



WILLUNGA PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER | TERM 2, WEEK 6

JUNE 7TH, 2023



"Together we thrive"

Key Dates

King's Birthday Public Holiday
Mon 12 June

Student Free Day
Tue 13 June

Kidzbiz Yr 5 & 6
Tue 20 June, 27 June, 4 July

Museum Excursion
23A, 23B & 23C
Fri 23 June

Yr 3 AFL Max Camp
Tue 27 & Wed 28 June

Crazy Hair/Casual Day
Fri 30 June

A colourful change of plans

By Melanie Jones
Principal

Due to the weather forecast, our scheduled Sports Day event was postponed but we made the best of the situation and had a fantastic Colour Day instead!

Students and staff wore house colours, we had a whole school team chants assembly, our coloured cupcakes and jelly stall went ahead, and we held a dance party, all of which made for a great day.

Thank You To Our Volunteers

On Wednesday 24th May, we had a chance to celebrate our wonderful volunteers with a

special morning tea held in the OSHC Building.

Thank you to all who were able to attend, we hope you enjoyed sharing a warm drink and refreshments together.

All volunteers received a small token gift of appreciation and a certificate of thanks. We are so grateful for the valuable time and effort our volunteers offer.

Lions Peace Pole

We are very excited to have our Peace Pole kindly donated by the Rotary Club of McLaren Vale.

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LIONS PEACE POLE (-cont.)

Thank you to Briony who delivered our Peace Pole featuring English, Japanese, Kaurna, Urdu and Braille. We are looking for a special place to install our Peace Pole and will have a special ceremony in the near future.

Click to learn about
The Peace Project



School Calendar



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

Principal's Quote of the Week

Your children
need your presence
more than your
presents.

Jesse Jackson



HealthyPlace.com



Reminder to keep collecting bread bags and sending them to school with your children. Competition closes 7th July and the winning class gets the rewards. More information available at

Wonder Recycling Rewards

Parent Morning Tea



Every Wednesday
in the OSHC room
from 8.50am

Feeling sick?

We are currently experiencing an increase in students and staff illnesses. While restrictions have eased around COVID-19, it is still very present in our communities.

Please remember, if your child is unwell and develops COVID-19 symptoms, they should be tested and stay at home until they are well again.

If your child tests positive, you must inform the school immediately.

Please keep positive COVID-19 cases at home for five days until acute symptoms have cleared and take steps to protect others.

The safety and wellbeing of our students and staff are paramount. As such, we will continue to work closely with SA Health to ensure all necessary health advice is closely followed, and all necessary precautions are taken to minimise the risk of further transmission within our community.

We will continue to provide regular updates of positive COVID-19 cases in our school.

Similarly, if your child is feeling unwell, not necessarily with COVID-19, please keep them home until they are feeling better as there are still other viruses present in our environment.

Influenza, commonly known as the flu, is a contagious respiratory illness that can spread easily from person to person. By keeping your child home when they are unwell, you can help prevent the spread of the virus to other children and staff members at school or daycare.

If your child is displaying flu-like symptoms, it's recommended to consult with a healthcare professional for guidance on managing their illness and when it's appropriate for them to return to school.



Here are a few reasons why it's important to keep your child home if they have flu symptoms:

1. Containment of the virus:

The flu can spread quickly, especially in crowded environments like schools and daycare centres. By keeping your child home, you'll help prevent the virus spreading to other kids, teachers, and staff.

2. Rest and recovery:

Flu symptoms can be uncomfortable and may include fever, cough, sore throat, fatigue, body aches, and congestion. Allowing your child to rest at home will aid in their recovery and help them get back to their normal health sooner.

3. Preventing further complications:

In some cases, the flu can lead to complications, especially in children or people with weakened immune systems. By keeping your child home and providing proper care, you can reduce the risk of complications and ensure their wellbeing.

Pastoral Care Worker News

By Sue Camac



Following on from the last newsletter, here is the rest of the list from Julie Brown, one of our teachers here at the school with her top FREE family things to do:

- Little Sprouts Kitchen at Adelaide Botanical Gardens
- Himeji Gardens in the South Parklands
- MOD - located in the UniSA Cancer Research Institute (has 7 different galleries with all things science and tech)
- Wetland walk Onkaparinga River
- Whispering Wall Williamstown

One of our school mums, Jo Parkinson, sent in information about another great resource:

[Play and Go Adelaide](#), is a website and Facebook page that's full of great ideas on things to do around Adelaide. It's also got lots of ideas for free activities so I can definitely recommend checking it out!

