



# HUB NEWS

Aberfoyle Hub Primary School Parent and Caregiver Newsletter

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## From the Principal by Sarah Magnusson

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Our recent pupil free day was spent with Dr Sarah McDonagh continuing on with our learning on reading. During the day student achievement and growth across was acknowledged and celebrated. Time was also spent for consolidation of our teaching and learning in reading fluency, daily reviews and reading groups. Student engagement strategies were also reviewed to ensure students are actively engaged during these lessons. This year's area of focus is to look at further strategies to increase reading comprehension with our students. Dr Sarah McDonagh spoke to us about the importance of increasing general knowledge, vocabulary and fluency within our reading fluency, reading instruction groups and daily review lessons. Teachers will be including reading passages and vocabulary related to topics within other subject areas being taught.

### ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT and AGM

Thank you for those families who were able to attend our Acquaintance Night and AGM Tuesday 18th February. We acknowledge that not all families were able to attend the new date at such short notice (due to the extreme hot weather). Despite the small numbers in attendance, it was a great opportunity to meet your child/rens teacher and visit their classroom.

### 2025 GOVERNING COUNCIL

Our Governing Council Members and Officer Bearers for this year are:

Chairperson - Allyson Williams

Deputy Chairperson - Kristy Chapman

Secretary - Sarah Sutherland

Treasurer - Dan Golding

Members - Sarah Shiel, Aaron Kilpatrick, Sophie Smith; Lucy T and Carter B (SRC Reps); Sarah Magnusson (Principal); and Term 1 Kate Zampogna, Term 2 & Term 3 Amanda Allen, Term 4 Karen Wissell (Staff Reps).

Governing Council has the following committees that meet each term and if you are interested in joining any of these committees you are most welcome. Please contact me and I can provide further details as needed.

### 2025 Committees and Convenors:

- Finance Advisory Committee - Dan Golding
- Out of School Sports - Sarah Sutherland
- Fundraising Committee - Sophie Smith
- Grounds and Facilities Committee - Dan Golding
- Out of School Hours Care Committee - Sarah Shiel

### 2025 Student Representatives (SRC):

Our Yr 6 leaders for this year are:

#### SRC Executive:

- Lacey T
- Carter B

#### House Captain's:

- Zara C (Warrakilla)
- Lucas B (Sauerbier)
- Lenie R-E (Appleton)
- Archer G (Nicolle)

#### PA Crew:

- Edison K
- Lincoln C

#### SRC Class Representatives:

- Rm 14 - Austin P & Anaaya N
- Rm 16 - Willow H & Amali R
- Rm 10 - Zaliah H & Alex S
- Rm 9 - Hunter R & Ella M
- Rm 5/6 - Harvey M & Akeela R
- Rm 1 - Theo M & Calvin T
- Rm 2 - Mae S & Rory G
- Rm 18 - Frankie G & Hayden F
- Rm 19 - Claire C & Samuel R
- Rm 21 - Trinity C & Shafia N

Congratulations to all of our leaders and class reps on their appointment for 2025. We look forward to the positive changes and initiatives you will all make in our school community this year.

# save the date



## TERM 1 MARCH

Wednesday 12th  
NAPLAN begins

Friday 21st  
Harmony Day  
Ride to School Day

Tuesday 25th  
Flapjacks with Families

Monday 31st  
Student Led Conferences begin

## APRIL

Tuesday 1st April  
SRC exec GRIP Conference

Friday 4th  
Rm 1, 2 & 9 Excursion

Friday 11th  
Last Day of Term - EARLY DISMISSAL  
2.30pm



## Term 2 Commences

Monday 28th April

## MAY

Friday 16th  
National Walk to school day

Monday 19th  
Volunteers Week

Monday 26th  
National Sorry day - Reconciliation week

## JULY

Wednesday 2nd - Reports go home

Friday 4th  
Last Day of Term

## 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

### ASSEMBLIES TERM 1

We meet every fortnight Friday mornings in the Hall. Everyone welcome. The schedule is also available on Class Dojo.

