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NEWSLETTER

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FOR YOUR DIARY….

NOVEMBER	
Mon 2	**Maths General Exam, 1.30pm**
Tue 3	**Psychology Exam, 1.30pm**
Fri 6	**Kindy Transition 8.45am – 11am**
	Biology Exam, 9.00am
	Maths Essentials Exam, 1.30pm
	Yr 12 Graduation Dinner
Mon 9 – Wed 11	**SAPSASA Tennis, Adelaide**
	Yr 10 Outdoor Ed Camp, Penong
Fri 13	**Mid-Term Assembly, 10.15am**
	Kindy Transition, 8.45am – 11am
Fri 20	**Kindy Transition, 8.45am – 1.30pm**
	SBAS Triathlon (TBC)
Mon 23 – Wed 25	**SAPSASA Cricket, Adelaide**
Mon 23 – Fri 27	**R-5 Term time swimming**
Fri 27	**Kindy Transition, 8.45am – 1.30pm**
Mon 30 – Fri 4 Dec	**R-5 Term time swimming**
DECEMBER	
Wed 9	**Presentation Night, 6pm start**
Thurs 10	**Last day of term 4, 2.05pm dismissal**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL



Dear SBAS Community,

As we move into Week 3 of Term 4, our focus remains clear: Finish Strong. For our Class of 2026, these final weeks mark the end of an important chapter and the beginning of another. It is a time of mixed emotions as students reflect on their journey, celebrate their achievements and begin to look towards the opportunities that lie ahead.

Class of 2026 – The Next Chapter

This week has provided our Year 12 students with opportunities to enjoy some fun, strengthen friendships and create lasting memories as they approach the end of their time at SBAS. With examinations commencing next week, we encourage our students to remain focused, back themselves and give their best.

While results are an important milestone, they are only one part of a much bigger story. The resilience they have developed, the relationships they have built and the experiences and lessons they have gained throughout their schooling will continue to serve them well, long after they leave the classroom.

To our families, thank you for the years of encouragement, patience and support you have given your young people. As this chapter comes to a close, I hope you feel proud not only of what they have achieved, but also of the young adults they have become.

To the Class of 2026, remember that you do not need to have every step mapped out. Be open to new experiences, have the courage to give things a go and remember that it is okay to change direction along the way. And every now and then, pick up the phone and remind your parents how much you appreciate everything they have done for you! Your time at SBAS has helped prepare you for the next chapter, but that chapter is yours to write. We are proud of how far you have come and look forward to seeing where your journey takes you. Wherever life leads, you will always be part of the SBAS story.

World Teachers' Day – Thank You

With World Teachers' Day being celebrated on Friday 30 October, I would like to acknowledge and thank our dedicated teaching staff for the care, commitment and professionalism they bring to SBAS each day. The relationships they build, the encouragement they provide and the positive difference they make in the lives of our young people are invaluable. Thank you for all you do for our students and school community. Your work is valued and appreciated.

As we move through the remainder of Term 4, let's continue to support one another, celebrate progress and make the most of the opportunities ahead. Thank you to our students, families and staff for the important role you each play in making SBAS such a special community.
Finish Strong.
Stronger together, better every day.

Kind Regards,
Tim O'Reilly
Principal

TOM VENNING COMMUNITY EDUCATION AWARD

The Tom Venning (MP) Community Education Award acknowledges someone within our community who has '**gone above and beyond and gone the 'extra mile' dedicating and volunteering their time and skills to support our school'**. It can be a staff, parent or community member.
'Volunteers are at the heart of our school communities, giving their time, energy and care in so many ways. Whether working in the canteen, umpiring or coaching, caring for the school garden, serving on the P&F or simply lending a helping hand when it is needed, their contribution makes a real difference'. Tom Venning
The nomination form is attached later in the newsletter, nominations close tomorrow, Friday 30 October.

