



MUNNO PARA PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER WEEK 6, TERM 1

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear MPPS Community,

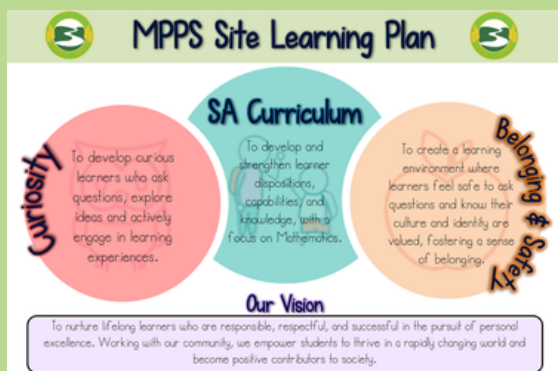
We have now reached the halfway point of the term, with several key events still ahead, including a Pupil Free Day, the Easter Egg Extravaganza, the Easter long weekend, and Sports Day. Before long, we will be heading into the school holidays.

Site Learning Plan

Staff have been continuing to engage deeply with our Site Learning Plan, with a particular focus on understanding and strengthening the dispositions for learning that support student success.

Alongside this work, teachers have been providing purposeful opportunities to develop curiosity in our learners. Across the school, teachers are creating learning experiences that invite students to investigate, wonder and think critically about the world around them. When students are curious, they become more engaged, motivated and willing to take risks in their learning.

We look forward to this continued work and the positive impact it will have on our learning community.



IMPORTANT DATES

Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
Monday 9/3

Pupil Free Day
Thursday 19/3

Year 6 Aquatics
Wednesday 25/3

Easter Public Holidays
Thursday 2/4 2pm Dismissal
Friday 3/4 and Monday 6/4

Sports Day/Last Day of Term
Friday 10/4

ASSEMBLY

Week 3, 6 and 9
2:10pm in the Gym

BELL TIMES

8:45am Teacher on duty in the yard
8:50am School day begins
10:50am Lunch play
11:20am End lunch play
1:00pm Recess play
1:20pm End recess play
3:00pm Home time

GATE TIMES

Front Gate:
Open 8:43am Close 9:15am
Open 2:55pm Close 3:15pm
Other Gates:
Open 8:43am Close 9:10am
Open 2:55pm Close 3:10pm



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Way2Go Bike Ed

Our Year 4/5 and 5/6 students have been actively participating in Bike Ed this term, learning important skills for safe and responsible riding.

Bike Ed helps students build confidence, understand road safety rules, and develop the skills needed to travel safely and independently in our local community. Students have shown great engagement and responsibility throughout the program.



Emu Crossing

We are pleased to share that the local council has confirmed plans to install an Emu Crossing during the Term 1 holidays. This crossing will significantly improve safety for students and families accessing the school by providing a clearly marked, designated crossing point, increasing driver awareness, and supporting safer pedestrian movement during busy school times.

We also sincerely thank members of our community who completed surveys and advocated with the council in support of this important safety initiative. Your voices and persistence have played a key role in achieving this positive outcome for our community.

Governing Council

I would like to introduce our governing council members Shane McCreight (chairperson), Candice Blayney (treasurer) Katrina Abrahams, Adizetu Momoh, Kylie Kempster and Clare Macdonald who generously volunteer their time to support the strategic direction and ongoing improvement of our school.

Our council works collaboratively to strengthen student outcomes, oversee key decisions, and ensure our community's voice is represented. We thank each member for their commitment and look forward to a productive and successful year together.

Early Departures

School finishes on Friday 11th April and we will be finishing off with our Sports Day. The day will be a whirl of colour, fun and laughter. Please be advised that as always on the last day of term, school finishes at 2pm.

Additionally, please note that on the Thursday before Easter Friday (2/4), school will also finish early at 2pm.



