Welcome to our Newsletter

Friday 25th Oct • Week 2, Term 4 2<u>024</u>

Principal's Message

I warmly welcome you all back for Term 4, our final (yet not slowing down) term of the year!

Today we acknowledge World Teachers Day and how fortunate we are the have the BEST team of teachers in the world here at Karrendi! From creating safe learning environments, to making each day fun, to remaining at school after hours for special events and partaking in our many dress up days, I cannot stress enough how fortunate we truly are!

I recently asked some of our students how they would describe our teachers and the words they used were:

Kind, funny, caring, clever, loud, beautiful, creative, collaborative, nurturing, short, lovely, extraordinary, fun, zesty, thoughtful, considerate, responsible!

You have no doubt heard about the ongoing shortages due to teachers leaving the profession yet no matter the challenges that each day brings, our team of teachers never fail to inspire me with the resilience, enthusiasm and commitment they demonstrate-they deserve this day of acknowledgement and so much more!



Ella-Louise Ailmore Principal

A Message from Ms Sam

We started Term 4 with a bang at Karrendi, we were very lucky to be able to take our 5/6 students to Arbury Park in the Adelaide Hills. Our students attending Arbury Park for a 3-day, 2-night camp to start off the term.

It was a fun-filled experience with students learning about Freshwater life, hiking through the hills, taking long walks to Bridgewater, planting plants, learning about our eco-system and learning more about Aboriginal Cultures while there. Our students and staff who attended couldn't speak highly enough of the food at Arbury Park too!

We were also lucky to secure Trent Hill for the Tuesday night of camp to learn about artefacts and about how fire is made with rubbing sticks. Students also listened to a Dreamtime Story about stealing and honesty.

Students were asked what their favourite part of camp was:

"The Mount George Hike"

"Getting to take our shoes off and walk through the streams on the bridgewater hike"

"The Trent Hill experience"



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Diary Dates

- 30th Oct Governing Council Meeting 2pm & Assembly 9:10am Rm 7 hosting
- 31st Oct Diwali Canteen Special – Halloween Cones
- 1st Nov Power Youth Program Rm 17, 19, 20
- 4th Nov Children's Uni Graduation & German Week
- 13th Nov Assembly
 9:10am Rm 5 hosting

Important Dates/ reminder... 11th Nov – Student Free Day

2024 Term Dates

Term 1 29 January - 12 April

> **Term 2** 29 April - 5 July

Term 3 22 July - 27 September

Term 4 14 October – 13 December



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A Message from Miss Schinella

At Karrendi, our teachers are dedicated to using evidence-based practices in their classrooms. This year, we have had a strong focus on implementing a daily review at the start of every English, Maths and Specialist lesson. A daily review includes reciting, recalling and applying knowledge and skills that have already been learnt, so that students transfer the knowledge and skills from their short-term memory to their long-term memory. We have also continued to implement Initialit in our JP classes and introduced Spell Ex in our Primary classes. We have seen some excellent growth in students' reading and spelling ability as a result of these practices. Well done to Maxwell from Room 21, who proudly showed me his recent Initialit assessment demonstrating a huge improvement in his reading level. Maxwell enjoyed ringing the bell to celebrate this achievement!







A Message from Mrs Sellwood

On the last day of term, we held our Karrendi Colour Carnival and had the best day with families and students. Seeing the smiles on the student's faces and everyone coming together as they ran was truly amazing.

It was fantastic to see the spirit and enthusiasm that was displayed in supporting our school and we are excited to announce that our community raised a gigantic \$6,738 to go towards our new outdoor drink taps!



Thank you again for your support and generosity! You all made it truly unforgettable!

A Spotlight on Learning

This week our Year 4 students were excited to participate in the Road Rrossing Training ready to become Crossing Monitors next year!

South Australian Police Officers joined us to facilitate the training and to support students to put their new learning into practice. Our students did an incredible job and are really looking forward to being able to put this into practice next year.









Meet the Staff Member

My name is Zoe Gidman, and I am excited to be a new SSO at Karrendi Primary School. I have enjoyed my first week at Karrendi and feel warmly welcomed by all of our community. I have a deep passion for supporting children and believe in giving



them the best opportunity to learn and grow. With a strong focus on

providing the right support, I'm dedicated to helping every student thrive and reach their full potential.

If you haven't said hi to me yet, please feel free to stop me in the yard and have a chat!

I live with my parents and my two sisters, and when I'm not working, you'll often find me exercising at the gym, playing netball, or soaking up the sun! Outside of work, I'm actively involved in the Gawler Central Netball Club, where I love coaching and playing. I recently won a Premiership coaching the under-15 team, and I've been playing netball since I was 9 years old, competing in both city and country competitions. When I'm not on the court, I enjoy spending time with my family, and my partner going camping, hiking, or relaxing with a good footy game or TV show.

