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# 2021 Term Three Week 5 B-12 Update

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# From the Principal .....

Every term (and every year) seems to be full of all sorts of events, in addition to teaching and learning. We are fortunate at Avenues College to have students and staff members willing to commit time and energy to a range of extra-curricular opportunities. I thank you all sincerely for the impact you have on the life of our College.

### **COLLEGE EVENTS TERM 3**

State wide Lockdown seems a long time ago, but I want to thank all of our families for the smooth way in which we transitioned back to school at the beginning of term, home again and then back again... I expect this will not be the last time this happens, but our staff and student team is becoming more and more competent and confident with Google Classroom and Class DoJo.

Ten students and two teachers are hiking for eight days through the Flinders Ranges on **Operation Flinders**. This has been made possible with the support of that organisation and our local member for parliament, Ms Dana Wortley. This is the second year that we have participated in this program, and even COVID-19 has not gotten in our way!

Year 10 students participated in the Port Adelaide football Club/ Port Adelaide Enfield Council program "Power to End Violence Against Women" in separate girls and boys groups. Twelve of these students have been selected to attend an additional leadership day next week, following up on the development of respectful relationships.

Purple Orange has been invited by the South Australian Department for Education to put together a Student Diversity Advisory Council. The aim of the Council is to create a channel of communication and collaboration between the Minister for Education and students from diverse backgrounds. **Two students from Avenues College** have been selected to join the Council and shape education policy affecting them, and to give advice and feedback to the Minister on the needs of the communities they represent. This is a pilot project and the first student led group of its kind to be established in SA.

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# **Avenues College B-12**

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Avenues College acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we meet upon. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationships of Aboriginal peoples to country. We recognise the many language groups that continue their connection to land, waters and culture across Australia and we pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.

# From the Principal .... continued

Year 10, 11 and 12 students participated in a Career Expo this week, and took the opportunity to discuss options with the three SA universities, TAFESA, ADF as well as training and apprenticeship organisations Subject Selection for 2022 will commence for years 10 and 11 students this week

Our Year 3-6 students performed at Wakakirri last week, and with the SA results in:

"Avenues College Highly Commended Multicultural Story Award"

Thanks are due to Josh Haynes and Tahlia Price and support teachers and student assistants (Madison, Lara, Mary Rose, Sarah, Hannah, Amanda, Jorja, Ruby and Elodie).

Students entering year 7 and year 8 in 2022 should be receiving letters from their secondary schools during the next week. If you have questions about the process, Lisa Fuller on our front desk is a good place to start! The Exchange with Cheltenham Secondary School has been rescheduled to week 10! Cross your fingers...

### Secondary school enrolment offers

This term enrolment offers for secondary school will be sent to the families of our year 6 and 7 students. It is important for you to know that not all schools will send out their enrolment offers at the same time, but they will be sent as close as possible to 13 August 2021.

Most families will receive their offer via email. If you think you have not received your enrolment offer from your secondary school, you need to check your junk folder for an email from <a href="mailto:education.noreply@sa.gov.au">education.noreply@sa.gov.au</a>.

If you did not provide an email address on your Registration of Interest form, you will receive your enrolment offer in the mail or it will be handed to you by your child.

If your enrolment offer has not arrived by 18 August, please let the Front Office know (Ph 8261 2733 or email dl.0906.info@schools.sa.edu.au) and we can follow up with the secondary school on your behalf.

If you need support to accept your enrolment offer, it is best to contact your allocated secondary school and they can step you through the process.

### STAFFING NEWS

We have been busy with a number of staffing appointments during the first half of this term:

Ms Mari Terreri has been seconded into State Office for two terms

Ms Kimberly Walker has won a one-year promotion to Balaklava High School, and will commence there when she returns from Operation Flinders.

Selection processes are underway to fill leadership vacancies for Kimberly, and for a number of 2022 positions.

