



MELALEUCA PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

# Newsletter

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In support of  
**White Ribbon**

## COMING EVENTS

**17 May Friday (W3)**  
Assembly 2.30

**22 May Wednesday (W4)**  
Simultaneous Story Time  
Basketball skills

**24 May Friday**  
Harkness class to SRHT 12pm  
Rm1 swimming lessons pm

**27 May Monday (W5)**  
Assembly 2.40

**29 May Wednesday**  
Auntie Michelle visit

**30-31 May Thurs & Fri**  
YELP Camp to Naracoorte  
Rm1 swimming lessons pm

**3 June Monday (W6)**  
Choir at Reidy

**4 June Tuesday**  
Basketball

**7 June Friday**  
Rm1 Swimming

**10 June Monday (W7)**  
King's Birthday Public  
Holiday

**13 June Thursday**  
Assembly 2.40

**14 June Friday**  
Student Free Day

## From the Principal

### School Fees

School Fees are due. If you need to discuss payment options please contact Trudy Horsburgh on 8725 1404. If you need to apply for school card please call the school for further information or go online to fill in the application, alternatively please check your child's bag for a School Card form to be filled in and returned ASAP.

### Mid-Year Intake For Primary Schools

SA's education department is introducing mid-year intake for primary schools in term 3, 2024. If your child is turning 5 years old between 1 May and 31 October, they can start reception in term 3 (mid-year). If your child turns 5 after 31 October they can start reception in the following year, 2025.

### School Netball & Football

Unfortunately due to lack of numbers, this term's school football and netball **will not be going ahead.**

### School absences — Late arrival on a school day

During our colder months and seasons I understand that it is going to be difficult to get out of bed in the mornings to come to school.

School policy states that any unexplained absences will be followed up with a text/SMS from the front office requesting the reason why your child is away on that day. Please respond to the message in a timely manner so the attendance can reflect on the class roll.

If your child is late to school for any reason and you are unable to walk them to the front office to explain why your child is late, the school would appreciate a dated, hand written note from the parent with a quick reason why your child is late. A phone call to the front office is always a good means to communicating this information also.

### Transition to High School

Parents of Year 6 students will have been emailed a registration of interest link for nominating their preferred high school for 2025. This needs to be completed online by the end of May. If you are having trouble accessing this, please come into the front office and Annette will assist you. If your listed email address has changed please notify the front office as you may not have received the link.

### Reconciliation Week

Reconciliation is in week 5, 27 May to 3 June. As a school we focus on everyone working together to make our country fair and equal. We also look at the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander histories and contributions to Australia, past present and future. There will be more information coming about Reconciliation Week closer to the time.

*Erica Hurley*



The Melaleuca Park Primary School community acknowledges the Boandik people as the traditional custodians of the land that we live, work, learn and play on.

*Be Kind – Work Hard – Dream Big*

## Principal's afternoon tea

### **Ozzy Adams**

Ozzy we love how kind and caring you are to everyone in our class. You show care if others have a problem or if someone is hurt or upset and you love to share a cuddle to make others feel better. Keep being amazing Ozzy!

### **Tahlia Redden**

You are a kind, caring and respectful member of our class. You are always eager to help and look out for your peers. Keep up the great work Tahlia!

### **Zaya Lavia**

You are always kind and considerate to everyone that enters our classroom. You are a great friend and your willingness to help everyone in the class is lovely to see. You involve everyone that wants to be included and you are so accepting of others.

### **Luka Shaw**

For being a kind and caring member of our class. You have been patient and helpful with your classmates when they have needed help. Luka, you are starting to show some leadership qualities. Keep believing in yourself and building your confidence. Miss Brown

### **Jaxon Walters-Radford**

Jaxon, you are a welcome addition to the primary end of our school. You demonstrate a kindness to all students in the class and are willing to help in any way. Keep spreading your kindness with a lovely smile on your face. Mrs Schultz

### **Evelyn Heenan**

For a courageous and mature approach to your learning and classmates. You are so very amazing—keep it up!





