



Diary Dates

August

23 rd -27 th	Book Week
26 th	Book Week Parade 9.15am (Covid Safe event)
24 th	Governing Council Meeting

September

10 th	Student Free Day
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Week 5 already – doesn't time fly!

Reading – it's a vital skill that underpins much of our learning and certainly helps us to navigate the world throughout our lives. We have Book Week next week and the final throws of the Premier's Reading Challenge are upon us, and recently I have had the pleasure of checking primary reading logs. The crocodiles have been leaving the swamp with enormous speed and you'll see a list of happy crocodile wranglers later in this newsletter! While it has been wonderful to acknowledge the children with stickers and crocodiles (cleverly disguised as pencils!), I do want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the support of parents and older siblings in establishing and maintaining this daily reading habit which sets our children up for success. I love reading your comments as children reach a milestone, or what they particularly enjoyed about a book. I know that it is sometimes difficult to find time to for this daily routine, but please know that your efforts are truly valued and are making a huge difference to your child's future. Thank you.

Our plans for the term were sent awry when our state went into lockdown two days into term with some significant restrictions to 'normal' operations as we resumed face to face schooling. I have been really proud of our Middle and Senior students, who while not relishing the wearing of masks while indoors at school, have complied with this SA Health request with few issues. We do have a number of students who for various reasons are not wearing masks, and while we are all hoping for a time in the very near future when no one has to wear masks at school, I am grateful that our students are managing this impost in a very mature and considered fashion. Well done team.

We thank our parents who are managing the change in circumstances; not coming into classrooms, limiting their time on site, and re-adjusting their calendars as events and activities have had to be changed. We are all becoming very adept at 'pivoting' as uncertainty in our lives becomes the norm. We continue to plan events in the hope that they will be able to go ahead, but know that plans may need to change, sometimes at very short notice, as the health situation changes. Thanks again for your forbearance.

Next week we will begin the subject selection process for students in the senior years in 2022. Please read Glen's Senior School report carefully for information about this process. As preparations for 2022 begin, we are of course supporting our current Year 12 class to finish their year on a positive note. While few in number, they have a significant role in our school and are held in high esteem by the rest of the student body. As they enter the final part of this term, many are embarking on the 'last' assignment required in most of their subjects, while starting to make serious plans for their future beyond November! We are all wishing them well for their final foray as school students.

The External School Review that was to take place in Week 2 of this term has been postponed until Week 8. We are looking forward to this opportunity to have our school processes and procedures examined, and engage in further deep reflection about how we can make MDS the very best school it can be, offering a world class education to the young people within our community. Once again, if you would like to contribute to the review by participating in a parent forum, please let me know.

The Crocodile Club – 100 reading nights

4/5BA

Isobel, Olivia, Xavier, Ivy, Riley

4GC

Finn, Nicholas, Casey, Darcy

3/4JHEP

Rubee, Marlie, Brayden, Halle, Jett

2KHEC

Lincon, Louis, Lara, Owen, Isabella, Tida, Jakob, Rubi, Deanna, Celeste, Dusty, Lenny, Willow, Alena, Bella, Dacie

R/1KC

Macy, Harry, Amelia, Josie, Rose, Jimmy, Tuleah, James, Harper, Billy

R/1LC

Ayla, Evie, Henry, Mia, Maggie, George (200!)

Ali



Senior School

Since our last newsletter the pace has picked up significantly in the senior school, with all students heavily engaged in their current curriculum offerings. Interim reporting is occurring this week and will be available on Daymap by Friday afternoon. Where the report indicates concerns regarding a student's progress, parents are asked to contact the subject teacher for further clarification.

With the end of the year rapidly approaching for our Year 12 cohort, preparations are well underway for life after school. We are currently conducting interviews with each student to provide guidance around seeking employment, tertiary applications and preparation for the outside world. By the time this newsletter is published there will be 36 school days left for them. Whilst this is a little confronting, it provides a great opportunity to focus on maximising the time left.

2022 Subject Counselling

Subject counselling will take on a much different format in our current COVID safe world. On Monday 23rd August, between 6pm and 7pm there will be an online parent information meeting. The meeting will cover information relating to the SACE, DfE's new VET in Schools Policy, MDS senior school procedures, policies and expectations and the counselling process the students will be undertaking. The presentation will take approximately 40 minutes, with 20 minutes at the end for any questions. The session will be recorded and made available for any families unable to join us live. Invitations will be sent out via email on Friday afternoon.

