

Welcome to our Newsletter

Friday 26th May • Week 4, Term 2 2023



Principal's Message

Aboriginal Education Strategy

The Aboriginal Education Strategy was released in 2018 to support Aboriginal Learners in reaching their full potential.

With National Reconciliation Week (27th May-3rd June) starting tomorrow, the Strategy recognises the importance of reconciliation and is focussed on empowering Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students as proud and confident learners.

Leaders and educators are implementing the Strategy within schools ensuring that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children and young people are supported through:

- responsive learning environments that are inclusive of their cultural needs
- more confident and supported educators who engage with their families
- increased access to learning and development programs
- increased engagement with Aboriginal cultures and language programs
- individualised learning plans that identify personalised support needed to participate
- achieving in education and pathways to further education and employment.

Whilst at Karrendi, we continue to implement the strategy, we understand that true reconciliation is about strengthening relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Indigenous peoples. During National Reconciliation Week we will be learning about our shared histories, cultures and achievements and reflecting on how we can continue to contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

This year we will begin drafting our Reconciliation Action Plan and we are looking for members of the community to collaborate with us - please contact Marie or Laura if you are interested.

Ella-Louise Ailmore
Principal

A Message from Mrs Przibilla

Over the past few weeks, students in Years 4 to 6 have had the opportunity to complete the Wellbeing and Engagement Survey. Each year the Department for Education uses this survey to ask students their views on wellbeing and engagement at school. The information collated from these surveys assists in informing schools on how to improve and maintain students' health, happiness, wellbeing and relationships. The survey covers 4 key areas with questions relating to

- Emotional wellbeing
- Engagement with school
- Engagement in learning
- Health and wellbeing out of school

Student responses remain anonymous with schools able to access results through a report provided by the Department in Term 3.

While the current survey only collects information from students in Years 4 to 6 in primary schools, Karrendi are investigating ways of collecting similar data from our younger learners. This will ensure we are catering for all our students to experience success and be provided with resources and opportunities to reach their full potential.



Diary Dates

- 31 May – Rm 19 Reconciliation Wk Assembly at 2:15pm
- 1 June – Rec in the West Excursion
- 2 June – SAPSASA: Boys Netball/Girls Soccer
- 5 June – World Club Foot Day (June 3rd)
- 6 June – Parafield High School ½ Day Transition

*Important Date/
reminder...
12 June –
Public Holiday
13 June – Pupil
Free Day*

2023 Term Dates

Term 1
30 January - 14 April

Term 2
1 May - 7 July

Term 3
24 July - 29 September

Term 4
16 October - 15 December



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A Message from Miss Cooke

Have you ever experienced that moment of slight panic when someone asks you to answer a math question? Or jump straight to the calculator when working out how much you'll save in that 20% sale? Ever heard a friend say, "I'm not a maths person"? You may have even said it yourself once or twice. If your child asked you to solve the equation, ' $x + 3 = 6$ ' how would you respond? How about if you were asked to find the value of 'y' if the equation is ' $12y = 108$ '? Or even to find the square root of 16? For many people, just the thought of having to think about this sort of thing makes them want to put their hands up and say, "No thank you"! These are all typical indicators of Maths Anxiety.

Research shows that Maths Anxiety is a common emotion experienced by many adults and Australian students. It has the potential to interrupt a student's mathematical memory system, causing increased error-making and reducing their ability to successfully take part in mathematics. Students who regularly experience Maths Anxiety are more likely to avoid maths subjects and future careers.

It is because of this that our teaching staff has been exploring and learning about Maths Anxiety and healthy maths dispositions – those thoughts, beliefs, attitudes and behaviours that will support our students to be successful users of maths. Our teachers have been exploring their own beliefs about maths, what they are confident in and what they are not. They have been looking at how the brain can grow and transform and learning what it is that we can do as educators, parents and family members to help our students to understand that there is no such thing as a 'maths person' and being 'good' at maths isn't just about knowing how to add or subtract or remembering multiplication tables. Maths is so much more than that and all students (and adults) are able to experience success and growth in their math abilities.

Classroom Correspondence

Year 6 Aquatics

On Tuesday of Week 2, the Year 6 students from Rooms 5 and 7 travelled to West Lakes for Aquatics. They participated in kayaking, sailing, surfing and canoeing. They also had water safety lessons. Some of the acronyms the students learnt to stay safe when participating in water activities were:

WETT: Check the weather, check the equipment, take a friend, tell someone

HELP: Check for hazards, What to do in an emergency, choose a landmark, plan

STAY: Signal, stay together, aware, always stay with your boat.

