



# Melrose Primary School

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## SPECIAL DATES AND EVENTS

- 28/06 Finance Meeting
- 29/06 Governing Council
- 04/07 Nature Play Showgrounds
- 05/07 Tuck Day
- 06/07 Assembly
- 07/07 End of Term 2
- 07/07 Early Dismissal 2.15pm

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**Please note that  
Tuck Day has  
changed to  
Wednesday Week 10**

## NEWSLETTER ~ Term 2 Week 8 2017

### Dear Parents and Friends of Melrose Primary

This is the first newsletter since the Fat Tyre Festival and what an impressive event it was. Congratulations to Kerri and Richard for organising such a huge event.

Our school's contribution was also impressive. Thank you to all who helped during the weekend and especially to Jess, Brooke and Wanda as the go to persons for our stalls. Our two stalls both supported the recycle theme of the festival being, 'Trash and Treasure' and 'Recycled Products.' The recycled products stall showcased some great work being accomplished at our school.

I would also like to acknowledge Kris's work with organising the donut making.

#### Welcome

We welcome to our school Mrs Jodie McCallum who will be working with us on Wednesdays and Thursdays while Meridee is on Long Service Leave during Terms 3 and 4. Jodie is currently the school administrator at Wirrabara Primary School. We thank the Principal of Wirrabara PS, Mrs Jayne Mainprize-Potter for allowing Jodie to work at Melrose for two days a week for the remainder of this year.

#### Farewell

We sadly say farewell to Wanda this Friday as she officially finishes her work with us. Her contribution especially to the Junior Primary Class has been terrific and she will be missed.

*How lucky we have been to have worked with someone who is so hard to say goodbye to. A.A. Milne*

#### Lunch Orders

There have been some mix-ups with lunch orders during this term and so we are requesting that all lunch orders are processed through the school and that they be given in to the classes by 9 am. With this happening we will know if there are any orders on any given day and know what is ordered and by whom. We plan to set up a spread-sheet to maintain a daily record of all orders.

#### Nature Play Day

On Tuesday 4th July we will be meeting up with Wilmington Primary School at our showgrounds to engage in a day of Nature Play. We will leave school at 10am and return by 2.30pm. The day is being led by the staff of Willmington who has kindly invited us to be part of this excursion. This will also be beneficial for our Upper Primary Class in having the opportunity to get to know a little better the students they will be going on camp with in August.

To assist with the organisation of the day if you are able to assist please see me. The staff of Wilmington has particularly requested support from fathers to assist with a gender balance on the day. A letter with details of the day is included with this newsletter.

Murray Koster

## Upper Primary Report

### Youth Environmental Leaders (YEL) Forum

#### Mambray Creek 26 May 2017

On Friday 26th May, our Young Environmental Leaders along with Mr Roberts and Mr Koster travelled to Mambray Creek for the YEL Forum. There were 7 schools attending including schools from our area as well as from Port Augusta. We joined with students from Orroroo to participate in the activities. We first went for a walk led by Ranger Luke who is based at Melrose. We stopped and listened to the bird life and discovered how relaxing it was! Our next activity was 'Animals Anonymous' where we learnt about and touched various animals including a water monitor and a bettong. The 'Rocks and Minerals' session was a hands on activity. We saw how rocks are polished and were given a small bag of rocks to take home. We looked at some interesting 'Bugs and Slugs' and learnt about vertebrates and invertebrates. The person who talked to us in this session was really interesting. We could have listened to her for a long time. In the final session, 'Environmental Art', we experimented with printing with leaves, sticks and bark using paint. We all enjoyed the day with highlights being everything we did.

Thank you to the Natural Resources staff for organising a great day of learning.

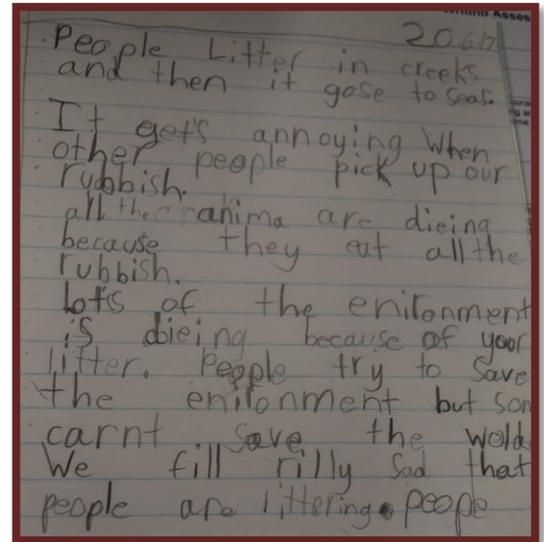
## Junior Primary Report

### WASTE

The class is learning about what happens to everyday waste. We watched a video about the waste collecting in the oceans which highlighted the effect waste has on sea life. The next day the class wrote a response to an image of rubbish in a creek, much like the creek through Melrose.

Here are two responses:

**It is horrible for the environment. It is so bad for the sea life and very bad for sea birds. Rubbish kills the seabirds so pick up rubbish even if it doesn't belong to you.**



The class started the 'Be Active Challenge' this week. Each person needs to be active for 60 mins, 5 days a week for 4 weeks to receive an award. The class will try to do a variety of activities to 'be active'. So far the class has...

- Made dance moves to a song we had been singing during the term and performed the dance at assembly.
- Walked to the community playground with Playcentre and pla walking back to school.

### **Be Active Challenge**

We plan to do some activities as a school.

Some ideas have been to walk around town, skipping, health hustle and games.

A special thank you from the class to Ms Wanda Rainsford for her teaching over the past 10 weeks. Especially for her experience and expertise in Art, allowing us to try so many new and exciting skills. Personally, I would like to say well done for completing her final placement and wish her all the best.

Brooke Gamlen



# Japanese Report にほんご Nihongo



Minasan, Konnichiwa (Everyone, good afternoon)!

JP students have been progressing in their practice of the class “Animal Sounds Play”. In this play they need to remember 3 lines and act out an animal. We have watched the recordings of our first practice and talked about what we can improve. We also have had group practice time where the older students can help the younger students to read their lines! The students are trying their best and it has been lots of fun! I am very excited to see their performance... JP students, ganbatte (keep working!) 👍

UP students also have been progressing in their work on the class “Big Picture book Project”. Most students are now working on the big paper! Everyone has a different animal and a funny short story in their part and we are putting a lot of effort in! It is now almost totally individual work so we are also trying to improve our focus and work efficiency within the time given. UP students also, ganbatte (keep working!) 👍

Arigatō (Thank you),

Miyamoto sensei

