

Principal's Message

Recently we held our school tour which was facilitated by our 2023 Prime Minister, Bailey and Deputy Prime Minister, Kalani, along with senior ministry students Mira and Veronica. Our tours are offered every term for our new and interested families considering enrolling at Alberton PS. We had over 42 people attend the recent tour which was amazing.

We cover information about our curriculum, class sizes, future plans, reading improvement, community engagement and student voice. We tour every part of the school which provides our new families a great insight into what APS offers. Families who attend the school tour complete a WWW (What Went Well) at the conclusion of the tour and its lovely to share this back with our students and community. Here are a handful of reflections from parents who attended the tour during the week.

“Student leaders were great! Very knowledgeable and friendly. Happy to answer all questions confidently 😊”

“Wonderful Presentation... Wonderful School!”

“Great tour of the school to get a good idea of the space and programs offered. Clear information and well organized”

“We loved the green space, links to sustainability and community feel”

Student Reports:

Friday of Week 10 (last week of this term) you will receive the mid-year report for your child / children. This report is a summary of where our learners are at, at this time of the year. Please take the time to go through this with your child, looking at areas of strength and improvement.

All children learn at different rates. Learning is a lifelong journey, so support and encourage your child but remind them learning can be hard and that you need to show grit when things get tough.

We will be offering Three Way Conferences in early Term 3 so keep an eye out for the booking information. Information regarding booking for these conferences will be included with the reports.

Farewell and Goodluck:

Ina has reached a decision to retire at the end of Term 2 as Canteen Manager. Ina has operated within this position for 20 years and is excited about the future and travel plans. Ina would like to spend more time with her family whilst she is fit and healthy. We wish her all the very best in the future and thank her for her commitment to APS. Governing Council, along with Dan and Angela are currently working through the a process to identify how the canteen service will be provided to families from Term 3 onwards. A canteen service will be continuing at Alberton.

Congratulations to Angela SM who has won a promotional role with the EMS team in the department. Angela has supported the school over many years, in the area of finance management. Angela has an outstanding finance management record and has worked closely with Dan and the department in recent times to ensure Alberton PS is well placed for the future. Angela will commence her transition into her new role over the coming weeks with the aim being she starts her fulltime role in the city at the beginning of Term 3. We are currently advertising for a Business Manager SSO3 and an announcement of the successful applicant will be made towards the end of Term 2. For now, its business as usual with all procedures and processes remaining the same.

Diary Dates June

Monarchs' Birthday
Mon 12 /06

Mid Year Preschool
Parent Info Session
Mon 19/06
5pm- 6pm

Governing Council
Tues 20/06
6pm Staff Room

Mid Year Preschool
Transition Visit
Fri 23/06 & Fri 30/06
8:45am- 10:45 am

Culture Awareness Week
Trent Hill Class Workshop
Wed 28/06

Semaphore Dunes Excursion
Yr 5/6 Blue Sophia
Thurs 29/06

July

NAIDOC Week
Mon 03/07 – Fri 07/07

Semaphore Dune Excursion
Yr 5/6 Blue Heath/Jo
Thurs 06/07

Friday 07/07
Last day of term
Dismissal
2:00pm

2023 School Terms

TERM 2
1st May – 7th July

TERM 3
24th July – 29th September

TERM 4
16th Oct – 15th Dec

Swimming Week



In week 5, the years R-5 attended our annual swimming week at the Adelaide Aquatic Centre. This was a much looked forward to week and several students have asked when we are going back already.

All of the groups represented Alberton extremely well. They demonstrated respect towards the instructors and participated well throughout all the activities across the week.

Students were led through various activities that built upon their knowledge of pool safety and swimming skills. Some favourite activities included, floating like starfish, using life jackets in the deep pool, diving for the sinkies and participating in rescue scenarios. Some groups were lucky enough to use the slide and on Friday we finished with a pool dance party.

