



O'Sullivan Beach Primary School

Newsletter Term 2, Week 4

Principal's Message

Dear Families,

As we move through Term 2, it's amazing to reflect on all we've achieved together so far. There's a strong sense of calm and purpose across the school, and it's clear that our students are not just learning – they're thriving. That's thanks to the care, commitment, and strong partnerships we share between staff, families, and our wider community.

One of the highlights this term was our Class Name and Cultural Ceremony. Each classroom now proudly carries the name of a local bird in Kaurna language – a meaningful way for us to honour and connect with the land on which we live and learn. These birds are part of our everyday environment, and it has been wonderful to see the pride and sense of belonging our students feel as they embrace these names and deepen their connection to both their school and the wider community. We're excited to let you know that in Term 3, we'll be holding an official opening event to celebrate these names, and we'll be inviting families to come along and share the moment with us.

In our classrooms, there's a strong focus on supporting every child's learning in a way that suits their individual needs. Our teachers are helping students set goals, reflect on their progress, and build the confidence to keep improving – especially in reading, writing, and maths. It's hard work, but it's the kind of work that really makes a difference. Next week's Student-Led Conferences are a chance for your child to share that journey with you – what they've been working on, what they're proud of, and what they're aiming for next. These conferences place your child at the centre of the conversation, helping them take greater ownership of their learning while giving you valuable insight into their progress and goals.

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Coming Up

Term 2, 2025

Week 5

Monday 26th May
National Sorry Day

Tuesday 27th May
Student Led Conference
Evening

Thursday 29th May
Student Led Conference
Evening

Friday 30th May
C.A.R.E. afternoon

Week 6

Friday 6th June
STUDENT FREE DAY

Week 7

Monday 9th June
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Wednesday 11th June
Indigenous Literacy Day

Week 8

Thursday 19th June
Governing Council

Friday 20th June
2.30pm Assembly

Principal's Message cont.

We're also placing a big emphasis on student wellbeing. This term, we introduced the Open Parachute program – a thoughtful, age-appropriate way for students to learn about emotions, friendships, and how to bounce back from challenges. It's just one of the tools we're using to help all children feel safe, supported, and ready to learn.

Looking ahead, Friday of Week 6 (June 6) will be a Student-Free Day. On this day, staff will take part in professional learning led by Positive Minds Australia, focusing on how we can better support students who think and learn differently. Every child at O'Sullies deserves to feel understood, valued, and successful – and we're committed to doing whatever it takes to make that happen.

We're proud of the progress we're making, and we're even more proud to have you walking beside us on the journey. Whether it's at the gate, at events, or simply through the encouragement you give your children each day – your support makes a huge difference.

On behalf of all of us at O'Sullivan Beach Primary School, thank you. Together, we're building something really special.

Warm regards,
Simon Rowlands
Principal





Ngauwakka
(Rainbow lorikeet)



Koa
(Crow)



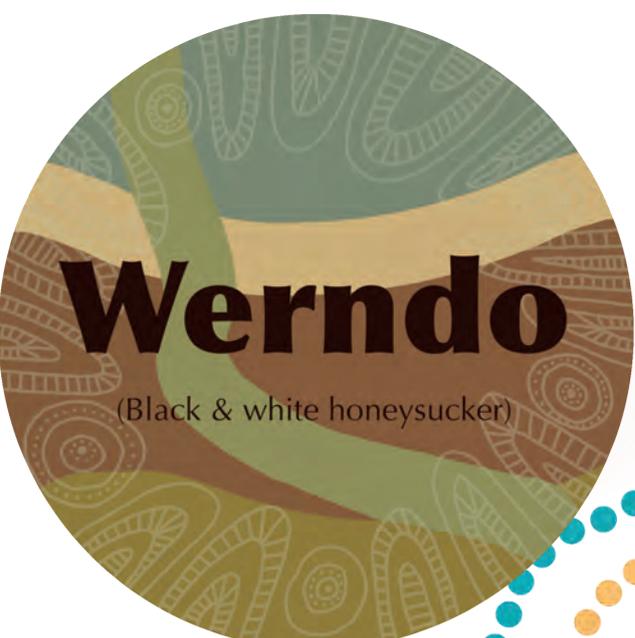
Ngungana
(Kookaburra)



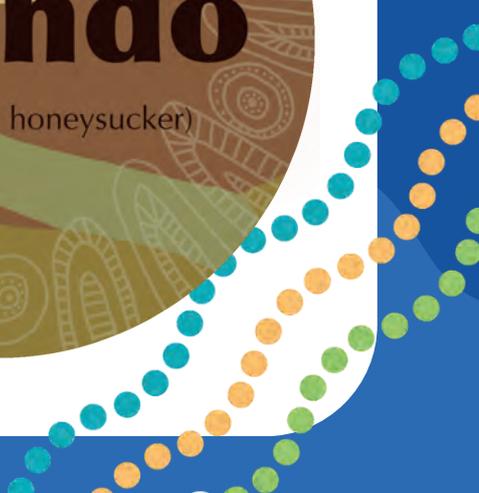
Kurraka
(Magpie)



Winta
(Owl)



Werndo
(Black & white honeyeucker)



Sports Day 2025

Champions

WAUWA

On a beautiful day filled with enthusiasm and camaraderie, Wauwa, the yellow team, emerged victorious at our annual Sports Day! The event was a splendid showcase of sportsmanship, encouragement, and participation, with students, teachers, and families coming together to celebrate the spirit of competition.