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My name is Anne Trezise. I am one of the NITT teachers (teachers who release classroom teachers). I work with students from Reception to Year 6, teaching Science, Geography, German, Technology, History and Mathematics.



I have been teaching at Karrendi since 1988. For 19 years I was the Teacher-Librarian, before becoming a classroom teacher and then moving into the NITT role. I work 0.6 (3 days a week). When I am not at school I enjoy travelling, Aqua Dance, doing craft activities and cooking. This year I was went on a cruise around the World and met some wonderful people and had the opportunity to visit some amazing countries. Whist at sea I got to do a variety of crafts and see some excellent performers.

Community Hub

Welcome back to term 4, the last term for 2024. Our playgroup families have enjoyed their first 2 weeks back. Last week we looked at the numbers 1 to 10 and had fun with some number games as well as enjoying painting outside, This week we had a **very special playgroup**, **our first Bush Playgroup** at Carisbrooke Park with our other Community Hub playgroups. Nature Play SA, Hannah from The Ark Project and Green Adelaide all joined us at this event too and everyone who came along had so much fun! We can't wait to organise another special playgroup next year which will be a Beach Playgroup event.



First Nations

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope you all had a deadly break.

My days and hours are the same I will be here Mon-Fri 9:15am-2:15pm. If you need help, support or just want to have a yarn the Nunga Room is open with tea and coffee. You can also contact through Class Dojo or on 0428 248 775.



Embrace the Sugarbushin' season with the blooming Bottle Brush tree, reserving a portion of flowers for our beloved birds and bees. Gather the nectar-rich blossoms to create a delectable syrup reminiscent of a blend between maple and golden syrup.

Instructions:

- 1. Harvest an abundance of nectar-rich flowers from the Bottle Brush tree in a large pot.
- 2. Fill the pot with spring or filtered water, stirring gently to extract the nectar into the water.
- 3. Remove flowers and strain the liquid through a cloth to eliminate any residue.

4. Bring the mixture to a boil and simmer until reaching your desired level of sweetness; for an extra sweet syrup, reduce 10 liters of water to approximately 250ml - 300ml.

5. Transfer your Wild Crafted Bottle Brush Syrup into a sterilized jar and store in the refrigerator, ideally consuming within a few months.

6. Engage in this yearly tradition with friends and family, sharing the joy of crafting your own

We would like to continue planting edible plants in our bush tucker garden, please share any suggestions you may have that we can plan and use in cooking.

We have lots happening this term out in our community, see below activities & events you may be interested in. Keep a look out on Class Dojo as I share information with you.



Term 4 Calendar

	Monday	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Friday
WEEK 1	14/10 Year 5/6 Camp	15/10 Year 5/6 Camp	16/10 Year 5/6 camp	17/10	18/10 Power Youth Program Rms 17, 19, 20
WEEK 2	21/10	22/10 Team Spirit Day	23/10	24/10 Power Youth Program Rms 17, 19, 20	25/10 World Teachers Day
WEEK 3	28/10	29/10	30/10 Governing Council Meeting 2pm Assembly 9.10AM ROOM 7 HOSTING	31/10 Diwali Canteen Special- Halloween Cones	01/11 Power Youth Program Assembly 9.15am
WEEK 4	04/11 Children's Uni Graduation German Week	05/11	06/11 Reception Transition	07/11	08/11
WEEK 5	11/11 Student free day Remembrance day	12/11	13/11 Reception Transition World Kindness Day Assembly 9.10am Room 5 hosting	14/11 World Diabetes Day	15/11
WEEK 6	18/11 Swimming	19/11 Swimming	20/11 RECEPTION TRANSITION UNIVERSAL CHILDREN'S DAY CANTEEN SPECIAL-ICE CREAMS SWIMMING	21/11 SWIMMING JUST TOO DEADLY GRADUATION	22/11 SWIMMING SAPSASA TAG RUDBY
WEEK 7	25/11 Swimming Fairy Bread Day	26/11 Year 6 Graduation Swimming	27/11 Reception Transition Swimming	28/11 Swimming	29/11 Swimming
WEEK 8	02/12	03/12 Team Spirit Day	04/12 R-5 Transition Visit Governing Council Meeting 2pm	05/12 Year 6 Transition	06/12 Year 6 Transition
WEEK 9	09/12	10/12 Karrendi Under the Stars	11/12 Christmas Raffle Drawn R-5 Transition Visit	12/12 Anything BUT a Schoolbag Day	13/12 Assembly 9.10am - Room 17 hosting