NO HAT NO PLAY

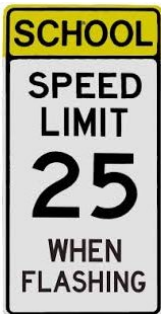


A reminder to parents that Term 4 is a 'No hat No play' policy, where all students are required to wear a broad brimmed hat or legionnaire style hat whilst outside. Students without an appropriate hat will be required to sit in hard shade areas at break times. **Parents & Friends have hats for sale at $12ea available at the front office.**

SBAS NEWS SHEET

As from the start of term 4 we will **no longer be publishing the school News Sheet**. The school Newsletter will still be published each fortnight. All communication required between the publication of the newsletters will be published on Daymap.

SAFETY AT THE SCHOOL CROSSING



** In accordance with current road regulations when pedestrians enter the school crossing, they have right of way and **traffic must stop**. Vehicles must adhere to the **25km speed limit when lights are flashing.** **



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2026 School Magazine

The Streaky Bay Area School Magazine has a wide range of items this year, including class pages, theme days, sports events and performances. All magazines will again be in full colour and continue to be high quality. Don't miss your chance to order a magazine. This

assists us in distributing them once they have arrived. Magazines will be ready for distribution by the end of Term 4.

We would also like to take this opportunity to thank our community members and businesses who have sponsored the magazine over the years so that we can keep the magazine price low for our families. Magazines will cost $22. All monies and the return slip must be returned to the Front Office.

Students Name: _____ Class: _____

I would like to order _____copy/ies of the 2026 school magazine @ $22 each.

Total amount enclosed: _____

SENIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Moving Through the Final Weeks

This week has been especially enjoyable, with Year 12 students coming dressed up each day according to a different theme. Highlights have included “Dress as a Teacher” and “Dress as What You Wanted to Be When You Were Young”, both of which have kept us entertained and brought plenty of smiles over the past few days.

We look forward to some special events still to come. Staff will enjoy a morning tea on Friday with the year 12 students, followed by a breakfast next week cooked by our Year 12 teachers. The week will then conclude with the Year 12 Graduation Dinner next Friday, an important occasion to celebrate our graduating students and their achievements.

With exams being held next week, we would like to wish our graduating students every success as they complete their studies. We are very proud of their efforts and look forward to celebrating this significant milestone with them.

Kind regards
Karen Box
Senior School coordinator

World Teachers’ Day

Friday 30 October 2026.

Shine a light on teachers – World Teachers’ Day is all about our teachers!

Sometimes it’s a lightbulb moment, when something suddenly clicks. Sometimes it’s lighting the way for a young person to discover what they’re good at, what they care about or where they might want to go next. You show up for your learners in the big moments and the quiet ones, and this is worth celebrating. You're the stars of the show!

This World Teachers’ Day, we’re putting that impact in the spotlight.
You are invited to *Shine a light* on our teachers at Streaky Bay Area School, our teachers who inspire, support, and empower our children and young people every single day.
From the lightbulb moments to helping someone find their way,
teachers make a difference in ways big and small.





Year 12 dress up day



Elke as Mrs Joske





Hope as Mrs Box

Eva as Ms Bull





Jaylee as Gary



Jayda as Mrs Brougham



Jessica as Mrs Dolling









MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE

All things paper planes and Energy!

Do you know what form of energy is used to fly a paper plane?
Have you watched the family movie – Paper Planes?
Do you know the world record for the longest distance for a paper plane flown indoors? It was an amazing 98.43m in Shanghai, China, in 2025.
Did you see the world record set on the 13th of this month? A record of 20 paper planes was caught in a man's mouth, thrown by his niece, in just one minute! Unbelievable!
Were you in Spain, near Madrid, on October 28, 2010? A paper plane was launched from Space just over 27,000 km up!

This term in Year 8, we are learning all things Energy, involving all kinetic and potential energy forms. So far, we have made paper planes and catapults. Some of our paper planes flew from the Science Lab all the way across to the pool fence with a distance of metres. Clearly, I needed to improve on my design and make a paper plane that flew further than 1m. Always room for improvement.

Here is the science behind a paper plane.

