



Beachport Primary & Preschool Newsletter

Beachport Preschool



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DIARY DATES

TERM DATES 2025

TERM 1

28th Jan – 11th April

TERM 2

28th April – 4th July

TERM 3

21st July – 26th Sep

TERM 4

13th Oct – 12th Dec

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 9

Mon 23rd June

Governing Council

Wed 25th June

Assembly 9.00am

Lions Mad Minute

Thurs 26th June

Scrub School

Week 10

Wed 2nd July

Reports Home

Thurs 3rd July

Scrub School

Fri 4th July

PUPIL FREE DAY

Dear Families,

Thank you to the families who joined us for our assembly Wednesday, and provided feedback for future planning. This week we tried a different format, with classrooms open for a short period of time and families were invited to wander through, discuss learning with our children and participate in some games and activities. This format was received very positively, with a large amount of feedback to support assemblies being held like this in future. I was incredibly proud of our students who enthusiastically shared their learning, explaining what they had been doing with such pride.

This week our Governing Council members travelled to Millicent for our meeting, joined by Wattle Range Council CEO Ben Gower and Education Director Dr Ruth Schubert. Our discussions focused on our ongoing efforts to build a new school, and develop a facility that provides services that are desperately needed within our community, including childcare, early childhood education, public learning spaces and increased classroom spaces to cater for our growing school numbers. Ben Gower provided a tour of the new Council building, explaining to us some of the design decisions that were made to ensure their build catered for growth and changes that may be required in the future. Myself and Governing Council members have come away with more ideas for our vision – our next step is to create a concept plan that we can share with our community. Stay tuned!

Our students have been privileged this term to be involved in yoga sessions, led by Emma Slape. As we continue to explore the development of Effective Learners, self-regulation is an area that encompasses listening to our bodies, understanding emotions, supporting ourselves to regulate, focus and make choices that support positive wellbeing. A very big thank you goes to Emma, who donated her time on Fridays to run these sessions – the feedback from staff and students was incredibly positive.

A shout out also needs to go to our Parent Club, who organised another fabulous Quiz Night last weekend. This has become a date on our calendar that many look forward to, and it's fabulous to see it supported by families and community members from both Beachport and neighbouring communities. Thank you to all involved!

Looking forward, a quick reminder to parents that we have a Pupil Free Day on the last day of school – next Friday the 4th July. Our staff team will be exploring Learning Expeditions, and begin planning teaching and learning for term 3.

As we approach the holidays, I'm sure everyone is looking forward to some rest and relaxation. I wish everyone a lovely break, and look forward to seeing everyone back in Term 3!

Kind Regards,

Jess Herrewyn
Principal



INQUIRY LEARNING IN YEAR 1/2 — EXPLORING HISTORY





This term in Inquiry, the Year 1/2 students have been busy learning all about history. We've explored the concepts of past, present and future. We created a class timeline to help us understand changes in time. The students loved investigating objects and toys from the past, comparing them to the ones we use today. A highlight has been our family interviews, where students asked questions about what life was like when their family members were younger.

It's been a wonderful way to connect learning with home and to build a deeper understanding of how things have changed over time.

PHOTOS:

- Class timeline
- Family Interview
- Objects from the past

History Interview- Questions made by the 1/2 Class

Interviewer: Kass

Name: [REDACTED]

When were you born? 1946

Where did you live? Beachport

What was school like? fun strict teachers

What were phones like when you were a child?
do not know. we did not have one.

What did you do for work?
I worked in the office for the District Council of Beachport.

What was transport like?
I walked to school. Later I rode a bike. when I went to work I bought a small car.

What were TV's like?
DO NOT KNOW. did not have one until after I finished high school.

History Interview- Questions made by the 1/2 Class

Interviewer: xavier

Name: [REDACTED]

When were you born? victor harbor

Where did you live? mykPonga

What was school like?
it was fun

What were phones like when you were a child?
ther was no phones in til I was 16. it was a black rotary dial

What did you do for work?
Pharmacy assistant

What was transport like?
cars and buses and trains.

