is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problemsolving skills in English, Mathematics, Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies. Outstanding achievement from the three students who had participated in these tests.

Writing

- Elise E Participation
- Lydia E Participation

- Elise E DistinctionLydia E Credit

- Elise E Distinction
- Lydia E Merit
- Eamon S Participation

Spelling Bee

- Elise E Distinction
- Lydia E Participation

- Elise E Merit
- Lydia E Credit

<u>Digital Technologies</u>

- Elise E- Credit
- Lydia E Credit
- Eamon S Credit

Leaving the Hub next year?

Please contact the school ASAP via email, phone or in person to formally inform us of you leaving the Hub at the end of the year. The importance of the school knowing now greatly assists with our planning for next year.

Whilst we do not want to see any families leave the Hub, we do understand that changing circumstances occur.

Thank you

As term 3 is coming to a close, I would like to thank our staff (including OSHC and Canteen) and families for supporting our students. Everyone has contributed to making our term a great success as seen in our term 3 highlights.

Have a great, safe break and I look forward to seeing you all next term.

Kind regards

Sarah Magnusson





HUB PLAYGROUP

Hub Playgroup available Term 4.

Thursdays Week 1 to Week 7 of each term at Aberfoyle Hub Pre-School, Taylors Rd. 10am – 11am come and play with your child Cost \$45 for the term (\$5 per session).

Hub staff Sarah and Kate V with Hub Preschool Director, Catherine occasionally attending.



LOST PROPERTY

Please check lost property bins for any items your child may have lost. Lost property is found outside multi purpose room near the court yard.

Aberfoyle Hub Primary School, is a Sunsmart school.

SLIP, SLOP, SLAP SEEK AND SLIDE



Term 4 – Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide at and after school!

As we enter Term 4, the UV Index is creeping higher and higher— remaining at 3 or above later into the day. This means that sun protection is required after school as well as during the school day, which is particularly important for OSHC services across South Australia. Being SunSmart is everyone's responsibility, so look out for your children, students, colleagues, and peers this term by reminding each other to slip, slop, slap, seek and slide.

Finance

News

2024 MATERIALS & SERVICE CHARGES

At the last Governing Council meeting on 13th Sept 2023, a decision to increase the school's 2024 Materials and Service Charges by \$5 to \$335 was approved by Governing Council.

The charge will be ratified at a Governing Council meeting at 6:30pm Wednesday, November 8th 2023 in the Staff Room.

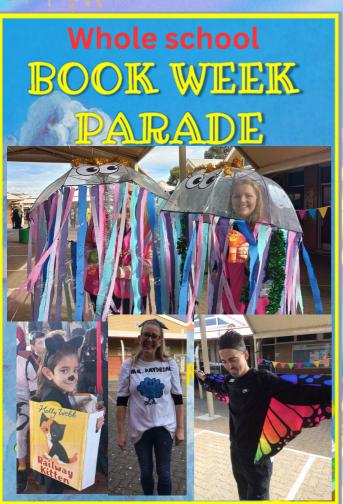
All Parents/Caregivers of Reception to Year 5 students are invited to attend this Governing Council meeting, to raise any questions or concerns re the proposed fee. Ratification of fees and successful polling of all Parents/Caregivers will allow permission to legally recover (where applicable) the full amount of the Materials and Service Charges 2024 outlined in the notice which was sent to Parents/Caregivers via eldest child (Reception - Year 5) in family before the Governing Council Meeting.

If you are unable to attend but would like to comment on the Materials and Service Charges, you may do so in writing prior to Monday, November 6th 2023 addressed to either the Governing Council Chairperson, Kelly Johnson, or to the Principal Sarah Magnusson.

Chris Godden
FINANCE MANAGER



Term 3 Achievements SOME BUT NOT ALL













RESOURCE CENTRE

AT THE HUB WE VALUE RELATIONSHIPS, RESPONSIBILITY, RESILIENCE AND RESPECT

In the weeks leading up to book week students had the opportunity to read all of the CBCA shortlisted books, during their library visiting time. They then got to vote for their favourite book. This year's most popular book was 'There's No Such Book'!

We held craft activities during the recess breaks. Students made giraffe headbands, dog hand puppets & snappy peg frogs. Some of our older students volunteered to help the younger students with these activities, this year. It was great to see so many students enjoying the craft making.

