



HILLCREST PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Term 3, Week 4

14th August, 2025

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Acting Principal (Mon/Tues) & Dep. Principal:

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Assistant Principal:

OSHC Director:

Lissa Hutter

Simon Watts

Jess Quinn

Debbie Thorley

Reagan Fraser

RESPECT & RESPONSIBILITY

CARE & COMPASSION

HONESTY & TRUSTWORTHINESS

Diary Dates

11-15 August

Science Week

18-22 August

Book Week

21st August

Book Week
Parade

26th August

Turn Up Tuesday

Out Of Hours School Care:

0403 443 641

Before School Care:

7.00 - 8.30am

After School Care:

3.00 - 6.00pm

Vacation Care & Pupil Free

Days :

7.00am - 6.00pm

available from Monday to Friday

(closed public holidays)

Marni naa pudni...

Welcome,

We are just about to hit the halfway mark of the term. As I look at the term overview, it looks even more packed with events than the first half.

Wednesday, week 3, saw many of our staff and wonderful students compete in Wakakirri at the Norwood Town Hall. Miss Greenhalgh and her helpers (Miss Amy, Ms Eustice and Miss Ebony and 2 parent volunteers Rebecca and Jemma from Room 9) did an outstanding job with choreography, rehearsals, costumes, music and public speaking practice and I know our students were very grateful to have such great support. You can read more about this exciting evening inside this edition.

Last week we took occupancy of our new gym. By now, all students would have at least one lesson of PE in the gym. We are all extremely impressed with how it has turned out, especially Mr Marino. An official opening will be organised soon, and the community will be notified.

Week 5 is a special week in the school calendar, when we celebrate Book Week. **Just a reminder that this year's dress up and parade day is on Thursday, 21st of August at 9:30 am in the Hillcrest Primary School Gym.**

Over this term, we will start planning for 2026. It is really important to know if your child or children will continue their schooling with us so we can allocate any possible vacancies to children on our enrolment register.

We will be sending out a letter to parents and carers very soon to further help us with class organisation so keep an eye out for this. It will enable your child to nominate some (possible) friendship choices for next year for us to consider when we start creating classes.

Regards,
Simon Watts

*Ngadlu tampinhi ngadlu Kaurna
yartangka inparinhi*

We acknowledge and pay our respects to the Kaurna peoples, whose ancestral lands we gather on to teach and learn.

We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationship of the Kaurna peoples to Country. We respect and value their cultural beliefs and their past and present connection to the land.



WAKAKIRRI

2025



Last week we had 45 students from Years 4 – 6 attend the Wakakirri Story-Dance Festival at Norwood Concert Hall.

The students have been working on their performance since the start of the year. All of their hard work definitely paid off – they represented our school brilliantly and performed beautifully!

A shout out to the staff who were our backstage crew on the night, Miss Eustice, Miss Esther, Miss Amy and Miss Ebony and a huge shout out to our two wonderful parent volunteers Rebecca and Jemma (Room 9 parents).

– Miss G



OUR STORY:

Our Wakakirri story was called "Grit, Growth and a Girl Who Didn't Quit". A girl struggles with self-doubt until, through interactions with others, she builds the skills and confidence to climb from the learning pit. She embraces a positive growth mindset as her uncertainty eventually fades away.



OUR FEEDBACK:

"A really strong cohesive work tonight! As artists we all go through these battles and it's really important to keep talking about them together. I really enjoyed the lead's stage presence that tied the story together. Well done!"

