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Integrity

Excellence

Community

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**16th September
2026**

DIARY DATES

21-9-26

Governing Council
Meeting. 7pm

22-9-26

School Assembly

26-9-26

End of term

School finishes
1 hour earlier.

12-10-26

Term 4 Begins

Congratulations to the A Grade footy on their back-to-back premiership on the weekend. An outstanding achievement.

It was with great sadness that we learned of the sudden passing of Mr Murray Adams on the weekend. Murray was a valued member of our school community for several years and will be greatly missed. Our condolences go out to Alana, Drew and Tjalari and their families at this difficult time.

Thank you to the parents that were able to book a time to come in to speak with their child/ren's teachers. This is a great opportunity to touch base on how your child is tracking for end of year reporting. If you were unable to make it in on the scheduled days, please reach out to your child's teacher and book a mutually convenient time to meet.

Children's Uni members had a session with our local CU rep last week, gaining time for their passports. Can all CU members please bring their passports into school so hours can be added to their passports and we can support students to complete enough hours to graduate next term? Our Graduation Ceremony will be in Port Lincoln this year on Thursday 3rd December. Invitations will be distributed next term.

We will have a whole school assembly to finish up the term on Tuesday 22nd September. We hope families can come along. The assembly will be hosted by the Year 5/6/7/8 class.

Our next Governing Council meeting is scheduled for Monday 21st September (Week 10) at 7pm.

The last day of term next Friday will finish one hour earlier, with buses running one hour earlier in the afternoon. It has been a super busy term so I hope everyone is able to have a great, relaxing holiday before the rush of harvest is upon us!

Have a great week,

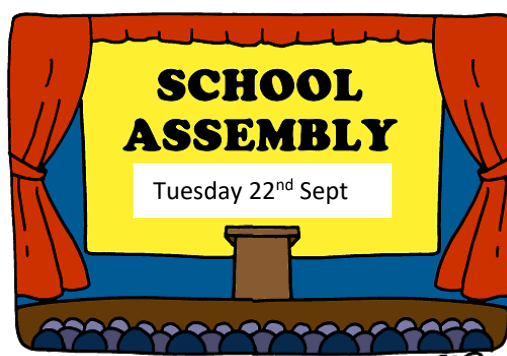
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Materials and services charge

Information sheet for R–12 school families

The State Government has committed to removing universal materials and services charges from 2027 as part of its cost-of-living measures for South Australian families. Schools will not lose under this policy. This initiative will be funded by the State Government and your school will be provided with the funding that it would have received through the universal materials and services charge. Your school will also continue to receive funding to meet the needs of students and to staff classrooms.

Legislative changes are still required before the new arrangements can take effect. This information is provided to support families to plan for 2027.

Families will not be required to pay the universal materials and services charge, however your school will be able to continue to set fees to recover costs for those individual subjects that form part of your school's curriculum that are optional for students/families to choose from. For these schools, subject choice continues to be an important aspect of the curriculum offering and these fees will not include core costs, which will continue to be funded by government, for example teacher salaries.

School card information for secondary school students

Secondary school families should continue to apply for the school card program, where eligibility provides assistance with other school related costs, like free devices for year 7 and 10 school card eligible students and where optional or specialist subjects are chosen.

School card information for primary school students

The initiative will avoid the need for primary school families to apply for school card and this will reduce administrative burden for families and the school.

Families will continue to pay for items such as uniforms, digital devices and optional excursions, as has always been the case.

Please note that the discontinuation of the universal materials and services charge applies with effect from the 2027 school year. Any outstanding charges should continue to be paid, and your school can work with you if there are any issues.

This initiative does not apply to international or non-resident students and separate advice will be provided in due course.

The focus of this policy is for schools. The current fee arrangements for preschools will continue.

Should you have any queries regarding the information provided, please contact the department on 1800 088 158 (free call).

The K/R/1s went to the Ambulance Station to help clean the ambulance van. This was part of the R/1 learning expedition, focused on learning about volunteers and the important roles they play in our community. For the Kindy we were engaging with our wider community. On our walk, we also saw a police car drive past, and the officer kindly showed us the lights on the car, which was very exciting.



Dads Day Morning



- Thanks to all the dads who came into the classroom. The children had the best time!

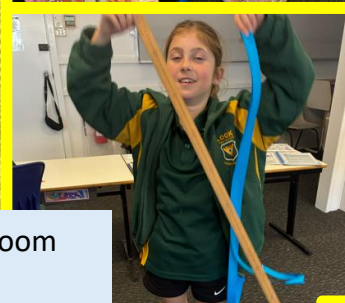


CREATIVITY – puppet and gift making



MATHS – Measuring and sequencing our measurements on a number line.