Rooms 1 & 9 students attended a 'Let's Build It' session with local Adelaide author Mike Lucas. Mike spoke about his family history, what lead him to become an author and also that he owns Shakespeare's bookshop in Blackwood. Students listened to Mike read one of his most popular picture books, 'Let's build a house'. There was also a hands on component. Students were able to try to build their own walls. Seeing how high they could go without their wall falling over. To finish off students were able to ask Mike some questions. We were also lucky enough to have Mike sign two copies of his books, which are available in our library.

On Friday we had our annual Book Week Parade. It's always a fun way to end the week. It was great to see so many students & staff dressed up this year & how creative their costumes were. It was extremely difficult to choose the winners of the most creative costume competition this year. Congratulations to the following winners: Isabelle, Wilhelmina, Tanner, Yu, Jade, Monae, Lydia, Thomas, Archer, Zara, Talia & Kaidan. A huge thank you to all of the families that attended our parade!

Julie & Kat Library staff





















On Wednesday the 20th of September, 15 of our students performed on stage at the Adelaide Festival Theatre as part of the Public Primary Schools Festival of Music. The Primary Schools Festival of Music, an official state icon, and custodian of an iconic South Australian tradition, engages our students in artistic excellence, cultural diversity and social inclusion through performance in Music and the Arts.

This year Paul Jarman was commissioned to compose a set of four songs entitled "World of Tomorrow". The technology challenges of our changing world formed the theme of the four-part song cycle for the 2023 Festival of Music, "World of Tomorrow".

During the concert there were also performances from guest artists from public primary and secondary schools, other choir items that presented different musical genres, and two pieces that specifically showcased the talents of the orchestra.

It was a spectacular event that our students and staff enjoyed being a part of and will remember for years to come!

Helen Nicholas

Performing Arts Teacher.



Autism Inclusion Teacher

Anxiety is a common co-occurring condition in individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder, and it can significantly impact their daily lives. Students with ASD may experience heightened anxiety due to various factors, including; sensory sensitivities, social challenges, communication difficulties and difficulties with changes in routine. They can experience anxiety about coming to school, and express a strong preference for staying at home. Recognising the presence of anxiety and its potential effects is essential for both educators and caregivers for offering effective support. In this article, I'd like to share with you some strategies that can be used at home to help ease anxiety in autistic children and hopefully make their school experience more comfortable.

WHAT YOU CAN DO AT HOME

- <u>Establish a home routine</u>: Creating a consistent daily routine at home can complement the school routine. This consistency can provide a sense of security for your child.
- <u>Use visual supports</u> Employ visual schedules (your teacher can help) or charts at home to help your child anticipate daily activities and transitions or changes.
- <u>Practise social skills</u> Encourage social interactions through playdates or activities that involve cooperative play. These opportunities can help your child build and practice social skills.
- <u>Create a calm space</u> Designate a quiet, sensory-friendly space at home where your child can retreat if they become overwhelmed.
- <u>Encourage communication</u> Foster open and patient communication with your child. Encourage them to express their feelings and needs.
- <u>Celebrate achievements</u>- Recognise and celebrate your child's achievements, no matter how small. Positive reinforcement can boost their self-esteem.
- <u>Support self-advocacy</u> As your child grows, encourage them to advocate for themselves and communicate their needs with their teachers and peers.
- <u>Connect with other parents</u> Seek support and advice from other parents who have children on the autism spectrum. Sharing experiences and strategies can be incredibly helpful.

In my role as Autism Inclusion Teacher I am committed to working with staff and parents to help build a nurturing and supportive environment for students with neurodiversity at our school. By implementing these strategies and working together as a school community, we can help ease anxiety in autistic children about coming to school. Please do not hesitate to contact me (school Dojo or phone school) with any concerns or to make an appointment for face-to- face chat for some more guidance and support. I am available on Monday mornings until 10:30 am.

Warmest regards,

Helen Nicholas **AUTISM INCLUSION TEACHER**





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SAPSASA

Congratulations to Jensen T and Max D who represented Southern Valley at the SAPSASA Metro Track & Field Championships on Tuesday 19th September.

Their selection was a result from their performance at the District Athletics carnival. Well done to Max who received 2 gold medals in the 800m and 1500m.

Brad Walters Student Wellbeing Leader HPE Teacher





Sports News

Auskick

The Auskick program returned to the Hub for 2023 and it has been great to see so many students developing their AFL skills whilst also having plenty of fun. Auskick is an introductory program with weekly sessions as students explore the world of AFL, building football skills and playing in a safe and super fun setting. Stay tuned for further details for the 2024 program.