For students this year the counselling will also take on a different format. Before the parent meeting next week I will meet with the relevant cohorts to discuss year level specific requirements and provide tips on how to make good selections. I'll also ask them to do some preparation around investigating potential future pathways.

On Wednesday next week we will have a student subject immersion, where students will have the opportunity to speak with staff members about subjects that suit their specific needs and requirements. By the end of this session students will have made preliminary selections, which they will take home to discuss with parents.

On Thursday and Friday students may seek out individual staff members for further clarification before submitting final subject selections by 3pm on Friday August 27th. The final selections will be accompanied by a workbook which shows evidence of the steps taken by each student in arriving at their final decisions.

It is worthwhile noting that the final range of subjects which are offered will depend upon sufficient numbers of students selecting each subject and available teacher expertise. Student performance and attendance will also influence the subjects which a student may undertake. If there are any changes required, additional counselling (including parent contact), will be conducted before the end of the term.



Work Experience

If you are keen to do some forward planning, the next round of work experience for Year 10 and 11 students will be in the last 2 weeks of the year: 29th November to 3rd December and 6th December to 10th December. All Year 10 and 11 students **must complete at least one week of work placement during this period**, however all are welcome to complete 2 weeks. Year 9 students who are over the age of 15 may also wish to undertake work experience in the second week. More information relating to this will be provided shortly.

Once again if you have any questions about 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

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BOOMING
& WE NEED YOU!**

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Middle School

Week 5 is nearly over and it is a great opportunity to remind students about their individual goals that were created at the start of the term. Students have these goals displayed on tables/chairs/laptops and even as bookmarks (well done Ms Mayadunne) to remind them throughout the term. It would be great if parents could also discuss these goals with the students. A formal opportunity is once again available at the end of the term for students to reflect on their goals with parents and teachers at the Middle School Learning Conversations. A note will be sent home with details of the Learning Conversations in the next two weeks, and these will also be mentioned in our next newsletter report.

The PI update this week is from Mrs Champion's \$20 Boss class. Developed by the Foundation for Young Australians and National Australia Bank, \$20 Boss is a school challenge, which provides students with \$20 of start-up money to create their own business. At the end of the program, students are encouraged to pay back the start-up money, with a \$1 legacy payment. Money raised is donated to various charities. Working in groups, students not only create a real-world business, but they also develop important transferable skills such as:

- Innovation, creative thinking and experimentation
- Financial and business literacy
- Collaboration, communication and teamwork
- Project management
- Critical thinking and information analysis

The class have worked hard to create some fantastic ideas for their businesses, so we are looking forward to the next stage in the program. Advertisements are shown in the newsletter for some of the \$20 Boss business sales opportunities.

A Middle School camp is in the process of being organised, to be held in Week 8 of Term 4. An information sheet has been sent home to provide some basic details of the camp. We are seeking student interest before confirming the camp. Students have until Friday 9am (20th August) to return their forms to Care Group teachers. More information about the camp will be announced in the next newsletter.

Please get in contact with us if you have any questions/concerns/issues with anything throughout the year. Our email addresses are Josh.Coombe430@schools.sa.edu.au and Craig.Fitzgerald239@schools.sa.edu.au

Josh Coombe and Craig Fitzgerald
Middle School Coordinators

\$20 Boss Update

Our \$20 Boss Personal Interest students have had a very busy few weeks. They have learnt what it takes to be successful entrepreneurs, brainstormed potential ideas, problem solved and made important decisions regarding their business. They've developed their prototypes and are now launching the marketing campaigns.

Please take the time to look through the ads in this newsletter and see if anything takes your fancy!



Joe of "Utopia Maps" honing his abstract painting skills



Shantelle and Tayah of "Sunny Sweets" preparing their trial box of biscuits



Tags being made for ELLAluna candles



Planter Boxes under construction



Primary School

Peter Combe Concert

Peter Combe is coming to MDS on the 7th of September to give a performance to the R-6 students. He is a very accomplished musician, and we were very lucky to book him. Peter Combe will sing songs from a selection of his 11 albums including:

QUIRKY BERSERKY THE TURKEY FROM TURKEY KIDDYWINKS WASH YOUR FACE IN ORANGE JUICE NEWSPAPER MAMA SPAGHETTI BOLOGNAISE TOFFEE APPLE CHOPSTICKS LITTLE GROOVER and LIVE IT UP

There will be much audience involvement with singing, actions, clapping and moving to many of the songs.