Here are some highlights from Room 5 students:

"My favourite thing was going kayaking" - Bosco

"It felt like it took a long time to get there but everyone had a great time.

My favourite activities were sailing and kayaking" - Worathep



State German Competition Awards

Congratulations to Mike (Room 19) and Benjamin (Room 7) for being finalists in the 2022 South Australian German Competition! These awards are for posters completed in 2022 on the topic of, "Die Schweiz" (Switzerland).



Mike came second overall in the R-2 Competition, and Benjamin won an, "Honorable Mention" in the 3-5 Competition.

Congratulations Mike and Benjamin!

It was fabulous to see all students trying their hardest and putting their best effort into this work.



Meet the Staff Member

Hi, my name is Larissa Schinella and I team teach Year 1s with Miss Tash in Room 23. I have been teaching for 11 years across a range of year levels, and this is my second year teaching little learners at Karrendi.

My passion in education is teaching my students to read, because if you know how to read, the whole world opens up to you.

Outside of school, I love spending time outdoors with my 2 daughters, hiking, travelling and salsa dancing.

I am very excited to see our wonderful new nature play space developing at Karrendi, and I can't wait to spend lots of time out there with my class soon!



Meet the Staff Member

Hi, my name is Marie Fleming, and I am the Aboriginal Community Education Officer at Karrendi. This is my second year here at Karrendi Primary continuing my role and I also share my week with Keller Road Primary School.

I am so pleased to be working in the primary school where I began my own learning journey many years ago.

I enjoy working with and supporting students and families. I continue to learn and grow with new knowledge of my First Nations culture and share it with the school community.

When I am not working, I spend time with my family. I have 2 young boys, 2 stepchildren and am engaged. Our weekends are always busy, going to new parks and playgrounds, visiting family, shopping and my eldest son has joined a football club this year, so Sunday mornings are for football games.



Community Hub

The Community Hub has had a great couple of weeks!

Last week was National Survey Week which is a week the Community Hub Head Office does twice a year to gather data for the Government for our funding. So a big thankyou to everyone who came in last week and filled in a survey!

We have had lots of new donations in the Op Shop so please pop in on a Monday or Thursday morning and grab your self some cheap bargains as everything is just a gold coin donation. The Op Shop is also now on the QKR App so you don't even need to bring cash along to pay anymore!!

Last week in our Wednesday Playgroup we explored animals and this week we celebrated National Simultaneous Storytime. We were lucky enough to be able to borrow the school's smart board so we could join in with over two million other Australians to watch the live reading of the Speedy Sloth. We also made some sloth crafts which are now hanging on a tree in the Playgroup Room. Next week we have Lantana visiting for Music and Movement.

The English Classes are continuing to go well this term with the Pre-Beginners and Beginners now learning what the Internet and Intranet is, what "tabs" are and how to open them, plus learning more ordinal numbers. The Intermediate Class are continuing to learn how to say and spell more complex words and then put them into sentences. We thank you Sue for all of her hard work with the students and can see the progress they are making.

Our Monday Playgroup will be having their Sports Day with lots of ball games and making cheer flags. Our Dad's Playgroup on Saturday morning have ball games planned.

Novita has a Kid Safe Workshop on the 29th June and it will be held in the Library at Karrendi. There are still spots left to book in for the workshop so please let me know if you would like to attend.



First Nations

Reconciliation Week

We are really looking forward to having Aboriginal artist Harley Hall come to work with some students at Karrendi Primary to facilitate a Boomerang workshop on Monday May 29th and June 5th as one of our activities for Reconciliation Week. Each class will be engaged in different activities and learning about the significance of Reconciliation and sharing at a assembly next week.

National Sorry Day

Today we acknowledge National Sorry Day. Every year on 26 May, National Sorry Day remembers and acknowledges the mistreatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who were forcibly removed from their families and communities, which we now know as 'The Stolen Generations'.

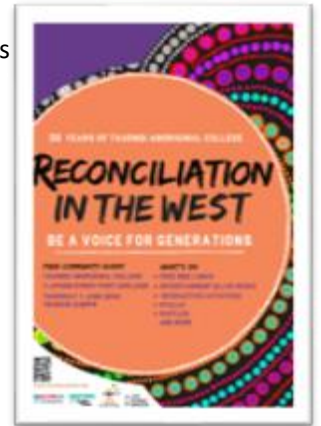
Aboriginal Education Teacher

What a privilege it is to take on the role of Aboriginal Education Teacher (in a modified capacity) at our school. Over my years of working in education, I have developed a strong passion for working with First Nation students.

