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# 2020 Term Four Week 5 B-12 Update

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We are almost at the end of another school year, but there are still several weeks of learning, teaching and celebrating to go...

I attended the Wiltja Graduation dinner last Friday night. It was, as always, an excellent opportunity to celebrate the inclusion of students from the APY Lands into our college learning community.

From the beginning of 2021 we will welcome all students boarding at Wiltja into our classes at Avenues College, from years 8-12. This move from Woodville High School will see a number of changes to our staffing arrangements, with additional staff members joining us and providing EALD and Aboriginal learning expertise.

During the first week in November I visited the APY Lands with Daniel Lasscock and Cheryl Arthur.

Daniel will become the Deputy Principal of Avenues College next year, with responsibility for Aboriginal Learners Reception to Year 12 and the Senior School.

Cheryl is the senior youth worker at Wiltja Boarding

This was a valuable opportunity to meet families, school leaders and community members ready for the changes to our community for 2021.

#### **CLASS OF 2020**

Our year 12 students have completed exams and the last couple of assignments for their SACE. I wish them all the very best for their results, and for 2021 as they head to university, TAFE, work and apprenticeships. We will celebrate 13 years of schooling at our Presentation Evening on Tuesday November 24 and the Year 12 Formal on Thursday 26. For the rest of our students, Preschool to Year 11, school continues until 3pm Thursday December 12. Please ensure that your child attends every day, or that we are notified of the reason for their absence as soon as possible.

The last day of school for 2020 will be **FRIDAY December 11**, with a 2:00pm finish.

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Avenues College acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians whose ancestral lands we meet upon. We acknowledge the deep feelings of attachment and relationships of Aboriginal peoples to country. We recognise the many language groups that continue their connection to land, waters and culture across Australia and we pay our respects to their elders, past, present and emerging.

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#### **Mobile Phones at School**

I acknowledge that mobile phones have become a part of everyday life and many of our students have a mobile phone for use while travelling to and from the College and during recess and lunchtime. Please refer to our website and support your child in using their technology safely.

#### **Building Update**

Our college has been a building site for the 2020 school year, as we endeavour to create the learning spaces for all of our students that we aspire to. Disruption — noise and dust - has been inevitable but staff members have worked hard to ensure that learning continued (mostly) smoothly.

#### **Staffing Information**

This time of each school year is the beginning of farewells and changes for next year. I expect to be able to announce our staffing team in our next newsletter.



Robyn McLean, Principal

# Diary Dates

Governing Council Meetings
Tuesday 1st December

Year 12 Presentation Night Tuesday 24th November

Welcome Day
—Transition for Yr 7 to 8
Wednesday 25th November

Year 12 Formal Thursday 26th November

# Preschool End of Year Celebration

Friday 4th December 12.00pm—6.00pm Parents invited from 4.00pm

Last Day of 2020 Friday 11th December 2.00pm Dismissal

First Day 2021 Wednesday 27th January



This year we were once again overwhelmed with the generosity from Northpoint Toyota at Hillcrest. They sponsored the Reception to Year 5 students to attend swimming lessons at Adelaide Aquatic Centre. A big thank you to Sophie, Alan, and Steph for accepting our cards of appreciation and for showing us around the show room.

















On Friday 30 October we formally farewelled our graduating Year 12's with a celebration assembly.

Roger Eyles commenced proceedings with the 'Welcome to Country' and Mr Roy Webb and Ms Robyn McLean addressed the cohort congratulating them on their efforts and wishing them well with their future endeavours.

Roger was then joined at the podium by Kassandra Gower and acting as the Valedictorians for the Class of 2020, paid tribute to their fellow classmates, teachers and families. They reminisced about their time at Avenues College and thanked everyone for supporting them on their journey.

Special mention was made of Ms Jill Johnson, one of our esteemed and much loved Art teachers ....... a special personality and good friend of students across the college. Jill will be taking some leave to see out the 2020 school year and the students took this opportunity to wish her well and to present her with some chocolates and flowers. Robyn then invited Jill to lead the graduating Year 12's out of the Gym, before they all headed over to Fasta Pasta for a lunchtime celebration.

#### Congratulations to the Graduating Class of 2020!!

We hope you remember your time at Avenues positively and wish you all success with your futures.





Dear Parents/Caregivers,

As Term 4 draws to a close I would like to take this opportunity to thank each and every one of you for your support during a very unpredictable year.

Although we were faced with some unprecedented challenges we were able to work them through together. We should all be very proud of the children and the resilience they have shown to just get on with their learning and their patience with the overall move and restrictions that COVID-19 forced upon us. We really are a very special school community!

