



# Swallowcliffe P-6

Be Safe, Be Kind, Work Hard



## Welcome to our Newsletter

Term 2, Week 9 2026



### Diary Dates

#### TERM 2

##### Week 9

Monday 22/6/26 –

Friday 26/6/26

Swimming Week



##### Week 10

Friday 3/7/26

Last Day of Term 2

2:00pm Early Dismissal



#### TERM 3

##### Week 1

Monday 20/7/26

First day of Term 3



**Reminder:**

Last day of term -

Friday 3rd July

2pm dismissal



### Principal's Message

Welcome to Week 9. We trust you are keeping warm in the winter months. This week many students are enjoying swimming lessons at the Aquadome.

#### Semester 1 Mid Year Report

In Week 10 all families will receive their child's semester 1 report. This provides you with an indication of your child's achievement and future growth points.

Please feel free to speak to your teacher for further information.

#### School Holiday Break (4th July - 19th July)

Following Week 10, we hope you enjoy the school holidays. Enjoy some warm sleep ins! Staff look forward too having you all back after the two week break. Term 3 begins on Monday 20th July.

*Penny Sweeney, Principal*

### Fire Truck Visit

B4R5 and B4R6 participated in a fire safety session run by the MFS. Students learnt how to be safe and use the fire hose. B4R4 and B4R7 are looking forward to their session early next term.



Swallowcliffe P-6 is committed to providing Quality Education.

Our Mission: To empower students to recognise and optimise their full learning potential through explicit teaching of;

✓ High Expectations ✓ Positive & Growth Mindset ✓ Relationships with Others

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## Real Schools

### Article 2: Stored Responses – Staying Calm When Things Get Tricky

Everyone has moments when things get a bit tense – at school and at home! One of the tools we use at Swallowcliffe Primary is called “stored responses.” This means having a simple, calm sentence ready for those tricky times. Instead of reacting with frustration, we use a planned response. For example, if a child interrupts, a teacher might say, “I listen when people put their hand up.” This helps keep things calm and shows children what’s expected.

Why does this help? When adults stay calm, children feel safer and are more likely to listen. Having a stored response stops us from saying something in the heat of the moment that we might regret later. It also keeps things fair and clear for everyone.

You can try this at home, too. Think of a sentence you can use when your child does something you don’t like, such as, “I need you to speak kindly to your brother;” or “I only listen when you use your quiet voice.” Using the same words each time helps children know what you expect, and it keeps things peaceful.

Together, we can help our children learn better ways to handle big feelings and tricky situations.

### Article 3: Positive Priming – Focusing on What We Want to See

At Swallowcliffe Primary, we believe in “positive priming.” This means we talk more about the behaviours we want to see, instead of the ones we don’t. For example, before going outside, a teacher might say, “I’m looking forward to seeing everyone playing safely;” instead of “Don’t run on the concrete.” This helps children picture the right behaviour in their minds.

Why does this work? When children hear what we want them to do, they are more likely to do it. It’s like giving them a little reminder of what success looks like. We’ve found that when we use positive priming, students are quicker to follow instructions and make good choices.

You can use this at home, too. Before a family meal, you might say, “I can’t wait to see everyone using their manners;” instead of “Don’t talk with your mouth full.” Before a car trip, try, “Let’s all use our quiet voices while we drive.”

These simple changes help your child know exactly what you’re hoping for.

Let’s encourage our children together by focusing on the positive – at school and at home.



## Preschool News

This year, our team has been undertaking responsive relationships training, focusing on how best to support children and families during key moments at preschool – including those important morning goodbyes. During our recent professional development day, educators reflected on some of the negotiated goodbye rituals we’ve been practising with families, and explored strategies that help children transition smoothly into preschool.

All families are warmly invited to participate in the negotiated goodbye process with an educator each morning. This approach is especially valuable for children who find drop-offs challenging, or for those who need extra support to reconnect with educators when feeling dysregulated. If you would like to begin a negotiated goodbye, please speak to any educator about choosing someone to assist you with drop-offs. We’re here to ensure every child feels safe, secure, and supported as they start their preschool day.

