



Minlaton District School

'By Deeds Not Words'

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Celebrating 30 Years 1992-2022

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DIARY DATES

AUGUST 2022

August

- 12th - Mime-O-Rama Primary Performance
- 17th - SAPSASA Soccer (boys & girls)
- 22nd - SYP Primary Aths Trial
- 23rd - Yr10 Careers Trip

**see attached full term Calendar*

Fortnightly Feature

MINLATON DISTRICT SCHOOL CELEBRATING 30 YEARS

'Where are they now?'

Matthew and Troy Goldsworthy



Matthew finished at Minlaton District School in 2008. He started his education at Curramulka Primary School before transitioning to MDS in Year 8 2004.

Matthew moved to Adelaide at the end of Year 12 and has remained there ever since. He spent his first 6 years working in horticulture/landscaping before going to University at the start of 2015 to do a Business/Sport and Recreation degree at University of South Australia. After 2 years of full time study he gained employment at Woodville West Torrens Football Club (WWTFC) where he still remains. Matthew is currently the Football Manager and he is in the later stages of finishing his degree.

Matthew is not only successful off the field at WWTFC, he is currently playing in the League Football Team and has now played 229 games with 190 goals. Matthew started with the Eagles Under-17s in 2007 and making his League debut in Round 18 of 2008, he has become one of the club's most consistent and reliable performers for more than a decade. Matthew has been lucky enough to be part of 2 League Premierships with WWTFC (2011, 2020). In 2021 he unfortunately missed the Grand Final after tearing his hamstring in the Preliminary Final. He has also represented multiple SA State Football Teams with success.

In 2021 Matthew was presented with the great honor of receiving SANFL Life Membership and WWTFC Life Membership. In 2020 Matthew married his partner Taylor and now have 1 y/o son Oscar.

Matthew's favourite memory of MDS is the Outdoor Education camp in Year 12, just 4 students and Hacko. The camp was at Deep Creek. They still laugh about that trip whenever they catch up!



After his primary years at Curramulka, Troy was a student at MDS from 2007 until 2011 when he completed Year 12.

We asked Troy what his favourite memory of MDS was 'I enjoyed most subjects at school but particularly the sporting side of things - sports days, footy/cricket competitions and elective subjects through middle school. I had some fantastic teachers who contributed towards an overall great experience at MDS.'

After finishing Year 12 he worked at Viterra at Ardrossan over the harvest period then started work at The Dalrymple Hotel, Stansbury as a barman for 18 months. Troy then spent 2 years as a Landscaper before obtaining his Real Estate Sales License. After 18 months working as an Agent in Adelaide he returned to Yorke Peninsula in 2016. Troy gained a position at Nutrien Harcourts Minlaton where he currently works in the Real Estate section. Troy offers his expertise in all areas of Real Estate, from residential to agricultural.

Troy is a talented footballer and cricketer, playing many years for the CMS Crows A Grade, winning 3 Premierships and playing cricket for Eastern District (YP) winning 2 Premierships as Captain and playing in the Regional Representative Team.

Since returning to live at Minlaton Troy has been an active member of the CMS Crows Football and Netball Committee, contributing a huge amount of his time and dedication to club management. His input into the day to day running of the club is highly valued, supporting both performance on the field and building the club's family friendly environment.

Troy is engaged to Tegan and they share 2 children Harvey (2) and Sadie (9mths).





A MESSAGE FROM ALI

Can it get any colder? We have certainly had some cold, wet and windy days to contend with recently and our new school beanies have definitely been a great addition to the uniform! They can be ordered and paid for via Qkr! and are fantastic for keeping warm on those cold windy mornings on the crossing.

We continue to receive very positive feedback about our Fortnightly Feature, celebrating previous MDS students and their lives after school. I hope you enjoy this edition's feature about Troy and Matthew Goldsworthy. We would really appreciate hearing about more ex-MDS students, so if you know of someone with an interesting story, please get in touch.

