

# Welcome to our Newsletter

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February • Week 2, Term 1 2023



## Principal's Message

It is with great excitement that I welcome new and existing students and families to Karrendi Primary School! We have experienced a positive and calm start to the year with students quickly settling into routines and engaging in our start of the year program, 'Soaring to Success.' Within the program, students learn about emotions, the differences between A and B Choices, making friends and managing conflict, a refresher of our school values and how to manage stress. By explicitly teaching these topics to all children at the start of the year, we ensure that our language across the school is consistent and that all of our students have a toolbox of social and emotional strategies to access throughout the year.

Along with students and families, it has given me great joy to welcome back members of our hard working and committed team, in addition to some new members of staff. Welcome to Rachel Wickham (Term One-Rm 21 Mondays, Rm 20 Wednesdays), Natasha Bouzalas (Rm 7 Mondays, Rm 23 Thursdays and Fridays), Linda Kingsada-Cook (Front Office), Trev Bradford (Groundsman) and last, but definitely not least, Karryn Przibilla (Deputy Principal). All new members of our team have worked hard to establish relationships within our community and to learn about what makes our school so special! It is wonderful to have them on board! Sara Gorroick is not with us this year, we wish her well with her leave and look forward to welcoming her back in 2024!

Whilst it's the first term of the year, we are definitely making the most of the lack of Covid restrictions and getting families on site as much as we can! We look forward to our first community event of the year-*Meet the Teacher Afternoon* on Tuesday 14th February-a great opportunity for you to learn more about your child's teacher, hear what they will be learning this term and to enjoy a free sausage! I hope that many of you can join us!

Thank you for your efforts in ensuring that our school community has experienced a successful start to 2023!

**Ella-Louise Ailmore**

**Principal**



## A Message from Mrs Przibilla

How wonderful it was this year to start 2023 with all students able to attend classes after the staggered start we had last year in response to COVID. As we now return to a new 'normal' with very few restrictions, students are again able to access all the social, emotional and educational opportunities that attending school regularly provides.

When students are regularly late to school, they miss daily instructions and routines and can become self-conscious entering the classroom. It can also be disruptive for the class. A child that is 10 minutes late every day will miss 30 hours of instruction over the year and missing just 1 day of school a fortnight adds up to missing 1 year of school, by the time a child reaches year 10.

Research shows that daily school attendance is important for children to succeed in education and to ensure they don't fall behind both socially and developmentally. It is important that children develop habits of regular attendance at an early age.

You can help your child to be ready and on time for learning each day by

- Preparing for school the night before by making lunches and packing bags
- Having a regular bedtime
- Removing technology from the bedroom at night
- Modelling punctual behaviour for work and appointments



## Diary Dates

14th February-**Meet the Teacher Afternoon'**

3:15pm – 4:30pm

21st February –  
**International Mother Language Day**

1st March – **Choir Excursion**

1st March-**Assembly Rm 5**, 2.15pm start

3rd March – **SAPSASA Swimming**

*Important Date/reminder...*  
**10th March Pupil Free Day**

## 2022 Term Dates

**Term 1**

31 January - 14 April

**Term 2**

2 May - 8 July

**Term 3**

25 July - 30 September

**Term 4**

17 October - 16 December



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## A Message from Miss Cooke – Pedagogy Leader

Welcome back to our returning families, I am excited to continue on our educational journey together, and I look forward to meeting our new families and working alongside you to support you and your child in their learning. Hopefully, you all managed to find some time to rest over the break and are finding the energy to start, what is already, a busy beginning to the school year!

Each fortnight, this section of the newsletter will be used to keep families updated on the goings-on at our school in regard to; teacher development, the implementation of evidence-based approaches and keeping you informed about what we are doing to ensure that we are providing the students of Karrendi with a holistic, evidence-based and supportive education.

As Pedagogy Leader my role within and alongside the Leadership Team is to lead, support and promote effective teaching and learning practices, which are informed by research and have been proven to be most effective for student learning. I will provide you with updates on how staff are developing and expanding on their practice, changes that we might expect to see in classes and tips and tricks that you can do at home to help your child along their learning journey.