Our preschoolers have been thoroughly enjoying a variety of sensory materials and experiences recently! Water play has been a favourite, with children exploring tipping, pouring, mixing colours, washing babies, and more. These activities not only support learning and development but also bring lots of joy and excitement to our day.

As a reminder, please ensure your child brings a full change of clothes each day, as we have run out of spare items. If your child particularly enjoys water play, two sets of clothes may be needed to keep them comfortable and dry throughout the day.

We were thrilled to welcome firefighters from the Metropolitan Fire Service (MFS) for a special visit! Children learnt all about safe and unsafe fires, what to do in the event of a fire at home, and who to call for help – 000. The highlight of the visit was getting to spray the fire hose and explore the fire truck. It was an exciting and memorable experience for everyone. A big thank you to the MFS for making time to visit our preschool and share such important safety lessons.

**Swallowcliffe Preschool Team**



# JOIN US FOR A MORNING TEA!

WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE

9AM-10:30AM

HOPESTREET SOCIAL, DAVOREN PARK  
SHOPPING CENTRE

✦ FREE PAINT YOUR  
OWN POT  
ACTIVITY!

LIMITED  
NUMBERS  
AVAILABLE

✦ Come and meet **Jo and Natalie from the Child and Family Wellbeing Team at Playford Council** as we share information about local community services, supports, and programs available for children, young people, and families.

This will be a great opportunity to ask questions and meet other members of the community over a friendly morning tea

**NACYS**   
Northern Area Community  
and Youth Services

## Proudly hosted by:

Samson, Inclusion and Engagement officer,  
Nacy's

Sarah, Pastoral Care Worker, Swallowcliffe  
Primary School



# Creative Kids Calendar

This year, our R-2 students participated in the Anglicare SA 'What's Important to Me' Children's Art Project.

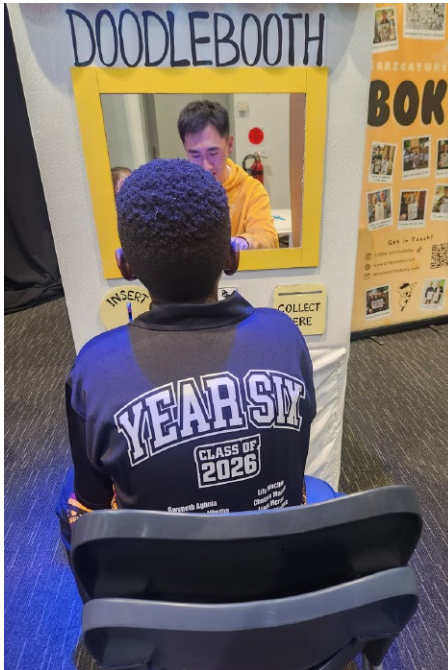
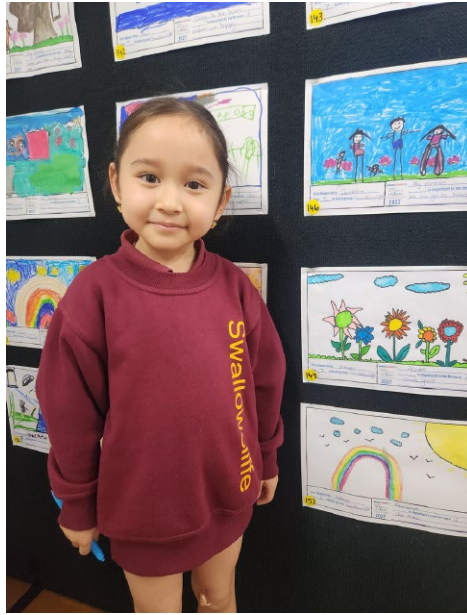
Inspired by the question 'What's important to me?' students created artwork, which is then displayed at the Creative Kids Art exhibition.

A vote is then held, with artwork receiving a high number of votes included in the annual 'money can't buy' Creative Kids Family Calendar.