This week I had the pleasure of seeing many of our Primary students' reading logs and over 20 crocodiles left my office as the result of children achieving a 100 reading night milestone; there are also a number of children who are very close to reaching 200 nights for the year. Thank you to all of the parents and carers, and the big brothers and sisters who support our youngest readers and sign off their reading logs each night. One of my joys is reading your comments about the progress your youngsters are making. Thank you for the investment that you are making in your child's future.

For those who have been thinking that your child is the only one who has been ill recently, I can report that our daily attendance rate for this term is running between 70 and 80%. This means we regularly have approximately 50 - 60 students absent on most days. As disruptive as this is for individual student learning, we know that it would be far worse if not for parental diligence. Thank you for monitoring your children for symptoms of illness and keeping them at home to prevent passing on sickness to their classmates. Staff have also been in somewhat short supply and on many occasions this term we have not had relief teachers to backfill for staff who are absent. Not only is this an issue when staff are ill, but it also limits our ability to release staff for meetings, one to one work with students, workshops, conferences and the like. I know we are not the only workplace with this issue.



'The expert in anything was once a beginner'





A MESSAGE FROM ALI

Please check the diary dates above and in particular have a look at the following key dates.

Next week, Minlaton will be experiencing a power interruption on Thursday. As a result, we will not have our canteen operating on Thursday, but instead, lunch orders are available on Monday of next week. So, make sure you have this marked in your diary or stored in your phone - the canteen will operate next week for lunch orders on Monday August 15th, Wednesday 17th and Friday 19th.

On Wednesday August 24th, as part of Book Week, we will hold our traditional parade; an opportunity for students (and staff) to dress as one of their favourite book characters. The theme this year is 'Reading is...dreaming with eyes open', which I think captures beautifully that wonderful transportation to other worlds that happens when reading.

On Friday September 2nd, staff will be engaged in professional development here at school and as such, it will be a Student Free Day. This has been highlighted a number of times in previous newsletters, but you would be surprised how many times a little person in uniform either arrives at school on a SFD, or we have reports of someone standing on the side of the road waiting for the school bus. Don't let that be your child.

It looks like another wet and cold weekend looming. Stay warm, and try to stay dry.

Ali



'If the plan doesn't work, change the plan but **never** the goal'



Canteen Update

*Canteen Days changed -
Week 4 only*

*There's a planned power outage in Minlaton
on Thursday August 18th...so Mayi Wardli
will open on Monday August 15th instead!*

Orders on Qkr! as usual

Book Week Dress Up Day is coming!

Wednesday
August 24th

Dress up as a
book character
and join in the
fun!

Reading is...
dreaming with
eyes open!



THE CHILDREN'S
BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA

#CBCA2022

Senior School News

Hi everyone, just a short update from me this time round. On Monday this week our 2023 cohort undertook their subject immersion activity, where they received information about subjects from each staff member who currently teaches in the senior school. After that in small groups the students had a chance to work with one staff member and run through a course counselling session where they could ask questions, discuss options, get recommendations about their suitability for subjects and make plans for 2023. Prior to this students were given a subject selection workbook to assist them identify relevant skills and thinking about suitable subjects. The 2023 course handbook was distributed and after the immersion session, students received a link to the online subject selection form. **Both the online selections and the completed workbook (which includes a parent signature) must be submitted by 3pm this Thursday, 11th August.** The 2023 Course handbook was also distributed electronically to all families earlier this week. It will be available on the school website soon and hard copies are available upon request.

The much earlier timeline this year will allow all YP schools to work collaboratively to deliver the best possible educational options for our students. In line with that, and something that has been promoted with all our 2023 cohort is the YP Secondary Alliance (YPSA) subject website. This website allows families & students across the YP to explore options for SACE subjects which may not be offered face to face in a student's home school. The site also shows the available Flexible Industry Pathway (FIP) courses (previously VET courses) which are available to YP students. As a part of the site, students are able to express their interest in undertaking these options, with both the home and host schools being notified of student interest. The link for the YPSA website is below:

<https://sites.google.com/view/ypsecondaryalliance/home>

Families should note that for any YPSA SACE courses, Flexible Industry Pathways selections need to be discussed in person with myself.

