

Scott Creek Primary School



A small dynamic community school

Newsletter

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Term 2 Week 8

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Term 2

Monday 24 June

Pupil Free Day

Partnership Visible Learning

Day

Thursday 27 June

CreARTive Presentation

Scott Creek Hall AM

Wednesday 3 July

Whole school Music

Concert

Scott Creek Hall 7:00pm

Friday 5 July

Last Day of Term 2

Disco

Casual Day

Gold coin donation

Early Dismissal 2:30pm

Term 3

Monday 22 July

Term 3 commences

Friday 26th July

Scott Creek Bonfire

Monday 12 August

Pupil Free Day

Literacy Professional

Development

21-23 August

Whole School Camp

Arbury Park

Friday 30th August

School Closure Day

Royal Adelaide Show

PUPIL FREE DAY NEXT MONDAY, 24 JUNE (WEEK 9)

All staff will be off site at professional learning.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thank you to the school and wider community for being vigilant and keeping an eye on the school on weekends and over school holidays. Some of you may have noticed that last weekend a car did extensive damage to our school oval. We are in contact with the police and the Department for Education to organise repairs.

It is once again report time where we share with you a point in time judgement of where your child is at in relation to the Australian Curriculum for their year level.

We also share with you the level of effort your child is putting into their learning. This is extremely important as we know that effort precedes progress and achievement. It is our goal that all children progress regardless of their academic achievement and this is why we spend so much time identifying, reflecting upon and learning about growth mindsets that support learning to apply themselves, particularly when learning is a challenge. As we have also learnt, it is when we are **confronted by challenging concepts just beyond what we already know that "new learning" occurs.**

As a point of interest, how do you think your child is going? The report is based on evidence provided throughout the year which includes assessment tasks, work samples and evidence gathered through observation.

Grades range from Excellent (A), Good (B), Satisfactory (C), Partial (D) and Minimal (E). These are based on what is expected of your child for that year levels. Therefore a child receiving a (c) is demonstrating understanding and application at the required standard and this is something to be celebrated. This is very different to our day (not that we are old!) where a (C) was average; in modern education this is no longer the case. In line with our goal or progress for all, this also means that should your child consistently receive a (c) over time, they are progressing well, again a cause for celebration.

Regards

Kath Ireland

Principal



FROM THE MUPPERS

The Year 4-7s ("the Muppers") have been focusing on African music, dance and rhythms in lesson times with Tanya on a Monday afternoon. This week one of the tasks was for the students in small groups to make up their own rhythms and to present them to the class.



On Tuesday 11 June The Muppers went to the Hahndorf Academy to view the exhibition, *My Paintings Speak For Me*. The artist Kunyi June Anne McInerney depicted her childhood as a part of the Stolen Generation through many beautiful paintings. Students were encouraged to find and compare life portrayed in the paintings to their own lives. They focused on things such as transport, outside leisure time, punishments and games. The children also took turns telling a short story using leaves and making symbols in sand which is a game Kunyi played with her friends.



LEGO LEAGUE

Lego League is starting again. It will run afterschool in Term 3. Lego League combines Lego, problem solving and programming. Our competitive team, Scott Creek Ultimate Lego League (SKULL) has been very successful over the years. Lego League is for 9-16 year olds. If your child is interested in any of the above come and try this Wednesday lunchtimes this term before the program starts in full in Term 3. We have previously been able to get approval for 8 year olds to join our team. Please speak to Kim if your 8 year old is particularly keen to join. More information to come.

CHESS

We have been in discussion with Chesslife about changing our lessons to a lunch time rather than recess. Unfortunately, we are unable to get a teacher over a lunch time this year but Chesslife will be trying to find us someone for next year. Chess currently runs over recess on Mondays. Registration is at www.chesslife.com.au/register. This is not a school based program and all questions should be directed to Chesslife via email admin@chesslife.com.au.

FROM THE GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Governing Council is making excellent progress with promotion of the school. The website is undergoing some improvements, social media posts are increasing and over 250 flyers have been distributed to local kindergartens with both school and playgroup information on them. Kath held a **successful Principal's Tour of the school** welcoming along several families to see all the exciting things we have to offer. The Governing Council has approved two pupil free days for Term 3; Monday 12 August and Friday 30 August.

HOT LUNCHES

Scott Creek Primary School will be heating lunches on Mondays starting 17th June (next week), continuing until the end of Term 3.

- Lunches must be able to go in the oven and be wrapped in foil or in a paper bag.
- Microwave, toaster etc is NOT available.
- Food must be fully defrosted.
- **Please label food with student's name and leave it on the trays on the stove on Monday morning.**
- Food heated in the oven is hot, we ask that children bring their lunch box to the kitchen to collect their lunches. Office staff will not give children hot food to carry in their hands.

PLEASE CHECK OUR SIGNBOARD

We endeavour to keep the signboard at the front of the school up to date with important events. The dates on the signboard will also be in the newsletter. We try to give families notice of pupil free days in multiple ways, however we always have more than one student arrive at school on a closure day.

Please be aware that there will not always be staff at school on pupil free days and school closure days. Teacher and SSO training is often held off site.



PRINCIPAL'S TOURS

Wednesday 26th June at 9:00am or by appointment. Spread the word!

Scott Creek Progress Association presents

Scott Creek Bonfire

Friday 26th July 2019 - from 4pm - Scott Creek Oval



Homemade hot soups,
a BBQ, soft drinks,
tea & coffee

Cake stall by Scott
Creek Primary School

Buy a raffle ticket

Funds raised go to maintaining
Scott Creek Hall and Oval