YEAR 2/3/4 NEWS



MATHS – Measuring classroom items and recording our measurements on post it notes.



MATHS – Striving to achieve our Multiplication outcomes

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OLIPHANT
SCIENCE AWARDS

Projects from this year are now on display in the library!



Final Reminder

20 Week Premier's Be Active sheets need to be returned to Bu Casey by early next week!

There are currently only 4 students who have brought them back, so check with your child if you are wanting to ensure that they are included.

Premier's
be active.
Challenge

Lock School Community Library

School Holiday Hours

Monday : **CLOSED**

Tuesday : **9am – 1pm, 1:30pm – 6pm**

Wednesday : **9am – 1pm, 1:30pm – 4:30pm**

Thursday : **CLOSED**

Friday : **9am – 1pm, 1:30pm – 3:30pm**



Jump Rope Challenges

THE RUNNING MAN HAS BEEN AT CENTRE STAGE THE LAST COUPLE OF WEEKS, WITH ALMOST ALL STUDENTS IN YEARS 2-8 PUTTING THEMSELVES TO THE TEST IN THE OFFICIAL COMPETITION.



Congratulations **Jesse**, who was able to do the running man for the longest.
Runners-up were Ziek, Layla, Lara and Reuben.

Well done also to all of the Reception and Year 1 students, who worked so hard in DPA times, trying to learn the running man.

There is one more week of Jump Rope fundraising online, so this is your child's final stretch of time in order to reach any goals that they have set for themselves!

THE FINAL BIG CHALLENGE THIS TERM IS TO MASTER THE MISS-A-LOOP WITH THE LONG ROPE. THE CHALLENGE IS TO SEE HOW MANY LOOPS YOU CAN DO (RUNNING IN AND OUT) BEFORE MAKING A MISTAKE WITH YOUR FRIENDS.

SCAN THE CODE TO SEE THE CHALLENGE VIDEO



eSafety *with Bu Casey*



Earlier this term, it was Bullying- No Way week. In response to this, students R-8 spent time looking at how to be kind online. This centred upon a digital game shared by the eSafety Commissioner, which built student's understanding of how to be safe online and what to do in different situations that they might come across.

R/1 students completed the game and unpacked each situation with Bu Casey as a class. 2/3/4s and the 5/6/7/8s completed the game at the same time and were able to work together, with the 2/3/4s filling in answers to questions on paper afterwards and the 5/6/7/8s creating digital reviews of the game looking at how well it taught about eSafety and its suitability for students.

Top tips for staying safe online, from 2/3/4 students

- Don't share personal information
- Don't trust everything online!
- Treat others respectfully



If you are interested in playing the game at home:

<https://www.esafety.gov.au/esafetyrelics>





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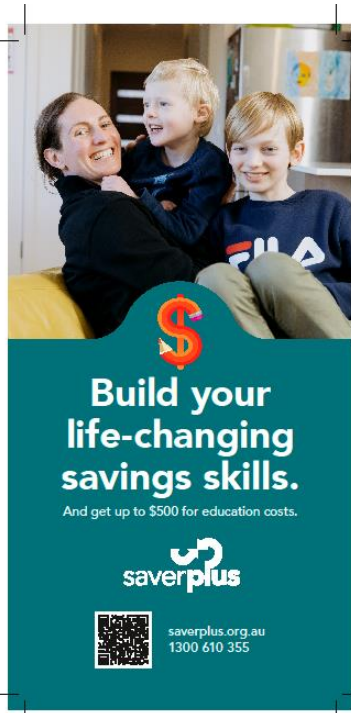
PLEASE HAVE ALL ORDERS IN BY **9AM 21ST SEPTEMBER**
EMAIL TO JODIE.THOMPSON298@SCHOOLS.SA.EDU.AU
OR DROP ORDER FORM TO FRONT DESK.
ORDER COLLECTION FROM LOCK AREA SCHOOL
THURSDAY 24TH SEPTEMBER 11-4PM
RETURN ORDER FORM WITH CASH OR EFT
LOCK AREA SCHOOL
BSB: 065 508 ACC: 1030 7342
PLEASE REFERENCE: "YOUR NAME FUNDRAISER"
WHEN MAKING PAYMENT.