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NAPLAN

What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year. It is the only national assessment all Australian students have the opportunity to undertake. As students progress through their school years, it is important to check how well they are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy.

How can you support your child?

Students are not expected to study for NAPLAN. You can support your child by reassuring them that NAPLAN is a part of their school program and reminding them to simply do their best. Some explanation of NAPLAN is useful to help students understand and be comfortable with the format of the tests; however, it is not necessary for parents/carers to do this. Teachers will ensure students are familiar with the types of questions in the tests and will provide appropriate support and guidance.

Testing

Testing for this year's NAPLAN commences next week from Wednesday 12 March. NAPLAN coordinators and test administrators have been busy in the background completing training and developing resources for the successful implementation of NAPLAN. Good luck to all our NAPLAN participants this year, we are confident your years of schooling will have prepared you well for this challenge.

Best Regards,

Andrew Castenetto
Principal



PBL FOCUS FOR WEEKS 4,5,6

**We follow
instructions
of all adults**

Respect



**We ask
permission to
leave the learning
area**

Success



**We
communicate
appropriately to
each other**



ONE PLANS

At Munno Para Primary School, we want every child to get the support they need to do their best. One Plans are personalised learning plans developed for students who may benefit from individual goals and tailored strategies.

Students with disabilities, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students, children in care, and those with learning support needs, are supported with a One Plan. This helps make sure their strengths and needs are known, and that everyone is working together to help them grow at school.

Your child's teacher will write a draft of the One Plan. Then, you'll be invited to a meeting where the teacher will share the plan with you. At this meeting, you can talk about what's important for your child, share your ideas, and ask questions. Together, you'll refine the plan to ensure it reflects your child's needs and goals

At the end of the meeting, or afterwards if you want more time to think, you'll be asked to sign the plan to show you've been part of making it. You will also be given a copy of the final One Plan to keep.

We want to work together so every child feels supported and happy at school. If you have any questions about One Plans, please chat with your child's teacher.

Sarah Mellors
Deputy Principal



CONGRATULATIONS

Last year, all Year 5 and 6 students were given the opportunity to compete in The Governor's Civics Awards for Schools. The Governor's Civics Awards for Schools is a cross-sector initiative to develop student awareness and skills as active and informed citizens in a multicultural and democratic society. Leticia worked after school and at home in her own time to complete a written piece on a prominent South Australian figure. Leticia wrote about Don Dustan: A Politician Who Changed Australia. Leticia not only became a finalist, but she won the Governor's award. We would like to congratulate Leticia on such a phenomenal achievement and wish her all the best in her future HASS studies.

Nicole Mazzone
Year 6 teacher



MEET MR HUNTER – SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS AND COMMUNITY

My name is Mr Hunter, and I am delighted to be part of the leadership team here at Munno Para Primary School. Having been at the school for 17 years, I am deeply committed to our community and passionate about supporting student wellbeing and creating an environment where every child can be an effective, confident learner. Working closely with staff, students, and families, I strive to make sure wellbeing is a priority both in the classroom and throughout our school community.

I am passionate about fostering positive relationships, building resilience, and helping students develop skills for lifelong learning. Whether it's through our wellbeing initiatives, behaviour support programs, or connecting with students and families each day, my goal is to help every child thrive.

This year, my main focus is on strengthening relationships with families and students. I also oversee 'The Zone', our Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) program and the 'Zones of Regulation', and I am working to build our students' use of curiosity to make them effective learners. Alongside these responsibilities, I manage our school volunteers and fundraising, and work closely with vulnerable learners. I work alongside Nick, our fantastic Pastoral Care Worker.

Outside of school, I enjoy going to the footy (Go CROWS!), relaxing with some K.F.C, and spending time with my beautiful family and our pug.

If we haven't met yet, please feel free to say hello in the yard—I look forward to connecting with you soon. If you're interested in volunteering or supporting our school programs, please reach out. We're always happy to welcome new faces to our Munno Para community.

