



## Scott Creek Primary School



### Diary Dates

#### AUGUST

- **Thursday, 31<sup>st</sup> August** – Phonics Screening Check

#### SEPTEMBER

- **Mon, 4<sup>th</sup> to Tues, 5<sup>th</sup> Sep.** – 'Zoo Snooze' camp
- **Wed, 6<sup>th</sup> September** – Playgroup + Mobile Library
- **Monday, 11<sup>th</sup> September** – PAT Testing commences
- **Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> September** – Assembly @ 9:00am (hosted by the Kookaburras)
- **Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> Sep.** – Governing Council @ 4:15pm
- **Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> September** – Principal's Tour @ 4:00pm



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### Principal's Message

Dear Families,

We're now officially past the half-way point of Term 3. There have been many positive school events these past weeks, which have brought us all together. A big thank you to everyone who attended our school **Disco**. We had a tremendous turnout, which included children, adults, siblings and past students! **'Wheels Day'**, an event organised by the Student Representative Council, was a great success too. The wet weather only added to the fun, with students smiling and zipping around the school on their scooters, rollerblades, skateboards, bikes – you name it! Our most recent highlight was the **Book Week Parade**, an event that allowed students to come to school dressed up as their favourite book characters. This annual event truly reflects the amazing imaginations of our students, as well as their love for reading. Following the parade, we held a **learning showcase**, with families invited into classrooms to participate in learning activities with the students to help celebrate Book Week. We all then gathered for a shared picnic and to enjoy some Scott Creek 130<sup>th</sup> Birthday cake. It was terrific day which brought out a special sense of community.

Our recent **Pupil Free Day**, allowed staff the opportunity to collaboratively work together to analyse data collected from recent student assessments. We also reflected on our visits to Mount Barker South PS and Macclesfield PS, sharing our observations and discussing next steps for our school. In the afternoon, teachers were given valuable time to moderate and assess their students' second Narrative writing pieces.

In the coming weeks, students across the school will be completing assessments set by the Department for Education. The **Phonics Screening Check** is a Year 1 assessment that allows teachers to see how their students are progressing in phonics. It generally takes between 5 to 7 minutes to assess each student. The test is organised into two sections with a mixture of 40 real words and pseudo-words (made-up words). The **Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT)** are online reading comprehension and maths assessments, aligned to the Australian Curriculum. These tests are completed by students in Yrs 1 to 6. The results provide teachers with effective information regarding the learning strengths and needs of their students.

Our school has been selected to **pilot a new mathematics assessment** that will be introduced to Department for Education schools later in 2024. Our teachers, Danielle and Carly, as well as some Year 3 and 4 students, will be filmed by a professional crew whilst they complete the assessment. The footage obtained will be shared with teachers across South Australia, as part of their mathematics training and development. A big thank you to everyone involved in this project – a great achievement.

The countdown is on for our **'Zoo-Snooze' camp!** Students (and teachers) are really starting to get excited now. If you haven't done so already, please ensure you have made payment, returned the consent form and importantly indicated when/where you will be picking your child up from at the conclusion of camp.



**Anthony McIver**

Principal

**Scott Creek Primary School**

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## Classroom News: Kookaburras



The Kookaburras have been working hard during our Deep Dive lessons, researching endangered animals to find out why they are endangered and what we can do to help. We have been making dioramas, posters, information reports and iMovies. We are all learning a lot and using all of our creativity! 😊



### New irrigation has arrived!

A huge **thank you** to *Reece Irrigation and Pools* for donating quality irrigation for our school's 'Juicy Garden'.

A big shout out to Mark Ryan from '*InStyle Paving & Landscaping*' for the efficient installation of this irrigation. Great job, mate!

Looking forward to seeing the students get out into the garden more once the weather starts getting warmer. Can't wait for this garden to flourish come springtime! 😊



## Wheels Day! (Student Representative Council event)



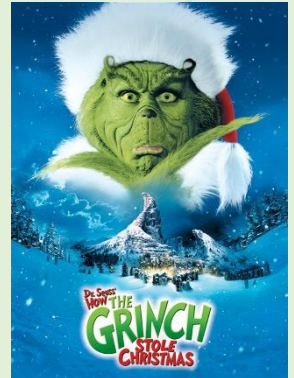


## Additional Information

### 'The Grinch' – Whole School Production

The Year 6 students are proud to officially announce this year's production.

- Traditionally, the Year 6 students choose a play, work on a script and run auditions.
- This play is performed at the end of the year, on the same night as the Year 6 Graduation.
- We ensure there are opportunities for all students in the school to participate.
- Students will be able to work on the production during Drama lessons.
- Thank you to everyone that has donated white sheets for our backdrops, which we will start painting shortly. Other callouts may be made, when it comes to putting together costumes!



### Old Scott Creek Primary Uniform – Now on Display

- Five years ago, at our school's 125<sup>th</sup> celebration, an old Scott Creek Primary School Uniform was donated. 2023 marks 130 years for our school, a timely opportunity to have this historic blazer and tie beautifully framed and displayed in our Front Office. The students have had mixed reactions to the uniform – half were in awe and the other half were scared it was going to be re-instated! It's so pleasing to know this piece of history is now protected and will be admired for many years to come.
- Please feel free to drop into the Front Office if you would like a closer look.



### Hot Lunch Mondays – Still continuing in Term 3

- **On Mondays (in Term 2 and 3), students can bring food to the office (at the start of day) that can be reheated by the staff, ready for lunchtime.** The food needs to be thawed out (not frozen) and wrapped in foil. No microwaving available. Students also need a sturdy container (with their names on it) to collect their hot food from the Front Office.



### Lunch Order Fridays – Bridgewater General Store

- In case you weren't aware, the Bridgewater General Store delivers lunch orders to our school on Fridays. Orders MUST be placed by Wednesday. Families may call up the store and pay over the phone, or alternatively you can put your order in at the Front Office, placing the money inside a paper lunch bag.

### Scholastic Book Fair - Sales

- Thank you everyone for supporting the Scholastic Book Fair. A total of \$552.00 worth of sales was made, allowing our school to receive a \$52.00 book voucher.





## Book Week Parade, Learning Showcase + 130<sup>th</sup> Celebration







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# SCOTT CREEK FOREST PLAYGROUP

Join us in the forest for activities that embrace our love of nature, art and outdoor play

**Build cubbies, discover fungi, climb trees, read and sing around the campfire, play in the mud, follow the forest trail, create and explore**



\$2  
per family

**THE SECRET FOREST, SCOTT CREEK PRIMARY SCHOOL  
519 Scott Creek Road, Scott Creek**

**Only 7 minutes from Stirling and 15 minutes from Blackwood**

**For children from birth to age 5 and their carers**

**ALTERNATE WEDNESDAYS 9.15-10.45am (starting 6/8/2023)**

**Find us on Facebook @scottcreekforestplaygroup**

**Book via Facebook or call the school on 8388 2251**

## Community News

SA  
Dental

Your child's dental health is important to their overall health and wellbeing.

All children from 0-18 years are welcome to attend SA Dental. There are no out-of-pocket costs for most families. To request an appointment, visit [www.dental.sa.gov.au/kids/request-an-appointment](http://www.dental.sa.gov.au/kids/request-an-appointment)



### VACSWIM SA Locations for 2023/24: The Fish is Out of the Net!

We are thrilled to announce that the wait is finally over and the fish is out of the net! The locations for the much-anticipated VACSWIM SA 2023/24 program have been unveiled 🐟



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