NAME :

PHONE NUMBER:

DESCRIPTION	COST	HOW MANY OF EACH	TOTAL COST
COCKTAIL SAUSGE ROLLS (6 PACK)	\$11.50		
COCKTAIL PIE (6 PACK)	\$11.50		
COCKTAIL PASTY (6 PACK)	\$11.50		
COCKTAIL TOMATO / BACON QUICHE (6 PACK)	\$11.50		
PASTY SLICE	\$17.00		
PLAIN FINGER BUN (8 PACK)	\$10.50		
FRUIT FINGER BUN (8 PACK)	\$10:50		
WHITE LUNCH ROLLS (6 PACK)	\$8.00		
CARROT CAKE BAR	\$10.50		
LAMINGTON (8 PACK)	\$11.50		
CORNFLAKE COOKIES (6PACK)	\$9.50		
TOTAL			\$

TUMBY BAY BAKERY



SAVERPLUS

Saver Plus is a free financial education and matched savings program that helps eligible parents and carers build their financial confidence while saving for education-related expenses. Participants who complete the program can receive **up to \$500 in matched savings** to help cover costs such as uniforms, stationery, technology, books, camps, excursions, and other school-related needs.

While the matched savings are valuable, many participants tell us the greatest benefit is gaining practical skills and confidence to better manage their money and work towards future goals.

How families can get started.

Families can check their eligibility and submit an enquiry online via:

Saver Plus – Join Australia's longest running financial education and matched savings program

Alternatively, you can call **1300 610 355** to speak with a Saver Plus Coordinator.

LOCK OP SHOP ROSTER



OCTOBER

Tuesday 13th - Tara Jacobs
Tuesday 13th - Tracy Wedding
Tuesday 20th - Judy Wilson
Tuesday 27th - Gabby Zerk

Friday 2nd - Meryl Weetra
Friday 9th - Nita Kay
Friday 16th - Toni Sheridan
Friday 23rd - Jane Pearce
Friday 30th - Lisa Kammermann

NOVEMBER

Tuesday 3rd - Closed – Melbourne Cup Day
Tuesday 10th - Marilyn Kelly
Tuesday 17th - Nadine Pearce
Tuesday 24th - Sally Zacher

Friday 6th - Meryl Weetra
Friday 13th - Lyn Cummins
Friday 20th - Lynne Hentschke
Friday 27th - Anne Siviour

DECEMBER

Tuesday 1st - Kaye Holman
Tuesday 8th - Laura Wiseman

Friday 4th - Jacinta Young
Friday 11th - Di Habner

JANUARY – NO ROSTER

IF ANYONE IS AVAILABLE OR WANTS TO OPEN – YOU ARE MOST WELCOME

If you are unable to work on your rostered day, please arrange to swap with someone else & then alter the copy of the roster on the desk at the Op Shop, if possible, also post the change on the 'Lock Op Shop Roster Messenger Group'.

The key & cash box to be collected & returned to the library.



**Come & Try
Little Athletics**
16th October 2026
4:30pm
Wudinna Area
School Oval

Ages 3-17

All Welcome

*Bring a water bottle & running shoes 🏃🏃

Free sausage sizzle after events

PIC•COLLAGE

Little Athletics SA is bringing a **FREE** athletics course to the Wudinna and Central Eyre Region **this October!**

Whether you're a parent, teacher, pre-school educator, Little Athletics volunteer or coach from another sport, there's an opportunity to learn new skills and build your confidence in supporting children to develop their fundamental movement skills and athletic ability.

Thanks to funding from the Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing, these courses are completely **FREE** for members of the Wudinna and Central Eyre community.

Introduction to Teaching Little Athletics Skills

ITLAS

The Building Blocks of All Sports:
Learn how to coach athletics



Date - Sunday 25 October
Time - 10am - 4pm
Location - Wudinna Area School Oval

SCAN TO REGISTER



Cost - FREE

Government of South Australia
Office for Recreation, Sport and Racing

STRIVE

Leadership & Development Program

Little Athletics is a community sport program for kids aged 3-17 that focuses on fun, fitness and developing athletics skills through running, jumping & throwing. We are a welcoming, community-focused sport where young people grow their confidence and teamwork.



LEARN. LEAD. GET RECOGNISED.



Love sport?
STRIVE gives students the chance to step behind the scenes in Little Athletics, helping deliver events and programs while being part of a real sports community.

As a STRIVE participant, you can:

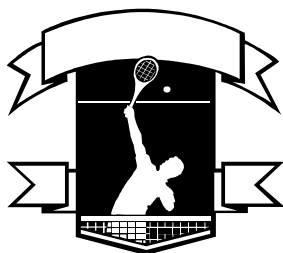
- Earn SACE points to finish school
- Build skills in coaching & officiating
- Gain state & national accreditations
- Develop leadership, communication & teamwork skills
- Represent a local club and/or Little Athletics South Australia
- No prior athletics experience needed - you will learn all you need to know!