A huge thank you must also go to our wonderful and committed teachers who really guided the children and supported their wellbeing during the year. Also to our hardworking School Support Officers who truly are the backbone to making sure that things run smoothly.

I would personally like to say thank you for trusting me with leading your children this year. It has been an absolute pleasure to have been a small part of their journey. I feel very sad to say goodbye but also very happy and grateful to have had the opportunity to work with the wonderful R-7 staff and families but especially the children. Avenues College R-7 2020 will always hold a special place in my heart.

Friday the 27<sup>th</sup> November is my last day as Head of Primary Years as I go on Long Service Leave for the last 2 weeks of the term. Next year I will be back in the Secondary school so I will always be around for a catch up. I am pleased that I will be able to continue to see the R-7 children progress through Avenues College with hopefully teaching them for Science in the future.

I wish you all a lovely Christmas and may 2021 be a brighter year!

Kindest Regards

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#### **Athletics SA All School Championships**

Congratulations to Kirsty Saayman on winning the Gold medal in the following events :

U14 Girls Law investor

U14 Girls Long jump



Students have worked with Aboriginal artist Scott Rathman (Rusted Tin) to produce a College mural on the Multi-Arts building about connection to place. Scott hosted a number of workshops with our year 7's and year 8's to develop concepts, ideas and designs. The mural reflects that friendships are what makes students feel a sense of belonging at the College.











On the 23<sup>rd</sup> October, the year 6 and 7's travelled down to West Lakes Aquatics for their aquatics day. A lot of fun was had by all the students. displaying excellent choices whilst out in public, with even locals commenting on how well the student's behaviour was. Some of the activities the students participated were sailing, kayaking, canoeing and surfing.



# Avenues College Environmental Group

Members from our group have been working really hard at designing, preparing, planting and establishing a tyre garden. They have reused old tyres, mis-tinted paints and low maintenance, drought hardy plants. We are proud of our efforts .... A small corner of the yard is now a bit brighter. See Mr Cocks or Ms Wilson if you are interested in joining the group.

In the year 5/6 class, students have been working on creative writing. The children were given the image below and asked to write a character description. Here is what Alliah came up with:

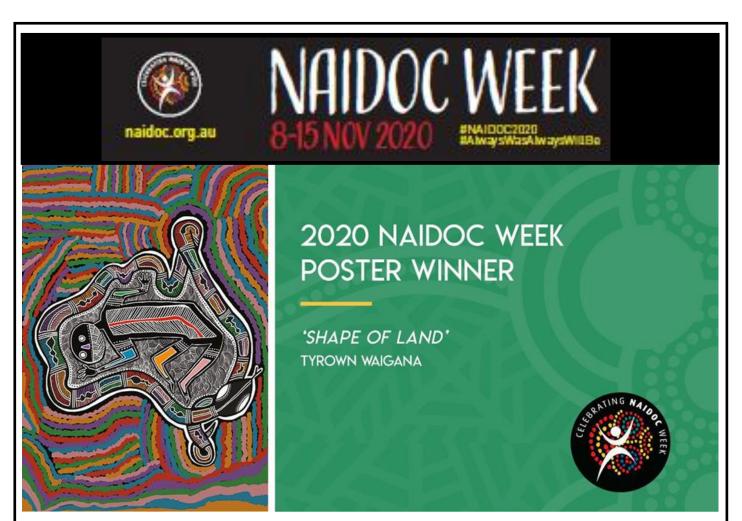


His elongated, pointy fingers skimmed over the hundreds of books in his library. Half-moon spectacles hanging on the bottom on his long, warty nose as usual. Pointy caterpillar eyebrows covered his large forehead and a long well-groomed beard on his chin. This old fashioned man is Gregory, a know-it-all librarian with a dark secret.

Gregory's bony hand came to rest on a book. He went to pull it off the shelf but it instead opened a large metal door behind him. The room was suddenly illuminated red which shone off of his shiny bald head and across the room. Gregory slowly started to make his way to the large metal door. The colossal barrier towering over Gregory by 30 feet. This 84 year old man with big, bulbous ears and disgusting, shrivelled face was about to summon the all mighty devil himself.

By Alliah Barker





Tyrown Waigana, a Perth based artist and designer, has been named as this year's winner of the prestigious National NAIDOC Poster Competition.

According to the 23-year-old, his winning entry depicts the Rainbow Serpent coming out of the Dreamtime to create this country and how we are strongly connected to it.

"The Rainbow Serpent is represented by the snake and it forms the shape of Australia, which symbolises how it created our lands. The colour from the Rainbow Serpent is reflected on to the figure to display our connection to the Rainbow Serpent, thus our connection to country. The overlapping colours on the outside is the Dreamtime."

"The figure inside the shape of Australia is a representation of Indigenous Australians showing that this country - since the dawn of time - always was, and always will be Aboriginal land," Mr Waigana added.

