

Streaky Bay Area School

NEWSLETTER

"Striving for excellence"



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FOR YOUR DIARY....

JUNE

Mon 9	KINGS BIRTHDAY
Fri 13	Senior School traffic Lights go home
Wed 18 – Thurs 19	YR 10 Outdoor Ed overnight hike
Fri 20	Yr 7-9, AFL 9's, Ceduna – POSTPONED
Mon 23 -Wed 25	SAPSASA Girls Netball, Adelaide
Mon 30 – Fri 4 July	Yr 10 Work Experience

JULY

Fri 4	Last Day of Term 2, 2.05pm dismissal
Wed 30	SCHOOL PHOTOS

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK...



Dear Families,

As we move into the heart of Term 2, it's been encouraging to see our students continue to grow, not only academically, but also in their mindset, resilience, and engagement with learning.

A key focus this term has been metacognition, helping students become more aware of how they learn, not just what they learn. Across all year levels, our teachers are modelling and teaching strategies that encourage students to reflect on their thinking, set goals, monitor their progress, and evaluate outcomes. These are powerful, lifelong skills. When students understand how they learn best, they become more independent, more motivated, and better equipped to tackle challenges.

Aligned with this is our emphasis on developing a growth mindset, the belief that abilities and intelligence can be developed through dedication and effort. We're reinforcing to students that mistakes are part of learning, effort matters, and persistence pays off. This mindset is vital not just for academic success, but for building confident, capable young people who are ready for the future.

One of the highlights in recent weeks has been the Year 8 and Year 9 Camps. These experiences are always a favourite, offering students the chance to challenge themselves, grow in independence, and build new friendships. From outdoor adventures to team-building

activities, it's been fantastic to see students embracing these opportunities with such enthusiasm and maturity. A huge thank you to our staff for their time and commitment, your support makes these valuable experiences possible.

We were also pleased to receive financial support for country students affected by drought, enabling their participation in camps and excursions. This assistance comes through the Department for Education as part of the State Government's \$73 million Drought Support Package.

As always, I encourage families to keep the conversation going at home, ask your child what they're learning and how they're feeling about school. Your support continues to play a vital role in fostering a culture of learning, reflection, effort, and growth.

Warm regards,
 Tim O'Reilly
 Principal

Streaky Bay School
CANTEEN

NACHOS

AND CHOCOLATE BROWNIES

THURSDAY 19TH JUNE

NACHOS

Plain \$7 Corn chips, Salsa, Cheese

Mince \$9 Mince, Corn chips, Salsa, Cheese

Add Sour Cream 50c

Add Guac (Avo) \$1

BROWNIES \$2 (brownies contains gluten & dairy)

Order online spriggy app or in lunch order box as per usual

Cut off Thursday 19th June 9am, no walk ins after this time



STUDENT ILLNESS

In the past two weeks there has been a marked increase in the number of students reporting feeling unwell, we have appreciated parents keeping their unwell children at home until they are well enough to return to school. As per SA Health's advice, we are strongly encouraging parents to keep their children home from school if they are unwell to limit the chance of infection in others.



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

School Bus Driver required

An expression of interest for the position of:

STREAKY BAY AREA SCHOOL BUS DRIVER 2025:

For further information regarding conditions of employment & pay rate please contact:

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STUDENT ABSENCES

If your child/children are absent from school it is an Education Department requirement to have parent/guardians provide the school with a reason unless a student exemption form has been granted prior to the absence. It would be appreciated if parent/guardians could notify the school by either phone or email to reduce the calls being made each day regarding student absences.



**Mobile Dental
Services Australia**
Healthy Smiles Across The Miles

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORAL HEALTH SERVICES

23 Alfred Terrace, Streaky Bay

Consent Forms must be returned by: 1/07/2025

Please return your forms to: School Office

**Please contact on 70804807 or email us on
mobiledentalservicesaustralia@gmail.com for any queries**

Dental Visit for Children at no-out of Pocket Expense

Consent forms have been provided by Mobile Dental. Mobile Dental are a private business seeking to provide dental care in Streaky Bay in an ongoing basis. All enquires to be made directly to Mobile Dental for further information about their services.