Robyn McLean, Principal

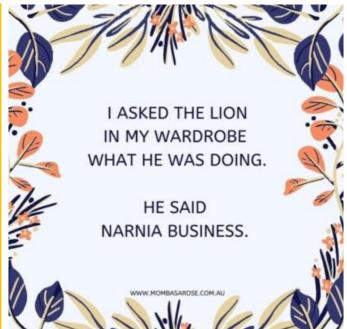






Rory's School Lunches now available at the school canteen.

Order and pay online via the QKR! App



# money

# MATTERS

The Finance Office would like to remind families of the importance of contributing towards the 2021 Materials & Services Charges. Thank you to the families who have already made payment this year ... your ongoing support is appreciated.

We offer a number of different payment options and we encourage you to contact us to negotiate an arrangement which suits your needs.

The Materials & Services Charges ensure the delivery of high quality resources and services for all students and directly relates to higher educational outcomes.

Please remember we are here to assist you. Call to speak with our Finance Office who will confidentially negotiate with you any alternative arrangements you may require.



# Term Three 2021

**Book Week** Week 6, 23—27 August

School Dental Visits
30 August to 2 September

Governing Council Meeting Tuesday 7 September, 6pm

Pedal Prix 8hr Race
Sat & Sun 11 &12 September
2 x 6 hour races, Murray Bridge



Student Free Day
Wednesday 22 Sept

Last Day of Term 3
Friday 24 September
2pm Dismissal

First Day of Term 4 Monday 11 October



# BOOK WEEK DRESS-UP

Wednesday August 25th (Week 6)

Come dressed as your favourite book character

2021 BOOK WEEK THEME: OLD WORLDS, NEW WORLDS,
OTHER WORLDS

250 HOUSE POINTS FOR DRESSING UP



**AUSTRALIA'S LARGEST PERFORMING ARTS EVENT FOR SCHOOLS** 























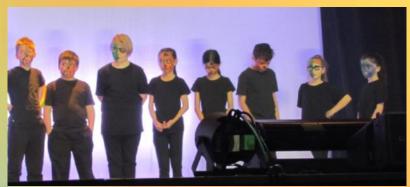












On Tuesday the 10<sup>th</sup> of August students from years 3 – 6 participated in the National Dance story telling competition called 'Wakakirri'. These students told a story titled 'Beyond the Book.'

Our dance told the story of a student who did not fit in with her peers at school and looked for an escape through reading. She was transported into the various worlds of the book she read encountering all sorts of characters, including pirates, cowboys, jungle animals and witches.

The judges commented on our creative use of music, costume and make up. Avenues College received an award for most creative use of costumes and props. Bianca Wall, Ryleigh Edson and Param Patel spoke to the audience about sustainability, our story and gave thanks to those involved in the Wakakirri process.

# **STOP PRESS!!**

The state results are in for Wakakirri and we won the following award:

Highly Commended Multicultural Story Award!

Along with this award, we were given some feedback from the judges which highlighted the top 5 areas of our story: Amazing lighting, Excellent soundtrack mix, Excellent ensemble, Excellent theme/concept and Excellent individual acting

We are looking forward to hearing the National results once the competition season concludes.











# YEAR 7-12

Do you have overdue books?

Return them now - no questions asked

House points for each book returned

Go in the draw to win a \$20 canteen voucher



Amnesty running until Septmeber 3rd

# PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

**FINISHES WEEK 7** SEPTEMBER 3RD



150 points per book

**Plus 500** points if finished

Return your form to your English teacher or the Library by September 3rd

























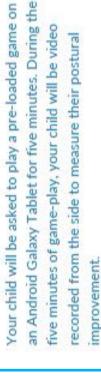
# Is your child aged between 3 and 18 years of age? Are you concerned about your child's posture?

Are you able to commit an hour to attend the assessment venue at Maylands SA 5069? Does your child play games on a tablet?

