

Streaky Bay Area School NEWSLETTER

"Striving for excellence"



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FOR YOUR DIARY....

FEBRUARY

Fri 13 SBAS Swimming Carnival
Fri 20 Interschool Swimming Carnival, Wudinna
Mon 23 SSSSA Swimming, Adelaide
Thurs 26 SPORTS DAY

MARCH

Thurs 5 WCIAC – Interschool Sports Day
Mon 9 ADELAIDE CUP HOLIDAY
Tue 24 WASSAC, Port Lincoln
SAPSASA Swimming, Adelaide
SAPSASA Boys Football Trials

APRIL

Wed 1 SSSSA Athletics, Adelaide
Fri 3 GOOD FRIDAY
Mon 6 EASTER MONDAY

The Governing Council Annual General Meeting will be held on **Monday 23 February at 6:00pm** at the school. We encourage parents and carers to consider engaging in school life through Governing Council, as this group plays an important role in supporting and guiding our school community.

Acknowledgement of Parents and Friends Committee Members

I would like to acknowledge and sincerely thank Rebecca Tomney, who has served as President, and Wendy McEvoy, who has served as Treasurer, for their dedicated contributions to the Parents and Friends committee. We greatly appreciate their commitment and service to our school community.

Open Classrooms & Leaders Induction Ceremony

We are looking forward to welcoming families to our **Open Classroom event and Leaders Induction Ceremony on Tuesday, 17 February**. Classrooms will be open from **2:00pm**, followed by the Leaders Induction Ceremony at **2:30pm** on the main assembly stage.

This event provides an opportunity for parents and carers to see where their child learns each day, connect with staff and celebrate our student leaders as they take on important responsibilities. Student leadership plays a key role in shaping school culture, and we look forward to recognising those students who will lead by example and support their peers throughout the year.

Swimming Carnival & Early Years Splash Day

This week we held our Early Years Splash Day, and it was wonderful to see so many smiling faces as students confidently tested their aquatic skills. A sincere thank you to the staff who supported the day and to the families who were able to attend and cheer on our youngest learners.

The Annual Swimming Carnival will be held tomorrow, and we look forward to an exciting day that showcases team spirit, participation and sportsmanship from students across **Wattle, Banksia and Waratah**.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear students, staff, families, and members of our community.

We have had a strong start to the school year, and it has been pleasing to see our students, staff and families embracing opportunities to build connections and contribute to a positive school culture. The optimism and sense of purpose we spoke about at the start of the year is already evident across our school.

A key foundation of a successful school is meaningful partnership between school, families and community. In the early weeks of term, it has been encouraging to see families on school grounds, visiting classrooms and engaging with teachers to share their insights about what works best for their children. These early connections support both learning and wellbeing and help us work together to navigate the challenges and successes our young people experience. Our shared priority is the success of every young person, and through collaboration we can support them to be the best they can be.

Governing Council – Nominations Open

Nominations are now open for four Governing Council positions. Previous Governing Councillors are welcome to nominate again upon completion of their tenure.

Starting Strong – Stronger Together, Better Every Day
Term 1 provides an important opportunity to intentionally strengthen connections and further embed a positive school culture. A sense of belonging and shared responsibility underpins both learning and wellbeing and supports students to engage positively with school life.

Student voice and leadership are central to this work. Our School Captains recently addressed the student body, sharing their aspirations and expectations for the year ahead. When students are given opportunities to lead and to have their voices heard, they develop confidence, responsibility and a strong sense of belonging, which positively influences engagement and behaviour across the school. These messages will continue to be revisited with students throughout the year as we strengthen a shared understanding of what it means to be part of our school community.

Here's to another fantastic year of learning, growth and connection. We look forward to continuing to work closely with families throughout the year.

*Regards,
Tim O'Reilly
Principal*



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School Bus Driver required

An expression of interest for the position of:

STREAKY BAY AREA SCHOOL BUS DRIVER 2026:

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

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2026 SCHOOL FEE PAYMENT PLANS

If you would like to take up the option of a payment plan, please ensure you come in and see the front office staff prior to the end of Term 1, Friday 10 April to complete your installment schedule. We encourage families to utilise this option to alleviate the financial burden. If you think you may be eligible for school card please see above for the application process.