Looking forward to meeting you,
Ryan Hunter
Senior Leader for Wellbeing and Inclusion



AUNTY GLENICE

Hello everyone, my name is Aunty Glenice and I am the ACEO here at Munno Para Primary School. I am a proud Narungga/Kurna woman. I have worked here for 12 years supporting our First Nations students in many ways. I enjoy working alongside the teachers to develop our students' knowledge of First Nations people. I work with our families and school community to provide support in many different ways. I also work with Mrs Shields, our AET, to provide programs such as Yaitya Tirkanthi and Malpa.

I run playgroup on a Friday morning, where anyone is invited to come along and have some fun. We go on excursions, do arts and crafts, and sings lots of songs and read stories. You can find me in the front office working alongside the admin team.



PE NEWS

It has been wonderful to see all students return to PE lessons with such enthusiasm and positive energy!

In recent weeks, students have been developing their fundamental movement skills, with a focus on jumping, landing and running as we prepare for Sports Day later this term. It has been fantastic to see their effort.

In other exciting news, students from K Block and D Block have been participating in our Lunchtime Tower Defence competition. This dodgeball-style game involves teams working together to knock down towers built from hula hoops. The sportsmanship, teamwork and encouragement on display have been outstanding, and students are thoroughly enjoying the competition.

A few reminders:

- All students must wear a hat for outdoor PE lessons.
- If your child is injured or unable to participate, please notify me via ClassDojo or provide a written note.
- Students must wear appropriate footwear (closed-toe sports shoes) to ensure safety during PE activities.

For our Year 5 and Year 6 students and families, please keep an eye on ClassDojo for information about upcoming SAPSASA district sports trials throughout the year. These trials take place after school at various venues. If your child is interested, they are welcome to speak with me (Mr Barnett) for more information.

I'm looking forward to another fantastic term of learning, movement and fun in PE!

Kind regards,
Mr Barnett
PE Teacher



KIDS TAEKWONDO

A Place to Belong, Grow, and Shine

Every child deserves a space where they feel confident, capable, and proud of who they're becoming.

Our Taekwondo program gives students in Years 1-6 exactly that — a safe, structured community where they learn resilience, respect, and the joy of steady progress.

What we offer:

- A welcoming start for children from age 5
- A positive anti-bullying & self-defence program
- Non-contact training that builds focus & discipline
- Qualified, WWCC-cleared instructors who understand kids
- Sports Voucher approved – Value \$200
- A pathway into an Olympic sport

We'd love to welcome your child into our Taekwondo community.

Email: info@worldtaekwondo.com.au Phone: 0412 909 500

Website: www.worldtaekwondo.com.au Sports Voucher Approved Provider



**Westbourne Park
Richmond**

AUSKICK

We're excited to once again host the Munno Para PS Auskick Centre! Auskick is a fantastic way for children to build confidence, develop fundamental movement skills and enjoy learning the game of AFL in a fun and supportive environment.

Sessions run on Mondays from 3:15pm – 4:00pm. Please see the flyer for registration details and information about using the ORSR Sports Voucher.

Important Supervision Reminder:

Children participating in Auskick must be supervised by a parent or caregiver. From 3:00pm to 3:15pm, school staff and Auskick staff will be setting up for the session and will not be providing direct supervision. We appreciate your support in ensuring students are supervised during this time.

We look forward to seeing lots of students involved and enjoying the fun!



nab AFL Auskick

GOOD CLEAN FUN

PLAY.AFL/AUSKICK

MUNNO PARA PS AUSKICK CENTRE

Starts Monday 4th of May
3:15pm - 4pm

Joshua.Ladegourdie@sanfl.com.au

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER
FOR FREE WITH THE ORSR
SPORTS VOUCHER

ALL GIRLS GROUPS AVAILABLE

ALL PARTICIPANTS RECIEVE

AFL Superkick

ANYBUDDY CAN PLAY

PLAY.AFL/SUPERKICK

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SMASH SERIES IS HERE!