If you have any questions about either 2023 subject selections or other Senior School related matters, don't hesitate to call me here at school or send an email to: glen.white872@schools.sa.edu.au

Glen White
Senior School Coordinator

Middle School News

Term 3 is now in full swing with all knuckling down with the tasks at hand.

We held our first Middle School Assembly in Week 2 with masks on and lots to talk about. Middle School Captains Lucy Mahar and Matilda Cook discussed with their peers the challenges and options regarding listening to music in classrooms; an action undertaken by some students without request, which has eroded trust and respect at times. Our student leaders are in a process of ascertaining feedback from peers on possible solutions that don't void signed ICT agreements, consume internet bandwidth and prevent a never-ending blocking of stream platforms. Mackenzie White in 7/8KC provided an update on her Youth Environment Council project. After her application to the council was accepted earlier this year Mackenzie has worked diligently to develop her project of promoting responsible rubbish disposal by visitors at Parsons Beach. Thanks to the time and effort of Letitia Dahl-helm at the Yorke Peninsula Council, who Mackenzie has closely communicated with, new signs and a managed waste bin might be on the horizon for the community of Parsons Beach. Finally, students provided feedback on the leadership programs offered by AFL Max for the Middle School trip. They chose respectful communication, teamwork, caring for others, building trust and diversity to be the topics of focus. Further information about the trip, including deposit payment, will be available to families soon.

Personal Interest subjects are currently being undertaken by students. Now that they have run for a number of weeks a transfer of skills, knowledge and capabilities has occurred. Below is a smorgasbord of activities students have been up to.



Fortunes have been created and lost in the world of AFL Fantasy. Students are creating statistical analyses of their team performance under the guide of Mr Fitzgerald.



Fiona Bussenschutt (née Pointon), former student and Adelaide Thunderbird kindly provided her time to Mr Coomb's Intensive Netball group who were put through their paces. The wisdom and insight from Fiona was most valuable.

Middle School News



Mori and henna tattoo designs have been linked to personal interests and the soul within. Ms Mayadunne has provided the frame work for students to research the origins of these cultural art forms and develop the skills involved in their application.



Woodwork projects have moved from concept to prototype. Often a literal buzz of sound and activity Mr Parsons has students measuring three times and cutting once. Charging stations, skateboards and boxes are abound.



Chicken nuggets, omelettes and star shaped carrot slices have been all the go in Mr White's Mystery Box cooking team. The control of heat has been a challenge. Too little and time pressures appear, too much and I think the word caramelised is used.

Please get in contact with me if you have any questions/concerns/issues with anything throughout the year. My email address is Stephen.Talbot110@schools.sa.edu.au