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Term 2 has been a productive and exciting time for our senior students. From planning key social events to driving important wellbeing initiatives, students have demonstrated leadership, creativity and a strong sense of community. Below are two highlights that showcase the dedication and teamwork taking place across the senior school.

Streaky Bay Area School Formal

The planning for the Streaky Bay Area School formal is going smoothly. We've successfully chosen a date, and the venue has been booked, we're currently finalising the pricing details to ensure everything fits within our budget. We are now in the process of reaching out to DJs to ensure we have the perfect music for the evening. A few of our committee members are also working on ticket designs, with a focus on selecting colour themes that will create a memorable atmosphere and to assist in design of posters and photo backdrop. Additionally, we have started organising fundraisers to support the event, which will help cover costs and enhance the overall experience for everyone involved. Overall, everything is coming together nicely, and we're excited for what's to come!

Formal Committee

Your Voice Matters Group (YVM)

The Your Voice Matters group conducted an analysis of the Wellbeing and Engagement Collection (WEC) data, comparing 2024's results and 2023's results. This analysis highlighted trends and areas needing improvement in student wellbeing and engagement. As well as this, the group crafted an extended learning activity designed to involve the entire senior school subgroup. This initiative seeks to enhance student involvement, foster positive interactions and build a supportive school environment. By bringing together students from different year levels, the activities encourage collaboration and peer support, aiming to create a more cohesive and engaged school community.

Your Voice Matters Committee

*Kind regards,
Michelle Kelsh
R-12 Coordinator*

Teamwork, Tunnels & Top Views – Year 9 Conquer Camp

Year 9 Camp at Nyroca – Week 5 Highlights



In Week 5, a group of 16 enthusiastic Year 9 students set off for their camp adventure at Nyroca, Wangary. Despite the wild weather, spirits were high, and the excitement was unstoppable. What was meant to be a hike through 60km/h winds (no thanks!) turned into a detour to Sheringa Caves, thanks to the quick-thinking team at BaptistCare SA.

The caving experience challenged every student—physically and mentally. With headlamps on and nerves pushed aside, students crawled through tight spaces, encouraged one another, and showed incredible teamwork. Some brave explorers ventured deep into the caves to discover a stunning hidden chamber full of stalactites and stalagmites—nature’s slow-motion artwork, forming at just 10 centimetres every 1,000 years!





Back at the Nyroca campgrounds, the evenings were filled with laughter, games of chasey, rope swings, board games, campfire chats, marshmallows and brain teasers around the fire, and kicking the footy. Students all pitched in for meal prep and cleanup, showing respect and responsibility. And yes, everyone went to bed nice and early... *of course*.

Day 2 took the group to Mount Greenly, where they geared up for a morning of rock climbing. The students learned all the roles involved—from belayer (the one holding the rope and, essentially, someone's life!), to anchor (the one stopping the belayer from being yanked up the cliff!), and of course, the climber. Almost every student gave it a go, tackling climbs of varying difficulty. Some conquered all three routes multiple times, displaying leadership, trust, and loads of support for their classmates. And everyone stayed *perfectly* calm under pressure... *definitely no nerves or squeals heard at all!*

The afternoon hike to the summit of Mount Greenly was breathtaking. The view was nothing short of spectacular—a powerful reminder of how lucky we are to live along such a stunning coastline.

On the final day, the group made one last stop at the Sheringa Sand Dunes. With sandboards and toboggans in hand, students zoomed (and occasionally tumbled) down the slopes. A few natural talents emerged, while others... well, let's just say they wore the sand home.

A huge congratulations to the Year 9 students for making the most of every moment, facing challenges head-on, and showing such great character throughout the trip. Camps like these remind us why these experiences are so important—and why staff keep signing up to run them!



PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

On Friday of Week 4, our Year 3 and Year 8 students had a fantastic outing to the Youth Precinct (Skate Park). They met Penny Williams from the District Council of Streaky Bay, who shared some fascinating insights about her work on the council. Penny explained how the skate park came to be, from funding and planning to construction, and gave tips on how we can all help keep the area clean and welcoming for years to come.