The food you eat turns into **chemical energy** inside your body. Your muscles use this energy to move your arm and get ready for a big throw. When you hold the paper plane high in your arm, right before you throw it, it has **potential energy/stored energy**. Because it is up high, gravity wants to pull it down. This height gives it **gravitational potential energy**. When you throw the plane, your arm transfers energy to the paper. **The energy of motion is called kinetic energy.** The faster you throw the plane, the more kinetic energy it has, and the faster it will zoom forward! As the plane flies, it has to push its way through the air. The air rubs against the paper, creating something called friction (or air resistance). This friction acts like a tiny brake, stealing kinetic energy from the plane and turning it into microscopic amounts of heat, known as **thermal energy.** This is why the plane eventually slows down.

All things catapults and energy.

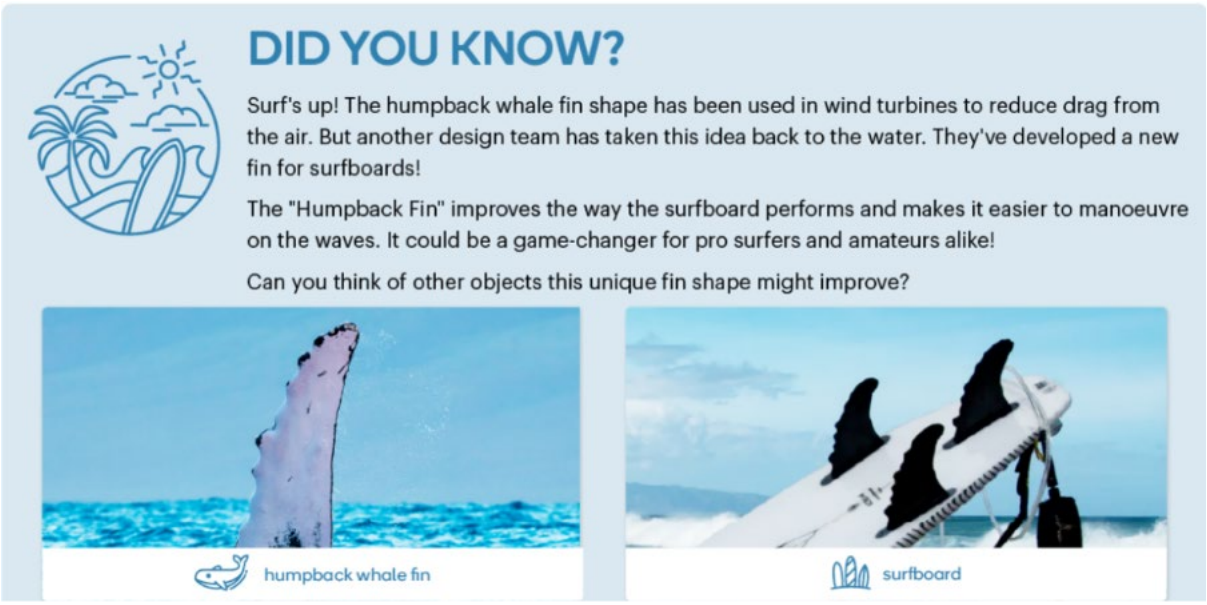
We weighed 2 different items before making our catapults with pop sticks and rubber bands. Our items were a ping-pong ball and a pom-pom ball. We talked about potential energy, elastic energy, and when our items become kinetic energy (energy in motion). We had some redesigns to gain greater propulsion. Propulsion relates to Newton's third law of motion.

Here is the science behind a catapult.

A catapult works because energy can be converted from one type to another and transferred from one object to another. When you prepare the catapult to launch, you add energy to it. This energy is stored in the launching device as potential, or stored, energy. The catapult uses elastic potential energy* stored in a wooden stick as it bends. When you let go, this stored energy is released, converted into energy of motion (kinetic energy) and transferred to the cotton ball, which then flies through the air. *There are other types of potential energy, like gravitational potential energy—the stored energy an object has due to its height off the ground.

Natural Mimicry.

