



WILLUNGA PRIMARY SCHOOL

CONNECT | ASPIRE | RESPECT | EMPOWER

NEWSLETTER | TERM 1, WEEK 1

JANUARY 30TH, 2023



"Together we thrive"

Key Dates

Clean Up Australia Day
3rd Feb

School Assembly
10th Feb

Way 2 Go Bike Ed
14th Feb

Acquaintance Night
14th Feb 4:30 – 6pm

STUDENT FREE DAY
17th Feb
OSHC will be open

Welcome to 2023

By Melanie Jones
Principal

I trust you had a great break and are feeling rested and ready for an exciting year ahead.

Over the past few weeks, staff have been busy preparing for the students' return and I know are eagerly looking forward to meeting their new classes.

We extend a special welcome to our new students and their families, including our 60 new Receptions who begin their educational journey with us, an exciting yet uncertain time for many.

We will work hard to ensure everyone feels welcome and supported at our school.

In May this year, I will have been Principal for two years. Looking back, we have much to celebrate and this will continue to be a strong foundation for our school moving forward.

Staff have worked hard and we are proud of all that we have achieved together with parents, Governing Council and the whole school community around wellbeing, positive behaviour for learning, regulation, curriculum and pedagogy.



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Department for Education

Welcome to 2023 (-cont.)



In 2021, we reviewed our school vision. This was a collaboration of input from staff, students and families and continues to guide our work.

"Together we thrive" and our revised school values of Connect, Aspire, Respect and Empower,

lays a strong foundation and underpins everything we do.

As I lead staff, students, parents and community into a new school year, I am looking forward to all we can aspire to achieve in 2023.

Melanie Jones
Principal

Please welcome our new staff members

- Ellin Fulford – Year 3
- Nicola Broadhead – Year 4/5
- Andy Weatherill – Year 5/6
- Tayla Heinrich – Year 5/6 & Year 4
- Alice Uemura – Japanese
- Kim Higgins – Science
- Casey Haasbroek – Music

Our Vision

Our students thrive together to develop a love of life-long learning and are inspired and empowered to seek new possibilities and purposefully pursue their dreams.

Connect

Build positive relationships, develop a sense of belonging and feel safe, secure and supported.

Aspire

We strive for excellence, challenge ourselves and have a growth mindset.

Respect

We are kind, inclusive and responsible.

Empower

We have a voice, we are curious and courageous.

School Calendar



<https://willungaps.sa.edu.au/calendar/>

Quote of the week

Children are not a distraction from more important work, they are the MOST important work.

–CS LEWIS

School Card Applications Now Open!

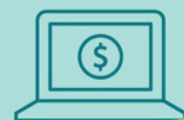
Now is a great time to see if you are eligible to receive financial assistance for school fees. School Card is available in government schools to:

- Families with children aged 4 years and over who attend a school full time.
- Independent full time students studying Year 10, 11 or 12.
- Adult re-entry students undertaking subjects to complete their SACE.

To qualify, your family's gross income in the 2021/22 financial year must be below the threshold, based on the number of dependent children you have in your family.

Information on the eligibility criteria, income limits and the application process is available on

www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard



Complete Staff Team

Leadership Team	Name
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Principal	Melanie Jones
Deputy Principal	Kate Schipper
Curriculum Leader	Lisa Hunt
Inclusion Leader & Autism Lead Teacher	Nicole Lander

SSO	Role
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Lisa Pinder	Business Manager
Belinda Aldenhoven	Executive Secretary
Deb Connor	Student Support
Jodie Cornelius	Student Support
Tanya Jackson	Student Support
Wendy Graham	Student Support
Alyse Miller	Student Support
Holly Hays	Student Support
Sharon Coe	Student Support
Rachel Paterson	Student Support

Staff	Role
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Sue Camac	Pastoral Support
Nic Newbold	Library
Jason Brown	Groundsperson
Jackie McCance	Canteen Manager
Nikki Cook	OSHC Director
Rachel Paterson	Uniform Shop Coordinator

Room #	Year Level/s	Teacher/s
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25A	R	Lyndsay Sanders
25B	R	Ineke Rumball
25D	R/1	Sandy Graham
25E	1	Bianca Lally
23A	1/2	Bianca Schultz
23B	2	Kayla Watson
23C	2	Julie Giffen
20	3	Anna Aldridge/Lisa Hunt
21A	3	Ellin Fulford
21B	4	Chelsea McGarry
2C	4/5	Nicola Broadhead
2D	4/5	Julie Brown
2B	5/6	Andy Weatherill
2B	5/6	Tayla Heinrich
2A	6	Airlie Barraclough
AET		Rebecca Price

Room #	Subject	Specialist Teacher
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Arts Room	Music	Casey Haasbroek
19	Japanese	Alice Uemura
Science Room	Science	Kim Higgins
Gym/Oval/23E	PE Health	Mogann Nair