



Newbery Park Primary School

Principal Sam Currie | Term 2, week 9 – 30th June, 2022

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Hi Families,

What an incredibly busy few weeks we have had at Newbery Park with some fantastic community events and learning opportunities for students and staff (with our pupil free professional development days). With a week to go in the Term, we look forward to celebrating our Indigenous learning theme at assembly this Friday, along with more excursions on country and basketball round robin tournaments at the stadium next week.

Budinya Mraatu Opening

What an outstanding day we had on Thursday the 16th of June for the launch of our Indigenous learning space. To see our wider community embrace the day, the learning that was occurring throughout the day with sessions from Auntie Michelle and Uncle Doug, along with the support from our parents and friends and governing council members was amazing to see.

While it is only a couple of weeks since the launch, the feedback has been extremely positive and we have already had 4 other sites contact us to engage with our space and work with our students in understanding the Craitbul story and do some planting. I am looking forward to seeing this space evolve over the next 2-3 years and to see our students along with the wider community use this space to enrich their learning and understanding of Indigenous culture.

As I've touched on over the last 6 months, we have had a large number of people and local businesses contribute their time and resources to this space which we are extremely appreciative of, including:

- **Bowmans Earth Movers:** The team from Bowman's worked tirelessly on the earthworks and resourcing of natural materials to come up with this amazing space based on our plans. Your work and constant check-ins with us was greatly appreciated throughout the whole process.
- **Cocky's Signs:** Our signage of Budinya Mraatu and the QR codes within the garden have set this off and have linked the space to our learning programs perfectly. Again, the continued support we get from Matt and Tam in making our signage throughout the school is outstanding.
- **Sharp Cranes:** Generously allowed us to borrow a cherry picker to put some 'bat boxes' up in the trees surrounding the garden. Thank you for supporting us and donating this equipment for a short time free of charge.
- **Planet Ark National Tree Planting Grant:** Ang applied for a grant through Planet Ark and we were successful in winning \$4,060 that went towards the purchase of native grasses that we planted on the day, along with tree guards.
- **Auntie Michelle and Uncle Doug:** It was fantastic to have Auntie Michelle do a Welcome to Country to open our formalities at our launch and then work with the students on weaving throughout the day. Along with this, Uncle Doug performed a smoking ceremony during the launch and worked with students throughout the day on the seasons, local connections to country and taught the students how to throw a boomerang.



DATES TO REMEMBER

Week 9

Thursday 30th June
Room 6 Excursion

Friday 1st July
Assembly 9.00am

Week 10

Monday 4th July
Year 5/6 Round Robin Basketball

Tuesday 5th July
Year 2/3/4 Round Robin Basketball

Friday 8th July
Last day of Term 2
Early dismissal
2.00pm

2022 TERM DATES

Term 1
2nd February –
14th April

Term 2
2nd May – 8th July

Term 3
25th July – 30th
September

Term 4
17th October –
16th December



Both Aunty Michelle and Uncle Doug were thrilled with our space and we look forward to having them back at Newbery later in the year and in to the future to work with our students within this space.

- **Jason Baker:** We thank local musician who worked on the song 'Raining on the Rock' and performed this with our students on the day, as well as his hands on support in the garden infrastructure.
- **Brett Kent:** We also thank Brett for generously donating and working on the log seating for our learning space.

Along with the businesses and people that have supported us specifically with the development of Budinya Mraatu, this is also a great opportunity to thank our other local community groups that have worked with Newbery Park over many years in our Eco Learning program that will tie our Indigenous Garden to working on Country.

Limestone Coast Landscape Board continue to support our school with funding our Environmental Education excursions and allowing us to work on country in this region. Again, Ang successfully applied for a grant through Limestone Coast Landscape Board in late 2021, which allows us to work with them for the next 3 years and their support through this and many other initiatives such as YELP (Young Environmental Leaders Program) is outstanding for our site.

Other local community groups that also continue to support our school and work with our students on excursions through our Eco Learning Program are Nature Glenelg Trust, Millicent Field Naturalists Group and the Lake McIntyre Group. The work these groups do with our school is also fantastic and their knowledge that is passed on to our students about our local community is always appreciated.

Lastly, our staff as a whole have engaged very well in this space but the driving forces behind this learning space was Ang Jones (Eco Learning SSO) and Donna Baker (ACEO). They have both worked tirelessly over the last 6-9 months in particular on this project, working outside of school hours, dragging in their families in working in the space (thank you Craig and Jason!), seeking out community groups to be involved and then tying it all back in to learning in the classrooms. The work that both Ang and Donna do is extraordinary and I know they are extremely proud of the outcomes they have achieved to this point, as am I of the work they have put in.