Stephen Talbot
Middle School Coordinator



Primary School News

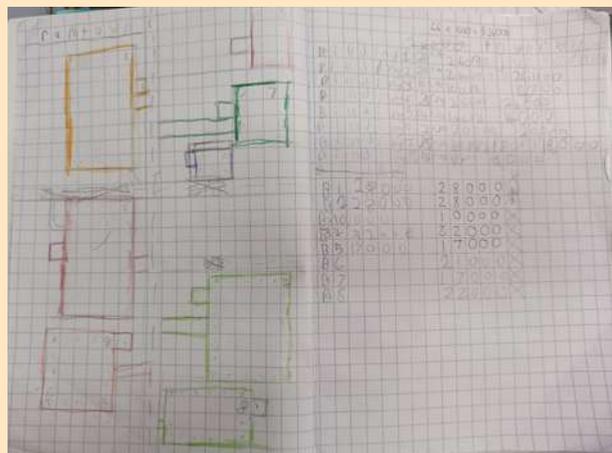
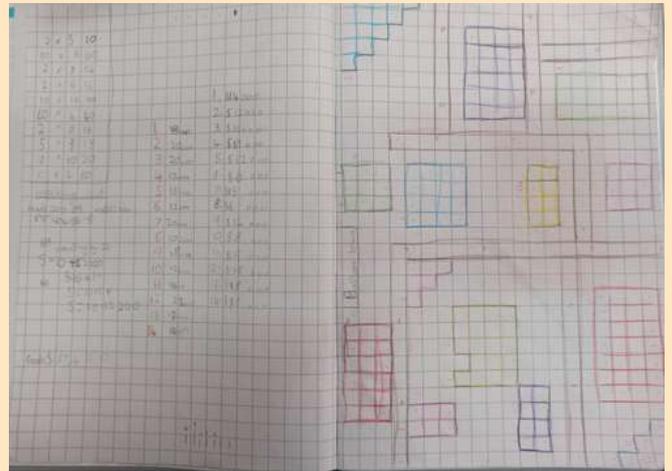
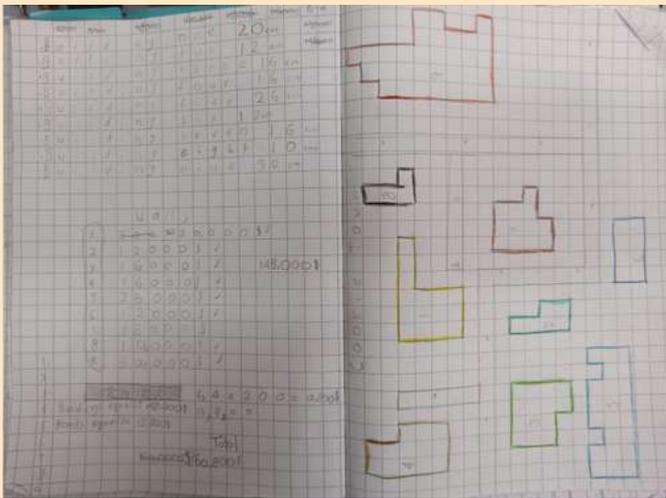
In Math this term the Year 3/4 class have been lucky enough to secure the job as “planners” of South Australia’s next (imaginary) town!

The students are using their measurement skills to plan the location and size of roads, houses, facilities and landscaping, before measuring perimeters and areas to calculate the final cost of each town planning proposal. As many of you would know, construction materials are in short supply currently, so the class will be spending next week deciding on new “suppliers” for their “materials”, using their skills in adding, subtracting and multiplying amounts of money to determine which companies will give them the best bang for their buck!

The real-life applications of working with measurement and money have certainly not been lost on the class so far in this unit. Their engagement in the class exercises has been a huge positive, both for myself and for their learning. I look forward to seeing their problem-solving skills on display as future “issues” faced by the town planning company are dealt with by our young team of experts!

The attached examples are from Year 3 students, Bella, Lenny and Izzy.

Mr. Cameron



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*get ahead of
supply chain
issues*



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Sport News

SAPSASA DISTRICT BASKETBALL CARNIVAL

Minlaton's up-and-coming junior basketballers took to the courts earlier this term for the annual SYP SAPSASA District Carnival. We entered a team in each of the two divisions - Year 5/6 girls and Year 5/6 boys. All teams contained a mix of experienced basketballers and novices. This didn't detract from the main aim of the day - having fun and participating in competitive sport. The manner in which all teams supported each other with encouragement and teamwork was a sight to behold and reflective of the quality students we have here at MDS.

The Year 5/6 boys (Angus Coote, Angus Liebelt, Edward Liebelt, Noah Macgowan, Charlie Phillips, Darcy Walsh, Finn Glazbrook, Tayson Gates, Logan Cleland) finished runner-up in their division. The boys will now advance to the Regional Carnival at Kadina later this month.