What are some of your free or budget friendly ideas? Don't forget to email them in!

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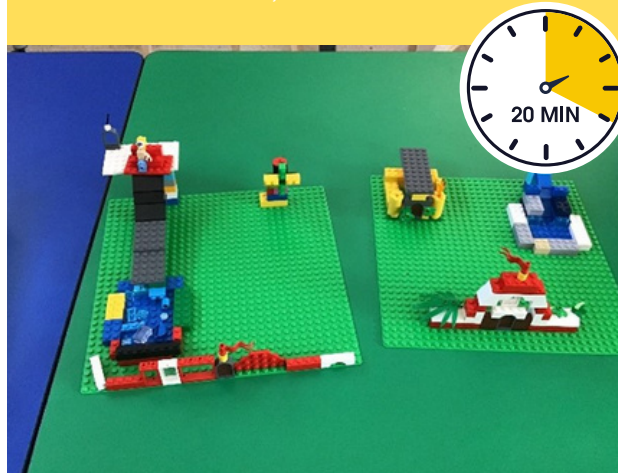
Register here

Expressions of interest in our 2024 Reception classes at our beautiful community school are now open.

Lego Masters



With the timer set for 20 minutes, students in Year 3 had to create a Dragon's Cave, Year 4/5 students an Underwater World and Year 5/6 students, a Theme Park.



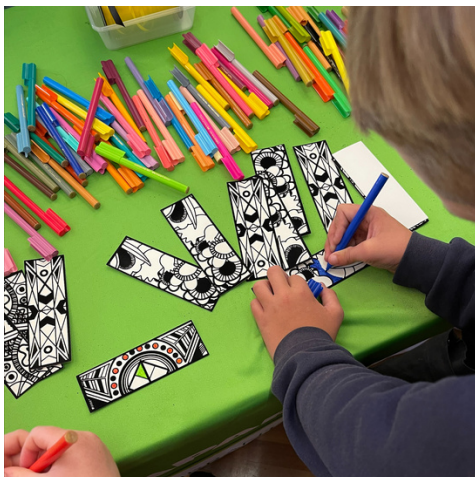
Have a look at some of our fantastic Theme Parks! Next week our Year 3s enter their next round of challenges.



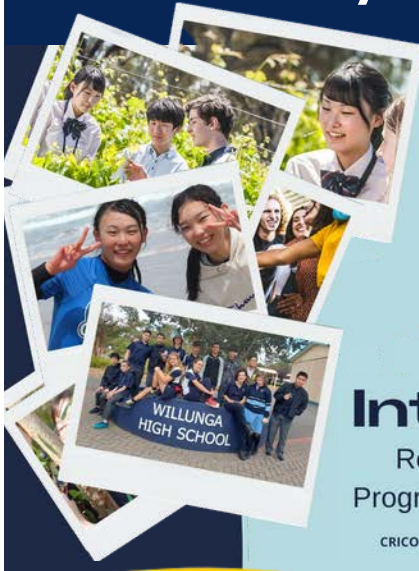
Reconciliation Week 2023



On Wednesday 31st May, First Nations students attended the Reconciliation in the South event. This was a great opportunity to share and celebrate First Nations culture and the work that our community is doing towards strengthening relationships, with a focus on dance, music, art and craft, cultural activities, and guest speakers.



What does your spare room mean to you?



We are currently building our homestay family network and seeking families to host International Students.

Discover a family activity that is deeply satisfying and emotionally rewarding.

Take an International Student under your wing, care for them, make them feel welcome and give them a taste of Aussie life.

Intrigued?

Request to speak with one of our Willunga High School Homestay Program staff on 8557 0100 or visit www.internationalstudents.sa.edu.au

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SAPSASA FOOTBALL

By Tommy and the 2 Tyler G's

On Tuesday during Week 5 we had school footy at 10 am where we played our first game against Tatachilla. We were winning by four goals at half time and ended up winning by six goals.