I look forward to another year as part of our Karrendi Community and I am excited to see it grow and develop as we work together to give the students of Karrendi the best opportunities to be the best people they can be and set them on their way for the future that they deserve.



## Welcome New Reception Children!

It has been wonderful getting to know the new Reception children and their families. During the first two weeks of school we have been learning new routines, the school values, The Zones of Regulation and the difference between A and B Choices. The children have been practising writing their names each morning and answering the daily question.



## Welcome to Karrendi:

Abigail    Alexi    Alexia    Amelia  
 Aubree    Austin    Ethan    Graham    Hana    Hartnett  
 Indy    Isla    Jack    Jaiveer    Jordan    Kaylee  
 Lee-Roy    Matilda    Melina    Sajjad



## Specialist Team Talk



Room 21 (and other classes!) will be studying German and Health with Frau Shahrooei in Room 17. In our first lesson we started setting up our books, discussing class expectations and looking at items from Germany. We especially loved the nice smelling "Rauchsmann"!!

## Meet the Staff Member

Hi, my name is Karryn Przibilla and I am delighted to be joining Karrendi Primary School as Deputy Principal in 2023. It has been a busy start to the term where I have been warmly welcomed and greeted by many students and families in the yard. If I haven't had the opportunity to meet you yet, please come over and say hi, you will regularly find me wearing a yellow vest in the yard before and after school.

I have previously worked in a variety of schools including Gawler Primary, Surrey Downs Primary and Elizabeth North Primary Schools in a variety of positions from classroom teacher, Aboriginal Education Teacher to leadership positions. This year my focus will be on facilitating student wellbeing and inclusion along with improving outcomes for our students through our Site Improvement Plan.

When I am not working, I enjoy spending time with my husband and three sons. Some of our favourite ways to spend holidays are travelling in our caravan to explore our beautiful country. We have been to lots of places in South Australia and the Northern Territory and are looking forward to planning a trip to Western Australia in the future.

On the weekends I am busy helping my sons' baseball team as the scorer, but also love to find the time to walk my dog at the local creek, try new crafts and read novels.



## Meet the Staff Member

Hello! My name is Tash Bouzalas and this is my first year teaching part time at Karrendi Primary School. Last year as a first year university graduate, I was lucky to spend the majority of Term 4 doing relief teaching through different classes at Karrendi where I got to know many of our wonderful staff and students. This year, you will find me Mondays in Room 7 with Mrs. Trenorden, and Thursdays and Fridays in Room 23 with Mrs. Schinella.

I am passionate about building strong relationships with students, learning about their individual interests, and how that can be incorporated to instill a love of learning in them. I love spending my free time hanging out with my family and friends, as well as my dog Max and kitten Baxter. I also love travelling the world, cooking, and going out to eat and explore Adelaide's food scene.



## Community Hub

Welcome back everyone!! I'm super excited to be able to spend a whole year with you all this year!!

Last week, in the Hub, Sue our English teacher, Sadaf and I spent the week cleaning, decluttering and planning for the term ahead.

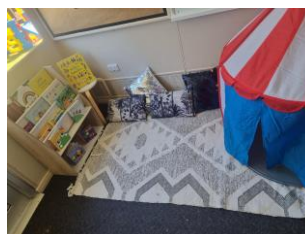
This week, we excitedly welcomed back our English students and Playgroup families. It was so lovely to see everyone again after such a long break.

This year we unfortunately only have 3 English Classes due to funding cuts but are very grateful to still have 3 as they are very beneficial to our community. Our students were very excited and happy to be back this week!! Our Tuesday morning class will be an English Computing Class held in the Library. It will provide an opportunity for our English students to learn basic computing skills which are such a vital skill in today's day and age. On Thursdays we will have our Pre-Beginner and Beginner Class in the mornings and Intermediate in the afternoon.

I was so excited to welcome back our Playgroup families this week along with some new faces!! It was so lovely to see everyone again, all my little friends had grown so much over the holidays! We spent the morning playing, creating and connecting. I'm so excited for all the fun we will have this year in Playgroup!

Next week we will have our Novita Playgroup back on Monday mornings and also we have our Dads Playgroup up and running on Saturday mornings too which is super exciting!!