Working Bee

Last week we had a great turn out of parents and older siblings to work on some jobs around the school. Thank you to all of those who turned out to support the school and I'm sure you would all agree that the shelter shed is a lot brighter and the planting while not completely done yet, is getting there! Our school is looking great at the moment and the pride our students and families take in it by supporting in days such as this shows a great community spirit.

Professional Development

Modelled Reading - On Friday, the 17th of June, our Literacy Improvement Senior Leader, Andrew Fewster, took the staff through a day on 'modelled reading'. The day involved teachers learning about what modelled reading is, how it is situated in a reading block, how the Big 6 of Reading is taught through modelled reading and what assessment tools we can use to gain an understanding of where our students are at during modelled reading sessions.

The final part of the day involved teachers having some planning time to reflect on the theory involved and to adapt some of their planning to be more intentional in their reading block. We then shared our plans with each other and gave each other feedback.

We will continue on with some modelled reading sessions throughout our staff meetings during Term 3, before moving into more professional learning around shared and guided reading.

Learning Intentions / Success Criteria / Goal Setting – Last Friday, the 24th of June, our teaching staff joint over 130 other teachers from within our SECAV partnership in expanding our learning on Learning Intentions, Success Criteria and Goal Setting. This day proved to be extremely beneficial in affirming some things that we are doing very well in this space, but also providing us with some areas that we can further explore to become more intentional and transparent in our teaching.

As a staff team we will continue to explore this learning over the remainder of the year and in to 2022, to maintain students are always understanding why they are doing the learning, how they can be successful in it and then where to next in their learning.

Early Dismissal

A reminder that on Friday the 8th July, we will have an early dismissal at 2pm. Our bus services will also run an hour early to maintain these students are collected an hour early also.

Thanks

Sam Currie
Principal

Budinya Mraatu Opening





Mount Burr Swamp

"This project is supported by the Limestone Coast Landscape Board's Grassroots Grants program, and is funded by regional landscape and water levies."



Room 10 and 3 went on an excursion to Mount Burr Swamp on the 28th of June. We firstly went to the shed to hear what we needed to do then we had a quick break to go to the toilet, eat and to stretch our legs. After, we had to split up into groups of two. One was Room 3 and 10 and Rose from Glenelg National Trust was our guide. She took us through the pine to look at some types of fungi and list how many funguses we could find in the pines. We had to try and beat 20 fungi types. We found more than 20 fungi types and even one that looked like a fairy house.

Written by Logan Widdison





SAPSASA NETBALL

Congratulations
Tamika!!
Tamika is representing
our school at
SAPSASA Netball this
week in Adelaide.



Bus Safety and Awareness

On Monday 27th June, Michael spoke to students about Bus Safety and awareness. Students learnt about waiting for the bus, boarding the bus safely and how the emergency exits work.



FULL THROTTLE IN WATTLE

School Holiday Program

Winter 2022

WEEK 1

SATURDAY, JULY 9

COME & COMPETE SKATE, BMX & SCOOT
 Compete for great prizes in the Skate Park Leagues Competition
 11 am Scooter | 12.30 pm BMX | 1.30 pm Skate
 Millicent Skate Park, Ridge Top, Millicent
 All ages & abilities welcome | Every entry has a chance to win
 Register at skateparkleague.com/skatepark-leagues/registration/

SUNDAY, JULY 10

COME & LEARN SKATEBOARDING
 Join YMCA Action Sports and learn to skate
 10 am & 1 pm (2 2hr sessions) | Millicent Skate Park
 All ages and abilities welcome | Equipment provided
 Register at skatepark.ymca.org.au/learnboard

MONDAY, JULY 11

COME & FWD GHOST MUSHROOMS BY DAY
 Come down to the forest, see the ghostly mushrooms
 and explore fungi in the forest
 1 pm to 3 pm | Meet at Ghazal Mushroom Lens
 off Kangaroo Flat Road, near Clancras

TUESDAY, JULY 12

COME & CREATE AUGMENTED DRAWING & CRAFTS
 Have a go at digital drawing or make a jewellery box
 10.30 am to 11.30 am | Millicent Library

COME & TRY POTTERY

Create your own beads, cup or bowl from clay
 with the Millicent Pottery Group
 1 pm to 3 pm | Millicent Gallery
 Leave your creations on display to dry & return next Tuesday to paint

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

COME & EXPERIENCE NAIDOC WEEK
 Storytelling & indigenous painting on a skateboard with Jenny Bishop
 10 am to 12 noon & 1 pm to 3 pm (2 sessions)
 All materials supplied | Ages 10 years and over
 Millicent Civic & Arts Centre