In the second game, we played Eastern Fleurieu. We were up by one goal at half time and we won by 6 goals. We are now in the semi-finals. Thank you to Paul Crate for coaching us and Mr Nair for organising it.

SAPSASA NETBALL

On Wednesday the 30th of May, Adele, Jess, Charlotte, Logan, Lola, Mackenzie, Amira and Aggie attended the first round of SAPSASA netball at Tatachilla Lutheran College.

Our team arrived at 9:45am and proceeded to wait for the school's assembly to finish. Finally, it was time to play our first game against Tatachilla! It was really tough but we tried our best and worked really hard as a team. It was really hot in the stadium but we managed to survive!

In the first quarter we did well but the opposition were in front by 13 goals, but that didn't stop us. After the last quarter, we ended up losing by 40 points. It was a good game and a great experience.

Our final game against McLaren Vale was better than our first game. We made a few mistakes but we learnt from them as the game went on. We sadly lost the second game as well, but not by as much as the first. The score was 24 to 12, their way.

Overall, it was a great experience and a fun day. We had heaps of fun! It is definitely a memory we will never forget.

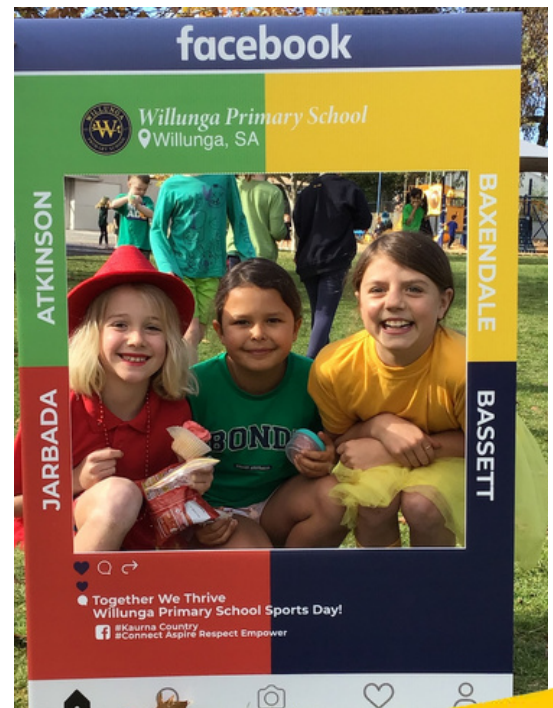
SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY – ONKAPARINGA NORTH

On Friday 5th of May, Jack along with his team mates, attended the Onkaparinga North SAPSASA Cross Country tryouts, led by Mr Crate.

In less than ideal conditions, the Willunga representatives did an outstanding job, the older divisions had to run in torrential rain. All the kids did themselves proud. Jack did really well and won the U10s boys division which means he will now represent his district at the state cross country championship at Oakbank racecourse in early June. Good luck Jack!



COLOUR DAY



2023 Materials & Services Charges

The Materials & Services charges for 2023 have been approved and set by Governing Council at \$360. This includes an incursion cost of \$40.

Thank you to the many parents/caregivers who have made contact, applied for school card and/or made payment. It is appreciated.

A Tax Invoice (and statement) relating to Material and Services Charges for this school year, has been posted to your home address. Please advise if you have not received the invoice/s. A \$100 rebate has been applied.

Payment can be made via QKR, Direct Credit, EFTPOS, Centrepay or Cash. Any queries please contact Lisa Pinder for more information.

School Card

The School Card Scheme is available for families needing financial assistance. Eligibility is not dependent on any member of the family receiving Centrelink benefits. Application can be completed online <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme> or a form can be obtained from the Finance Office.

Please Complete School Card Applications ASAP

The eligibility criteria for the 2023 School Card Scheme is based on the applicant's combined family gross income for the 2021/2022 financial year, being within the School Card limits which are listed below.

****Families Need to Apply Each Year****

Number of Your Dependent Children	2021/2022 Annual School Card Limit	2021/2022 Average Weekly School Card Income Limit
1	\$66412	\$1277
2	\$67598	\$1300
3	\$68784	\$1323
4	\$69970	\$1346
5	\$71156	\$1369
Each additional dependent child	\$1186	\$23

If you require further information please call Lisa in the Finance Office.

Lisa Pinder
Business Manager