Book Week

Book Week is fast approaching and quite a few of the children have already been talking about the costumes they will be wearing on Thursday, the 26th of August. The theme is Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds. Book Week presents a great opportunity for the children to celebrate reading and their love of literature. There will be lots of competitions running throughout the week thanks to Mr Cook and Candy.

Musical Costumes

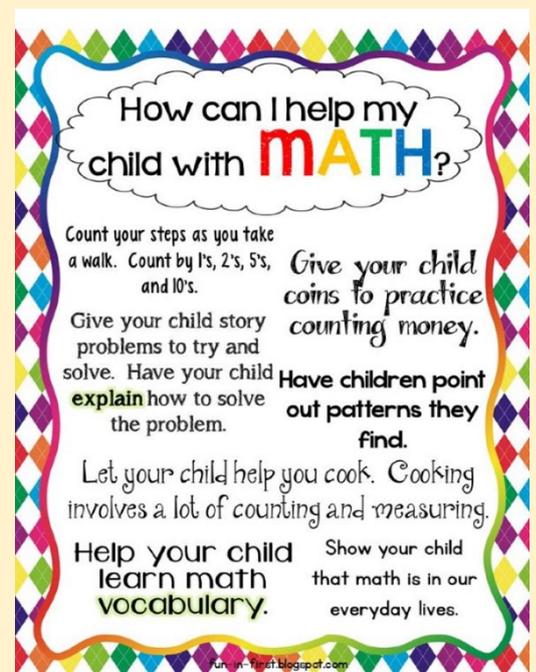
In the next couple of weeks teachers will send home notes explaining what costumes children will need for the musical. We intend to keep the costumes as simple as possible and make some of what we need during lesson times. Pirates and navy personnel will be some of the main costumes needed, but we will also need some rats and islander locals. If any parents have some ideas for these costumes, please let your child's teacher know about them.

Maths Opportunities at Home

Following is a poster outlining some ways to incorporate maths into life at home.

Barb Agnew

Primary School Coordinator



Home Ec

The Year 8/9 boys started their Home Ec subject this term and have been experimenting with food presentation.



Henry & Myles



Kalan



Will



Jackson



Brakyn & Joe



MDS

**BOOK
WEEK**

DRESS UP DAY

Thursday 26th August (Week 6)

Theme...

OLD WORLDS

NEW WORLDS

OTHER WORLDS

Prizes for best dressed!

Yorke Peninsula Zone Netball

On Friday 13th August, three MDS students represented Yorke Peninsula in the School Sport SA Statewide Netball Competition at Trinity College. Sophie Longbottom and Isabella Varricchio were in the Open team and Natalie Horn participated in the Year 8/9 team. Natalie was selected based on her performances at the 8/9 YP Zone Netball Carnival during Term 2 and Isabella and Sophie attended the local trial nights. Results from the day were:

Open Results	8/9 Results
YP lost to Trinity College	YP defeated Maitland Lutheran
YP defeated Kadina Memorial School	YP lost to Kadina Memorial School
YP defeated Central Yorke School	YP lost to Trinity College
YP lost to Faith Lutheran	YP defeated Nuriootpa High School
	YP lost to Faith Lutheran

Well done to all three girls for their efforts in being selected for the side and their excellent performances throughout the day. They represented our school and the region to a high level. Thanks to Lauren Connell from Yorketown for coaching the Open side and Emily Haydon from Central Yorke for coaching the 8/9 team. Thank you also to Amanda Horn and Michelle Varricchio for transporting the girls to the matches and supporting the teams.



YP Open Hockey

On Thursday 12th August, the YP Knockout Hockey team travelled to Kadina Hockey Fields to compete against Kadina Memorial and Gladstone High School in the School Sport SA Statewide Competition. Haillie Borgmeyer was the sole MDS representative, with the team combined with students from Ardrossan, Central Yorke, Maitland Lutheran and Yorketown.

The YP team lost the first match against Kadina Memorial but then had a great win against Gladstone. The matches were both competitive and Haillie enjoyed the opportunity to represent the region and compete with other students from the area. Thanks to Kelly and Chloe Whittaker for coaching the side and to Amanda for transporting Haillie to the event.

SYP SAPSASA District Basketball Carnival

Minlaton's up-and-coming junior basketballers took to the courts this week for the annual SYP SAPSASA District Carnival. We entered a team each of the four divisions - Year 6 girls, Year 7 girls, Year 6 boys, Year 7 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 6 girls (Maggie Walsh, Lara Jansons, Mia and Bri Warrior, Mackenzie White, Anais Glazbrook, Kitty Wilson) won all three of their matches against St Columba's, Stansbury and Maitland Lutheran to finish on top for the day. They now advance to the Regional Carnival at Kadina next Friday. Congratulations girls!