- Week 8 Theme Harmony Day Host SRC exec, Sharing Room 1
- Week 10 Host Room 14, Sharing Room 9/Room 18

### STUDENT LED CONFERENCES

Student led conferences of up to 15 minutes duration will be held during Weeks 10 of this term. (Class teachers will be sending out interview time slot request forms soon.) Student Led Conferences will be held from Monday 31st March to Monday 7th April. Tuesday, April 1st will be the common night in which all staff will be available for appointments upon requests. This is inclusive of our Specialist Teachers - Helen Nicholas, Rachael Mitchell and Brad Walters will be available for appointments upon request on this night.

### EMS TRANSITION

Our school administration and finance system is being updated in the coming weeks.

All Department for Education Schools are transitioning to a brand-new system - Education Management System (EMS), replacing the current EDSAS system.

Over 200 schools across South Australia have already transitioned and our school staff have been undergoing training over the past few weeks in readiness for the transition at Aberfoyle Hub Primary School. What does this mean for our community? Due to the transition to EMS, you have not received your Material & Services Fee for 2025. Extra time will be added to the due date once the transition has occurred. Invoices will be sent home in end of this term, however, if you are eligible for school card, you can submit your application online at any time. School Card must be applied for every year.

There will also be some disruptions over the coming weeks that may delay some administrative and finance tasks. We will do everything we can to keep this to a minimum. From Monday 17th March, the finance system will start the transition to EMS. This will run from 21/03/2025 to 24/03/2025.

During this period, *no financial transactions can be processed*. Then from 4pm Thursday 20th March until our 'go live' day of the 24/3/2025 the administration system will be 'frozen' for any new transactions, meaning our school admin team will have limited access.

We ask for your patience moving forward, firstly with the transition periods as listed and then with our team learning the new system.

Ngaityalya (Kurna, thank you)  
Kind Regards,



Sarah Magnusson  
Principal

High expectations  
United  
communities and  
Building bright  
futures together.



# general reminders

## SCHOOL FEES

### Materials and Services Charge

Tax Invoices for the 2025 Materials and Services Charge will be distributed to families (via class teachers to students). The package includes an invoice, an information letter and an agreement form for payment by instalments.

Payments by instalments form is optional for those who prefer to pay in smaller amounts. Please contact us if you do not receive the package from your child or if you'd like to speak to us regarding payment plans/difficulties.

Families who still have outstanding fees for 2024 will soon receive soon a Final Notice. *The fees are legally recoverable and will be forward to the Dept. for Education Debt Recovery Unit.*

**Please note:** A new school card application must be submitted every year.

### School Card Online Facility

2025 School Card applications can be submitted online using the link below or paper copies are available from Front Office.

School Card information is available at: <http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>.

Income eligibility limits for school card approval can be found in the 2025 information letter/invoice or via the above link.



Chris Godden  
**Business Manager**



LET'S CLEAN UP

2025

# AUSTRALIA SCHOOLS CLEAN UP DAY



Last Friday (28/02/25) all classes were busy cleaning up our school yard, Thalassa Park and our surrounding neighborhood as part of Clean Up Australia Day.

The students at Aberfoyle Hub Primary School understand the importance of looking after the environment and ensuring that, where possible, certain items can also be recycled



### Hub Playgroup

Fridays Week 2 – Week 11, Term 1 at  
Aberfoyle Hub Pre-School, Taylors Rd.

9am -10.30 am Come and explore with your child. Cost \$40 for the term (\$5 per session).

Weekly sessions are run by Hub SSO Marlene, with the support from Hub Teacher Larissa Stella, Leadership Sarah Magnusson and Amanda Allen.

# COMMUNITY NEWS



## FLAPJACKS WITH FAMILIES

**Tuesday 25th of March**  
**8:00 - 8:50**  
**on the netball courts**

*Enjoy a flapjack breakfast with your family before school*  
*\* All students onsite before 8:30am must be accompanied by a parent/guardian \**

**\$2 per flapjack**  
*(includes fruit topping)*

**Coffee Van onsite**

**Cash Only**

Please note more information to be shared by the Fundraising Committee soon via EdSmart



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