**A NEW, FUN FILLED, ALL ACTION WAY
TO ENJOY CRICKET WITH FRIENDS!
60 MINUTES OF FAST, SOCIAL, MIXED
GENDER, CRICKET FOR EVERYONE.**



VENUE: Victoria Park (Park 16)

WHEN: Wednesdays: 4, 11, 18, 25 March

COST: Only \$40 for all 4 sessions

REGISTER: Scan the QR code

SESSION TIMES:

- **AGES 9-12:** 4:30pm – 5:30pm
- **AGES 13-17:** 5:45pm – 6:45pm
- **AGES 18+:** 5:45pm – 6:45pm

NO SPECIAL GEAR NEEDED! JUST REGISTER, TURN UP AND PLAY!

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Vacation Care| 13 April–24 April

WEEK 1

Monday
13 April

In-House Teddy Bear Picnic



Pack your teddy and come play! Our Teddy Bear Picnic features games, crafts, activities, and plenty of bear-y fun for everyone.

Outcomes: 1, 4, 5

Tuesday
14 April

Excursion A Day At The Movies



We are off to the cinemas to see the adventures of Goat. Your never too small to dream big. Popcorn and drink provided Depart: 10:00am Return: 1:00pm Transport: Private Bus

Outcomes: 1, 3, 4

Wednesday
15 April

In-House Bubbles, Shells and Mermaid Tales



Outcomes: 1, 3, 5

Thursday
16 April

Excursion Crows Nest



Play footy games with the experts, tour the Crows training grounds and get a free membership, with 4 game passes! Depart: 12:00pm Returns: 4:00pm Transport Private bus

Outcomes: 1, 2, 4, 5

Friday
17 April

In-House Grand Prix



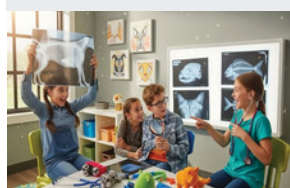
Race the day away with team challenges and time trials using your very own race cars to take home! Build a racetrack in the OSHC room, everyone can design a section to create our very own YMCA course.

Outcomes: 1, 2, 3

WEEK 2

Monday
20 April

In-House Paws And Claws

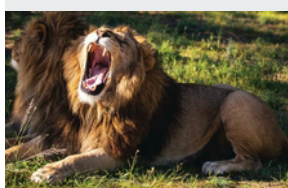


Today the OSHC will turn into a vet clinic. Bring in your Teddy so we can give them a check-up. We will also make our own vet ID badges and medical charts.

Outcomes: 1, 3, 5

Tuesday
21 April

Excursion Adelaide Zoo



Visit the animals, have a play on their giant playground and a scavenger hunt at the zoo. Depart: 9:00am Return: 2:00pm Transport: Private Bus

Outcomes: 1, 4, 5

Wednesday
22 April

In-House Magic Kingdom Adventure

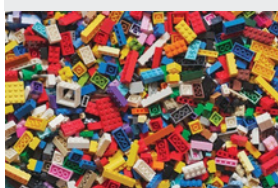


Come dressed as your favourite Disney character and get ready to meet a special guest, who could it be? Enjoy a magical day with a dance party, Disney themed quiz, and creative crafts.

1, 3, 5

Thursday
23 April

In-House Learn With Bricks



Build, create, and let your imagination run wild with LEGO bricks! The fun continues with LEGO themed crafts and hands-on activities throughout the day.

Outcomes: 1, 2, 5

Friday
24 April

Excursion Port Adelaide Maritime Museum



Come and visit Port Adelaide today to explore and learn about Maritime history. Depart: 10:30am Return: 2:00pm Transport: Private Bus

Outcomes: 1, 2, 5



Book your session via the Xplor Home App
Visit sa.ymca.org.au/OSHC for more information

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OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Munno Para OSHC

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

WHAT IS INCLUDED

Breakfast and afternoon tea will be provided. Programmed activities including excursions, incursions and in-house activities.

