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IMPORTANT DIARY DATES



Monday 11 th March	Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
Friday 15 th March	5:30pm Family Picnic
Monday 18 th March	7pm Governing Council Mtg
Tuesday 19 th March	SAPSASA Athletics Day
Wednesday 20 th March	Harmony Day
Thursday 21 st March & Friday 22 nd March	Year 6/7 Aquatics
Thursday 11 th April	Sports Day

During the first few weeks of the term, our teachers and leaders have also taken the opportunity to extend their skills and understanding about how to best facilitate learning in our school. As educators, we appreciate the benefits of lifelong learning and see it as a vital part of our 'craft'. We have recently extended our learning in the following ways:

- STEM 500 Project
- Big 6 Literacy Learning
- Embracing Agile Leadership for Learning
- Too Smart (Junior Primary Maths Intervention)
- Big Idea In Number – Mathematics Learning
- 2019 Literacy Summit

These exciting initiatives help to keep our teaching fresh, informed, inclusive and engaging. I see this as another example how we encourage consistent improvement, ensuring McLaren Flat Primary School is a great place to grow and learn!

Jo Bell,
Deputy Principal

Lifelong Learning

Over the past few weeks, our staff have been busily setting students up for success in their learning for 2019 and it is important to reflect on the vast array of learning that is always going on in our busy school. Some of our younger students are discovering what it means to be a part of our learning environment. It can be an exciting time where we learn the many routines, academic steps and social opportunities that school life presents. Each year our students build on the foundation skills and understandings from the year before to enable them to open more doors and pathways to further learning.

Learning continues for the rest of our lives and this is an important message for our students to understand. There is always something new and exciting to learn; this helps us to grow, connect and contribute to our world.

2019 House Captains

Introducing our House Captains for 2019!

Wickham Captains – Oscar R & Jakob B
Wickham Vice Captains – Lilly F & Mitchell

Leslie Captains – Allira & Max J
Leslie Vice Captains – Paige & Lilly P

Elliot Captains – Mitch H-P & Maddie G
Elliot Vice Captains – Brock & Lilly M

Sturt Captains – Cooper & Hayley
Sturt Vice Captains – Harry S & Rylee T

Parent Group

On the 5th of March, our amazing parent group volunteers organised Pancake Day.

What a brilliant morning it was! The sun was shining and we were surrounded by laughing, smiling faces and happy tummies! Some very impressive manners were heard by the volunteers too. Pancake Day was a great success for the children as we were able to raise \$270.00! Thank you to all those involved; look out for another pancake day coming up later in the year!

Kate & Bree



Thank you to our wonderful volunteers for making this day happen!

Family Picnic

Friday 15th March



We would like to invite all of our families to come together to celebrate what a beautiful spot we live, learn and play in!

On Friday 15th March, we would love as many families as possible to pack a lovely picnic spread (and blanket!) and join together on our school oval from 5:30pm. Please remember that the oval has a 'glass free' rule so please remember this when packing your goodies. It is a great opportunity to meet other families and your children's friends. We are putting together some good, old-fashioned family fun activities (sports equipment and games) to get us all mingling.

Hope to see you all there!

Jo Bell, Sally Osmond, Sharelle Furner and Kate Peel.

Pastoral Care Worker

Hi,

Thank-you to the McLaren Flat community for the bikes that have been donated so far. If you are thinking about donating a bike to the bike tinkering project that will be a great help. An important part of what I do at school is social and emotional support. If you would like me to help or support your child, please come and see me on Thursday or Friday or leave a message at the front office. Fortnightly, on Fridays at lunchtime, I am running a craft activity for the students at school. Last week the kids did creative pop stick construction, and they made some great pieces of art.