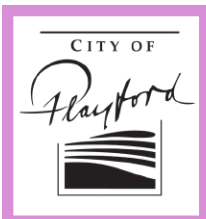
To celebrate, Anglicare hosts families of the artist for a night of fun. This year, students and families voted for their artwork, had their faces painted, posed for family photos in the photobooth, and had caricatures created right in front of their eyes!

Students were also given snacks, gourmet biscuits, and a stage to dance on.

Everybody had a great time. Thanks to Samantha Mullins for including our students, and to Anglicare for hosting the event.



Funded by the Australian Government Department of Social Services.  
 Visit [www.dss.gov.au](http://www.dss.gov.au) for more information.



# CHILD & FAMILY WELLBEING WINTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



## SENSORY SCIENCE DAY

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
10am - 11am | John McVeity Centre  
Come watch this Interactive Science Show! Experience Exploding Coke Bottles, Self Inflating Balloons, Lava Lamps and much more!  
Ages: 4 - 10 years  
**\$5** Bookings via Eventbrite

NEW

## LEARN TO PLAY BADMINTON

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
9:30am - 10:30am: Ages 5 - 8 years  
10:45am - 11:45am: Ages 9+  
Fun, beginner-friendly badminton sessions focused on building skills, confidence and learning the game!  
**\$2** Bookings via Eventbrite

## MAGGIE MOO

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
John McVeity Centre  
9am - 9.45am | 0-18 months  
10am - 10.45am | 18 mths - 4yrs  
An interactive music & movement session to support your child's development while having fun.  
**FREE** No bookings required.

## TREE TOTS - BUGS & SLUGS

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
10.30am - 11.30am  
The Precinct  
Discover the fascinating world of invertebrates and get up close with Bugs 'n' Slugs amazing collection of live bugs and creepy crawlies!  
**\$5** Bookings via Playford Library

## NAIDOC IN THE NORTH

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
10am - 2pm | John McVeity Centre  
Celebrate NAIDOC Week with a day of culture, connection and community. Enjoy live performances, cultural workshops, kids activities, community stalls and a free BBQ as we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.  
**FREE EVENT** Register your attendance here

## INFLATABLES DAY

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
Multiple Sessions | John McVeity Centre  
Bounce around the courts on a range of jumping castles and inflatables. A school holiday favourite filled with active fun, laughter and excitement for all different ages.  
Ages: 2 - 12 years  
**\$7** Bookings via Eventbrite

## CHEFS / MINI CHEFS CLUB

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
Two Sessions | John McVeity Centre  
9:30am - 11am | Mini Chefs Club - Ages: 4 - 8 years  
11:30am - 1pm | Junior Chefs Club - Ages: 9 - 15 years  
Join us for a School Holiday Cooking Program hosted by Stephen Curtis from Home Fresh cooking School.  
**\$10** Bookings via Eventbrite

## DINOSAUR SHOW

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
10am - 11.30am | John McVeity Centre  
Meet incredible live puppet dinosaurs as they stomp, roar and come to life in this interactive Dinosaur Experience!  
Ages: 2 - 12 years  
**\$5** Bookings via Eventbrite

## CREATE A CLAY BEE BOWL

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
10:00am - 12pm | The Precinct  
Join Belinda from Clay's Cool as we get creative with real clay to make Bee or Bird bowls and take for your own garden.  
Ages: 5 - 15 years  
**\$5** Bookings via Eventbrite

## LIL' MOVERS PLAY GYM

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
9:30am - 10:30am  
Lil' Movers is a semi-structured session for babies to explore their gross & fine motor skills through play with their parent/guardian!  
Ages: 0 - 4 years  
**\$7** No bookings required.

## TREE TOTS NATURE PLAY

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
10:30am - 12pm | The Precinct  
Join us and explore, create and play in the Precinct Community Garden with mud kitchen fun, cubby building, nature crafts and outdoor exploration!  
Ages: 3 - 12 years  
**\$5** Bookings via Playford Library

## BOOK READING & BASKETBALL CLINIC

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
10:00am - 12:00pm | John McVeity Centre  
Former Australian Olympian and Basketballer Brett Maher will be reading his new book - The Adventures of Jack Gibson, followed by a book signing, then basketball clinic  
Ages: 6 - 14 years  
**FREE** Bookings via Eventbrite

## PLAY GYM

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
9.30am - 10:30am | 6 months - 5yrs  
John McVeity Centre  
Join us with your littles to climb, run, crawl, ride, dance & jump around in our much loved Play Gym!  
**\$7** No bookings required.