After a lively chat and lots of questions, the students teamed up with their buddies to tidy up the park by picking up rubbish. A big thank you to Penny for spending time with us and answering all our questions!



Tcharkuldu Cross Country Run

On Thursday, 29th May, 47 eager runners travelled to Tcharkuldu Rock in Minnipa to take part in the annual cross country run hosted by Karcultaby Area School. The conditions were unseasonably dry and dusty, and for the first time in several years, the rock was declared safe to run over — much to the excitement of our competitors.

The event began with the Year 3–4 students tackling the 3km track. Oakly Mudge, Carter Montgomerie, and Ziggy Joske put in particularly strong performances and were the first Streaky Bay students to cross the finish line.

Next up were the Year 5–6s. Our girls' team — made up of Millie Schmucker, Adele Fulwood, and Jessie Kelsh — ran an impressive race, securing the team victory. Millie also achieved an outstanding individual result, finishing 2nd overall.

In the 5km event for Years 7–9, Harrison Edmunds, Robert Camilleri, and Cody Walker represented the boys, while Emmie Window, Rhea Huntley, Ava Walsh, and Mareike Best competed for the girls. All runners showed great determination and finished strongly.

The senior race rounded out the day, with Jayda Brougham completing the 5km course in excellent form, taking out first place in her category.

A big congratulations to all of our runners for their fantastic efforts and dedication to training over the past few weeks. Your consistency paid off, and it was inspiring to see you all push to the finish line with smiles on your faces. We look forward to seeing you back next year, aiming for new personal bests!

Special thanks also go to Karcultaby Area School for once again hosting a well-organised and exciting event — now in its impressive 48th year.



IN HONOUR OF LANCE APPELBY



JOIN US IN A MINUTE
SILENCE AS A TRIBUTE TO
CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF
OUR BELOVED FRIEND
SATURDAY JUNE 14th @ THE COMPLEX



Fundraising Event



BREAKTHROUGH
mental health research foundation

**Saturday 14th June
at the Complex**

DRINKS *Live Music* **BRING THE**
FOOD **FAMILY FOR**
AUCTION **A DAY OF**
RAFFLE **FUN SHOW**
SUPPORT
WEAR
BLUE &
PURPLE

ALL FUNDS RAISED GO TOWARDS THE
BREAKTHROUGH MENTAL HEALTH
RESEARCH FOUNDATION

Are you passionate about your community?

Do you want to make change happen in your community?

Join us for a two-day **Changemaker Workshop – Streaky Bay**

19–20 June 2025 // 8.30am – 4.30pm

Streaky Bay Hotel, 33 Alfred Terrace, Streaky Bay, SA

Join a network of changemakers across rural, regional & remote Australia

- As a collective, delve into your region's readiness for change.
- Explore how change happens, practise how to adapt to change and how to overcome resistance.
- Become a changemaker, adapt your skills to enable your involvement in creating new and exciting things, managing setbacks and work collectively and purposefully with others.

Take part in diverse community conversations

- Understand the local ecosystem; undertake purposeful and inclusive engagement; step into informed and authentic conversations.
- Learn how to have those conversations, suspend judgement and assumptions, and build trust and transparency for connection and diverse relationships.

Create momentum within your community

- Unpack what forms and shapes a community.
- Learn how a community can be more inclusive.
- Considering the impacts of drought, trauma, and other events, gain the tools to better support others and balance giving and taking within a community.

Contribute to and inspire your community's future

- Explore ideas to shape the future you would like to see for your community.
- Understand the importance of language and the power of storytelling in motivating and mobilising others.
- Learn what makes a good story and how to connect with the hearts and minds of others.

REGISTER NOW ➔



This workshop is fully subsidised with thanks to the **Australian Government's Future Drought Fund**. It is delivered by the Australian Rural Leadership Foundation, as part of the Helping Regional Communities Prepare for Drought Initiative.

Note: This is a face-to-face workshop. All catering and stationery provided. Registrations close either when fully booked or 7 days before the workshop.

For more information visit rural-leaders.org.au or contact:

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