

Welcome to our Newsletter

Friday 22nd March • Week 8, Term 1 2024



Principal's Message

During our Staff Meeting on Tuesday evening, it was an absolute joy to share your responses from the recent, "Proud to be Karrendi!" Survey, with our team.

Some answers from our community included:

The best thing about Karrendi is....

-The teachers take the time with each child to understand their needs which I personally find extremely helpful

-Everything! My son loves it there and couldn't have picked a better school!

-All of the opportunities our children have access to!

Karrendi is unique because...

-Everyone is welcome and accepted

-The way that they go out of their way to support your child when they are finding the daily school day challenging

-They truly care and nurture our children-it's genuine!

I would describe the team at Karrendi as...

-Caring and exactly what it says, a team!

-Collaborative and committed to our community

-Friendly, easy to talk to and knowing if there's an issue, be that at home or school, they go out of their way to make things better!

Thank you so much to all members of the community for taking the time to complete the survey. Your responses are so valued and will be used to renew our Purpose Statement! Stay tuned to see the first draft soon!

Ella-Louise Ailmore
Principal



Diary Dates

- 25th March to 28th March – Swimming R-3/4
- 25th March to 28th March – Parent Teacher Conversations
- 27th March – Room 19 Assembly
- 2nd April to 5th of April Swimming for 4/5, 5/6 and IELC
- 5th April – SAPSASA Girls netball

**Important
Date/
reminder...**
**29th March – 1st
April Public
Holiday**

A Message from Ms Sam

A few reminders this week about some of the amazing things we've been organising at Karrendi:

Camp: Year 5/6 students are invited to attend camp in Term 4, this is an incredible experience that our students will have the opportunity to attend. At Karrendi we understand the rising costs of living and strive to give our students as many opportunities as possible, if you require a payment plan please see our lovely front office staff or come and chat to our Leadership Team.

Children's University: We are once again running Children's University for students, this is a great opportunity for students to be involved in, please see the QR Code in the back of the newsletter to sign up!

Swimming: Students will participate in swimming in either Week 9 or 10, please remember to return swimming consents to classroom teachers to ensure students are able to participate. There are extra copies of the consent in the front office if you might have misplaced yours.



2024 Term Dates

Term 1

29 January - 12 April

Term 2

29 April - 5 July

Term 3

22 July - 27 September

Term 4

14 October – 13 December



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A Message from Miss Schinella

Karrendi teachers had a very busy and productive student free day last week, focused on planning their structured Literacy Blocks. We were joined by educational consultant Debbie Draper, who presented on the different elements of a Literacy Block that all teachers should include in their practice. This work was informed by the Science of Reading, which is the body of research that shows how the brain learns to read. Teachers had time to plan to ensure they are covering all the components Debbie spoke about, so that all students are receiving evidence-based, high-quality instruction.



A Message from Mrs Sellwood

This term classes spent time exploring what it means to be a leader and role model at Karrendi Primary School. Each class then elected two peers to represent them on the Student Voice Committee. Student Voice is an integral part of our school community and is a process which celebrates, acknowledges and learns from the opinions and perspectives of all of our students.

Our newly elected Student Voice Representatives have wasted no time in getting started. They have come to our first meeting filled with ideas and spent time running class meetings to ensure they are developing a safe and positive environment for their peers.

You can encourage your child to develop their leadership skills by encouraging them to share their ideas and opinions in class meetings, brainstorm how they can demonstrate responsibility and kindness daily and talk about role models in their life.

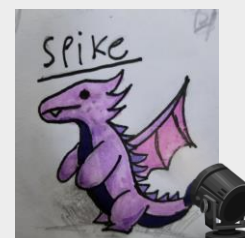
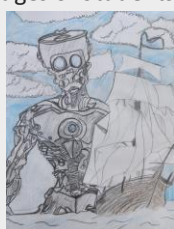


A Spotlight on Learning

Room 7 Year 5/6

Mrs Trenorden & Mrs Kefalas

Our students have been working very hard this term, which has seen them continue to develop into successful learners. During our English unit students have listened to and read a range of short stories by different authors. They have investigated and compared similarities and differences in the way's authors use text structure, language features, and strategies to create humorous effects. They have then applied the skills learnt during this term and written their own short stories, which they will share with junior primary students at the end of this term. They have also focused on character development and how important it is to not only use illustrations, but their writing to convey emotion and personality when creating story plots and characters. These are just a few images of students work, enjoy!



Meet the Staff Member

Hi Karrendi Community,
My name is Laura Constable (Miss C), and I am one of the Year 3/4 classroom teachers. This is my third year teaching at Karrendi, and I feel privileged to continue supporting students here on their learning journey.

As an educator, one of my passions is promoting student well-being and cultivating a positive and enriching learning environment for my students. I am also committed to exploring and celebrating First Nations Culture, including this in my classroom teachings.

Outside of school, you'll often find me spending time with my family or cheering from the crowd at football games.

I look forward to catching some of you at breakfast club on a Wednesday for a morning chat!