Complete your STRIVE volunteer hours at:



For more information Contact: Development@salaa.org.au | (08) 83528133





LE HUNTE TENNIS ASSOCIATION INC



3rd September 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians

LeHunte Junior Tennis Competition 2026/27 - Registrations

We are seeking player registrations from juniors to play in the LeHunte Tennis Association's junior tennis competition normally held at the Wudinna Tennis Courts each Friday afternoon at 4pm **but, please be aware these courts will be upgraded and unavailable from 9th November for 4-5 weeks.** The coordinators will arrange alternative venue(s) during this time and travel will be required. Start date and venue locations will be noted in the programme. Juniors must be under 17 years of age as of 1st September 2026 to qualify.

Once numbers are finalised, coordinators will set teams (possibly 8 in each), based on ability. Tennis coaching is available at the following clubs:

Koongawa	Wednesday, tbc	Contact - Emma Frischke on 0429 817066
Kyancutta	Wednesday at 4:30	Contact - Wen Dolphin on 0427 802382
Warrambo	Wednesday at 4:30	Contact – Sue Stringer on 0439 510340
Yaninee	Tuesday at 4:30	Contact – Alanna Barns on 0408 815087
Practice is available at the following club:		
Wudinna	Wednesday, tbc	Contact – Cody Stringer on 0428 653127

If your child/children is/are interested please fill out the form and return to Wen Dolphin **STRICTLY by 5pm on Friday, 18th September 2026** by text to 0427 802382 or email bw.dolphin@bigpond.com. If you require additional information, please feel free to contact me or one of the other club contacts.

John Young, a tennis coach from Adelaide will be visiting during the holidays 26.9.26-10.10.26 to offer one-on-one coaching. His schedule can be found at the Wudinna Post Office.

My child / children is/are interested in playing in the LeHunte Tennis Association's Junior Competition in 2026/27.

Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Please tick the box that applies: Beginner ☐ Has played tennis ☐

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Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Please tick the box that applies: Beginner ☐ Has played tennis ☐

Parent Name: _____ Mobile Number: _____

Email address _____

Lock Recycling Centre

OPEN

Sunday - Monday

9am - 4pm

Closed public holidays

We will be closed on Sunday 25th and Monday 26th of October, also Sunday 1st and Monday 2nd of November, sorry for any inconvenience.

We're closed from the second Sunday in December through to the end of January



We also accept non deposit glass eg - jam jars, wine bottles

For more info phone:

0432283509

LOCK AQUATIC & FITNESS CENTRE

POOL OPENING DAY!

See you at the pool!

MONDAY

=12TH OCTOBER=

POOL OPENS FOR THE SEASON!

New memberships/renewal will only be accepted through the website
<https://www.lockaquafit.com.au/>
 Queries directed to Jacinta Young.

Swim Smart • Sun Smart • Summer starts here

LOCK STOCK & APPAREL

The Lock Op Shop will be having a Christmas Hamper(s) raffle which will be organised and packaged up during the school holidays.

If you would like to donate something **new**

Example - notepads, pens, drinks, Christmas decorations, food products (in use by date), toys, gardening, crafts etc. to go into the hampers, please drop item(s) off to the Lock School Community Library by Friday 25th September.



The K/R/1 class are looking for medium to large Jar donations. Picture for reference



We would greatly appreciate any donations. To help us manage quantities, please contact the school or speak with Miss Ryan or Miss Benc before bringing items in.



Term Planner – Term 3 & 4

Term 3 - 2026

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9	14/9 Interviews	15/9 Interviews	16/9	17/9	18/9
10	21/9 Governing Council Meeting. 7pm	22/9 Assembly	23/9	24/9 YR 2/3/4 Sleepover	25/9

Term 4 - 2026

1	12/10	13/10	14/10	15/10	16/10
2	19/10	20/10	21/10	22/10	23/10
3	26/10 STUDENT FREE DAY	27/10	28/10	29/10	30/10
4	2/11	3/11	4/11	5/11	6/11
5	9/11	10/11	11/11	12/11	13/11
6	16/11	17/11 YR 5/6 SAPSASA Cricket T20 @ Lock	18/11	19/11	20/11
7	23/11 Kindy	24/11	25/11	26/11	27/11
8	30/11 Kindy	1/12	2/12	3/12	4/12
9	7/12	8/12 Presentation Morning 9.30am – 11am	9/12	10/12	11/12