Scores: Minlaton lost to Warooka 7-12; Minlaton d Yorketown 14-8; Minlaton d Central Yorke 17-2; Minlaton d Ardrossan 18-8; Minlaton lost to St Columba's 8-10; Minlaton d Maitland Lutheran 12-8. The Year 6 girls (Bri Warrior, Annie Cook, Ellie Polkinghorne, Shanaid Sansbury, Tilli Macgowan, Georgie Brown, Jayla Weir) were highly competitive, despite only winning three of their seven matches. Two matches in particular came down to the last basket. The girls finished in 5th position for the carnival.

Scores: Minlaton d St Columba's 30-2; Minlaton lost to Curramulka/Stansbury 8-10; Minlaton d Yorketown 12-4; Minlaton lost to Warooka 14-16; Minlaton lost to Maitland Lutheran 4-30; Minlaton lost to Central Yorke 6-12; Minlaton d Ardrossan 22-2.

These days aren't successful without the valued contribution of parent and student volunteers. Many thanks to Scott Liebelt and Di Nankivell for coaching our teams. Thanks to Luke Horn, Christian Reade and Emma Reade for being our umpires. Thanks to Philippa Coote, Bron Polkinghorne, Jess Walsh and Ebony Macgowan for scoring.

Josh Coombe

SAPSASA Coordinator



Sport News

Statewide Schools Open Basketball Competition

On Monday 1st August, 7 MDS students travelled to Kadina to participate in the Statewide Schools Open Basketball Competition. Jonny, Jacob, Mav, Rory, Shineah, Mia and Jess were all selected to represent Yorke Peninsula based on the basketball carnival held at Minlaton in Term 2. The boys unfortunately lost both matches going down to Maitland Lutheran and Kadina, whilst the girls won both matches and now progress to the state finals in Adelaide on Wednesday August 24th. Thanks to Kris Daddow for coaching the sides and for the parent support on the day with transport and scoring.



Term 3 Calendar

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT	SUN
Week 1	25	26	27	28	29 SYP Basketball Carnival	30	31
Week 2	1 Open Boys BBall Statewide Comp	2	3	4	5	6	7
Week 3	8	9	10 Red Cross Refugee Day	11	12 Mime-O-Rama – Primary Performance	13	14
Week 4	15	16 Governing Council Meeting	17 SAPSASA Soccer (boys & girls)	18	19	20	21
Week 5	22 SYP Primary Aths – trial	23 Yr 10 Careers Week	24	25	26	27	28
Week 6	29	30	31	1	2 Student Free Day	3	4
Week 7	5 PAT Testing	6	7	8	9	10	11
Week 8	12 PAT Testing	13 Year 8 Immunisations	14	15	16 Girls Cricket Gala Day	17	18
Week 9	19 SAPSASA Track & Field PAT Testing	20 Governing Council Meeting	21	22	23	24	25
Week 10	26 PAT Testing	27	28 Learning Expo 30 th Year Celebration	29	30	1	2
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
	10	11	12	13	14	15	16

CMS Crows

GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION & KIDS NIGHT



Saturday 13 August
Watsacowie Brewing Co.

Presentations &
Auction from 7pm

Spuds n More
cooking until 8pm

Kids Night at
MDS gym 5:30-9pm

CMS Crows

GOODS & SERVICES AUCTION & KIDS NIGHT

Kids Night is free;
please RSVP by
messaging the **CMS
Crows Facebook page**
to give us an idea
of numbers
for catering.

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| Where | Minlaton District School Gym |
| 5:30pm | Dinner including pies, sausage rolls and mini pizzas plus lollies, popcorn and drinks! |
| 6-7pm | Party games, dance competition, limbo, heads and tails, etc. |
| 7-9pm | Movie Sing 2 on the big screen! BYO cushion, pillow and blanket. |



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WHITE SUFFOLKS



24th Annual Ram Sale

Wednesday 21st September 2022

Maitland Showgrounds 1:30pm

Inspection from noon – BBQ lunch provided

80 Rams

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