We also had Mr Karp and Mr McTaggart in our Science class last week, and they talked to us about Energy, kinetic and potential forms, forces and drag – and how nature has had an impact on our surfboard and fin designs, to get the perfect travel on a wave.
Thank you so much for your knowledge sharing, Mr Karp and Mr McTaggart.



Here are some pics of our class at work outside investigating the boards.







R11 Polling

In Science we have been investigating the properties of materials and how they can be used for specific purposes.

We explored...

Lightness
Is it easy to carry?

Strength
Can it hold weight?

Water resistance
Does it keep water out?

Flexibility
Does it bend or break?

Thermal properties
Does it keep warm or cool?

Texture
Is it smooth, rough or soft?

Design & Technology

Using what we have learnt about materials, we applied our knowledge in Design and Technology lessons to solve problems for fairytale characters.

Imagine
Desian
Make
Test
Improve



Building a bed for Goldilocks

We investigated different materials and their properties to design and build a comfortable, safe and sturdy bed for Goldilocks.



Creating a safe escape for Rapunzel

We used our knowledge of materials and their properties to design a safe way for Rapunzel to escape the tower.



The WELL-BEING WAGON...



is seeking a leader!!!

From yr 8 up

Applicants must show these qualities to ensure the Wellbeing Wagon continues...

- The school values of Trust, Security, Care and Success
- Passion for wellbeing/ helping others
- Responsible and organised

For expression of interests please email Toni @Toni.Foster914@schools.sa.edu.au or Chloe @chloe.foster948@schools.sa.edu.au and we can have a chat :)

TOM VENNING (MP) SCHOOL COMMUNITY AWARD NOMINATION FORM

Closes Friday 30 October. Please hand to the front office.

A person who has '**gone above and beyond and gone the 'extra mile' by dedicating and volunteering their time and skills to support our school'.**

I wish to nominate …….. for the 2026 Tom Venning (MP) Community Education Award. They have contributed to the school by:

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NAME: ……. ***SIGNATURE:*** ……


CRICKET
TRAINING & GAMES
Join the team!
For players aged 8–16
(male and female)
TRAINING STARTS
21st October
4:30pm
@ School nets
COME AND TRY GAME DAY
31st October
8:45am start
at the Complex oval
All games played at Streaky Bay
(no travel required)
Games are every Saturday during
Term 4 2026 and Term 1 2027.
All Welcome!


SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE
WIN AN ALL-INCLUSIVE GLOBAL EXPLORER SCHOLARSHIP
UP TO $15,000
ACADEMIC YEAR PROGRAM
HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT EXCHANGE
Study in one of 10 exciting destinations across Europe or the USA
The Global Explorer Scholarship boosts your leadership skills through six fun missions.
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EP Community
Pedal Prix Racing
EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST
RIDERS OR SUPPORT TEAM MEMBERS
2027 HUMAN POWERED VEHICLE SUPER SERIES
MOUNT GAMBIER | TAILEM BEND | ADELAIDE | MURRAY BRIDGE
BASED OUT OF ARNO BAY
Something the whole family can be involved with!
CATEGORIES
Under 13
Under 16
Under 20
Open (any age)
Open Masters 35 or older
Solo
Open Masters Veteran 50 or older
All Female (subcategories)
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EP Community Pedal Prix Racing
Get involved... Be part of the team!


Streaky Bay
SOUTH AUSTRALIA
THINGS THAT BITE 'N STING
A COMMUNITY SESSION ABOUT VENOMOUS ANIMALS AND SNAKES
WEDNESDAY
2nd DECEMBER 2026
6PM – 8PM
STREAKY BAY AREA SCHOOL GYM
COME AND HOLD A PYTHON!
A FREE, fun and interactive session for families to learn about living safer in areas where venomous animals are found, including snakes, wasps, bees, ants, scorpions, platypus... and more!
LEARN
the latest safety information from the experts
DISCOVER
what to do if you or someone else gets bitten or stung
GREAT FOR FAMILIES
kids welcome
VOLUNTEER
for the venomous snake behaviour demonstration!
A must attend local session!