## Excellence Awards

### Jharlen Wingard

For your fantastic effort in math. You have made great progress and should be very proud of your efforts. Well done, Jharlen!

### Niklaus Quarrell

For the enthusiasm and effort you demonstrate in learning your initial Lit characters and their sounds. Keep up the great work Nik!

### Izzy Brodie

For the fantastic effort you are putting into your learning. I have noticed that you are trying your best across all learning areas. Keep up the good work Izzy!

### Douglas Cottier

I have definitely seen an improvement in your behaviour in the classroom. I was really impressed the way you cleaned up after discovery. You did a great ignoring other peoples behaviour and doing your best to concentrate on the task you were doing. Hope this continues. Well done Dougie!

### Haylee Lawn

For working on your growth mindset and believing in yourself more.

### Peyton Lavia

For always being respectful and kind to everyone.

### Jaxon Walters-Radford

For always striving to achieve your best and your willingness to help.

### Charlotte Whitfield

For taking on board the feedback and pushing yourself to get better at things.

### Evelyn Heenan

For being responsible during collaboration work and for working at an engaged collaborator level. Well done—from the Year 5/6 class.

### Evie Denham

For her hard work during collaboration work and being an active communicator by giving eye contact to others during our project work. Well done from the Year 5/6 class.

## Basketball Sessions





## Sammy D Foundation visit Photos



Since 2008 the Sammy D Foundation has developed a suite of evidenced-based, primary prevention programs that work towards changing the attitudes of young people about the impacts of bullying, violence and alcohol fuelled violence. Our programs educate young people about the consequences of bullying, violence and drug and alcohol misuse, and provide them with the knowledge and strategies to keep themselves and their mates safe.



## Term 1 Sports Day





## Term 1 Sports Day Sprint Winners



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Reception Girls



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Reception Boys



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 1 Girls



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 1 Boys



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 2 Girls



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Year 2 Boys



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 3 Girls



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SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 3 Boys



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 4 Girls



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 4 Boys



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 5 Girls



**SPORTS DAY 2024  
SPRINT WINNERS**  
Year 5 Boys



## Term 1 Sports Day Sprint Winners



**Year 6 boys  
Sprint winners**



**Year 6 girls  
Sprint winners**



**Reception Boys  
Marathon Winners**



**Reception Girls  
Marathon Winners**

## Term 1 Marathon Winners



**Year 1 Boys  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 1 Girls  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 2 Boys  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 2 Girls  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 3 Boys  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 3 Girls  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 4 Boys  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 4 Girls  
Marathon Winners**



## Term 1 Marathon Winners



**Year 5 Boys  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 5 Girls  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 6 Boys  
Marathon Winners**



**Year 6 Girls  
Marathon Winners**

## Community News

If your child turns 4 before 1 May, they're eligible to start preschool in term 1 that year.

If your child turns 4 between 1 May and 31 October, they're eligible to start preschool in term 3 that year.

If your child is born after 31 October, they're eligible to start preschool in term 1 the following year.

**DON'T FORGET!**

**At preschool, children are learning through play to:**

- ★ make friends, share and play with others
- ★ become confident learners
- ★ understand their feelings and the feelings of others
- ★ express their creativity through dance, movement and art
- ★ develop their physical skills and fine motor skills
- ★ develop their literacy skills such as listening, speaking and communicating
- ★ develop maths skills such as counting, measuring, and solving problems

**Government preschools provide specialised support for children, including:**

- ★ bilingual support for children with little or no English
- ★ educational support for children with hearing, speech or language impairment and children with developmental delay or disability
- ★ Aboriginal children and children in care can access preschool from 3 years of age

Learn more about how to enrol your child in a government preschool by visiting

[www.education.sa.gov.au/preschool-enrolment](http://www.education.sa.gov.au/preschool-enrolment)

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## Cross Country



Today, Friday 10 May, we went to Naracoorte Cross Country running and we raced people from other schools. When it was our turn to race we met at the starting line then ran through a forest and past a creek. It was so much fun 🌟

From Hailee, Layken, Katie, Aussie and