SBAS 2026 School photos are scheduled for Thursday 13 August.

ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOOL CARD

You can apply and access the forms online at sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard. See below income eligibility limits based on gross family income for 2024/2025. If you would like a paper copy please see the front office staff.

Government schools income limits

Number of dependent children	Combined gross family income limit for the 2024-25 financial year	Gross weekly school card income limit
1	\$75,524	\$1,452
2	\$76,873	\$1,478
3	\$78,222	\$1,504
4	\$79,571	\$1,530
5	\$80,920	\$1,556
Each additional dependent child	\$1,349	\$26

APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL CARD



All types of School Card applications are now online.

You can access the online forms from any device that gets internet, including mobile devices, such as tablets and smart phones, as well as laptops and computers.

Applying online is easy! Simply follow the steps below.

- STEP 1** Visit sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard
- STEP 2** Select the type of School Card you would like to apply for (for example 'Type A') and follow the prompts.
- STEP 3** Complete all mandatory fields.
Please note: you cannot submit your application unless all mandatory fields are complete.
- STEP 4** Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.
- STEP 5** Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.
Please note: if you exit the form without clicking 'SUBMIT' your details will be lost.

You can save the form, and return to complete it at another time, by clicking on the 'SAVE' button.



sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard



All communication from the school (Admin & Teaching staff) will be through the parent Daymap Companion App via SMS, email or messages in your Daymap inbox.

STUDENT ABSENCES

It would be appreciated if parent/guardians could notify the school by the Daymap app, email or phone. 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. This gives the school a reason and does not leave the student with an unexplained absence.

FOR SALE - CHLORINE DRUMS



2025 SCHOOL MAGAZINE



If you have not ordered your copy of the 2025 full colour School Magazine and would like a copy, we have 20 copies left. Collect one from the front office, \$22.00ea.



SCHOOL CAFE

OPEN SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Swing by and grab your morning or afternoon pick me up!



Latte, Flat White, Cappuccino & Long Black ... \$5.00



Iced Latte or Chocolate \$5.00



Hot Chocolate \$3.00



Tea **\$2.00**

Almond milk \$1.00 extra

All funds raised from the School Café will go towards new resources for the Student Wellbeing Wagon

Swimming Carnival 2026

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

On Friday 13th February, students will participate in the annual Streaky Bay Area School Swimming Carnival. The carnival will run as a normal school day, with the first bell at 8:45 am and dismissal at 3:05 pm. Parents and caregivers are asked to contact the school if their child/ren are unable to attend the swimming carnival.

Throughout the day, students will participate in a variety of individual events, including freestyle, backstroke, and breaststroke. The carnival will conclude with relay events, where house teams face off to win the overall championship.

Points are awarded for participation in each event, with bonus points for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finishes, as well as for demonstrating good sportsmanship. **Participation is key — the more students involved, the more points their house team can earn!**

What students need to bring:

- Bathers
- Shirt or rashie
- Goggles
- Broad-brimmed hat
- Sunscreen
- Towel

Canteen:

Modified canteen facilities will be available throughout the day. Order via the form in the newsletter or the springy school app: cut off Thursday 12 February 9am under EVENT: swimming carnival

*Orders open now

Age Groups:

- The main carnival events are for students 7 years and older as of 1st January 2026.
- Students under 7 will participate in a modified program in the Primary Unit on the day.

Weather Contingency:

If poor weather conditions are forecast, or if the temperature is predicted to be 36°C or above in Ceduna (as per the ABC 7:00 pm news the night before), the carnival will be postponed to Monday, 16th February.

Pool Closure:

The pool will be closed from 3:05 pm on Thursday 12th February, until 8:30 am on Saturday 14th February to allow time for set-up and post-carnival cleaning.

If you have any questions regarding the carnival, please contact your child's class teacher.

