

Newsletter

Issue 12

Term 3

Week 2

DIARY DATES

WEEK 3

Thurs 5/8
Room 5 and 7 students
visit to Parafield Gardens
High School 9-1:30pm

WEEK 4

Tues 10/8
Physical Fun Day

Wed 11/8
Room 5 and 7 students
visit to Parafield Gardens
High School 9-1:30pm

WEEK 5

Wed 18/8
Room 5 and 7 students
visit to Parafield Gardens
High School 9-1:30pm

A Message from the Principal

Thank you

It has been nothing less than an absolute privilege to join such a special site as principal. I extend my sincere gratitude to the entire school community for your efforts in welcoming me, despite the seven-day lock down. Whilst a leader, I am also very fortunate to be a mum to a fearlessly active and inquisitive little boy. I know, when saying goodbye to him in the morning, I drive away having complete trust in the childcare team's ability to ensure that he is safe, happy and learning. I am committed to ensuring that all parents and caregivers feel the same when saying goodbye to your children at Karrendi. Whilst acknowledging that face to face meetings are tricky to facilitate at the moment, please do not hesitate to get in touch via phone call or email.

Welcome

A special welcome to our new students Vivan, Arvy and Ruby who have joined us this term.

COVID-19

The resilience, collaboration and understanding that the entire school community demonstrated over the past fortnight is to be truly commended. Thank you to students, staff and families for your efforts in ensuring that student learning continued during lockdown and for following the updated SA Health guidelines to ensure our site is safe, since returning to school.

As we continue to navigate this process, please remember to:

- Remain at the gates during drop off and pick up times
- Wear a mask
- Physically distance where possible
- Check in using the QR system and communicate with a staff member if you need to enter school grounds

Phonics Screening Check

This term our Year One students will complete the Phonics Screening Check. The Phonics Screening Check is a short, simple assessment that informs us of how your child is progressing in phonics. We use the results of the assessment to plan the next steps in learning for your child and to provide targeted, additional support, if required. Phonics is the relationship between letters and sounds and the understanding of this relationship is vital when learning to read.

Staffing

Thank you to Arlene for working so flexibly in the front office whilst Judy is on leave. We have ensured that student support is not affected by this change.

2022 class structures

As our planning for 2022 continues, we are working closely with our neighbouring kindergartens to ensure that information is provided to families to facilitate the new enrolment process. In the meantime, if you have a child that is joining Karrendi, or if your child is not returning next year, we ask that you please contact the front office to leave your details.

Contact details

Lockdown identified that we have outdated contact information for some of our families. Legally we must ensure that all student information is up to date. You will receive a Student Personal Data document soon, can I please ask that you return the document ensuring that we have the correct information.

I will endeavour to ensure that you remain updated in regards to directions for COVID-19 and look forward to working in partnership with you for the remainder of 2021 and beyond.

Warm regards,

Ella





Canteen Orders



Thank you for supporting us in following the department's guidelines regarding limiting the number of visitors on school grounds. We understand that this can be inconvenient especially when ordering lunches, but your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Below are options for placing lunch orders without entering school grounds.

You can:

- 1. Write the order on a paper bag or envelope. Include the child's name, which lunch you are ordering for, lunch order and enclose money. Your child can place in the paper bag/envelope in the lunch order box in their classroom. This box is taken to the canteen in the morning by monitors. If you are concerned about your child remembering to place their order in the box, you can send a Dojo or Seesaw message to their class teacher.
- 2. Order lunch for your child at the lunch order station outside of the front gate by the staff car park. Julie will be available at this station each morning to assist with orders.

We have included an up-to-date canteen menu for your reference. If you have any questions please contact the front office or your child's class teacher.

Thank you for your ongoing support.