



# Melrose Primary School

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Melrose Historical Centre excursion

Monday May 29<sup>th</sup>

### Proposed Tuck Day

Tuesday May 30<sup>th</sup>

### Melrose Court House excursion

Wednesday May 31<sup>st</sup>

### SRC Bake Sale

### Operation Christmas Child

Tuesday June 6

### JUNE LONG WEEKEND

Fat Tyre Festival

**Kings Birthday  
PUBLIC HOLIDAY  
Monday June 12<sup>th</sup>**

### Early Dismissal 2.20pm

SPELD Training for staff at

Orroroo

Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup>

### FOR ALL SCHOOL INVOICES

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## Week 4 Term 2

### Dear Parents and Friends of Melrose Primary

Welcome back to term 2. I hope you had an enjoyable time either at home, or away with your family during the break.

Term 2 has many things going on with the term shaping up to be as busy and exciting as ever. Two weeks ago, the annual school photos were taken. It was great to see all students in their school uniforms. Some of our students are involved in SAPSASA including Football and Netball carnivals. We also have our Melrose Literacy prize competition with this year's topic being an information report on a Melrose building or landmark. The SRC are planning a bake sale to raise money for this terms project, 'Shoe Boxes of Love' Christmas project. A Science day also happened today. (Questacon). We also have a tuck day, choir rehearsals and Adelaide Youth Orchestra Quintet coming soon.

### Instrumental Music Lessons

Instrumental music lessons have commenced for our students this term after a long break. Our teacher is Ms Kate Mawson who will be teaching with online and face to face lessons. Students involved in this great program are

Wyatt – trumpet

Peyton – clarinet

Grace and Jade – flute

Lilly, Olivia and Chloe - saxophone

Sol is also learning the drums with Liam.

These students will also form our MPS band. Watch out for this, it will be exciting.

### Student Free Day 12 May 2023 (Melrose PS and Wilmington PS)

The was a very successful day where we were joined by the Wilmington PS staff. The day covered the following topics.

Functional Grammar and Sentence Structure (Simple sentences, Compound sentences, Complex Sentences), Moderating narrative writing samples from both schools, Examining resources to inform next steps in explicit teaching, Planning a learning sequence, Progressing student agency by giving descriptive feedback to identify individual student goals.

### Covid

Please be aware there is a few positive cases of covid in our region, could we ask that you stay vigialnt with any symptoms that your child may be displaying. Do not hesitate to RAT test them, and if they are unwell please keep themat home until they are better. If they test positive to Covid could you please notify the school as soon as possible as it is still mandated that we notify the department.



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### **Year 6 Leaders Day Conference Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**

Anna, Grace, Sol and I went to this day held with other schools in Port Augusta on the first Friday of this term. The day involved looking at leadership qualities for students to develop. They were

- How to be 'another's' leader –( hear other's opinions, help with the little things, happiness and humility)
- The people a leader can impact the most (those that look up to you, those left out by others, and likeminded people).
- How to get everybody on board with a new idea (plan out in detail, take it forward slowly, show that you will carry the load and make the 'why' clear)

I'm sure Anna, Grace and Sol have some new knowledge and skills to help lead our students and the school throughout the year!

### **School Finance Audit Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**

The annual school finance audit was undertaken on the above date for all 2022 financial operations. There were new findings that needed to be addressed and nil from the previous year. Jodie has done a great job and deserves this excellent outcome.

### **Education Management System (EMS)**

The school has currently transitioned to this new system with last Thursday being the day the old system (EDSAS) was 'retired' from the school. Jodie has done the majority of the work in this changeover period and I thank her for this. It would be appreciated if all families could be a little patient whilst the staff adjust to this new system.

The Education Management System (EMS) is a student centered, online service which delivers enhanced education administration capabilities to all SA public schools and preschools. It comprises a suite of enterprise level, integrated education, finance and administrative management and reporting systems and processes that serve as an important enabler for school improvement.

**Regards,  
Murray**

### **Simultaneous Story Time 2023**

The Upper Primary students and the Play Centre families joined the Junior Primary class for the 2023 Simultaneous Story Time event which is held every year. This year's book was **The Speedy Sloth** written by Rebecca Young and illustrated by Heath McKenzie. Apart from a few technical issues the story was enjoyed by everyone. We all decided that Spike was a winner.

After listening to the story being read by the author at the Taronga Zoo, the Junior Primary made Spike sloth finger puppets and enjoyed some imaginative play.



## The Past, Present and Future in the Junior Primary

We have been learning about the past, present and future in the Junior Primary. Over the last few weeks students have been bringing in items to share and we determine if they are old, very old or very, very old. Many interesting items have been shared and we have learnt about these items (we have even used our research skills). We have learnt that objects can be analysed and give us information from the past. The fossil we decided was the clear winner! We did enjoy reading a certain Dad's school report and decided it would have been really hard works writing it by hand.



## Mothers Day

We hoped you all enjoyed your Mothers Day gifts from your child. We had lots of fun making the little dishes and cards.



## Operation Christmas Child

Once again Melrose Primary School is proud to be involved with Operation Christmas Child. Operation Christmas Child is a global project that is organised in our area by Jan Moulton. All we have to do is fill 'shoeboxes of love' with toys, hygiene items, school supplies, and fun gifts. We will then deliver the shoeboxes to Jan for distribution to children living in vulnerable situations.

Melrose Primary School SRC is looking for donations of items that could be placed into a 'shoebox of love'. Items could include personal care items, school supplies, clothing and accessories, craft activities, toys. More information can be found at <https://occ.samaritanpurse.org.au/home/pack-a-shoebox/what-goes-in-my-shoebox/>.

Please remember that donated items need to fit into a shoebox. Donations can be left in the front office with Jodie. To send each shoebox to a worthy child it costs \$12.50 per box so SRC will be holding a cake stall on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of June to raise funds. More information will come home soon.

Cheers

Grace, Anna, Sol, Stella and Harlow



## Questacon





# BAKE SALE

**TUESDAY 6TH JUNE 2023**

**10:30AM AT MELROSE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**OPEN TO THE COMMUNITY**

**GOODIES FOR SALE \$1 - \$2**

*raising funds for Operation Christmas Child*



# HIP HOP

**\$10**  
PER PERSON

dance class

PRESENTED BY:



ALL AGES

**SUNDAY 28 MAY 2023 - 4PM TO 5PM**

VENUE

**MELROSE DISTRICT HALL**