What were TV's like?
Black and white Picher. was a box



Uncle Doug



Local elder, Uncle Doug visited the Preschool and Reception children last Friday afternoon where he taught us about playing a didgeridoo, throwing a boomerang, fire sticks and various other Aboriginal items. We are extremely grateful to Uncle Doug for visiting us and sharing so many amazing artefacts.



Busy Bees

Middle Primary students spent the week making beeswax lip balm, soaps, bee hotels and started working on their bee friendly garden - this is a continuation on their learning expedition about protecting the bees in our community.

Thankyou to the volunteers who joined us to help out - Julie, Jeanie, Yoni, Graham, Matt and Robbie.





Year 3/4 Excursion



During Week 7, our Year 3/4 class travelled to Hatherleigh with Miss Rachel and Miss Hannah where they visited a property called Thyme Cottage.

They spent the day learning about beekeeping and plants that attract bees and other pollinators. They got to do a scavenger hunt in the gardens as well! It was a great day out.

Thankyou Selena for allowing us to visit your home and for your time!





On Wednesday this week, we hosted our first interactive Assembly. Families were able to walk through classrooms and take a look at students' work up close – which they loved!

A big well done to the recipients of the Class Awards!



SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

FULL THROTTLE IN WATTLE

WINTER 2025

JULY

WEEK 1

FRIDAY 4TH JULY

NAIDOC WEEK COMMUNITY KIDS EVENT

Millicent Public Library

Celebrate NAIDOC Week with a special kid's evening at the library! Enjoy a hands-on weaving workshop, where children can learn traditional techniques and create their own piece to take home. Then, settle in for the Nunga film screening of six educational clips showcasing stories that reflect and celebrate Aboriginal culture and community.

5:00pm - 6:15pm Weaving
6:15pm - 7:00pm Nunga Screening

All throughout Week 1, come join the fun at the Millicent Library. Jump on the craft table and help create a big, beautiful community Serpent art piece for NAIDOC WEEK!

MONDAY 7TH JULY

COME AND CUDDLE AUSTRALIAN BUSH BUDDIES

Rendelsham Hall.

Two sessions - 11:00am & 1:00pm. Bookings essential. Join Louise and Al for an unforgettable encounter with their furry, fluffy, and feathery friends! Discover the wonders of Australian wildlife in this fun and educational experience for all ages.

TUES 8TH JULY

COME AND CRAFT

Millicent Library

10:30am - 11:30am Decorate your very own Astronaut and Alien headbands. Get ready for take-off to space!
2:30pm - 3:30pm Wooden Boat & Story Diorama. Be inspired by 'Who Sank the Boat?' and create your very own mini wooden boat. Or recreate the storyline with a story diorama.

WEDNESDAY 9TH JULY

WACKY WEDNESDAY

Join our fabulous tourism staff for a crafty morning with multiple activities to choose from.

Beachport Information Centre, Branch Library

10:30am - 11:30am
Penola Information Centre
10:00am - 2:00pm

COME AND CRAFT

Millicent Public Library

10:30am - 11:30am Garden and Tiaras. Play with colours and create a garden with chalk drawing. Decorate a tiara to wear for the day.

2:30pm - 3:30pm Felt Animal Bookmarks. Create your very own animal bookmark to use in your next read.
2:00pm - 4:00pm Mario Kart Switch competition. Test your skills at our Mario Kart Switch Competition.

THURS 10TH APRIL

COME AND CRAFT

Millicent Public Library

10:30am - 11:30am Superhero Craft. Turn into your favourite superhero for a day and make a superhero mask or puppet.
2:30pm - 3:30pm Pokemon Creating. Fans come in and create your own Pokemon character and ball basket.

FRIDAY 11TH JULY

COME AND BE CURIOUS

Millicent Public Library

10:30am - 11:30am COME SEE WHACKY MAC THE MAGICIAN! Be entertained and enchanted at this family friendly show.
2:30pm - 3:30pm Dragon Art. Make your very own dragon or dragon headband.
4:00pm - 5:00pm Lego Club. Unleash your creativity and have fun building creations with Lego. Challenge yourself with new build ideas.