Our Op Shop should hopefully be back up and running in the next few weeks just need to finish sorting through everything and getting the room in order.





PLEASE JOIN US TO

# Meet The Teacher



**TUESDAY  
14TH  
FEBRUARY**

**3.15-4.30PM**

## WHAT

- Join us for the afternoon to:
- Visit your child's classroom
  - Meet their teachers
  - Hear about the exciting learning to come this year
  - Learn strategies to help your child at home
  - Ask questions!

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU THERE!**



Come and learn

about

# InitialLit

Do you have a child in Reception-Year 2 and would like to hear more about how we teach reading and writing? Join us to

- learn about our successful approach
- and to hear how you can help at home!

**Tuesday 14th March  
2-3pm**

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# ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



**Karrendi  
Primary School**  
*soaring to success*

**WEDNESDAY  
22ND MARCH**

**2PM-3PM**

**JOIN US**

**FIND US IN THE STAFF  
ROOM TO HEAR ABOUT...**

**2022 ACHIEVEMENTS**



**FUTURE PLANS**



**AND TO MEET OUR  
MEMBERS**



**LIGHT  
REFRESHMENTS  
PROVIDED**

## Term 1 Calendar

| Week      | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday   |
|-----------|--|---|---|--|--|
| <b>1</b>  | 30/1   | 31/1  | 1/2   | 2/2  | 3/2  |
| <b>2</b>  | 6/2  | 7/2   | 8/2   | 9/2  | 10/2   |
| <b>3</b>  | 13/2   | 14/2<br>'Meet the Teacher'<br>Afternoon   | 15/2  | 16/2   | 17/2   |
| <b>4</b>  | 20/2   | 21/2<br>International<br>Mother Language<br>Day   | 22/2  | 23/2   | 24/2   |
| <b>5</b>  | 27/2   | 28/2  | 1/3<br>Choir excursion<br>Combined<br>Rehearsal 12.30 -<br>2pm<br><b>Assembly 2.15pm</b><br>Host class Rm 5 | 2/3  | 3/3<br><b>SAPSASA<br/>Swimming</b>                                       |
| <b>6</b>  | 6/3  | 7/3   | 8/3   | 9/3<br><b>SAPSASA<br/>Lacrosse</b>                   | 10/3<br>Pupil Free Day   |
| <b>7</b>  | 13/3<br>Public Holiday<br>Adelaide Cup   | 14/3<br>Initialit Information<br>Session<br>Families R-2, 2pm   | 15/3<br>NAPLAN  | 16/3<br>NAPLAN<br>National Close the<br>Gap Day      | 17/3<br>NAPLAN<br>National Day<br>against Bullying and<br>Violence       |
| <b>8</b>  | 20/3<br>NAPLAN   | 21/3<br>NAPLAN<br>Harmony Day<br>World Down<br>Syndrome Day<br>Nowruz (Persian New<br>Year)<br><b>Special Assembly<br/>2.15pm</b><br>Host class Rm 20 | 22/3<br>NAPLAN<br>Governing Council<br>AGM  | 23/3<br>NAPLAN<br>Ramadan begins                     | 24/3<br>NAPLAN   |
| <b>9</b>  | 27/3<br>NAPLAN<br>Swimming R-2   | 28/3<br>Swimming R-2  | 29/3<br>Swimming R-2  | 30/3<br>Swimming R-2                                 | 31/3<br>Swimming R-2<br><b>SAPSASA</b><br>Girls Netball<br>Boys Football |
| <b>10</b> | 3/4<br>Parent Teacher<br>Interviews<br>Swimming 3-6<br>World Autism<br>Awareness Day (2/4) | 4/4<br>Parent<br>Teacher Interviews<br>Swimming 3-6   | 5/4<br>Parent Teacher In<br>terviews<br>Swimming 3-6  | 6/4<br>Parent Teacher Inte<br>rviews<br>Swimming 3-6 | 7/4<br><b>Public Holiday</b><br>Good Friday                              |
| <b>11</b> | 10/4<br><b>Public Holiday</b><br>Easter Monday   | 11/4  | 12/4<br><b>Assembly 2.15pm</b><br>Host class Rm 23  | 13/4   | 14/4<br>Early Dismissal<br>2.05pm  |