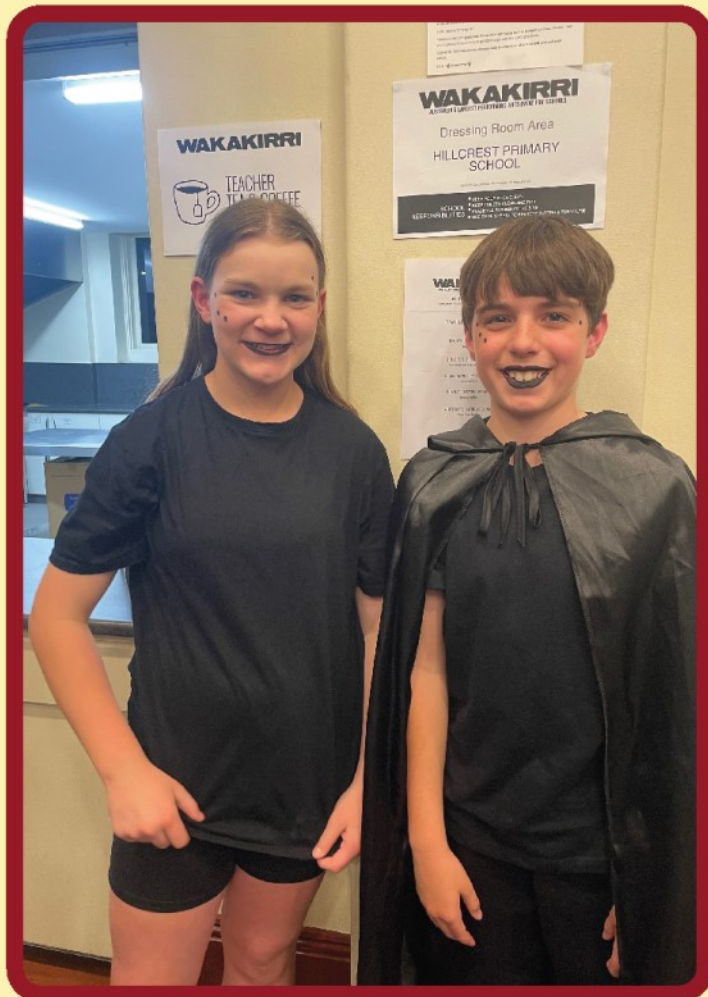
– Kate Burgess, Wakakirri Ambassador.



OUR SHOW AWARDS

Lead Cast Award for Performance in Dance
Storytelling Award for Strong use of Festival Motif
Creative Production Award for Lighting
Storytelling Award for Story Construction and Clarity
Production Award for Costumes





Autism Awareness with Mrs. Kelly



Strategies to support your child in building social skills may include:

Create a Safe Environment: Provide a comfortable and supportive space where your child feels safe to express themselves. Encourage open communication and listen to their feelings and thoughts.

Use Visual Supports: Visual aids, such as social stories and picture cards, can help your child understand social cues and appropriate responses.

Encourage Playdates: Organise playdates with peers in a structured environment.

Model Social Behaviour: Demonstrate positive social interactions in everyday situations. Show your child how to greet others, make eye contact, and use polite language.

Focus on Interests: Joining clubs or groups related to their hobbies can provide opportunities to connect with others who share similar passions.

Seek professional help: Speak to a psychologist, OT or behaviour therapist about social skills activities and groups.

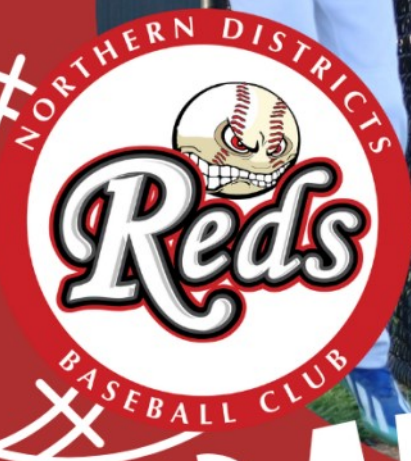
Celebrate Small Successes: Acknowledge and celebrate your child's progress, no matter how small. Positive reinforcement can boost their confidence and motivation to continue developing their social skills.

CAMPBELLTOWN
COMETS
NETTA CLINICS (2017 & 2018)
Wednesday 13TH, 20TH & 27TH
August
Emery Road courts,
Campbelltown
5.30-6.00pm

The poster features a black background with orange borders. It includes icons for a volleyball, a calendar, a location pin, and a clock. The text is in white and orange.

Growing for GOLD
27 SEP - 12 OCT 2025
Give sport a go for **FREE** these school holidays!
Visit: growingforgold.com.au or scan QR code
Proudly sponsored by:

The poster has a green and blue background. It features a circular photo of a young boy giving a thumbs up. A QR code is located on the right side. The text is in white and yellow.



COME & PLAY BASEBALL

About This Club

Northern Districts Baseball Club is looking for junior players ages 4 + to come and try our great sport with our wonderful family focussed club. Great way to learn some new skills and make some new friends



Northern Districts Baseball

Walkleys Park, Fairfax Rd, Ingle Farm SA



Register interest here

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Seniors 17+

Oct-Mar

Mens
Womens

Juniors 4+

Oct-Mar

Come & Trys every Sunday
from Aug 24th to Oct @ 1pm

Tball

Summer

Term 4 2025 & Term 1 2026
Fridays 5pm - 6pm

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