



# Newsletter

**Issue 5**

**Term 1**

**Week 10**

## DIARY DATES

### TERM 1

#### WEEK 10

**PARENT/CARER  
INTERVIEW WEEK  
WITH INTERPRETERS**

Thurs 1/4  
**SAPSASA Girls Netball**

Fri 2/4  
**EASTER LONG WEEKEND  
GOOD FRIDAY**

#### WEEK 11

Mon 5/4  
**EASTER LONG WEEKEND  
EASTER MONDAY**

Wed 7/4  
**World Health Day  
Physical Fun Day**

Fri 9/4  
**SPORTS DAY  
\*Special Lunch\***  
**EARLY DISMISSAL 2:05PM**

### TERM 2

#### WEEK 1

Mon 26/4  
**ANZAC DAY PUBLIC  
HOLIDAY**

Tues 27/4  
**FIRST DAY OF TERM 2**

## A Message from the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Firstly, a huge thank you to all our teachers, students and families for an amazing term. It has been a very busy term but also a very productive one. Our Reception students have nearly completed their first term at school and are already showing what amazing learners they are. Our Year 6/7s have shown us how mature and responsible they are and what fabulous School Leaders they are becoming and every day I am shown by every student from R -7, the kindness, empathy and commitment to learning that makes our school such a special place.

Thank you to all families that were able to make it to interviews last week (and a few this week). Interview week ran really smoothly and it was lovely to see such a large number of families able to attend their children's Learning Conversations.

As we head into the Easter Long Weekend and then into School Holidays I would just like to wish everyone a safe and relaxing break and look forward to hearing about everyone's holidays when you all return for Term 2 on **Tuesday, 27<sup>th</sup> April**.

Kind Regards,  
Denise Squire  
Principal

## REMINDER

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April**  
**Early Dismissal 2.05pm**



# Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden update

Great news! Work has begun on our Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden.

On Sunday 28 March, Hayley, Mr Craig (Vicki's husband) and Vicki began the task of cleaning up and removing all the debris in the Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden and Nature Play area. It took them all day, but the transformation is amazing. They managed to fill to the brim a 9 cubic metre skip with vines, branches, trees, fencing and general waste.

We would like to thank 24/7 Skips for the 9 cubic metre bin and Mr Craig for his time in pruning and cutting down some trees.

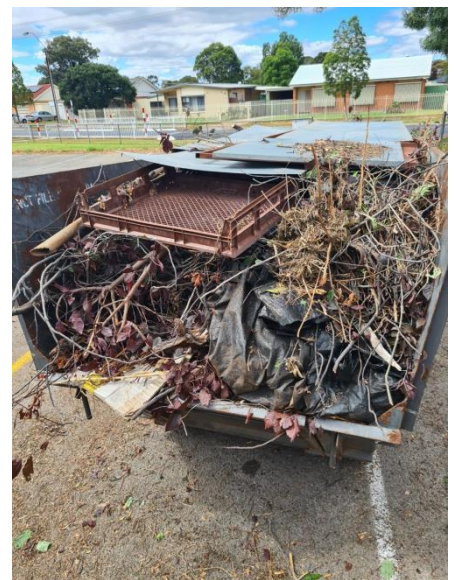
The area is now prepped in readiness for P.A.C. Earthworks to come in and begin levelling out the area. We would like to thank Michael Chamberlain from P.A.C. Earthworks for donating his time and machinery.

In Term 2, we will be holding a working bee in the garden, if you would like to come along and help out, please inform Vicki or Hayley of your availability on 8258 3612.

Before photos:

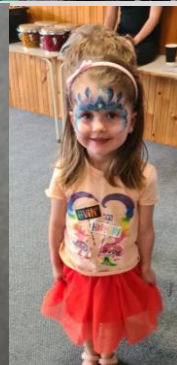


And after:



# KARRENDI HUB PLAYGROUP

Celebrating Harmony Week & National Playgroup Week



## COMMUNITY HUB

### Circle of Security Parenting Course



Farsi/Dari Group

Day & Time to be Confirmed



Tuesdays 9.30am-11.30am –  
Beginners

Thursdays 9.30am-11.30am –  
Pre Beginners

### FREE MINI LIBRARY

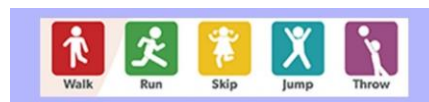


**PLAYGROUP**

For 0-5 year olds & their caregivers  
Sensory Play • Art & Craft • Tea & Coffee  
No cost  
Bring a piece of fruit to share

Karrendi Primary School Community Hub  
15 Bradman Road, Parafield Gardens

Wednesdays 9.30am-11.00am



### FUNDAMENTAL MOVEMENT SKILLS CIRCUIT

Wednesdays 10.30am-11.00am



### Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden

(More Details Coming Soon!)

# YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL



## Parent Update

### Week 10, Term 1 – 2021

#### Preparing for year 7 in high school in 2022

We know many families of our year 6 and 7 students are busy exploring their local high school options for 2022. Next year will be unique, with a double cohort of students starting high school together as they enter years 7 and 8. The once-only move is necessary as we move year 7 to high school in public schools across the state.

Our primary and high schools are working together at every level to ensure the move is successful for families. Here are some of the key benefits to your child beginning high school in Year 7.

#### Learning opportunities

All South Australian students learn the Australian Curriculum, which was designed for year 7s to be taught in high school, as it is interstate. High school settings provide more specialist facilities to enhance learning, such as science laboratories, performing arts spaces and kitchens. They also offer teachers who are subject-specific experts, and a wide variety of extra-curricular activities.

#### A nation-wide move

Moving our year 7 students into high school brings South Australia in line with other states. Queensland and Western Australia most recently made the move in 2015. It also aligns our public school system with the Catholic and independent school sectors, which also teach year 7 in high school. Taking a cohesive approach to the start of high school promotes equity and makes it easier to move between states and school sectors, should you need to do so.

#### Year 7s are ready for high school

We know from the experiences of schools interstate and from our own pilot schools that year 7s are well and truly ready for high school.

This finding has been reinforced by the pilot program run through the Department for Education, involving three high schools, which welcomed their first cohort of year 7 students last year. We have been tracking the students' progress through interviews and surveys. The vast majority have enjoyed making new friends, trying new sports and activities and learning in a more mature environment.

#### We are ready for the move

Planning is well underway to ensure the move of year 7 to high school is well-managed and considered. We are drawing on our pilot program insights and what we have learnt from Queensland and Western Australia to ensure the move is as smooth as possible.

#### Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: [www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS](http://www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS).

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: [Year7toHS@sa.gov.au](mailto:Year7toHS@sa.gov.au).