WEEK 2

TUESDAY 15TH JULY

COME AND LEARN CUBISM

Millicent Public Library

10:30AM - 11:30AM PAINT A PICASSO! Delve into the world of Cubism and emerge with a Picasso piece of your very own. An exciting workshop that will unleash your inner artist have you painting in ways you never imagined! Bookings essential. For ages 8+ years.
2:30pm - 3:30pm Create Airdried Clay Sea Animals Sand Art Sea Animals. Head out into the deep blue sea and create sea animals with clay and sand art.

WED 16TH JULY

COME AND CRAFT

Millicent Public Library

10:30am - 11:30am CARS CARS CARS. Build your own racetrack board game to play with family and friends these holidays, or decorate a wooden car diorama.
2:30pm - 3:30pm Green Sheep Puppets. Have you seen the green sheep? Create sheep puppets on popsticks and retell the storybook 'Where is the Green Sheep?' with family and friends.
2:00pm - 4:00pm Super Smash Bros Switch competition. Test your skills at our Super Smash Bros Switch Competition.

WEEK 2

WED 16TH JULY

WACKY WEDNESDAY

The tourism team are at it again creating a crafty morning with multiple activities for you to choose from.
Beachport Information Centre, Branch Library
10:30am - 11:30am
Penola Information Centre
10:00am - 2:00pm

COME AND TRY

Millicent Squash Club

Two sessions - 10:00am - 11:00am & 12:00pm - 1:00pm. Try your hand at Squash, Table Tennis & Racquetball. All abilities welcome, learn from the best. Snacks will be available to purchase from the kiosk. All equipment provided. Bookings essential.

THURSDAY 17TH JULY

COME AND CRAFT

Millicent Public Library

10:30am - 11:30am Pom Pom monsters. Based on the book 'The Colour Monster', create a PomPom monster and tablet to represent your feelings.
2:30PM - 3:30PM PAINT A PICASSO! Bookings essential (same as Tuesday 15 July).
2:30pm - 3:30pm Elmer the Elephant Painting. Paint your very own colourful Elmer.

FRIDAY 18TH JULY

COME AND CRAFT

Millicent Public Library

10:30am - 11:30am Wooden Bird & Bird Feeder. Connect with nature and create your very own wooden bird and bird feeder.
2:30pm - 3:30pm Caterpillar & Butterfly. If you love the famous 'Hungry Caterpillar', come along and make your own Caterpillar and Butterfly.
4:00pm - 5:00pm Lego Club. Unleash your creativity and have fun building creations with Lego. Challenge yourself with new build ideas.

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LET'S SKATE WEEKEND!

SATURDAY 19TH JULY

COME AND CARVE

Learn to Skate or Improve Your Skills. Join experienced Skate Park League & YMCA instructors. All ages and all abilities welcome!
Penola Skate Park 10:00pm - 12:00pm
Beachport Skate Park 2:00pm - 4:00pm

SUNDAY 20TH JULY

COME AND COMPETE

Skatepark Leagues Competition - Millicent Domain
Scoot - 10:00am, BMX - 11:30am, Skate - 1:00pm
All ages and abilities welcome!

REGISTER FOR SKATING HERE..



ALL SCHOOL HOLS

COME AND CREATE

Millicent Public Library

Explore and Have Fun at the Craft Tables. Craft tables will be set up all school holidays during Library hours for you to unleash all your crafty creativity!!

COME AND GET STAMPED

Bring your Children's University Passport along to any Library activity this school holidays to collect your stamp.

ALL EVENTS ARE FREE!

For library events, please call 8733 0903. For enquiries about other events, please email events@watterange.sa.gov.au. Participants must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

At WRC, our events are accessible and inclusive for all. If you have specific mobility or accessibility needs, please contact 08 8733 0900.

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Sunday 19th
October
2025



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