



## Term 1, Week 5 2023

### UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER

Week 6	<b>Friday 10<sup>th</sup> March PUPIL FREE DAY</b>
Week 7	<b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March PUBLIC HOLIDAY Adelaide Cup</b>
Week 7-8	<b>NAPLAN Testing Year 3 and Year 5 Students</b>
Week 8	<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Friday 24<sup>th</sup> March Under 8 hearing checks for Aboriginal Students</b>
Week 9	<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March SAPSASA Girls Netball/Boys Football</b>
Week 10	<b>Swimming Week Years 3-5</b>
Week 10	<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 3:15pm Nunga Café</b>
Week 10	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY Good Friday</b>
Week 11	<b>PUBLIC HOLIDAY Easter Monday</b>
Week 11	<b>Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> April Year 5/6 AFL MAX Camp</b>
Week 11	<b>Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April Last Day of Term 1 Casual Day and 2:05 Finish</b>

## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We are nearing the middle of term 1 and have a lot happening across the remainder of the term, so please read the upcoming dates to remember so there are no surprises.

### Acquaintance Night

Thank you for accommodating the change of date for our Acquaintance Night and AGM. It was a much cooler evening and it was lovely to see children, families and staff coming together to enjoy the event.

### School Improvement 2023

Each year we work together to develop goals to refine teacher practice and improve student learning. Our main improvement area for 2023 continues to be the learning area of English which includes reading, spelling, morphology and writing. Teachers are working in partnership across the school to design and implement engaging units of work in English. We are using the approaches of Explicit, Direct Instruction to ensure that teaching and learning is focused and rigorous to support our learners.

**Pupil Free Day** Staff will spend the pupil free day on Friday the 10th of March engaging in professional learning to support student regulation. We are also engaging with Occupational Therapists to add adjustments to our classroom and practices that meet the sensory needs of students.

**Specialist Structure** The students are settling in to our tweaked specialist structure and are enjoying their lessons. I have provided you a copy of the structure on the next page. We are also running a Kurna Language Program in term 1 this year with a teacher working with classes once a fortnight to learn about Kurna Language and Culture. This program has also been provided.

### NAPLAN

NAPLAN will be occurring in week 7 and 8 this term for our year 3 and year 5 students. Our year 3 cohort were familiarised with the format on Tuesday this week with a practice test. This will also to check that our ICT services are set up correctly. If you are concerned about your students participating in the NAPLAN testing please let your class teachers know.

### Staffing Changes

Last week we farewelled Naomi Allotey from our SSO team and welcomed Bailey Kapellides into room 16. We also wish Amy Voudantas well as she begins her maternity leave.

Kind Regards Julie Brown – School Principal

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## School Card

School card applications need to be completed ASAP. They can be completed electronically on your phone or device, in the front office using a school device or you can complete a paper form. Please see Kerry in the office for help.

## Specialist Overview 2023

**Jasmine Craig** teaches Healthy Body, Healthy Mind which incorporates Health, Visual Arts and Positive Education

**Max Clarke** teaches P.E. and Science

**Min Lu** teaches Technology and P.E.

Sustainability and Kitchen/Garden is embedded within the classroom teaching programs. This is supported by Bec from Greenhill Living work works with classes during one week of each term.

Specialist Allocation:

Reception to Year 2/3	2x HBHM, 2x P.E., 1x Technology
Year 3 / 4 to 6	2x HBHM, 1x P.E., 2x Science

If you would like an annual overview of each curriculum area please see the office staff. This will be reviewed and refined at the end of each year.

*Kurna Language*  
at  
*Elizabeth Grove Primary School*



This term we are very excited to add the learning of Kurna Language into our curriculum at Elizabeth Grove Primary School. Teacher Dr Upton has been visiting classes, once per fortnight to provide students with a Kurna Language Introductory Programme. This will also be linked to building an understanding of Kurna culture over the term. Here is an overview of the programme:

Week	Focus
1	Introduction to Kurna
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3	Greetings:
4	Niina marni/marni 'ai/nakutha
5	Introducing self:
6	
7	In the classroom: vocabulary
8	
9	Body parts
10	
11	Animal vocabulary

Your children may be able to teach you some of the language after they have had some practice!

We are also excited to invite the Dusty Feet Mob, an Aboriginal dance group from Port Augusta, into our school to present their storytelling through dance on Wednesday the 31<sup>st</sup> May. This will link in with Reconciliation Week which has a theme this year of 'Be a Voice for Generations'.



## Hats

A reminder that school hats are now a required part of the school uniform all year round. This policy came into effect at the beginning of the 2021 school year.

If your child does not have a hat they will be asked to spend outside play in the shelter shed, nature play or library.

If you need to purchase a new hat, please see the front office.

ENJOY  
THE  
LONG  
WEEKEND

## OSHC

Elizabeth Grove OSHC operates on site from 6.30 – 8.30am and 3.05 - 6pm each school day.

Fees payable by each family will vary based on income and Child Care Subsidy received. Full fees are \$20.00 for before school care and \$30.00 for after school care. Breakfast and a healthy afternoon snack are included in the fees.

**Sandy Pengelley** OSHC Director on 82556872 or the **School front office** for an enrolment form.

## Breakfast Club

Every school day our site hosts breakfast club. Mrs Rigney, along with guests from Kickstart for Kids and social work students, welcome students from 8am until 8:45am in the library kitchen. Students can choose to have toast or cereal for breakfast before they start their learning for the day. No booking needed, simply come along.

## Elizabeth Grove Primary School Staff Team 2023

### Leadership Team

Julie Brown  
Sonja Blazevic  
Kristy Doolan  
Chris Guy

### Front Office Team

Cherylynn Foster  
Kerry How  
Julie Scolyer

### Early Years Team

Ellie Bowden  
Stephanie Kempinger  
Ashlee Dollman  
Kristie Morshead

### Early Primary Team

Jasna Kelly  
Shelby Dunlop  
Keely Coard  
Noan Mangubat

### Primary Team

Michael Koenig  
Rachael Harron  
Lachlan Sparrow  
Ashlee Gillies  
Angela Varacalli

### Specialist Team

Max Clarke  
Jasmine Craig  
Min Lu

### Intervention Team

Katie Day  
Breanna Cummins  
Tiffany Nott (Speech Pathologist)

### Pastoral Care Worker

Ashlee Beecroft

### Bilingual Support Team

Menuka Kafley and Mountaha Khammash

### Aboriginal Education Team

Lisa Linnell- Aboriginal Education Teacher  
Tatum Winwood- Aboriginal Community Engagement Officer  
Labhaoise Upton- Kurna Language Teacher

### SSO Team

Bailey Kapellides	Charlene Akurangi	Chelsea Halsall
Cooper Wilson	Debbie Deller	Donna Charleson
Emma McNab	Genevieve Radakovich	Jaimaya Harris
Jandra Winning	Jeanette Reich	Jill Sellars
Jovana Johnson	Judy Rigney	Kirsty Stanley
Lindy Baker	Maddison Westwood	Michelle Mangubat
Olivia Varacalli	Payal Joshi	Rhiannon Edwards
Rhyley Williams	Stacey Hardaker	

### Facilities Team

Sandy Reu  
Michael Jolly  
Lachlan McDonald