## WINTER MARKET & MOVIE NIGHT

**Saturday July 18<sup>th</sup> 2026**  
Markets 3:00pm - 6:00pm | Movie Night 6.15pm - 8pm  
John McVeity Centre  
Our Winter Wonderland Market is back! Explore a range of market stalls, food trucks, jumping castles, face painting and winter-themed activities before settling in for our Winter Family Movie Night!  
**FREE** Movie Night bookings via Eventbrite.

## BORROW A BOARD GAME

Available all day, all holidays!  
John McVeity Centre  
Borrow a board game from the JMC team and challenge your friends and family to some fun and friendly competition!  
Ages: 4 - 15 years  
**FREE** No bookings required.

## RAINY DAY RESCUE BAGS

Pick up between 6<sup>th</sup> July - 10<sup>th</sup> July 2026  
Precinct - Healthy Food Co.  
Take home a bag full of rainy day adventures - craft, explore, grow & bake your way through the school holidays!  
Ages: 5 - 12 years  
**FREE** Bookings via Eventbrite.

## PICKLEBALL BADMINTON

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
John McVeity Centre  
Drop in for a hit & challenge your friends or family to a game or two of Pickleball or Badminton in our social sessions!  
All ages!  
**\$5** No bookings required.

## CASUAL COURTS

John McVeity Centre  
Come in and shoot some hoops with your mates!  
Check JMC Facebook or give us a call for available times.  
**\$5 per person.** No bookings required.

BOOK VIA  
**eventbrite**

For all programs requiring bookings head to our **Eventbrite page** to register  
(Unless specified differently above).  
[playfordwellbeinghub.eventbrite.com.au](https://playfordwellbeinghub.eventbrite.com.au)



### Sessions & Events located at:

**John McVeity Centre**  
182 Peachey Road, Smithfield Plain  
**The Precinct**  
112 Coventry Road, Smithfield Plains

**For more information:**  
Email: [jmc@playford.sa.gov.au](mailto:jmc@playford.sa.gov.au)  
Phone: 8480 0100

Visit our Facebook 'John McVeity Centre' for more info!

# What's on

## JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS



### NORTHERN SOUND SYSTEM

73 Elizabeth Way,  
Elizabeth  
Phone: (08) 8255 5560

**Youth Market**  
Saturday 11 July  
10:00am – 2:00pm  
Free • Ages 12-25  
A youth focused market event showcasing young people, creativity, entrepreneurship and community connection.

**Learn to DJ with DJ Hob G**  
Wednesday 15 July  
4:00pm – 6:00pm  
Free • Ages 10+  
Learn the basics of how to DJ with DJ Hob G! Explore what the buttons do on the decks, learn some basic DJ techniques and make some noise.  
Booking required.

**Next Wave: Artist Chat with RIAH**  
Saturday 18 July  
3:00pm – 4:30pm  
Free • All ages  
Hear from RIAH, winner of the 2024 Triple J Unearthed High Indigenous Initiative, enjoy a live performance and learn about music industry pathways.  
Booking required.

### THE GRID

73 Elizabeth Way,  
Elizabeth  
Phone: (08) 8255 5560

**Game On @ The GRID**  
Tuesday 7 July  
1:00pm – 3:00pm  
Free • Ages 12-17  
A fun, relaxed gaming session for young people with PS5, Xbox, Nintendo Switch, arcade games, food and good vibes.  
Drop in anytime.  
No booking required.

**Weird Science – Pepper's Ghost Workshop**  
Thursday 9 July  
1:00pm – 2:30pm  
Free • Ages 13-17  
A hands on STEM activity where young people can explore science, creativity and technology through interactive learning.  
Booking required.