Jamie Wells



M&S Fee 2019

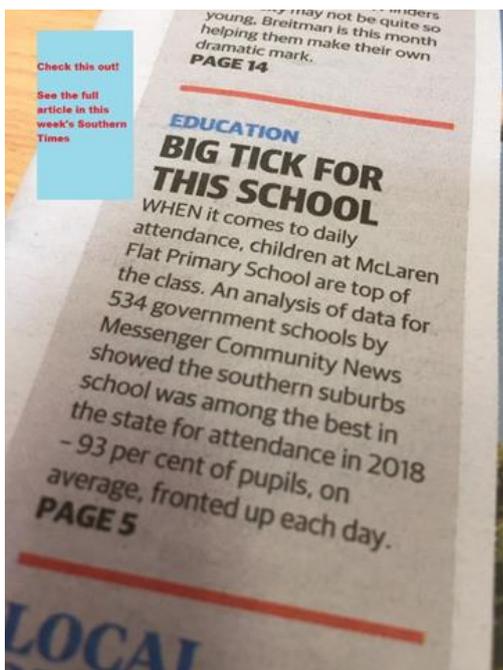
At McLaren Flat Primary School, fees are charged to cover basic items such as student books and learning resources that are important for your child to be successful at school. Schools are funded according to student numbers. This means that we must work within set budgets that are linked to our funding.

It makes it very difficult for us to offer a variety of curriculum programs to our students when we have to redirect funds to try and cover unpaid fees. By paying your fees, you are supporting the school in providing your children with the best possible education we can offer them. For many of our extra-curricular activities we set money aside to subsidise programs, so that all children can participate in all activities. Unpaid fees means less opportunity to expand on what we can offer our children. These fees were due for payment on the 22nd February (14 days from the invoice date).

I would like to remind families to please pay your fees if you have not yet done so. For those families who have paid, thank you for your support. It is greatly appreciated. If you have any questions regarding payment of fees, please ring the school and ask to talk to Kerry Hooper. She will be more than happy to assist you and find solutions as to how you can pay school fees.

Josh Anderson
Principal

Other School News



Check this out! See the full article in this week's Southern Times.

Second-hand Uniform Shop



OPEN: 2:50pm until 3:20pm
Friday afternoons fortnightly
Weeks 5, 7 & 9 (odd weeks)
Open Friday 15th March
All items \$2

Community News

WILLUNGA HIGH SCHOOL

Open Night

Wed 20 March
5:30 - 7:30pm

Experience our extensive curriculum opportunities, interactive student displays and meet our Leadership & teaching team. To book your place:
P: 8557 0100 E: info@whs.sa.edu.au

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TRAIL RIDE

[RIDE THE SHIRAZ TRAIL- WILLUNGA TO MOANA RETURN]

Enjoy the fresh air, fitness and 52km of majestic scenery of the Shiraz trail from Willunga to McLaren Vale and beyond.

Join us for a scenic ride through the vines, often enjoyed by tourists, but missed by locals. Don't be that person.

Some fitness and/or experience required.

Bikes, Helmets and morning tea provided

BYO bike welcome, safety check necessary.
DATE: Sunday 3 March 2019
TIME: 10.30am - 2pm (approx.)
COST: FREE
AGE: 13-25 years
WHERE: Meet at Willunga Railway Station - 2 Railway Tce, Willunga.
BOOKINGS: trailride@willunga.sa.gov.au
INQUIRIES: 8557 7555
www.willunga.sa.gov.au

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Parent Online Safety Presentation

Presented by Sonya Ryan, CEO

Are you concerned about your child's safety when they are online? Do you want to know how to help them use technology wisely? Our children are using the internet daily to connect with each other and the world around them. It is important to empower students to make wise choices, to look after their digital reputation and keep themselves and others safe while navigating the internet and apps.

Book now to hear Sonya Ryan give practical advice about a range of topics including respectful relationships, cyber-bullying prevention and support, emotional intelligence and online choices and real life consequences.

Suitable for adults (note parents may bring their children who are 13 years and up)

Location
Woodcroft Library
175 Bains Rd, Morphett Vale, SA 5162

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Thurs 21 March 2019
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm



ROOM 14
Showing some of our learning so far

