

Angle Vale Primary School

Building our bridge to the future

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Principal's Message



Term 1, Week 3 Friday 16th February

A warm welcome to the 2024 school year. I'd like to make a special welcome to our 45 new Receptions and their families as they begin their schooling journey. Welcome also to other students and their families who are new to the school. We start the school year with 317 students. As a staff we also welcome Sharon Corns, Yr 5 teacher, who will be working in G6 Monday – Wednesday and Emily Raymond, Curriculum SSO. We hope they find their time at Angle Vale Primary School both professionally and personally rewarding. A full list of staff can be found in this newsletter.

It's only the early days of 2024, however I am noticing some great things happening across our school:

- students giving their best to all that is asked of them
- positive yard behaviour, where students are respecting each other and their environment
- teachers and SSOs planning and implementing engaging learning activities
- parents/carers actively involved in their child's educational journey.

It's wonderful to see these things occurring. If you see something great happening at Angle Vale Primary School, please let me know, I would love to hear from you!

2024 School Improvement Plan

We are in the process of adjusting our School Improvement Plan (SIP) to ensure it meets the needs of our current goals. The plan has two goals which focus on Reading and Numeracy, which were identified during data review last year. We also need to ensure the SIP allows for an Area of Impact from the new Strategy For Public Education. The Areas of Impact are **Learner Agency, Equity and Excellence, Wellbeing and Effective Learners**. Schools are required to begin the process of incorporating these into our SIPs by choosing an area that will further enhance the work already being done.

An updated 2024 School Improvement Plan will be provided to families in the coming weeks.



Adelaide Cup Day

Monday 11th March

NAPLAN

Wednesday 13th—Monday
25th March

Harmony Day

Thursday 21st March

Yr 6 Aquatics

Thursday 28th March

Good Friday

Friday 29th March

Easter Monday

Monday 1st April

SAPSASA District Athletics

Thursday 11th April



Principal's Message Cont.

NAPLAN Coordinated Practice Test

NAPLAN online tests are fast approaching. Year 3 and Year 5 students will participate in NAPLAN Coordinated Practice Test on 27 February. The CPT is set nationally and occurs on the same date and time across the country. The purpose of CPT is to help students feel more comfortable and familiar with the online testing environment. Student performance in the practice tests will not be assessed.

The practice test is also an opportunity to test our IT infrastructure for the official online NAPLAN tests for Year 3 and 5 students, which will occur in Week 7 and 8, 13/3 – 25/3. NAPLAN Online tests provide a snapshot of where students are at with their learning and assist us to set priorities for our Site Improvement Planning. Occasionally, parents have reasons for not wanting their child to sit the tests and this can occur after consultation with the Principal or by providing information to the school in writing. The tests conducted are Numeracy, Reading, Writing and Language Conventions.

If you would like further information, please contact your child's teacher, or me.

Student use of mobile phones and personal devices policy

In line with the State Government's ban, students are required to turn off all mobile phones and other personal devices (such as smart watches), or switch them to flight mode, and put them away while at school. As a reminder, students may only use their personal device if they have received approval from the school to use it for an exempted purpose. For more detail about the circumstances where students may be permitted to use their personal devices, please contact the Front Office for a copy of the school's policy.

If you need to get in touch with your child during school hours, please ensure you use the school's formal communication channels so staff can assist with passing on a message or connecting you with your child. Likewise, we will always contact you directly where there is a need to do so. Please encourage your child to always speak to a staff member in the first instance if they are feeling unwell or experiencing an issue at school so we can offer appropriate support and follow up. To ensure our duty of care obligations, all instances where a student requires early collection needs to be arranged via the school office and using formal sign-out processes.

Thank you to all students who have been making efforts to follow these expectations, and to families for your support with this policy. More information about the statewide ban, and why it has been put in place, can be found on the Department for Education's website at: <http://phonesoff.sa.gov.au/>.

Whole School Communication with parents/carers

Communication from the school will continue to occur via Class Dojo. School newsletters come out in weeks 3, 6 and 9. They are posted on Dojo and hard copies are available from the Front Office.

Parents and caregivers should ensure they have access to the Class Dojo App and monitor messages to keep up to date with school events and notifications.

Term 1 looks to be exciting with lots of different activities planned. I wish all students and staff a successful and rewarding term.

Kind regards,
David Pitt

Staff 2024

Building Location	Staff Member	Year Level / Role
Leadership	David Pitt	Principal
	Alex Stokoe	Deputy Principal
	Natalie Such	Wellbeing Leader
Front Office	Di Sims	Business Manager
	Shanna Sebris	School Secretary
	Heather McKenzie	Finance Support
Lesley's Room	Jackie Harker	Intervention
Acacia		
A1	Angela Laing	Year 1
A2	Stacey Lawrence	Year 1
A3	Amy Smith	Rec
A4	Sharon Reed	Rec
A5	Vincent Scali	Year 2
A6	April Griffiths	Rec
Teacher Prep	Julie Pomery	Speech
Grevillea		
G7	Tammy Bryant	Italian
G2	Kiara Pellicone	Year 2/3
G3	Brianna Sherin	Year 4/5
G4	Rebecca Till	Year 3/4
G5	Ashleigh Ruediger	Year 3/4
G6	Nina Gerardis	Yr 5/ Numeracy Coordinator
	Sharon Corns	Yr 5
G7	Jolanda Majstrenko	HASS / Aboriginal Education Teacher
Melaleuca		
M1	Jenny Attewell	Year 6 / Literacy Coordinator
M2	Aaron Thomas	Year 6
M3	Keri Stone	Science
Gymnasium		
Resource Centre	Michael Menadue	R-6 P.E. Teacher
	Jane Pogas	Administration
	Lisa Francis	Aboriginal Community Education Officer
Classroom Support		
Classroom Support	Jacky Bubner	Sharyn Sherin
	Julie Rawlinson	Karen Karklins
	Emily Raymond	
Grounds		
Grounds	Damian Sherin	Grounds - person
OSHC	Camp Australia	OSHC



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Be Brave.
Be You.**



Thanks to feedback from our families, children and educators, Big Art is back and bigger than ever. It's not just here for a week or two, but it's here to stay – giving your child the chance to explore their creative individuality every week.

Big Art is all about providing the ultimate platform for your child to unlock their potential and showcase their artistic talents.

In 2024, we are expanding our Big Art program to feature weekly **Big Art Fridays** in After School Care, as well as **Big Art Days** every holiday season and a termly **Big Art Competition**, creating unmatched opportunities for children to shine, grow, and be recognised in their communities.

Unlock your child's creative potential and add a splash of colour to their days with Big Art. Register with Camp Australia to stay up to date with everything happening in Big Art 2024!



On Fridays we pARTy!
Art-inspired activities every Friday in Your OSHC After School Care.



Adventures in creativity!
A full day of diverse art activities exclusive for Rocketeers holiday program.



Show the world your true colours!
Showcasing children's talents on a national stage with awesome prizes.

9 Feb
to 1 Mar

OSHC Information Sessions

Discover everything you need to know about Your OSHC Before and After School Care, Rocketeers Extraordinary Holiday Program, our inclusive CARE program, and everything else in between.

From registration and bookings to billing and the Child Care Subsidy (CCS), the 2024 Info Sessions will cover everything families need to know about their journey with Camp Australia.

campaustralia.com.au/virtual-info-sessions