This role will assist our students with their transition from kindergarten to primary school and from year 6 to high school, supporting the continuity of their learning journey, as well as working closely with staff in supporting student goals within their One Plans. This term, there is a strong focus on significant events in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders history. As a site, we will be raising awareness and acknowledging these important dates. I look forward to sharing our students' experiences and their engagement throughout these important dates. I look forward to working in partnership with our families and school community.

We would love to continue to connect with families so if you ever want to come in for a yarn and coffee or want to join in with cultural activities and learning let us know.

Laura (AET) & Marie (ACEO)



*Thursday June 1st –
10:30am-2pm
A line up of great artists, stalls
and activities for everyone to
enjoy.*

Annual German Conference

On Saturday 20th May, Frau Shahroei and Miss Trezise attended the annual German Conference. Frau Shahroei and Frau Chesterman (a previous teacher at Karrendi and sometime TRT) presented a unit of work they had developed following last year's German Conference.



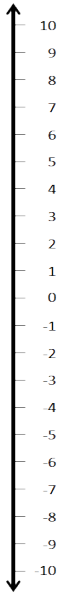
Frau Shahroei was also presented with a Certificate from the Goethe-Institut in honour of her winning her German study exchange last year. Frau Shahroei spoke about her experiences in Germany and encouraged other teachers to think about applying in this year.

Mr Matthew Williams, The Honorary Consul for Germany here in Adelaide spoke about the importance of learning another language. There are 67 German companies with a physical presence here in South Australia, which could provide opportunities for students to gain work within one of these companies if they continue their German studies.

Earlier this month the SA Premier announced the opening of an SA Government Trade Office in Frankfurt. Frau Shahroei, Miss Trezise and Frau Chesterman finished the weekend by attending the German Film Festival which is held each May and watching a thought-provoking German film.

Maths is fun!

As previously shared, this term has been exciting as we continue with our improvement journey in Maths. Our team have been involved in new learning and students have been engaged in exciting and fun activities designed to embed the belief that we are all mathematicians!



Student Spotlight

At Karrendi, we see and celebrate students holistically. We love to hear about achievements that have occurred outside of school and this week we congratulate three students on their achievements.



Congratulations to Felix who came 1st in the Junior Division, Pokemon League at Tabletop Warfare in Gawler!



Congratulations to Declan who came fourth in the Speedway Cycle Finals at Murray Bridge!



Congratulations to CJ who bowled 126 pins at ten pin bowling in the Salisbury Junior League.

Term 2 Calendar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wk 1	1/5 WELCOME BACK! FIRST DAY OF TERM TWO!	2/5	3/5	4/5	5/5
Wk 2	8/5	9/5 Year 6 Aquatics	10/5 Principal's Tour 10am Helping Hand Visit Rm 24 Assembly 2.15pm Host class Rm 22	11/5 Mother's Day Stall	12/5 Mother's Day Stall
Wk 3	15/5 National Volunteer Week National Families Week	16/5	17/5 NF Day Governing Council Meeting 2pm	18/5	19/5 National Walk Safely to School Day
Wk 4	22/5	23/5	24/5 NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORY TIME HELPING HAND VISIT RM 23	25/5	26/5 NATIONAL SORRY DAY
Wk 5	29/5 NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK	30/5	31/5 Special Assembly 2.15pm Host class Rm 19	1/6	2/6 SAPSASA BOYS NETBALL / GIRLS SOCCER
Wk 6	5/6 World Club Foot Day (3/6)	6/6 PGHS ½ day Transition Visit	7/6 HELPING HAND VISIT RM 21	8/6	9/6
Wk 7	12/6 PUBLIC HOLIDAY: KING'S BIRTHDAY	13/6 Pupil Free Day Principal's Tour 4.30pm	14/6	15/6	16/6 CHOIR ASSESSMENT 9:30AM DISCOS R-2 3.30PM-4.30PM 3-6 5PM-6PM
Wk 8	19/6	20/6 Assembly 2.15pm Host class Rm 24	21/6 GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING 2PM HELPING HAND VISIT RM 19	22/6	23/6
Wk 9	26/6	27/6 DUSTY FEET MOB PERFORMANCE	28/6	29/6 MUSIC IS FUN	30/6
Wk 10	3/7 NAIDOC WEEK ONESIGHT VISIT	4/7	5/7 PLAYGROUP HELPING HAND VISIT	6/7	7/7 LAST DAY OF TERM 2 EARLY DISMISSAL 2.05PM