From the opening ceremony to the final race, the energy was unmistakable. Wauwa's athletes demonstrated exceptional skill and determination across various events, including sprints, relays, and field activities. Their teamwork and support for one another were truly inspiring.

The day was not just about winning but also about fostering a sense of community and encouraging everyone to do their best. Cheers and applause echoed throughout the grounds as students from all teams supported each other, creating an atmosphere of unity and joy.

Congratulations to Wauwa for their well-deserved victory! A heartfelt thank you to all participants, volunteers, and supporters who made the day a memorable success. **Go Wauwa!**





Dream Big - Reception to Year 3



Our Reception to Year 3 students had an exciting day out at the DreamBIG Children's Festival, where they took part in three fun and creative activities: The Plants, Mini SPIN and Imagine Live

The Plants was a hands-on music activity using real plants! Students got to touch different plants and make sounds with them. It was a fun way to learn about nature and music at the same time.

Mini SPIN was a lively dance party led by Deaf performers and a DJ. Everyone was included and had a great time moving, dancing, and enjoying the music together.

In Imagine Live, students were seated in the beautiful Dunstan Playhouse to watch Alison Lester's much-loved book come to life on stage. The performance was full of music, colour, and excitement as children spotted animals, swam with dolphins, and explored magical places—just like in the book!

The day was full of fun, imagination, and learning. Thank you to our staff for making it such a special experience!





Dream Big - Yr 4,5/6

Our Year 4, 5, and 6 students recently enjoyed an inspiring day in the city at the Dream Big Excursion. This event offered a wonderful mix of learning and creativity.

Year 5 and 6 students explored Adelaide's settlement history and built environments. They engaged in activities that encouraged them to imagine the city's future, showcasing their creativity and innovative thinking.

Year 4 students attended the 'String Symphony', an interactive event that sparked their curiosity in music and art.

The day culminated in a thrilling acrobatic performance, 'A Simple Space'. The display of skill and strength was awe-inspiring, leaving everyone captivated.

Throughout the excursion, our students exhibited great pride in themselves and our school. Their exemplary behaviour and enthusiasm highlighted the supportive environment at O'Sullivan Beach Primary School.

This excursion broadened their horizons and reinforced our values of creativity, respect, and community spirit.



Reception Year 1 Class



This term, our class has continued to explore various learning topics enhancing our knowledge along the way. We have been mastering our reading fluency, writing skills, and developing our understanding of numbers to solve simple real-world problems.

We really enjoyed working with our 'big buddies' from Ms Berrigan's class to create exquisite decorations for some special people in our lives.

Lastly, our excursion to the Adelaide Festival Centre was a very memorable experience to attend.





Student Led Conferences

Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th May
Book online by Monday 26th May, or call the office.
www.schoolinterviews.com.au
use the code 8n4ze



Transition to highschool information has been emailed out. Yr 6 Parents, please follow the links and submit your preference for your students highschool. Please contact Katrina if you have any questions.

Week 6

Student Free day

Friday 6th June

Week 7

Public Holiday

Monday 8th June



DENTAL PATROL

RETURN YOUR CONSENT FORMS TODAY

FREE DENTAL
COMING TO YOUR SCHOOL

Get ready for a bright and healthy smile! The Dental Patrol Team is coming to your school to provide quality dental services to all students and staff. Don't miss out on this fantastic opportunity to ensure those smiles keep shining!

For more information visit our website or email us today!

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* Free dental services are bulk-billed through CDBS funding. For students not covered by CDBS, a discounted service will be provided. Staff are also given the opportunity to use the service at discounted prices.

Free School Dental Service Term 3

We are pleased to offer access to the Free School Dental Service for all students in Term 3. This is a fantastic opportunity to support your child's oral health at no cost. The dental service is run by qualified professionals and takes place during school hours, making it easy and convenient for families.

Consent forms have been sent home with students. If you would like your child to take part in this program, please complete and return the form to school as soon as possible.



Introducing the Open Parachute Wellbeing Program

We are excited to introduce the Open Parachute program at our school – a powerful new wellbeing initiative designed to support the social and emotional development of students from Kindergarten to Year 12.

Open Parachute is built on clinically validated, research-based psychological exercises that help students strengthen their resilience, self-awareness, and social responsibility.

The program encourages students to connect more deeply with themselves and others, fostering strong systems of support both at school and at home.

Parents and carers are also encouraged to continue these important conversations at home. Free video-based resources are available to support you in discussing the same topics your child is learning about at school.

Together, we can help our children grow into healthy, self-aware, and resilient individuals. Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions or would like support accessing the parent resources.

Online Resources for Parents & Caregivers

Open Parachute provides you with **free access** to an **online library of video-based lessons** that teach **skills** on how to support your child's wellbeing at home.

The topics available are listed below:



Click the Link or Scan the QR Code to Access

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CHILDREN'S TOPICS

- Building Resilience
- Teaching Empathy & Accountability
- Healthy Habits with Social Media
- Teaching Your Child to Say No

PRE-TEEN'S TOPICS

- Coping with Bullying
- Supporting Your Child Through Trauma
- When Your Child Acts Out
- Building Self-Esteem

TEEN'S TOPICS

- Supporting Mental Health at Home
- Addictive Patterns
- Teaching about Boundaries & Consent
- Coping with Anxiety & Depression

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Modules are video based!

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