#### **Avenues College**







Children's Centre News

Director: Allyson Goodale

Hello Everyone,



Preschool children have been fortunate to have many interested adults who are keen to join them in learning. This photo shows children exploring colour matching with students from uniSA who were keen to provide an experience in arts across the curriculum. The children used paint, toys and colour charts to mix match and use the language of colour.

Light Blue Dark Blue Crimson Ochre Vermillion Charcoal Saffron You get the picture!!



Nature Play children have also been fortunate with lovely Autumn days to enjoy the garden. This photo illustrates how families are watching over their children but allowing them to use real tools and be fully in their play interest without shoes.

When children can engage their senses as they think and problem solve, talking with their playmates is a time for HUGE learning and confidence building.

#### Dear Families,

Three-way-interviews are being booked now, make a time with your child's key educator. Thankyou to the volunteers who have given their time this term to preschool, it is very valuable to us. Please welcome Elliot Nayda who is on placement in the preschool for his Certificate 11. A voting process is underway for preschool families to choose either a movie night or a Saturday play afternoon at Morialta. Please consult your child and put a tick against your preference.

Thankyou, Allyson and the team.





Robyn McLean Principal

Allyson Goodale Head of Early Years

Chan Welfare
Head of Primary Years

Roy Webb Head of Secondary Years

Amy Geue

Coordinator of the Centre for Hearing Impaired (CHI)

Danielle Smith
Business Manager, B-12

# Diary Dates

11th June Public Holiday
Queens Birthday

12th June Pupil Free Day

18/19/20th School Dentist

26th June Crazy Hair & Team
Colours Day.
Fundraiser-Cystic Fibrosis

6th July Last day of Term 2
Early dismissal 2pm

#### **McKay Avenue Campus**

McKay Avenue, Windsor Gardens SA 5087

T: 8261 2733 F: 8261 0827

E: dl.0906.info@schools.sa.edu.au

### Beatty Avenue Campus

Beatty Avenue, Hillcrest SA 5086

T: 8261 3339 F: 8266 1471

E: dl.0906.info@schools.sa.edu.au

W: www.avenuescollege.sa.edu.au

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Last week was Reconciliation Week. This year's theme was 'Don't keep history a mystery'. Our students participated in a variety of learning opportunities, activities and events, which included a trip to McKay Avenue to participate in Avenues College's first B-12 Assembly. Our 6/7 choir performed Niina Waathangku beautifully; they have never sounded better! The 2/3 class presented an enacted version of 'Tiddalick the Frog', a Dreaming story that teaches about greed and the benefits of laughter. The high-quality reading and presentation has been recognised throughout the College with much praise being given by our senior students at McKay in the lessons that followed. The students also received messages about Reconciliation from our senior Student Voice and were an excellent audience for our Indigenous musician, Elisha. The Assembly was well-attended by community members making it a celebration of 'coming together' in many different ways.

### Year 2/3 class - Tiddalick the Frog Performance





Back at Beatty Avenue we were visited by Aunty Stephanie who shared Dreaming stories and bead making with the students. You will see some of their jewellery making skills in the accompanying photo!

With Ms Guinan, the students were able to write Reconciliation messages in footprints to represent the path we are all walking together. It's always inspiring and refreshing to see how embracing and inclusive our youngest citizens are – they are an excellent reminder of the opportunities we have and enjoy in our wonderful nation. Ms Sonja explored the weather from an Indigenous perspective with students learning that indigenous people used their senses: sight, hearing, smell and touch to determine the seasons. They also learned that the names of the

seasons came from associated words, for example, the Kaurna name for Summer, Warltiti means heat and warmth and Kudila (winter) means to wash the earth. Students had an opportunity to try their artistic skills working with Miss Ashton and Ms Renu using Aboriginal symbols to decorate their boomerangs. There was also great enjoyment as they tried them out on the turf after school!

I would very much like to thank Lisa Rigney, the

Homework Club and the parents and caregivers who helped to decorate our foyer and support us on the day in a variety of ways – your time, effort and willingness to be engaged in our learning and events is appreciated.

<u>Chan Welfare</u> Head of Primary Years



Around the School

# Year 4/5 - Visual Art and Maths

Masks have been worn in nearly all cultures, for various reasons, since the Stone Age. Masks have been worn as a form of disguise, by an actor in a performance, as part of a religious ceremony, as part of membership in a secret society, as punishment for a criminal or in celebration of a holiday.



The year 4/5 class have been combining their maths knowledge of symmetry with their artistic skills in order to design decorative masks. We discussed the various reasons why masks are worn and looked at examples from around the world. The children then used this information to create their own masks. As you can see, the results were bright, colourful and quite uniquely individual.



## Around the Community



This presentation will explore such topics as

Social networking, Sharing your information online, Protecting your privacy, Sexting, iPads & adolescents, Cyber bullying, Mobile phone apps, Carly's Law.

Please contact Jane on 83653839 to register



# **Avenues College OSHC**





Dear Families.

Welcome to Camp Australia OSHC my name is Michelle and I am the Coordinator for the BSC and ASC service which began at your school on Monday the 21st May 2018.

Operating hours are Monday to Friday BSC 7am-8-30am and ASC 3pm-6pm.

Breakfast is provided in the mornings, a choice of cereals and toast with spreads and in the afternoon a fresh fruit and vegetable platter and second snack consisting of a variety of healthy foods.

We offer a warm, safe and friendly environment for children to relax and enjoy a variety of activities including games, art and craft, cooking, physical play, and time for homework if required.

If at any time you have any queries, concerns or questions please don't hesitate to make a time to meet or you can call the service on 0412 567 671 during oshc hours or email

saavenuescol@oshccampaustralia.com.au

When making a booking please ring customer service on 1300 105 343 or use the parent portal online, this will ensure the safe arrival of vour child to the service.

Kind regards

Michelle Sims







Avenues College Children's Centre has the vision of supporting children and families to achieve the best possible learning, health and wellbeing outcomes in a universal setting. We achieve this through all the programs we provide, but I would like to take this opportunity to explore one particular program which offers people with one of the most important aspects to health and wellbeing, this being a sense of belonging. Coffee and Craft is an unassuming name for a program which has an important message. The message of belonging to a community. Belonging to a community is what connects us to many relationships we develop, where we find comfort in good time and hard times. Coffee and Craft symbolises the importance of community by uniting people by a familiar thread. Our thread being family, parenting and relationship. Coffee and Craft provides space for people to learn from the overall group, mining the wisdom of the many and helping each other out along the way. Coffee and Craft is unstructured open ended exploratory play for children and parents in an environment which provides opportunity for relationships to develop and to be built between families promoting a sense of belonging.

Please feel free to become a part of our Coffee and Craft morning every **Tuesday** during term between 9 – 11am in the Community Room. If you have any questions Erica you like to hear from you.