On behalf of the Sports Committee,

Karen O'Reilly

Deputy Principal

P & F Needs Your Help!

Parents, carers & grandparents 💛

The SBAS Parents & Friends Association would love some much needed extra helping hands.

You can help **as little or as much as you like** — even just **1–2 hours per term or per year**.

👉 Committee members:

- A casual **30-minute meeting once per term**
- Help organise fundraising ideas & help decide what we fund next

👉 Event helpers:

- Volunteer **1–2 hours per term or year** to help with bake sales, raffles or school events like the disco

Thanks to P&F fundraising, we've helped provide primary school reader books, funds towards the wellness wagon, school production, funded primary school props, and are currently working towards filtered water for the school — plus much more.

Every little bit helps 💛 Please get in touch if you're interested & we can add you to the helpers Facebook group chat - Contact Naomi by text, phone or pop into the canteen 0432209263.



The SBAS Uniform Shop

Last chance to order uniforms for this term!

Another order will be placed at the end of Term 1 ready for Term 2.

Orders need to be into the front office by tomorrow, Friday 13 February.

Payment is to be made when placing orders, please pay by direct debit – account details are on the order form or cash to the front office.

*****Please return order form to the front office*****

Please note payment must be made prior to order being filled.

**Thank you
Courtney Faulkner**

STREAKY BAY AREA SCHOOL

2026 GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FOR ELECTION FORM

I _____ (full name) of _____ (address)
nominate

_____ (full name) of _____ (address)

I _____ (full name) of _____ (address)

accept the nomination and hereby declare that I have not been declared bankrupt and do not receive a benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors. I have not been convicted of any offence of dishonesty, or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person. I understand that should I be declared bankrupt, receive a benefit of law for the relief of insolvent debtors or be convicted of any of the offences listed, my membership of Streaky Bay Area School Governing/School Council will cease.

Signed _____

Date: _____

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SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Senior School Leadership and Upcoming Activities

We would like to congratulate all students who have taken on leadership roles within the Senior School this year. Your commitment and enthusiasm are highly valued, and we look forward to working closely with you as we create a positive environment for all students.

The 2026 Student Voice Group includes Hope Elliott, Estelle Brace, Chloe Foster, Emily Cash, Jaylee Rosenzweig, Lyla Boaz, and Halle Montgomerie. These students will be representing the voices of their peers, working collaboratively with staff and leading initiatives across our school community.

We have an exciting year ahead with several camps and opportunities that will engage and challenge our students. A highlight for our Year 11 students will be the Careers Camp in Adelaide, scheduled for the last week of Term 3. Additionally, there will be several Outdoor Education camps throughout the year, providing further opportunities for personal development and teamwork.

Year 10 students will have the opportunity to gain valuable real-world experience during Work Experience, which will take place in Week 5 of Term 2. This is an important step in preparing our students for their future pathways and developing essential workplace skills.

As further dates are finalised, we will inform you to ensure families are well prepared and can budget for upcoming activities.

Kind regards,
Karen Box
Senior School Coordinator

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATTERS

Middle School Connection Afternoon

Students from Years 6–9 recently took part in our Middle School Connection Afternoon, working in mixed House groups to build connections across year levels. Teams rotated through a range of fun and collaborative challenges, including Minute to Win It games, cup stacking, balloon and marble relays, newspaper dress-up, and an egg drop challenge.

The afternoon was full of teamwork, problem-solving and House spirit, with students supporting one another and having plenty of fun along the way. It was great to see such positive engagement across the middle school.



*Warm regards,
Madi Nicholson
Middle School Coordinator*

SWIMMING CONNECTIONS

Our School House Captains have been supporting students in the pool over the past two weeks to enable them to feel safe, supported and confident as they participate in their first Swimming Carnival. Friendships were made and confidence was boosted. Thank you to the staff and House Captains for supporting this.



Grape harvest 2026

Last week two classes undertook the annual grape harvest. Considering the conditions on Australia Day we were exceptionally lucky that there was anything left to harvest at all!