# If so, your child may eligible to enrol in our study...

For more information and to find out if your child is eligible to ua.perimal-lewis@flinders.edu.au or call 8201 2069 participate, please contact Dr. Lua Perimal-Lewis at





# THE PARENT SURVEY



Nothing is more important to us than your child's education.

To help us give your child the very best, we would like your honest feedback on a few key topics. Such as, does your school provide you with useful feedback about your child's school work? Do you find it useful to be given ideas about how to help your child learn at home? Does your child's school respond to your input about your child's learning? How does your school communicate with you?

This short survey should take no more than 10 minutes to complete and will provide your school and the Department for Education with valuable information. Your feedback will help us understand the things we're doing well, where we can improve, and what's really important to you as a parent.

The Department for Education is coordinating this survey centrally so that added administration workload isn't placed on your child's school. Your answers to the survey questions will not identify your name or your child's name and only collated feedback will be provided back to the school.

Thank you. We know your time is valuable and we appreciate it.

More information for families is available at :

www.education.sa.gov.au/ parentsurvey



# **NETBALL CLINIC**

Join us for a fun and interactive session of skills and drills

DATE: Sunday 5 September 2021

VENUE: Netball SA Stadium, Mile End

TIME: 9.00am - 10.30am

AGE: 7 - 13 years old

COST: Free

To register or for more details visit: cheerionetball.com email: secretary@cheerionetball.com phone: 0419 810 656



# Revegetation project update.

The Winter rain has been fabulous and many of our new plants are growing strongly. Some are even starting to flower!

The wind has created constant work for the Revegetation Lunch Group, retrieving and hammering in wayward tree guards. Our Groundsman, Jeff, Land Management class, community volunteers and Trees for Life staff have been kept busy controlling the weeds that are also growing strongly!

If you would like to volunteer to help us create this fabulous space as a resource for the whole community, please call Avenues College on 8261 0827.



# Lockdown Learning



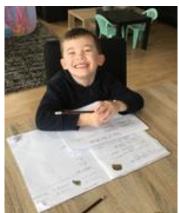
















Lockdown is a challenging time for everyone and when families are faced with supporting their children's learning from home, there are added pressures and stress.

Our most recent lockdown came into effect very quickly but we were able to react appropriately and implemented our Learning from Home programs efficiently.



Apart from a few technical glitches for some, our whole community was able to engage online with their teachers and classmates. The support from families enabled students to manage the changes and maintain some continuity of their learning.

Thank you to all of the students and their care givers, for showing resilience and perseverance towards their Learning at Home. Thank you to all of the Teachers and Support staff who were flexible and prepared to support students online. Thank you to the Admin staff, Leaders and Teachers who provided a skeleton crew to maintain the running of the school, trouble shooting problems and supporting children of essential workers who needed to attend school.













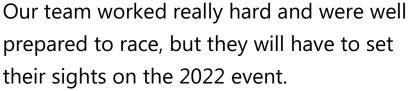


# WINNERS

Several of the primary years classes earned an invitation to High Tea in the Library with Ms Deborah and Liane because they all returned their borrowed library books at the end of the holidays.... CONGRATULATIONS!!



We are very disappointed to announce that the 2021 Pedal Prix Competition has been cancelled as a result of Covid restrictions.





Big thanks to Mr Zimbardi, Mr Passaris and all of the students on the team. Thanks for all of the support from families as well.

# TOO SICK FOR SCHOOL?

HERE'S HOW TO TELL



## STAY HOME IF ...

Your child feels too sick for regular activities

> Yellow or green pus appears

The temperature on an oral thermometer reads 100° F or higher (100.4 for an ear, rectal, or forehead temp)

> You suspect fluit spreads rapidly

Your child has a migraine throbbing, severe pain with moodiness, fatigue, and sensitivity to light

Redness and itchiness affect ill or most of your child's body

Your doctor suspects—or diagnoses—strep throat

Your child is vomiting or has uncontrollable diarrhea



- COUGH AND OTHER COLD SYMPTOMS

- EYE DISCHARGE



- FFVFR



- FIII -



- HEADACHE -



← RASH →



SORE THROAT



GO BACK TO SCHOOL AFTER ...

