



WAIKERIE
PRIMARY SCHOOL

A SCHOOL OF VISIBLE LEARNERS
CURIOSITY PROBLEM SOLVING RESILIENCE

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Term 2 Week 10

Wednesday 6th July 2022

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 8 th July	Last day of Term 2 – 2.20pm dismissal
Monday 25 th July	First day of Term 3
Thursday 4 th August	School Photos

Principal



It is hard to believe that we are half way through the 2022 school year. It has not been without its challenges for our school and families due to COVID and I once again thank you for the ongoing support and understanding you have shown as a school community.

It was wonderful to have families back at our assembly last week and we welcomed the chance for parents to come along as we shared learning and acknowledged student effort and success.

Congratulations to our Visible Learning and Values Award recipients.



- Room 10 *Rory, Ella, Daniel, Imogen, Olivia*
- Room 11 *Cohen, Charlie, Prahb, Marcas, Anna, Cody*
- Room 12 *Eleanor, Bentley, Louise, Kyle*
- Room 9 *Taite, Dakota, Maddi, Oliver*
- Room 3 *Cody, Lilly, Paige, Ella*
- Room 5 *Mitchell, Grace, Trent*
- Room 6 *Justin, Kelsey*
- Room 7 *Sarina, Allira, Haylee, Seraphina*
- Room 8 *Makenzie, Beau*



Mid-year reports are being sent home today. Please take the time to look at your child's semester one report and discuss their progress with them. If you have any questions or need anything clarified please contact the class teacher. Reports contain information regarding absences and we understand that some attendance has been impacted by COVID this year and acknowledge that some learning took place through many different forums eg face-to-face and online whilst there were absences from school.

Pie Drive

Our Fundraising Committee have been busy organising our Pie Drive for next term. You will find an order form accompanying this newsletter so you can start collecting orders over the holidays. The delicious pies will be freshly made by Waikerie Bakery and orders are due by Tuesday August 2nd. Thank you for supporting our fundraising efforts for the Junior Primary shelter.



I wish all of our families a safe and enjoyable holiday and look forward to seeing you in Term 3

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Megan



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Department for Education



Deputy Principal

SAPSASA Netball

Congratulations to Indy Venning who was selected and competed in the State Country, SAPSASA Netball Carnival last week. She participated with Tessa Pfieler from Ramco Primary in Division 3 finishing 5th overall. A huge effort in the cold wintery conditions they were faced with. Indy was awarded the best sportsmanship award for the team, something to be very proud of. Well done Indy, Waikerie Primary are very proud of you!



SAPSASA Football

Earlier this term, three Waikerie Primary School students were selected to compete in the SAPSASA Football carnival. Indy Venning, Asha Lehman and Lucy Valentine started in wet conditions as they battled against some very tough, experience opposition. They competed in Division 1 with an overall placing of 9th. Indy Venning was awarded leading goal kick as well as the coaches award and Asha Lehman was awarded Best and Fairest. A big congratulations to all three of the girls for representing Waikerie Primary School with pride.



SAPSASA Hockey

Last week 6 of our students represented Riverland in SAPSASA Hockey in Adelaide. The girls team was coached by Sarah Schiller and both teams were very successful, going undefeated and taking out the state championships. Congratulations to Ruby and Jess who both scored their first ever goals. Well done to all of our players and coach for their participation, what a superb effort!



NAIDOC Week - National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia in the first week of July each year, to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. This week many of our classes have been learning about the Aboriginal culture through stories, art work and crafts. We were fortunate to have Katrina Webber come from the local Waikerie Library and work with our Early Years classes.



Leanne Jones ☺



Student Wellbeing Leader



I wish all of our students and families a relaxing and safe school holiday break! It's been an extremely big term, with many families affected by Covid. This term, our whole-school wellbeing focus has involved introducing classes to the "Zones of Regulation" as a tool for communicating feelings and to support students to be ready to learn. I've included a visual below, with some of the characters from the Inside Out movie! You may like to print this out and pop it on the fridge to refer to at home.

During the second half of the term, classes added Social & Emotional Words of the Week into their vocabulary lessons. The words they focussed on were: curious, creative, excitement, persistent, fear, zest, calm, brave, anger, open-mindedness, happiness and humour. Classes were also introduced to some new movement breaks and games to add to their morning circle routines to boost positivity or use as a Brain Break throughout the day.

Please take care of yourselves and enjoy some quality time with your children over the holidays. I look forward to seeing you in term 3 😊 Alison Pietsch.

Red	Yellow	Blue	Green
			
Mad, angry, yelling, or hitting	Silly, hyper, frustrated	Sad, tired, sick, bored	Calm, happy, ready to learn
Take a break, count to 10. Talk about it with an adult.	Take a break, deep breathing. Think before you act.	Talk to an adult, take a break. Think happy thoughts.	Help others, listen to teacher. Complete your work.

Are you the Carer of a child or other person with additional needs?

Come along to the *Waikerie Meet and Greet for Parents and Family Peer Support Group for caregivers of children with Disabilities*

When: The first Wednesday of every month (starting 6th of July 2022)

Time: 10:30am to 12pm

Where: Waikerie Hub

Purpose:

Connect families and Carers with others who have/are experiencing raising a child or caring for someone with challenging behaviours. Tea & coffee/morning tea provided!

Useful links

<https://www.carerssa.com.au/>

<https://www.carergateway.gov.au/>

Relationships Australia – Children’s Counselling Outreach service at Waikerie Primary School

Relationships Australia (Berri) are continuing to provide a fortnightly outreach service based at Waikerie Primary School. The types of support they can provide parents and children include:

- Counselling support for children experiencing social and emotional difficulties
- Support for parents/carers around parenting strategies
- Post-separation support for children

This is a free service and an exciting opportunity to offer extended support to families within our Waikerie Primary School community. There are currently spots available! Please contact Relationships Australia (Berri Office) 8582 4122 directly and let them know that you would like to make an appointment for your child to be seen at Waikerie Primary School or speak to me (Alison Pietsch) for further information.

WOOSHC after school care runs from 3.20pm – 6.00pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and 2.30pm – 6.00pm Thursday. Before School Care is also currently available from 7am to 8.30am Monday to Friday for children aged 4 years and above. Vacation care also runs through school holidays.

To help us with projected numbers for our WOOSHC service in 2023, please let Sandy know if you would be interested in accessing before or after school next year. Sandy at WOOSHC on 0419 845 451.

WAIKERIE SCOUT GROUP

Scout Hall, Henderson St, Waikerie
Meeting on Tuesday nights during school terms
6.00pm-7.30pm




	Joey	5-7 years old
	Cub	8-11 years old
	Scout	11-14 years old

Be Prepared to Join Scouts!
Come and try 3 visits for free.
1800 SCOUTS sa.scouts.com.au

Keep an eye out for our new and exciting term program

Loxton Waikerie Libraries

**LITTLE CREATORS
STEM
WORKSHOPS**



A parent and child STEM program for 2-5 year old's

4 week block session
commencing Friday 29 July at 9:15am
at the Waikerie Library

Booking essential - 8541 0720