WEEK 2

TUESDAY, JULY 19

COME & CREATE @MILLICENT
 Create a digital drawing or try your hand at some craft
 10.30 am to 11.30 am | Millicent Library

COME & LEARN TO DRAW CARTOONS

Learn some valuable skills and tips from talented local artist Angus Patterson
 10 am to 12 noon | Millicent Gallery
 Ages 9 years & over

COME & PAINT YOUR POTTERY

Return to paint your beads, cup or bowl made from clay
 with the Millicent Pottery Group
 1 pm to 3 pm | Millicent Gallery

WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

COME & LAUGH WITH MY SHOT BOTTOM
 Mr Shot Bottom is a hysterically deconstructing kids comedian brimming
 with all the ooey, gooey, yucky things kids love!
 10 am to 11 am | Millicent Library

COME & COOK A SWEET TREAT

Make something sticky & sweet to eat with Corneil & Kristie
 2.30 pm to 3.30 pm | Millicent Gallery

THURSDAY, JULY 21

COME & PLAY @PENOLA
 Nintendo Switch competition, VR goggles & scavenger hunt
 at the library
 10 am to 12 noon | Penola School Library
 Please register for the Switch competition via Eventbrite

COME & LEARN @COMMUNITY HERB GARDEN

Guided tour & herb tastings in the garden
 Take home your own herbs
 1 pm to 3 pm | Penicoot Lens Herbs Garden, Penola

THURSDAY, JULY 21 CONT.

COME & COMPETE SMASH BROS COMPETITION
 Compete in or Nintendo Switch smash Bros competition
 2 pm to 4 pm | Millicent Library

FRIDAY, JULY 22

COME & PLAY @ THE LIBRARY

A busy day of fun for all ages at the Millicent Library
 10 am to 11 am | "There is a world for you and me at the library"
 Storytelling activities & craft
 2 pm to 8 pm | Virtual play with VR Goggles, Switch, X-Box
 & Green Screen
 4 pm to 5 pm | Join Millicent's own Lego Club
 Millicent Library, Ridge Top, Millicent

COME & PLAY PING PONG

Chill out session with music, ping pong tables and pizza
 5 pm to 7 pm | Millicent Library

ALL EVENTS FREE

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL

CONTACT MIL LICENT VISITOR CENTRE

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Millicent & District Basketball

Get started in Basketball

2022 Infigen under 10 to under 16 Junior
Male & Female



When does the season start?

After the July School holiday. Under 12 – Under 16 start the week that school returns.

When do I need to register to play?

Under 10s – Under 16's players must register by Friday 22nd July 2022

Infigen Junior Basketball – Millicent Junior Basketball operates all year round with two seasons. The first round of U12/14 Junior Season begins on Friday 29th July 2022. Most games of under 12's and 14's are played on Friday evenings from 5pm – 8:45pm. The under 16s competitions begin on Monday 1st Aug for boys and Tuesday 2nd Aug for girls and are played weekly at 5.30pm or 6:30pm.

Infigen Under 10's must register by Friday 22nd July 2022

U10's – The U10's competition is suited for boys and girls aged between 7 and 10 years old, regardless of their ability. The new U/10's season begins on Tuesday the 2nd Aug and plays 4.30pm -7pm through until the end of November (excluding school holidays). Each session runs for an hour, which includes a half hour training and ½ hour game.

What night does my age group play?

Under 10's play on Tuesday nights between 4.30pm -7pm

Under 12's & under 14's boys and girls play Friday nights from 5pm till 8.45pm

Under 16's, boys play Monday and girls play Tuesday nights 5.30pm & 6.30pm



Where are games played?

All games are played at the Millicent Basketball Stadium at McLaughlin Park in Millicent

What is the cost?

Registration Fee: If you played in the previous 2022 season the registration fee is \$38 if you are a new player the fees are below, they include all Australian and State levies, Millicent fee and player insurance.

under 12's and below approx. \$70 under 14's and 16 approx. \$90

Canteen Levy: \$55

Game fee: \$7 per game

How do I get involved?

Keep your eye on our Millicent Basketball Facebook page or website for the link to register. Click on the link and register and pay. Or let Peter know you are keen, and he will send you the link.

What do I wear/ how do I get a uniform?

Black basketball shorts (no pockets). A playing singlet will be supplied for you to wear at the 1st game

Can I use a sports voucher?

Yes, appropriate school age kids can. But you must register and pay on line first and then bring your voucher to basketball. It will be refunded once claimed and paid by the government.

Can I play if I haven't played basketball before?

Yes, you can. Junior teams are selected considering the ability of all participants.

I wish to find out more. I have a 5 year old, can they play. Yes

If you require any information about participation or any of these competitions, please contact Peter on 0438 388 073.