**PlayFit: Winter Hoops @ The GRID**  
Tuesday 14 July  
1:00pm – 3:00pm  
Free • Ages 13-25  
Basketball, recreation and positive social connection during the school holidays.  
Booking required.

### JOHN MCVEITY CENTRE

182 Peachey Rd,  
Smithfield Plains  
Phone: (08) 8480 0100

**Borrow a Board Game**  
Available all day during the holidays.  
Free • Ages 4-15  
No bookings required.

**Sensory Science Day**  
Monday 6 July  
10:00am – 11:00am  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 4-10  
Interactive science show with exploding coke bottles, self-inflating balloons, lava lamps & more.  
Booking required.

**Learn to Play Badminton**  
Monday 6 & 13 July  
Cost: \$2  
Ages 5-8: 9:30am – 10:30am. Ages 9+: 10:45am – 11:45am  
Fun beginner-friendly badminton sessions.  
Booking required.

**NAIDOC in the North**  
Wednesday 8 July  
10:00am – 2:00pm  
Free • All ages  
Celebrate NAIDOC Week with live performances, cultural workshops, children's activities, community stalls and a free BBQ.

**Inflatables Day**  
Thursday 9 July  
Cost: \$7 • Ages 2-12  
Multiple sessions available. Jumping castles and inflatables.  
Booking required.

**Chefs / Mini Chefs Club**  
Friday 10 July  
Cost: \$10  
Mini Chefs (4-8 years): 9:30am – 11:00am  
Junior Chefs (9-15 years): 11:30am – 1:00pm  
Hosted by Stephen Curtis from Home Fresh Cooking School.  
Booking required.

**Pickleball & Badminton**  
Sunday 12 & 19 July  
Cost: \$5 • All ages  
Social sessions for all ages. Drop in and challenge family and friends to a game.  
No bookings required.

**Dinosaur Show**  
Monday 13 July  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 2-12  
Meet live puppet dinosaurs as they stomp, roar and come to life.  
Booking required.

**Book Reading & Basketball Clinic**  
Thursday 16 July  
10:00am – 12:00pm  
Free • Ages 6-14  
Former Australian Olympian and basketballer Brett Maher will read his new book *The Adventures of Jack Gibson*, followed by a book signing then basketball clinic.  
Booking required.

**Winter Wonderland Market 2026**  
Saturday, 18 July  
3:00pm – 6:30pm  
Free • All ages  
Join us for a magical winter afternoon followed by a family movie at 6:15pm! Browse local stallholders with handmade gifts. Family fun includes kids activities, jumping castle, lawn games and winter craft.

### ELIZABETH RISE COMMUNITY CENTRE

7/26 Hamblynn Rd,  
Elizabeth Downs  
Phone: (08) 8256 0448

**Artefacts and Dreaming with Trent Hill**  
Monday 6 July  
10am – 11am  
Free • All ages  
Discover the diversity of Aboriginal cultures through hands on learning.  
Booking required.

**Creative Journaling**  
Tuesday 7 July  
10:00am – 12:00pm  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 13+  
Try relaxed junk journaling with zero rules.  
Booking required.

**Family Quiz**  
Tuesday 14 July  
11am – 12pm  
Cost: \$2 • Ages 5+  
Bring your energy and brain power.  
Bookings required

**Chatty cafe: kids edition**  
Wednesday 15 July  
10am-2pm  
Free • Ages 5+  
Drop in anytime to enjoy a mix of craft and board games.

**Clothing swap**  
Thursday 16 July  
11am-2pm  
Free • All ages  
Trade your gently-loved items for something new-to-you.  
Booking required.

### CIVIC CENTRE LIBRARY

10 Playford  
Boulevard, Elizabeth  
Phone: (08) 8256 0333

**Firstival – Author Market**  
Sunday 5 July  
1:00pm – 4:00pm  
Free • Ages 16+  
Enjoy books, coffee, creativity and local stallholders.  
No booking required.

**Linocut Fabric Printing Workshop with Rebecca Prince**  
Tuesday 14 July  
6:00pm – 8:30pm  
Cost: \$10 • Ages 16+  
Design, carve and print your own block artwork.  
Booking required.