#### Celebrating NAIDOC Week at Avenues College includes:

- Students working with Aboriginal artist Scott Rathman, Rusted Tin to produce a College mural on the Multi-Arts building about connection to place. The mural reflects that friendships are what makes students feel a sense of belonging at the College.
- Inviting an Aboriginal Ngarrindjeri Elder, Uncle Moogy to share stories with the Pre-school and Primary Years students.
- Inviting, Karl Telfer, Kaurna custodian, to perform a Welcome to Country and a Smoking Ceremony to open our Sports House Day/Colour Run









#### Science

The year 5/6
students have
participated in a
variety of Physical
Science
investigations this
term. The photos
are from their boat
and tower team
challenges.





















We have been very busy at preschool! We were introduced to some very friendly animals at our Animals Anonymous Incursion.

# PRESCHOOL

# FUN

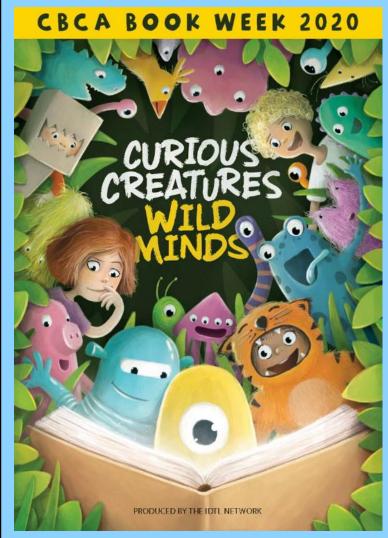


Then we celebrated the Diwali Festival of Lights. We want to thank all our parents who came along and supported us in celebrating by sharing their knowledge, food, dance and Rangoli.

























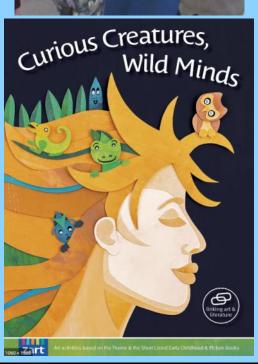










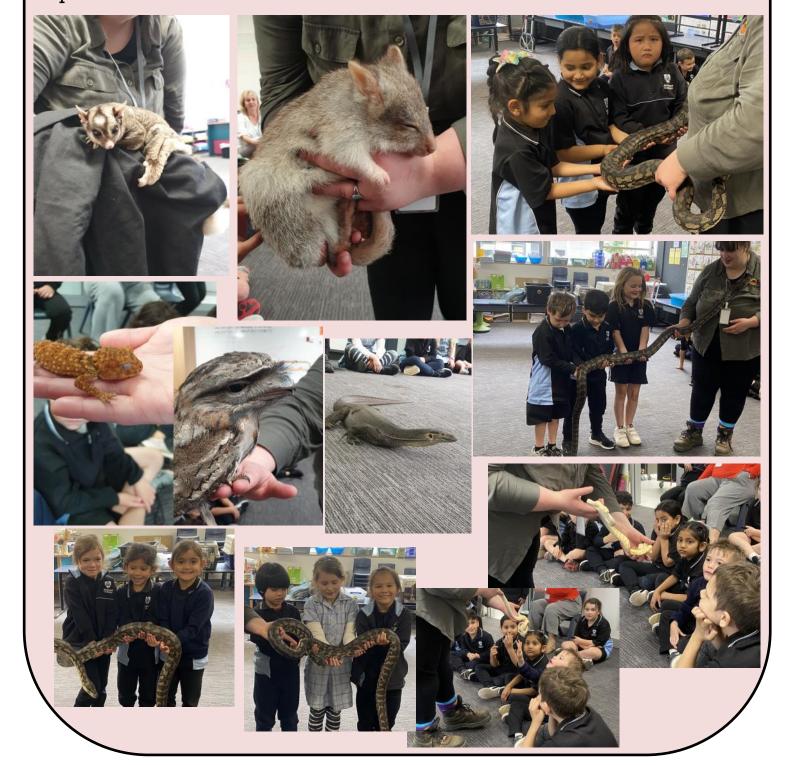


# **Animals Anonymous**

#### With Ms Pinkerton's Reception Class

The Reception class participated in an incursion with Animals Anonymous ... a fun, educational and mobile service offering a hands-on and science-based learning with Australian native animals and aligned to the Australian Curriculum.

Some us were very nervous about meeting the animals. We learned a lot about where they live, what they like to eat and what makes them special. The bravest Receptions were able to hold some of the animals ... everyone got to see them up close.