Out of School Basketball

This year we had 3 teams compete in the MSBL Mini competition held at Morphett Vale stadium. As reported by all coaches, there was considerable growth made by all players as their skills continued to develop throughout the season.

Congratulations to all students on their commitment to out of school basketball this year.

Thank you to Laura Morgan for taking on the role as coordinator. Lastly, thank you to our team coaches Simon Matthews and Travis Morgan for generously giving up their time to facilitate training each week and coaching their respective teams on game day.











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UNIFORMS

CAN ALL SPORTS UNIFORMS PLEASE BE WASHED AND RETURNED TO THE FRONT OFFICE EVEN IF YOUR CHILD INTENDS TO CONTINUE WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE SCHOOL SPORT NEXT YEAR.

REGISTRATIONS FOR 2024

Registration forms for Out of School sport for 2024 will soon be released. Sports offered in 2024 will be Cricket, Netball, Soccer, Basketball and Pedal Prix (Auskick TBC). Registration forms need to be filled and returned to the Front Office by term 4, week 8.

Like with all school sport, we rely heavily on parent volunteers to fill the various roles needed to ensure we can offer as many sports as possible. Examples include coordinators for each sport and coaches for each team. If this is something you can assist with, please indicate on your child's registration form. If you have any questions regarding Out of School Sport please contact Brad Walters at brad.walters190@schools.sa.edu.au



Sports News continued

Out of School Soccer

It has been another successful season of soccer at the Hub with 3 teams taking to the field this year (U9's, U10's and Senior's). Again there was a great amount of growth made throughout the season with many students new to soccer this year. It was great to see all players having a go at various positions and supporting those who were new to the sport.

Thank you to Scott Fallowfield for another season of coordinating and coaching and ensuring the year went smoothly for all teams. Thanks to all our other amazing coaches who also generously gave up their time to run weekly training sessions and support our students on match-day. Scott Fallowfield (U9's), Anna Richards, Jayde Grava, Martin Grava (U10's), Logan and Leon Burgess (Senior's). Finally, thank you to Alicia Fallowfield in running the Sports Canteen for all home games bringing in much needed funds for the out of school soccer program.









PEDAL PRIX

Another big year of racing for the Hubcaps Pedal Prix team. This year we entered 3 trikes in the Australian HPV Super Series, 1 junior team (yr 5/6) and 2 senior teams (yr7,8,9 and yr10,11,12). The team competed in 4 races throughout the year; 2x Tailem Bend, 1x Victoria Park and 1x Murray Bridge (seniors only). Well done to all students involved in the Hubcaps Pedal Prix team for their commitment and team spirit throughout the year. Thank you to the families who supported their child and the pedal prix programme.

Finally, a big thankyou to our coordinator's Adam Stone and Paul Clarke.

There is a huge amount of work that goes on behind the scenes (not just on race-day) to ensure the team and bikes are prepared for each race. I know I can speak on behalf of all families and students in that we greatly appreciate the countless time and effort that you have both put in to ensure a smooth and successful season again.

Brad Walters Student Wellbeing Leader Health & PE Teacher















COMMUNITY NEWS





IGNITE Information Night

Thursday 28th September 6:30pm

ABERFOYLE PARK HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR FLOOR

IGNITE is a year 7–10 learning program catered to the needs of gifted young people.

The program provides dynamic learning opportunities, in a safe, supportive environment.

This evening will provide information about the program, and the application process for families looking to register for IGNITE for Year 7 in 2025.

Year 7 2025

REGISTER YOUR INTEREST BY EMAILING APHS.IGNITE447@SCHOOLS.SA.EDU.AU

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Respect, Care & Compassion, Honesty

acknowledge the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people as the Traditional Owners of this country throughout Australia and their connection to land and community. I pay my respects to their Cultures and to the Elders both past and present.







From Sam Tuff the OSHC Director

The October Vacation Care Program registration forms are closed as of Monday 25th September.

We are looking forward to this SPRING Vacation Care program.

Thank you again to all of our families for the continual support of our OSHC, we are very appreciative of the numerous donations of games, condiments, snacks, paper towel, can recycling, electrical goods and craft needs.

Please don't hesitate to contact OSHC with any queries, by calling in to talk to our staff, by phone: 8370 4500 or on our Mobile: 0401 121 644.

Any late bookings received after 25th September will be put on a waiting list. This does not guarantee automatic attendance.