The Year 6 boys (George Bennett, Hamish Coombe, Levi Digby, Oscar MacGowan, Logan Arbon, Angus Coote, Riley Stubberfield) finished runner-up in their division. A gritty win over Stansbury and a comfortable triumph over St Columba's were the team's two wins for the day.

Despite losing their first and final matches, the Year 7 girls (Gabrielle Hickman, Khiana Gates, Rose Pisani, Keely Wildash, Kaydence Rossack and Matilda Cook) displayed some impressive form to comfortably win their other three matches to finish the day in third position.

Although the Year 7 boys (Noah McDonnell, Elijah Rothe, Thomas Philips, Axy and Drey Williams, Tyson Bennett, Nic Krieg, Mitchell Hamilton) didn't have much basketball expertise in their team, they enjoyed a sublime day. They finished in fourth position with two wins and a narrow loss.

These days aren't successful without the valued contribution of parent and student volunteers. Many thanks to Alicia Wanganeen, Lauren Barnes, Di Nankivell and Jason McDonnell for coaching our teams. Thanks to Peter Wilson, Luke Horn and McCoy Harper-Zerna for being our umpires. Thanks to Carolyn Jansons, Lisa McDonnell, Philippa Coote, Carolyn Bennett and Ebony MacGowan for scoring.

Josh Coombe

SAPSASA Coordinator

**photos on next page*



Year 6 Girls



Year 6 Boys



Year 7 Girls



Year 7 Boys



\$20 BOSS



At Utopia Maps, our goal is to provide you with a beautiful, handcrafted map of a place that is special to you. This could be anything from a peaceful beach you find very relaxing to a building in a buzzing metropolis. These birds eye view creations are sure to make you happy every time that you look at them. Pictured below are two of our already made pictures of Adelaide Oval (left) and the Aitutaki Lagoon in the Cook Islands (right). You just let us know where your precious place is, and we will make you a semi-abstract representation of that place so that you can decorate your home and be reminded of this place every time you see it. Your precious place could be anything from a spectacular holiday to the place you got married. These are an excellent gift idea and will only cost you \$15 for each picture. The pictures are in an 8" square frame which leaves enough room for a 6" square. Email us at 20DollarBossUtopiaMaps@gmail.com to place your order. Thank you, Joe, Kalan and Jasper.



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August 23, 2021
 MON 1:20 pm - 2:50 pm
 Minlaton District School
 2 North Terrace
 Minlaton 5575
(STAFF ONLY)

August 26, 2021
 THURS 9:00 am - 10:30 pm

September 2 & September 5, 2021
 MON 1:20 pm - 2:50 pm
 THURS 9:00 am - 10:30 am

BOOKING SHEET IN STAFF ROOM

\$10	\$20	\$40
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\$3	\$3	\$3
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 Pastor John 0427 711 409
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 64 Midland Rd,
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Week 1 – Movie Night

Friday 6th August
 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 At the Chapel

Week 2 – Games and Sharing

Friday 13th August
 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 At the Chapel

Week 3 – Games Night

Friday 20th August
 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 At the Chapel

Week 4 – Bush Dance

Friday 27th August
 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 At the Chapel

Week 5 – Games and Sharing

Friday 3rd September
 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 Leaders Speak
 At the Chapel

Week 6 – Boys/Girls Night

Fri 10th - Sat 11th September
 7:00pm - Friday drop off
 1:00pm - Saturday pick up
 Drop off and pick up at the Chapel

Week 7 – Games and Sharing

Friday 17th September
 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 Leaders Speak
 At the Chapel

Week 8 – End of Term Party

Friday 24th September
 7:00pm - 8:30pm
 At the Chapel



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Our workshops are based on the latest parenting research and use information from **Parenting SA**

Light refreshments and creche provided (Bookings essential)

Where: *Weaners Flat Hall*
Yorketown

When: Thursday 16th September

Time: 9.00am – 11.30am

To Book: Contact Katie Hughes – *SYP Community Hub* - Phone: 885 21820

Everyone is welcome, however bookings are essential

* Please arrive 10 minutes early to register *

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Where: Yorketown Area School
Stansbury & School Rds

When: Thursday 16th September

Time: 7.00pm – 9.30pm

To book: Contact Katie Hughes – SYP Community Hub - Phone: 885 21820

Bookings are essential

*** Please arrive 10 minutes early to register ***

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