**YEL (Youth Environment Leaders) Indigenous Discovery Day**

We learnt about things like bush tucker on our walk at the Riverglades Reserve before coming back to school to learn the art of basket weaving with Aunty Ellen. We had a fantastic day!

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**SOLVING PROBLEMS**

As adults it is important that we model positive ways of solving problems and disagreements. Conflict can often result from misunderstandings, and so it is important that the school and home have open and transparent lines of communication and a ‘no blame approach’ to any issue that may arise. Student learning is at the centre of everything we do including the social and emotional wellbeing of students. It is acknowledged that some issues may require higher level intervention as an initial starting point but wherever possible we ask parents and caregivers to raise concerns directly with the teacher involved.

**BEHAVIOUR EXPECTATIONS**

We have noticed increasing numbers of students, particularly in the upper primary years, who are “stirring the pot” with their classmates, by carrying stories and exaggerating or lying about what other students have said and done. Some students are also trying to limit or control the friendship groups around them. Where this is persistent and ongoing this is bullying behaviour and will be dealt with seriously. Everyone at South School has the right to belong and feel safe, and people who regularly infringe upon these rights need to consider the impact of their conduct upon the learning of others.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL**

Our School Council is having its regular meeting at the school at 7pm next Monday evening. If you would be interested in helping to provide the school leadership with feedback and advice, please let Karen in the front office know so that I can make sure we cater for everyone who turns up. This meeting will last for around an hour and a half, and will involve discussion about a range of school matters.

Stuart Kitto
Principal
Murray Bridge South Primary School
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Happy Birthday!

Macy (C6) 13th June
Narika (C9) 23th June
Joshi (C6) 16th June
Jonavie (C2) 16th June
Kobe (C6) 17th June
Rebekah (C3) 20th June
Henry (C6) 25th June
Rosina (C8) 25th June
20e (C9) 25th June

Canteen Specials

Wednesday 15th June—Friday 24th June

Mamee Noodle Cups (Beef or Chicken) + Juice $3.20 save 50c
with COOKIE $5.00 save 70c
OR
Wedges + Large Water $4.80 save 50c with small chips $6.20 save 60c

Sorry, no credit is available so please do not ask!

Annette Thomson (Canteen Manager)

News from Narelle

I have been blessed to be part of MBSPS for 4 years and have done a variety of activities during this time. Some of the activities have included starting a Parents/Carers Coffee n Chat where we have sought out each other's different skills such as cooking, cultural tales, spring rolls, face painting, card games to play with families and more. I have worked with families and students have organized events such as pancakes breakfast, cake stall on sports day to raise money for Dyslexia and Hypothyroidism families and more. I have run a Library for Life course in the upper primary, Seasons for Growth, a Grief and Loss course and Girls Group. I have also arranged for many volunteers to come into the school to help with reading, lunch for staff and boys woodwork groups for selected students. Lunchtime activities have also been another way I have connected with students. I love MBSPS and the opportunities I have had to love the community and be in the school on behalf of Schools Ministry Group and the local Christian churches. I have also been involved in various things in the community but we have decided to move back to the Hills to be closer to our church (St Adelaides Hills in Hahndorf) and take up the role of Impact through local community projects to love the Hills community through our church. During the term I also won a position at Ernestina Primary School as the Pastoral Care Worker. So this term I have been working in 3 schools and moving house. We are moving to the Hills in a couple of weeks and sadly I will be finishing work at MBPS and Murray Bridge North School at the end of this term. Applications are open through Schools Ministry group for the positions and a new person will be appointed in each school to start in Term 3. I have loved supporting the staff, students and families in my role at the school and have many great memories, I will miss you all. I wish everyone all the best in the future.

I will be at Parent/Carers Coffee n Chat mornings on Mondays from 8.45am until the end of the term. If you would like to catch up and say hi and come for a coffee n chat, I am looking forward to supporting the Hills community in any way I can through the skills I have learnt in my work at Murray Bridge. I was expecting to stay much longer and didn’t know this change would come about.

Thanks so much for welcoming me, supporting me and valuing my role in the school. I hope you have a chance to walk by and admire the work. I would like to thank one of our parents, Bruce Lawrence and Doug James for helping with the cleaning and preparation of the wall. To Ver- laine Crompton and Sharron Karpany for assisting … and a very special thanks to Harley Hall for his generosity with his time, vision and painting of the mural.

As my time at the school is nearly finished, I would like to thank all the staff, students and greater MBSPS’s community for all the help and support during my time at the school. It has been wonderful to meet so many of you during this time. This has been a great place of learning.

Warmest wishes

Narelle

MBSPS

Hello everyone at MBPS!!!

As part of my final work, I organised to want a wall mural for the school to look at Reconciliation. As many of you know reconciliation week was last week. The artist who has painted the mural is local Ngarrindjeri man Harley Hall. Harley has painted a wonderful design of the Ngarrindjeri Flag. The painting is on the outside wall of the units facing Joyce Street.

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MBSPS

Social Work student)

The Indigenous People of the Lower River Murray, Lakes and Coorong, known as the Ngarrindjeri, first flew and adopted this flag on 21st November 1999 on Kungan Kar (Hindmarsh Island).

The 18 dots represent the 18 Lakinyirs (tribes) that make up the Ngarrindjeri Nation. The square represents the traditional fishing spars of the Ngarrindjeri. The Boomerang is the Sacred Boomerang that when thrown circles the Lakinyirs, informing their clan leaders of the spears of the Ngarrindjeri. The Boomerang is the Sacred Boomerang that when thrown circles the Lakinyirs, informing their clan leaders of the spears of the Ngarrindjeri.

The Colour of the Boomerang represents our Mother—Mother Earth.

Ref: Ngarrindjeri Nation

Yarrawara—Ruwes Plan—Caring for Ngarrindjeri Sea Country and Culture

Kungan Ngarrindjeri Yunnan (Listen to Ngarrindjeri People Talking)

"We went to the Aboriginal Cultures Gallery. Trevor, our tour guide, showed us artefacts that the Aboriginal people used like a woomera, a coolamon, grinding stone and a stone axe". Keely

"We got to hold Aboriginal tools. They were big, heavy and dangerous. Then we got to discover what they were made for, so please do not ask!" Sarah

"I learnt that Aboriginal people used weapons. I liked the grinding stone. It looked cool!" Keely

"We went into the Egyptian Gallery. I was in love with the really good paintings and there was a real mummy. So cool!" Emily

"We went to the giant squid. It was humongous. The colour of the giant squid was pinky orange. We got to see the giant squid from a bird’s eye view. It was really scary." Sawar