Meet the Staff Member

Hello, my name is Kirsty, and I am a new SSO here at Karrendi. I work alongside Harley in Room 20. I have worked at several schools around the northern suburbs, and I am a local to the area growing up in Parafield Gardens. In 2022, I completed Certificates 3 and 4 in School-Based Education Support. This gave me a detailed understanding of the skills required to support students with complex needs. My favourite part about being an SSO are the relationships that I am able to build with my students and watching them flourish into their own personalities. I have recently moved out with my partner of nearly 7 years, and we are currently in the process of building our first home together. I am very family orientated and see my family on a regular basis. I have an amazing mother and 2 older brothers. I have also just become an aunty for the first time late last year and am loving the new adventures in life right now!



Community Hub

How fast is this term going, I can't believe it's Week 8 already!

Last week we finished off our Oz Harvest Nest Program and We had such a wonderful 6 weeks learning all about food waste, reading labels, healthy eating, cooking on a budget and had so much fun cooking lots of yummy nutritious meals. I would love to say a big thankyou to Oz Harvest and our trainer Grace for providing us the opportunity to attend this course for free and for all the time and effort put into the running of this course! I know myself and Sue really loved being a part of this Course and we learnt so many amazing things too.

We have had a beautiful few weeks of playgroup filled with lots of new families and lots of fun!

We have also welcomed lots of new faces into our English Classes and it has been so lovely!

I finally have a Toy Library update from Toywell and we should be open next term finally!! I'm so excited to finally get this program up and running and to be able to offer it to our families.

This week we also celebrated Harmony Day. We created a beautiful belonging tree filled with lots of photos of our community! I think this will be a permanent feature in our foyer space as I just love it!!



Finance Reminder

Financial Statements were sent before school resumed. 2024 M & S Charges (school fees) are now due. If you are not eligible for School Card, your family will receive the \$100 SA Government Rebate, reducing your fees to \$187.00.

School Card Applications are due now. Please lodge your application as soon as possible. The online application process is quick and easy. Follow this link: sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard.




PlayStart SOCCER

5 METRO LOCATIONS on SAT/SUN MORNINGS (8 week program):
WINDSOR GARDENS - GRANGE - MAWSON LAKES - STONYFELL - UNLEY PARK

TERM 1 - 2024
FEBRUARY 10/11

SPORTS VOUCHERS 0401 410 465

FUN soccer classes for KIDS aged 2-10. All skill levels welcome.
FREE trial sessions available...just give us a call to book or enrol for the term at WWW.PLAYSTART.COM.AU



YEAR 5/6 CAMP ARBURY PARK

Are you interested in camp?

Karrendi Primary School has an amazing opportunity to go on camp to Arbury Park in 2024. Students will attend a 3 day, 2 night camp in the Adelaide Hills where they will learn about aquaculture, skill building and ecology through outdoor, exciting and engaging experiences. Students will explore nature through outdoor hikes, games and activities throughout their stay. Students will have the opportunity to explore new foods and enjoy night time activities with their friends.

For more information and payment options please see our friendly front office staff!

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Early Term 2



Term 1 Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
WEEK 1	29/01	30/01	31/01	01/02	02/02
WEEK 2	05/02	06/02	07/02	08/02	09/02
WEEK 3	12/02 DENTAL VISITS	13/02 DENTAL VISITS MEET THE TEACHER AFTER NOON	14/02 DENTAL VISITS AGM 2PM	15/02 DENTAL VISITS	16/02 DENTAL VISITS
WEEK 4	19/02 RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS DAY*	20/02	21/02 INTERNATIONAL MOTHER LANGUAGE DAY	22/02	23/02
WEEK 5	26/02	27/02 POKEMON DAY WEST LAKES AQUATIC CENT RE	28/02 INITIALIT INFORMATI ON SESSION 2:15-3	29/02	01/03
WEEK 6	04/03 CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY	05/03	06/03 ASSEMBLY – ROOM 22	07/03 SAPSASA - Lacrosse	08/03
WEEK 7	11/03 PUBLIC HOLIDAY ADELAIDE CUP DAY *RAMADAN BEGINS 9/03	12/03 STUDENT FREE DAY	13/03 NAPLAN	14/03 INTERNATIONAL DAY OF MATHEMATICS NAPLAN	15/03 NAPLAN
WEEK 8	18/03 NAPLAN	19/03 NAPLAN	20/03 NAPLAN PERSIAN NEW YEAR (NOWRUZ) TEAM COLOUR LAUNCH	21/03 NAPLAN HARMONY DAY WORLD DOWN SYNDROME DAY	22/03
WEEK 9	25/03 SWIMMING R- 3/4 PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS	26/03 SWIMMING R- 3/4 PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS	27/03 SWIMMING R- 3/4 PARENT TEACHER CO NVERSATIONS ASSEMBLY – ROOM 19	28/03 SWIMMING R- 3/4 PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS	19/03 PUBLIC HOLIDAY GOOD FRIDAY
WEEK 10	01/04 PUBLIC HOLIDAY EASTER MONDAY	02/04 SWIMMING 4/5, 5/6, IELC WORLD AUTISM AWARENESS DAY	03/04 SWIMMING 4/5, 5/6, IELC	04/04 SWIMMING 4/5, 5/6, IELC	05/04 SWIMMING 4/5, 5/6, IELC SAPSASA – GIRLS NETBALL
WEEK 11	08/04 RAMADAN ENDS	09/04	10/04	11/04	12/04 EARLY DISMISSAL 2.00PM