WHAT TO BRING

YMCA OSHC promotes a healthy eating environment and encourages families to provide their children with a healthy assortment of food to bring for recess, and lunch. As well as healthy brain food and a water bottle every day.

FEES AND CANCELLATIONS

All bookings must be received by Monday 30 March to avoid a \$3 casual fee. Cancellations must be made two weeks prior to the date of the requested care to avoid payment. By making a booking you are agreeing to pay the fees through your direct debit account in addition to normal OSHC bookings. Please review our terms and conditions online for our fee and policy information.

EXCURSIONS

Please make sure you arrive at the service at least 30 minutes before the bus departure. Please make sure you sign the Excursion Authorisation when you sign your children into OSHC for that day. While bus drivers in SA are exempt from ensuring passengers under 16 years are restrained, YMCA will make every effort to ensure the safety of all children by using seatbelts that are supplied and be guided by our policies and transport risk assessments.

Learning outcomes:



OUTCOME 1

Children and young people have a strong sense of identity



OUTCOME 2

Children and young people are connected and contribute to their world



OUTCOME 3

Children and young people have a strong sense of wellbeing



OUTCOME 4

Children and young people are confident and involved learners



OUTCOME 5

Children and young people are effective communicators



Book your session via the Xplor Home App

Visit sa.ymca.org.au/OSHC for more information

OSHC CUSTOMER SUPPORT INFORMATION

Our friendly Customer Support team is here to support you every step of the way, from enquiries and enrolments to bookings and accounts.

CONTACT DETAILS

E oshc@ymcasa.org.au
P 8200 2516

OPERATIONAL HOURS

9:00am – 5:00pm



SUN SMART POLICY

Sun Smart guidelines are followed so please ensure children are in appropriate clothing and no singlets or thongs. Sunscreen is provided but if your child is sensitive to sunscreen, please bring your own.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Please note that we are a nut-aware service and ask that you do not bring food that contain nut products. Handheld electronics and smart watches are not permitted at the centre. We welcome feedback and suggestions at any time, please see your centre staff. Programmed activities are subject to change.

OPERATIONAL HOURS

OSHC will be open from 7:00am – 6:00pm, please sign in and out between these times.

DAILY FEES

In-house: \$65.70

*CCS Reduced fee: \$9.45 – \$34.65

Excursion and Incursion: \$86.60

*CCS Reduced fee: \$12.45 – \$45.65

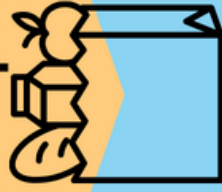
*Estimation of fees after subsidy is applied

Pop-Up Cafe

Join us from 3pm by the school
Canteen for:

Food & Drinks | Kid's activities | Chats & Company

Thursday
26th February
12th March
26th March
9th April



Community Pantry
3 items for \$2

Children to be accompanied by a adult
Supported by



COME JOIN US! PLAYGROUND POP-UP

DROP IN FOR A FEW MINUTES OR STAY AND PLAY.
EVERYONE IS WELCOME!



Playford
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transforming futures

Adelaide
University

WHO ARE WE

Hello! We're Rowan and Sophie, and we are 4th year Occupational Therapy (OT) students from Adelaide University. We are currently undertaking a community project with Playford Uniting Church (PUC).



PURPOSE OF EVENT

The purpose of this event is to create a relaxed and welcoming space where children and families can play, connect, and enjoy time together during pick-up time.

Upcoming dates

5th March, 19th March, 2nd April

Time

Thursday, 3PM-4 PM

Location

Munno Para Kindergarten -
Karinga Playground

WHAT TO EXPECT

Free play:

- Active play and movement
- Hands-on activities
- Relaxed seating for parents and carers