## NORWOOD FLAMES EXTERNAL TRIALS

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Register your interest for Norwood Flames External Trials

Registrations of interest are sought for players wanting to trial for Norwood Flames District Basketball Club. More information regarding the Norwood Basketball Club and what district basketball is can be found here.

The following age groups will be OPEN to anyone who is interested in trialing, subject to a cap on total numbers for each session:

Boys - U10 & U12

Girls - All ages

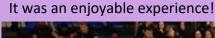
Trials Date: Sunday 15th November 2020

Location: MARS Stadium, 63 Lower Portrush Road, Marden

**MORE INFORMATION** 



In Term 4, students from years 7 through to 10 were lucky enough to view a live play performed by the travelling troupe 'Poetry in Action'. Years 7 and 8 watched *Elements of Rhyme*, reminding them of all the different poetic devices that they can use in their own poems. The year 9's viewed Inter-National Anthem which made us all think what it really means to be an Australian rather than the usual stereotypes of barbeques and sport. Last but not least was the Year 10 performance, Riots and Revolutions, introducing students to how we use pathos, logos and ethos to persuade audiences when making speeches and the fact that you are never too young to make a difference to the world we live in. Thanks to the students who all behaved impeccably and asked some excellent questions at the end of each performance.











Congratulations to the following students who successfully participated and completed the 2 day Peer Support Leadership training this term. These students will be modelling and demonstrating positive leadership and influence at our site in 2021.

Hannah Appleton-Reynolds Clifford Long Tegan Revolta
Kelci Beltrame Rita Mann Manas Sharma
Luko Coveh May Nacion Maddasyn Smit

Luke CoyshMay NacionMaddasyn SmithGayle HillierAngela NamroodNathan Tripodi

Taylah Ireland Grisha Patel Kye Williams-Courtney

Suzzie Jurd David Puddy Luke Wyles





#### NECAP—CHRISTMAS HAMPER APPEAL

Collection boxes will be available in the Avenues
College front office to accept new items suitable
as gifts and non-perishable food items to
make up hampers.

#### Collecting until Thursday 26th November.

Give generously to those in our community who will find Christmas time tough this year.

### **OPERATION FLINDERS**















Avenues College Operation Flinders Graduates were presented with their formal certificates of completion at a celebration morning tea this term. Special guests included Member for Torrens - Dana Wortley MP , Johnathon Robran from Operation Flinders, Gilles Plains Lions Club members & Allan Mundi from Operation Flinders .

Students were presented with two certificates, an Operation Flinders Graduate Certificate and a Torrens Certificate from Dana Wortley MP. Thank you to Dana Wortley MP and the Gilles Plains Lions Club who provided significant support for the programme resulting in the success of this program at Avenues College in 2020. Thank you to Carol Matoga and the Home Ec Class for assisting with catering for the event.









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#### WHEN IS IT ON?

The majority of programs take place between 4th and 12th January 2021. Check the website for details.

#### PROGRAM PROVIDERS

VACSWIM is comprised of three programs; 'Swim and Survive' by the Royal Life Saving Society South Australia in the majority of pools. YMCA Water Safety' by YMCA in their own pools. 'Surf and Survive' program by Surf Life Saving South Australia at beach locations.

#### FEES AND CHARGES

Booking fees include 3 elements:

- 1. An enrolment fee of \$30 per child Family enrolments are capped at \$100 and proof of family through a Medicare card will be required
- An equipment fee of \$1.50
- 3. A location fee

All location fees can be found on the website.

Please note: Additional spectators or swimmers may be subject to casual entry fees.

#### REGISTERING FOR VACSWIM

Book online at www.vacswimsa.com.au

#### CONTACT

POOL VACSWIM PROGRAMS (Royal Life Saving) (08) 8210 4500

BEACH VACSWIM PROGRAMS (Surf Life Saving) (08) 8354 6996

YMCA VACSWIM PROGRAMS (YMCA managed pools) 0418 708 830

VACSWIM OFFICE (general enquiries - 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday

(08) 8362 2423 or email info@vacswimsa.com.au



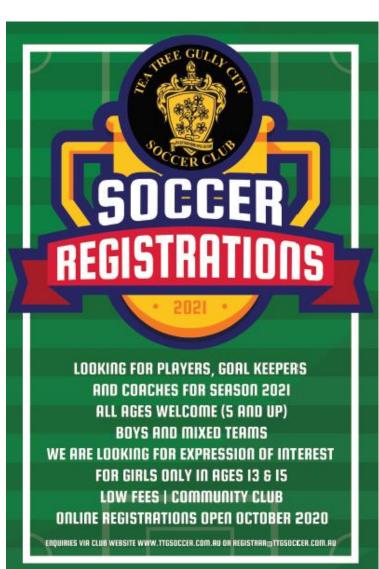
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