Fever decreases and your child feels better

The amount of pus decreases, using antibiotic eye drops for 24 hours

> Body temperature reaches normal

Fever has been gone for 24 hours

Taking pain medication

The rash is gone—or the doctor gives the OK

24 hours after beginning antibiotics

Vemiting stops and your child has control of bathroom breaks

# Food different by design; the bread experiment

At Preschool, we celebrated 'National Science Week' by engaging in various scientific explorations. The young scientists of the preschool and reception class worked together to investigate the effect of different modes of cooking (oven vs hot pan) on the design of the bread.

The children proposed their hypotheses (predictions) about the changes that would happen if we cooked the dough in an oven or a hot pan and tested their hypotheses by cooking the Damper and 'Roti/ Chapati'. Finally, we enjoyed the freshly cooked pieces of bread and they were YUM!

"It will grow bigger."

'Crunchy"

"Little bit fat, little bit big"

"Big and pattern"



vs hot pan



"It will change colour"
"Might melt"
"Smooth, round bumpy"
"It will get flat"























# FLO students make headways in their Flexible Offsite learning programs.

Flexible Learning Options (FLO) is a Department for Education student enrolment strategy to assist schools to support young people who have disengaged from school.

These young people may be experiencing anxiety and depression, bullying or family difficulties.

A FLO enrolment supports young people to reconnect with education, improve their literacy and numeracy skills achieve SACE or other vocational qualifications, gain the skills to go onto further study or employment, develop positive relationships, address barriers to learning and engagement, access additional support from community services and agencies.

Congratulations go to two Avenues College FLO students who have shown their personal best and have commenced their journey on their chosen career pathways. Each student has gained opportunity towards achieving their career set pathway goals.

These FLO students are commended for their efforts.

## **Tyrrell Bonney- Year 10**

Tyrell shows a strong interest in song-writing/music.

His FLO case manager sought learning for Tyrrell through Urban Movement Entertainment in Term 2 this year. Tyrrell attended the learning program each Monday.

He recently launched his album online as planned. Please see the link for his performance.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0-iK5YdNBQU

In addition, Tyrell performed at Balaklava High School on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> August, his first live performance with Urban Movement Entertainment!

Tyrrell was the focus of recent radio interview on Radio Adelaide.

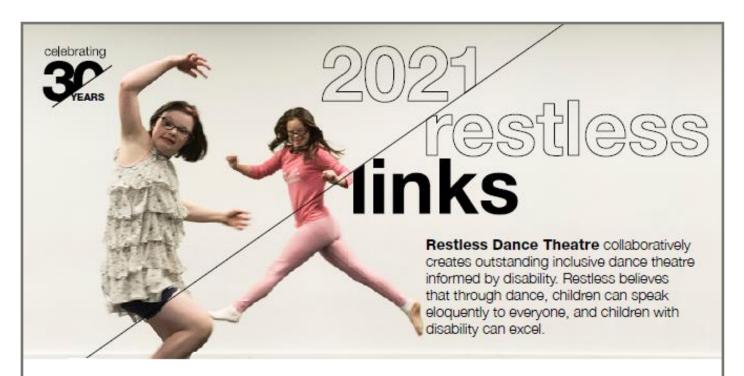
Stay tuned as I am sure we will hear much more from Tyrrell, a talented songwriter/musician.

### Joshua Van Uitert - Year 12

Joshua has carried out his flexible learning program at the Youth Education Centre and recently took part in work experience with great success.

Joshua portrayed skills that have now attracted for him, an Apprenticeship in Bricklaying with a team of the highest quality bricklayers in South Australia.

Joshua is wished every success as he ventures on this career pathway.



