# Karrendi Primary School soaring to success

# **Newsletter**

Week 2

### Issue 1

Term 1

### **DIARY DATES**

#### A Message from the Principal Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 1

WEEK 3

Wed 10/2 **Governing Council 2pm** 

#### WEEK 4

Tues 16/2 **Dental for Schools visit Special Lunch** 

> Wed 17/2 **Physical Fun Day**

#### WEEK 5

Wed 24/2 **School Assembly** 2:15pm in the gym

Fri 26/2 **SAPSASA Swimming** 

WEEK 7

**Tues 9/3 Physical Fun Day** 

> Wed 10/3 Special Lunch

We have had a busy and productive start to the 2021 school year. I would like to take this opportunity to give a special welcome to our Reception students, newly enrolled children and their parents, caregivers and families. We have some new faces on our staff this year - Thao Nguyen who has joined the team as our 2/3 teacher in room 19, John Incoll will be teaching our year 5 students in room 3, Adam Pritchard will be taking Health lessons on Thursdays, and Ashley Elliot has joined our SSO team. Also a special welcome back to Doretta Weston who has returned to work at Karrendi PS as our Aboriginal Community Engagement Officer, Doretta will be working closely with Vicki Lack, who filled in for Doretta last year and has returned as an SSO. Our staff this year are as follows:

**Denise Squire** 

Joseph Perri

Kristen Anaus

Principal
Senior Leader (Wellbeing)
Literacy Coordinator
Numeracy Coordinator
Rm 24: Reception
Rm 23: Reception
Rm 22: 1/2
Rm 21: 1/2
Rm 19: 2/3
Rm 17: 3/4
Rm 20: 3/4
Rm 3: 5
Rm 5: 6/7
Rm 7: 6/7
Health, PE & German (NITT)
Health and PE
Health
German
ACEO
EALD
Librarian and Finance Officer
Front Office
IT/Computer Management
SSOs

Canteen

Natalie Cooke Kristen Angus Jess Coppola Jeanette Govinden Essop Emma Powell Thao Nguyen Bethany Crossman Sharon Jeffs John Incoll Simon Hunter Stasi Giamoukoalou Anne Trezise Natalie Cooke Adam Pritchard Bethany Shahrooei Doretta Weston Sara Gorroick Lvn Beattie Judy Portnoff Alan Humphreys Lina Mallia, Arlene Whitehorn, Shyamala Dabiru, Tania Spratt, Amy Coad, Vicki Lack, Ashlee Elliott, Sarah Xayalath Julie Verrion

**Community Hub** 

A big thank you to our staff who have done a wonderful job creating innovative and creative learning environments for our students. I have enjoyed visiting classes and interacting with students as they engage in learning tasks. We look forward to a great year.

Hayley Wilmer

Kind Regards,

**Denise Squire** Principal

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### **Swimming Pool Update**

Unfortunately due to significant delays in our planned pool repairs, we are unable to use our pool for our Term 1 Water Safety program. This is disappointing news as we know our students love having swimming lessons at school, and families have a great time coming to watch their children swim. However, the safety of our students is our main priority, and we cannot use our pool until we know it is of the highest safety standard. We are hopeful this will be resolved by term 4, but have plans to attend one of our local Swimming Centres, should the pool remain unfit for use. We will provide families with further updates when they arise. Thank you for your patience and understanding, and we hope students can get back to splashing in the water very soon!



Dental for Schools is a free mobile dental service that will be visiting our school in week 4, February 16<sup>th</sup>-19<sup>th</sup>. The team provide comprehensive dental care through the Federal Governments Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) which provides financial support for families. If your child doesn't have a form, it's not too late! Head over to the front office to collect a spare form and return the completed form to the office as soon as you can.



Please ensure you have activated your account with your child's class' chosen communication app, either Class Dojo or Seesaw. If you haven't received a request to join from your child's teacher, or are unsure how to join, please speak to your child's teacher for assistance. Accessing these apps is an essential way to stay connected to your child's class, get instant updates, and is the easiest way for us to contact families in the event of school closures, home learning, or essential information. Thank you <sup>(2)</sup>

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## COVID-SAFE CHECK-IN

As per current Government directives, from Monday next week you will notice QR codes located at all entry points and buildings, these will need to be used by all adults entering the site, this also includes staff. Checking in is quick and easy, and there are steps on every QR code poster (see below) to assist you with the process. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.



### **Library News**

Welcome to our new families and welcome back to our continuing ones. We have had a great start to the year with most of the children already visiting the Library and borrowing books. The Library will still be opened each morning from 8.30 am and in the afternoon until 3.15 pm. So if you have a few spare minutes come in with your child and help them to choose a book you can take home and share.

We are again offering our usual services; the Scholastic booklets have gone out to all the classes this week. If you would like to order anything, just fill out the order form on the back of the booklet and return it with your money to the Front Office. If you would like any more information or have any question please come and see me. Our students will also be given the opportunity to take part in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Thank you,

Lyn Beattie

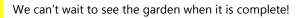
### **Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden**

At the end of Term 4, Vicki Lack and Hayley Wilmer (Community Hub Leader) applied for a Grass Roots Grant through Green Adelaide Board to establish an Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden for community use. Good news... they were successful in receiving funding to create the garden.

This project will create a bush-tucker garden with interpretative signage, providing students with the chance to grow, prepare and taste local bush-tucker and learn about Indigenous culture as part of our Reconciliation Action Plan. The garden will help to embed Aboriginal culture into our everyday program while achieving environmental outcomes by creating native habitat areas. Planting native plants will also provide a native habitat for and encourage native birds, insects and other wildlife in the grounds and enhance the environmental benefits of the garden.

Both Vicki and Hayley look forward to working with our students, school community and the wider local community in establishing the garden. If you would like to assist with the garden in any way, please contact the school, any help would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Vicki and Hayley for their tremendous work and ongoing effort.







### **COMMUNITY HUB NEWS**

#### WELCOME BACK TO 2020!

Karrendi Primary School Community Hub is back with lots of exciting new programs planned for Term 1. At the end of Term 4, Vicki Lack and I applied for a Grass Roots Grant through Green Adelaide Board to establish an Aboriginal Bush Tucker Garden for community use. Good news... we were successful in receiving funding to create the garden. We look forward to working with the students, school community and the wider local community in establishing the garden. If you would like to assist with the garden in any way, please contact either myself or Vicki at the school.

Please feel free to visit the Hub anytime with any ideas or suggestions you may have for future programs, activities or events.

Keep a look out on both the Karrendi Primary School and Karrendi Primary School Community Hub Facebook Page!

HOPE TO SEE YOU SOON AT THE HUB!!!

#### Hayley (Community Hub Leader)

