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Department for Education

DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>Week 7:</u> Thurs 29/11 -Camp Quality Puppet Show

Sat 01/12 -Mt Barker Pageant

<u>Week 8:</u> Rec / Yr 1 Swimming

<u>Week 9:</u> Mon 10/12 -<u>School Concert</u> <u>Please arrive by</u> <u>5:45pm for a 6pm start</u>

Wed 12/12 -Movie Morning R-6

Thurs 13/12 -Graduation Day

Fri 14/12 -**Casual Day for last** <u>day of term</u>

Early Years Assembly

2:15 Early Finish!!

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Term 4 — Week 6

Just Too Deadly Awards

The Just Too Deadly Awards were held at the Mount Barker Wallis cinemas on Wednesday 7th Nov. The event is held to celebrate the achievements of Aboriginal students across primary and high schools in the hills.





I was privileged to be part of the audience and was so proud of our students, Ellie-May, Emilio, Jimmy and Blake who took part in a traditional dance. They had practised for months and their hard work showed. They were a credit to Mount Barker PS. And a huge shout out to Vida Sumner for making sure it all came together on the day, assisting with the dance, choreography and make up.



Just to top off a wonderful morning's entertainment, Blake won the academic award for students in the primary years. Congratulations Blake! Mum was very proud!

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Awards



Sports, Sports, Sports

Sebastien represented the Barker District at the regional SAPSASA athletics at SA Athletics Stadium. Other representatives from our school were Jack, Mason, Isaac and Naomi.



Some of our students were lucky to be visited by some cricket instructors representing the Adelaide Strikers who showed us some of the skills we need to play T20 cricket.





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Early Years Science

The Early Years children having been investigating what living things are, their lifecycles and their needs. We began the term looking at living things and discussing how we change as people. Here are some of the activities we have taken part in:

- ordering people cards depending on their age
- making up puppet plays
- making animal footprints in sand
- comparing different kinds of seeds
- using our art skills to draw flowers
- making animal habitats
- looking at insects embedded in plastic
- making frog, butterfly and ladybird lifecycles from art materials

As part of our focus on Visible Learning; the children decided on the learning goals they wish to achieve this term. These are displayed in the Early Years art room if you'd like to have a look.

Ingrid Lippett



Room 14 & 15 Cleland Excursion

On Friday our class went to Cleland Wildlife Park with Room 15. First we got on the bus. Next we had our healthy snack. I had an apple. After we had our healthy snack we got into our groups. Then we got to look at some animals. First I looked at the koalas. There was a koala that was asleep. There was also a koala that was chewing gum leaves and holding the branch at the same time. The next animal that I looked at was the Tasmanian Devil. Then I looked at the kangaroos. There was a baby kangaroo that tried to get in her mother's pouch but she couldn't fit in her mother's pouch. After that it was recess. I had some Rice Wheels. Next we got to look at some more animals. I looked at the dingoes. There was a baby asleep in his warm comfy hutch. There was also a dingo resting in the green grass. The grass must be warm for them and fluffy for them, too. Then we hopped back on the bus. I sat next to Caitlyn. Then we got back to school. It was home time. I felt happy because I saw my favourite animal, the Tasmanian Devil. by Savvy



On Friday we went to Cleland with Miss Roberts' class. First we got on the bus. When we got off the bus we had healthy snack. Then we got in our groups. Next we saw the lovely butterflies. Later we went to the talk. I learnt that dragon lizards puff up when they get scared. After that we had recess. We patted the koalas. Last we saw the snake and had lunch. I felt tired because we walked for a long time.

By Max



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Library News

Firstly I would like to apologise about an honest mistake written in the last newsletter by one of our student's regarding our ANZAC bears. The RSL Club donated **Trooper Bert Jones** to us, but **Derek Angove donated Private Earnest Harvey**. I would like to apologise on their behalf, as they were not aware of this information.

All students who participated in the Premiers Reading Challenge should have received their medals in class. The Reception students received an award for completing the PRC, as this is their first year. The special awards **Hall of Fame, Reader for Life**" were presented to the students at assembly. Overall we had about 250 students who participated in 2018 PRC and each year students receive a new level starting from a certificate and then moving through bronze, silver, gold, champion, legend, hall of fame medals and hall of fame reader for life certificates. Well done to all the students who read their way to another journey.

This term is flying by, we are near the end of another great year. Students only have the rest of this week to borrow books. All books returned to the library by Friday the 30th November, the end of week 7. There will be notes sent home regarding books that are outstanding and overdue.

Congratulations Alicia Tucker from room 10 for winning the jar of Iollies. 14 students guessed the same correct number of 50 Iollies, so I placed their names in a container and drew it out in front of everyone at assembly. There is now a Christmas jar in the Library. You need to guess how many things are in there. How exciting. The winner will be announced during week 9 assembly. Also the winners of the colouring in competition and the story book competition. Good luck every one.

Last scholastic book club issue 8 is out and due on Monday 26th November. This issue has variety for all ages and great gift ideas. This order will be returned to the school before the end of the year so you can start your Christmas shopping. If you would like me to hold them for you just let me know and you can pick them up at a time that suits you.

If you have any questions please visit the library and I will be happy to help you.

Happy Reading

Suzanne Library Manager

Uniform Shop Changing Name

Parents and caregivers may soon notice that the Uniform Shop has rebranded to Worklocker. The traditional green and white fascia will soon be replaced with bold black and gold lettering. Rest assured we will still offer the same country service, but with a larger range of quality products including workwear, school wear, corporate clothing and embroidery.

With more than 28 years serving the Hills community, our business is evolving to enable us to serve your sons and daughters as they transition from school to embrace life beyond the school gates.

It is a pleasure to continue to serve Mt Barker Primary School and we look forward to continuing to meet your needs as we grow together. Pop in and say 'Hi' next time you are passing the Homemaker Centre, same quality service, same friendly faces ... just a new look.

Jenni Bailey

Managing Director

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