**Restless Dance Theatre** presents Links, a series of dance workshops, for people aged 8 - 14 years with and without disability.

The workshops involve creating movement in a safe and fun environment where the participants' ideas become dance.

No experience is necessary, just the desire to take part. Workshops are open to people with and without disability and are led by highly experienced tutors in an accessible space.

There are therapeutic benefits of engaging in Restless workshops which encourage independence and inclusion. The observed outcomes are Physical, Social, Emotional, Intellectual and Artistic. You can claim for the workshops through NDIS Core support - community, social and recreational.

"The rate for Links is \$30 per hour. Restless are guided by the NDIS price guide. If you don't have NDIS funding please contact us. Restless works with participants with mild to medium support needs.

# 12.30-1.30pm Saturdays

during school terms



The Restless Studio 195 Gilles Street Adelaide

cost

\$30.00\* per session

#### bookings + info

Roz (08) 8212 8495 roz@restlessdance.org www.restlessdance.org





















Realiss acknowledges the family clans of the Kauma Nation and we shall walk softly and will respect as we feel the footprints of their ancestors.

Photo: Shane Reid



One of the many things that 2020 and all of its challenges has highlighted for us is the importance of holding the most up to date contact information for parents, caregivers and emergency contacts.

If you have recently changed your contact details (mailing address, phone numbers or email address) or would like to update your Emergency Contacts or your student's medical information, please contact our Front Office staff on 8261 2733 or dl.0906.info@schools.sa.edu.au.

Alternatively you can access a pre-printed form on our website via the following link:

**Update of Parent/Caregiver Details Form** 

Please Note: We are only able to accept amendments from a parent or authorised caregiver.

A Feast for the Senses ....
Yr 9 Art
Excursion



On Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> August 37 students from Ms Dzino's Yr 9 Art Class and Mrs Tragos Yr 10 Art Class, along with select senior students visited the Van Gogh Alive experience at the Grand Pavilion on O'Connell Street. Students were excited and captivated with the multi-sensory experience, gaining a deeper insight into Van Gogh's Life and inspiration behind his work. Students enjoyed the interactive aspect of this experience. After visiting this exhibition, we proceeded to the Art Gallery of South Australia where we viewed the 'Surrealist at Sea Exhibition' and the 'Ramsay Art Prize Exhibition'. Students complete an arts literacy task while at the gallery in response to the art works, they engaged with most. This work will be linked with their practical tasks in the classroom.

Students enjoyed the day and were captivated by what they were viewing, for many this was their first visit to the Art Gallery.





































Our Year 10 cohort of students recently participated in male/female focussed programs presented by Power Communities Limited in association with Centacare and Port Adelaide Enfield Council. Separate programmes for Males (Power to End Violence Against Women) and Females (Empower) led the students through some tricky subject matter pertaining to their roles in relationships. Conversations, workshops and Q&A sessions gave the students some important

facts and resource material for them to apply in their lives.

The important information they heard over two

sessions, from the mentors was invaluable.















# **School Holiday Program**

Spend a weekend with your child in the Coorong National Park completely without technology.

### Activities include:

- Kayaking alongside huge sand-dunes
- · A bush-tucker walk
- · A night-walk to see marine creatures
- · Picnicking by the ocean

### Learn:

- · Why we are so drawn to technology
- · Strategies to help get off the tech when you need to do other things
- Skills for becoming more involved in recreational and social activities
- · How to re-enter the world with a plan to balance tech-life and real-life activities and relationships

Age group: 10-17 year olds and their parents/caregivers

### Dates:

Saturday 9th to Sunday 10th October 2021

Location: Two-day trips are held in the Coorong National Park, launching from the end of Mundoo Channel Drive, Hindmarsh Island.

Cost: \$398 per person. This includes four group psychology sessions, all meals, camping equipment, national park fees and kayak hire (private health and NDIS may apply).

Please contact fiona@okpsychology.com.au or call 8264 2311 for more information.

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