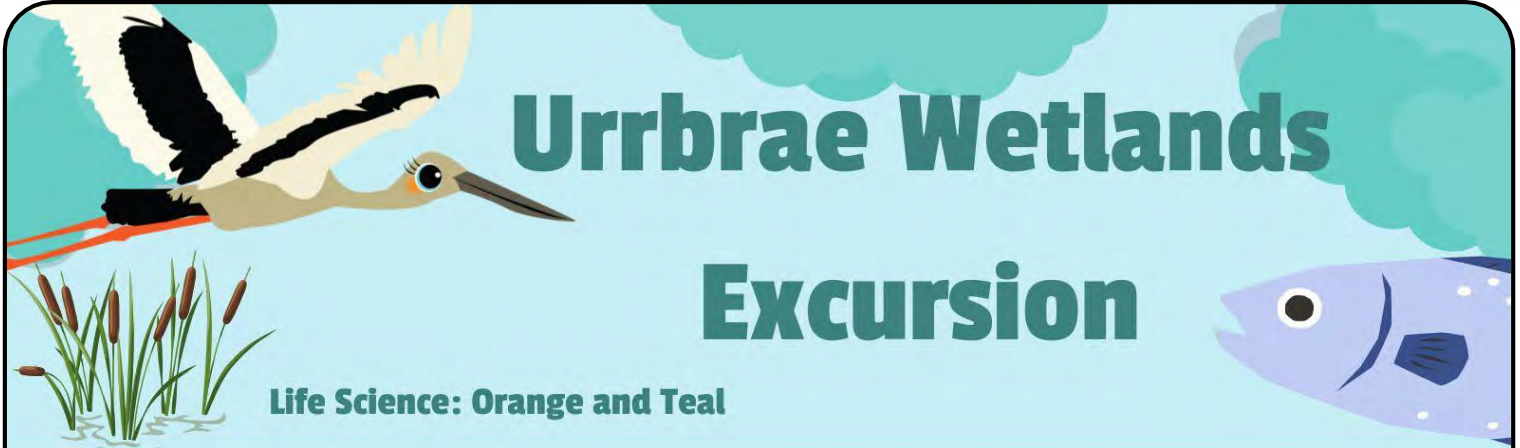


"We got to go into the deep pool" – Seraphina

"The starfish floating was relaxing" – Jack

"We did sinkies" – Banjo

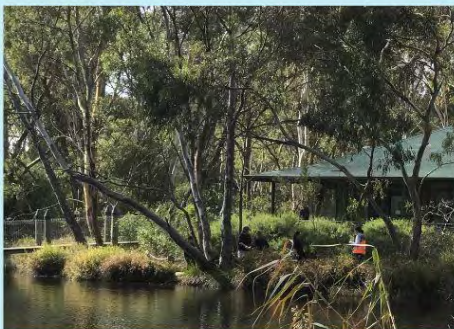
"Sinkies are things that sink underwater and you try to get them" – Zac



Urrbrae Wetlands Excursion

Life Science: Orange and Teal

In week 3 Orange and Teal attended a Wetlands Excursion at Urrbrae Agricultural High School as part of their learning in the Life Science and Sustainability Program. Students collected and identified macro-invertebrates from the Urrbrae Wetlands, using microscopes. Students visited the Aquaculture Shed to learn about aquaponics and the critically endangered Southern Purple Spotted Gudgeons which our school also breeds as part of a joint conservation project.



News from The Nest

Our Investigation question this term in the Nest is How am I connected to the world?

Across the term the children will be exploring what diversity is, looking at word maps and flags, talking about different cultural groups and languages. Families have been invited to come in and share about their cultural backgrounds, and are looking at artefacts from around the world. The children will be reading texts that are inclusive of different cultures and learning about the traditions of different countries. We look forward to reading the book children in Yellow and Ochre make about our class connections to the world.

What should we call our new home group room?

In Term 3 we will be welcoming 20 new children into the Nest in our mid year preschool intake. As a part of the preparation we are setting up a new home group room and over the coming weeks will be working with the children and community to decide upon a new Home Group name. We welcome all suggestionsif you have one please do forward to a Nest staff member!

Enrolment Update:

A reminder to families that we are currently taking registrations of interest for children to enrol in the Nest in 2024. Reception and Preschool enrolment offers will be sent out in August, please ensure you register prior to the end of Term 2 as we have limited enrolment vacancies.

Children currently enrolled in our Nest preschool program do not have to register for Reception enrolment, this process will be managed by Nest staff in Term 3.



Our ATSI Nations Ministry organised and hosted a special guest on Monday 29th May for Reconciliation Week. 'Be a Voice for Generations' was the theme for Reconciliation week and was the perfect opportunity to welcome Majeda Beatty a proud Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Indigenous woman to Alberton Primary.

ATSI Nations Ministry Members shared lunch and a yarn in Rosey's Room with Majeda, followed by a whole school performance in the gym. Students in all year levels had the opportunity to participate on stage with Majeda, learning dances and songs from her cultural roots. It was a wonderful opportunity for our school to come together as one to acknowledge and celebrate National Reconciliation Week.

Majeda is a positive role model and was appreciative of being able to connect with the students at Alberton primary School. Majeda spends time away from her family while performing and shared with us how much she loved connecting with our ATSI children and how much she loved the positive energy from our children. Majeda believes in the importance of cultural pride and carrying on past traditions as well as moving forward and learning together as one.



Languages Alive!

Experience the delights of other languages and cultures.



Languages Alive! is a program of engaging and interactive language and cultural experiences for R-6 students.

Delivered by highly proficient speakers of the relevant language, the program will run during the July school holidays in metropolitan and country locations.

Workshops will explore a range of languages including Auslan, Croatian, French, Hindi, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese, Nepali & Spanish.

WHO: Reception to Year 6 students

WHEN: July 2023

WHERE:

School of Languages: Tues 11th & Wed 12th July
 Pilgrim School (Aberfoyle Park): Thurs 13th July
 Mitcham Primary School: Fri 14th July
 Victor Harbor Primary School: Fri 21st July

COST: \$10 per day
 FREE for School card/Healthcare card holders

Register online by 30th June at: www.ricksteebo.com.au/languagealive

Community Promotions



Woodville High School Year 7 2024 Basketball Academy Trials

Please see our website for application: <https://woodvillehigh.sa.edu.au/basketball-program.html>

Trial details will be sent upon application submission

Deadline for these is of Friday 4pm, 9th of June, Week 6 of Term 2

Any questions, please contact Mr Ryan Vivian via email

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New Adelaide 36ers X Woodville High School Basketball Academy

Woodville High are excited to officially announce our partnership with the Adelaide 36ers Basketball Academy as one of four exclusive schools as of term 2, 2023 for the next 2 years