



# HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

What beautiful weather we have had this week!

Our **Reading Intervention** for Reception – Year 2 students has begun. Last term three of our staff, Katharine Pooley, Carlee Hay and Courtney Matthews attended **MiniLit Sage** training. Our resources arrived during the holidays and Carlee and Courtney have been busy setting up the intervention space in the Calm Cave. MiniLit Sage represents the latest scientific research and evidence base on effective reading instruction and intervention. We look forward to reporting on our student's achievements.

This week Neive, Tabi and Caitlin competed in the **AFL State Carnival**. The team put in an amazing effort, coming away with 4 wins and 5 losses. Congratulations!



We appreciate our Volunteers and their contribution to our school and its programs. Volunteers who work with children are mandated notifiers and are required to have a **Working with Children Check (WWCC)** and complete **Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect – Education and Care (RRHAN-EC)**. This training is completed online via the Department's learning portal *Plink* ([www.plink.sa.edu.au](http://www.plink.sa.edu.au)). Many of our volunteers have a RRHAN-EC expiry date of the 31<sup>st</sup> of December 2021. In order to volunteer at our school in 2022 we require people to keep their training up to date and to provide a copy of their certificates to the school for entry into our school database. Our Administration team will be reviewing our volunteer documentation and will notify people over the coming weeks if they need to update their information.



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Thursday and Friday of this week our Upper Primary Teachers have been engaged in Professional Development with **Orbis Exemplary Learning**. The Year 3-6 Literacy Intensive concludes this term with the teachers presenting their final projects to showcase the learning they have been doing along with their students.

On Tuesday, Room 4 had a visitor! After recess a young **Blue Tongue Lizard** wandered into the classroom. Wendy N was able to rescue the lizard, share some facts with the class and then return it to the garden. We often see creatures in the garden, but usually they don't enter the classrooms! Thanks Wendy.



The Department's information about the **Transition to High School** for our Year 6 & 7 students continues. Many schools are now communicating directly with families regarding Transition dates. Please find attached some general information about uniforms, mobile phones and other ICT devices.

This evening we will be having our **Halloween Disco** to raise money for the **Pedal Prix** and the **Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden Program**. Thank you to all the staff who have organised the event and to staff and volunteers who will be attending. We look forward to seeing our spooky students dance the evening away!

Have a lovely weekend, we will see everyone next week for Week 3 of our final term.

Kind regards,

Paul and Anthea



#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> November**  
**Year 7 Consolation Camp**

**5-9<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Book Fair**

**12<sup>th</sup> November**  
**Beach Volleyball**

**1<sup>st</sup> December**  
**Year 6 Graduation**

**2<sup>nd</sup> December**  
**Year 7 Graduation**

**7<sup>th</sup> December**  
**Celebration Night**



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