**Bricks 4 Kidz – Pokémon vs Minions**  
Wednesday 15 July  
10:00am – 12:00pm  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 5-12  
Build Pokémon-inspired and Minions LEGO® creations.  
Booking required.

**Woody's Ukulele School**  
Friday 17 July  
10:00am – 10:45am  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 4-12  
Learn ukulele songs through games and group music-making.  
Booking required.

**Laser Tag @ The Library Lock-In**  
Friday 17 July  
6:00pm – 9:00pm  
30min sessions for different age groups.  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 6+  
Play glow-in-the-dark laser tag after hours.  
Booking required.

### THE PRECINCT

112 Coventry Rd,  
Smithfield Plains  
Phone: (08) 8254 3641

**Rainy Day Rescue Bags**  
Pickup Dates: 6 – 10 July  
Free • Ages 5-12  
Take-home activities including craft, exploring, growing and baking.  
Collect from The Precinct.  
Booking required.

**Create a Clay Bee Bowl**  
Wednesday 15 July  
10:00am – 12:00pm  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 5-15  
Create bee or bird bowls using real clay.  
Booking required.

**Nature Play**  
Thursday 16 July  
10:30am – 12:00pm  
Cost: \$5 • Ages 3-12  
Mud kitchen play, cubby building, nature crafts and outdoor exploration & more.  
Booking required.

### STRETTON CENTRE LIBRARY

307 Peachey Rd,  
Munno Para  
Phone: (08) 8256 0333

**Paint a Pot**  
Monday 6 July  
2:30pm – 3:30pm  
Cost: \$2 • Ages 4-16  
Paint a fun dinosaur, unicorn, frog or butterfly.  
Booking required.

**Spaghetti Bridge Challenge**  
Friday 10 July  
10:00am – 11:30am  
Cost: \$2 • Ages 8-14  
Build a spaghetti bridge and test its strength.  
Booking required.

**Paint a Highland Cow Money Box**  
Monday 13 July  
2:30pm – 3:30pm  
Cost: \$2 • Ages 4-16  
Decorate your own Highland Cow money box.  
Booking required.

### UNI HUB PLAYFORD

2 Woodford Road,  
Elizabeth  
Phone: (08) 8256 0272

**Born to Build: School Holiday Activity**  
Tuesday 14 July  
Free • Ages 12-18  
10:30am – 12pm  
1:00pm – 2:30pm  
For high school aged children interested in construction careers. Students participate in hands on activities including construction skills and design and engineering challenges. Presented in collaboration with Master Builders.  
Booking required.

For all bookings and more information go to [playford.sa.gov.au/explore/whats-on/school-holiday-program](http://playford.sa.gov.au/explore/whats-on/school-holiday-program)

or scan the QR code



# Community Notices

Free School Holiday  
Movie Screening

## THE SMURFS

Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> July  
Doors Open: 9:30am  
Movie starts: 10:00am  
Bagster rd Community Centre  
17 Bagster rd, Salisbury North

B.Y.O rug, blanket, cushions or anything to sit on  
(All chairs or higher seating options will need to be set up in the back section of the hall)

Own food and drink may be brought into the event  
However, this is strictly a no alcohol event

For more information or to make a booking  
Scan the QR code or go to  
<https://www.trybooking.com/1599431>



# Meet Mooreen

SWALLOWCLIFFE'S PICASSO COW  
EVERYONE WILL HAVE THE CHANCE  
TO MEET AND PAINT HER



## NAIDOC in the North

Wednesday 8 July  
10am – 2pm

John McVeity Centre  
182 Peachey Rd, Smithfield Plains

FREE Event



Book via  
Eventbrite  
Scan the  
QR Code

Got questions? Email us at  
[admin@naidocinthenorth.org](mailto:admin@naidocinthenorth.org)  
to find out more!



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### EDUCATION

## FIRST LOOK: New \$155M high school in Adelaide's north begins construction



By Glam Adelaide  
Posted on June 14, 2025



Construction has begun on a new \$155.3 million high school in Eyre, with the 1,300-student campus set to open in 2028.