On Monday the Year 8 class picked the red grapes resulting in 232 Kg of fruit in the tub. On Tuesday the Year 6/7 B class undertook the picking of the white grapes, yielding only 162Kg of fruit. These were very heat effected and the picking was much slower. Both classes worked extremely well at harvesting and completing the task.

Thanks to subject and class teachers (Cass Walker and Leah Chynoweth) for making their groups available to help with harvest. Thanks also to Belinda Black, Lucas Mosey, Ross McTaggart and in particular Garry Black for their assistance with logistics, preparation and supervision on each day.

Due to the small volumes of fruit, the winemaker at Waite institute has decided to put the two varieties of fruit together to make one line (A Rosé) for the 2026 Vintage. This should be available for purchase around August.

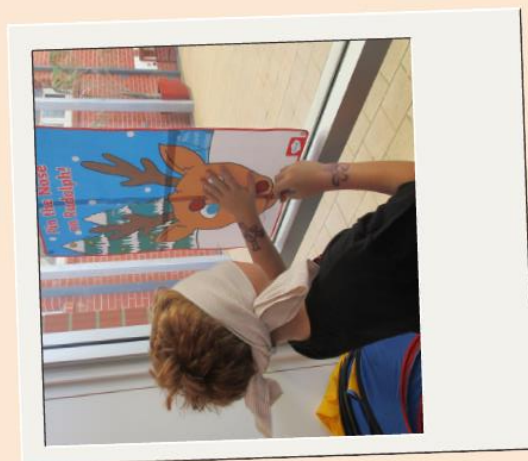
Ian Picken



Streaky Bay Vacation Care

Our Summer Holidays program was a success! The children enjoyed a fun-filled schedule. Highlights included time decorating reindeer biscuits, candy cane hunt, pin the nose on Rudolph, yummy ice blocks and much more!

Thank you to all the staff and families who helped make it such an enjoyable break!



COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS



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SAVE THE DATES 2026 SIES REGIONAL CONNECT!

TERM 1, WEEK 5, 2026: THURSDAY 26TH FEBRUARY
TERM 2, WEEK 5, 2026: THURSDAY 28TH MAY
TERM 3, WEEK 5, 2026: THURSDAY 20TH AUGUST
TERM 4, WEEK 5, 2026: THURSDAY 12TH NOVEMBER

Join us via Microsoft Teams for The Statewide Inclusive Education Services (SIES) termly Regional Connect information sessions

If you're a **parent, carer or educator** of a student with disability or difficulty at a DfE School, you are invited to these sessions where SIES staff will be available to discuss resources and supports.

More information to follow regarding subjects, times and registrations.

Next one Thur 26th Feb 2026

TIME TO BE CONFIRMED

Registrations to follow

8235 2871 | sies.admin@schools.sa.edu.au | www.SIES.sa.edu.au

School Dental Visits –

Boston Bay Family Dental

Boston Bay Family Dental will be visiting Streaky Bay on **16, 17 and 18 February**, and again during the **week commencing 2 March**.

We are pleased to advise that we now hold a contract with **SA Dental**, allowing us to provide **thorough dental check-ups for children with no out-of-pocket expenses for families**.

During the **week commencing 2 March**, we will also be able to see **adults**.

Please note that this service **can only be claimed through one dental provider per calendar year**. Families who have already claimed dental benefits elsewhere may not be eligible (please contact us if you are unsure).



NETBALL REGISTRATIONS

NOW OPEN!

West Coast Hawks

Via PlayHQ

CLOSE : Saturday 7th March, 5pm

JUNIOR REGISTRATION FEES - \$100

8 years to 17 years as of 31/12/2026 | Jr A, Jr B, Jr C, Subbies & Under 18's

Apply voucher code **ECB75D84** at checkout

SA Sports Vouchers can also be applied at the checkout + \$7.14 Admin fee

SENIOR REGISTRATION FEES - \$125.00 + \$1 admin fee

18 years plus as of the 31/12/2026

Late registrations must be approved by WCH Netball Committee, additional fees may apply.