

Augusta Park Primary School

Newsletter

5 September 2023



Important Dates

Governing Council Meeting

**Monday, 18 September
at 5:15pm**

Optional Family Interviews

**Tuesday, 19 September
Wednesday, 20 September
Thursday, 21 September**

Assembly

**Friday, 22 September
at 2:40pm**

SAPSASA - Girls Netball

Boys Football

Friday, 22 September

Community Breakfast

Wednesday, 27 September

Last Day of Term 3

**Friday, 29 September
Early dismissal at 2:10pm**

From the Principal



Dear Families,

At APPS we believe that open and effective communication between school and home is vital for the success of our students. One of the ways we make this communication easier for everyone is through the use of Seesaw (a free app on your phone). If you are not currently using Seesaw I encourage you to speak to your child's teacher or the ACE team so that this can be set up for you. Through Seesaw you can communicate directly with your child's teacher, see your child's learning (photos/videos), find out about important messages relating to your child, their class or the school. By using Seesaw it also enables us to support your child's growth and development. Together we can make the most of this valuable tool so if you haven't signed up yet please do!!

Staffing News

I wish to share that Sally Goldsworthy has recently started maternity leave and we send her and her family our best wishes as they wait for the arrival of their newest member of their family.

On behalf of our school community I also congratulate Mikki Tucker and her family on the recent birth of Zahlee. Both Mikki and Zahlee are doing well and we hope to meet Zahlee in the near future! Both Sally and Mikki will be returning to work with us next year.

This term we welcome Ally Auld who is backfilling behind Sally and is teaching HASS. If you see Ally in the yard please say hello and welcome her to our team.

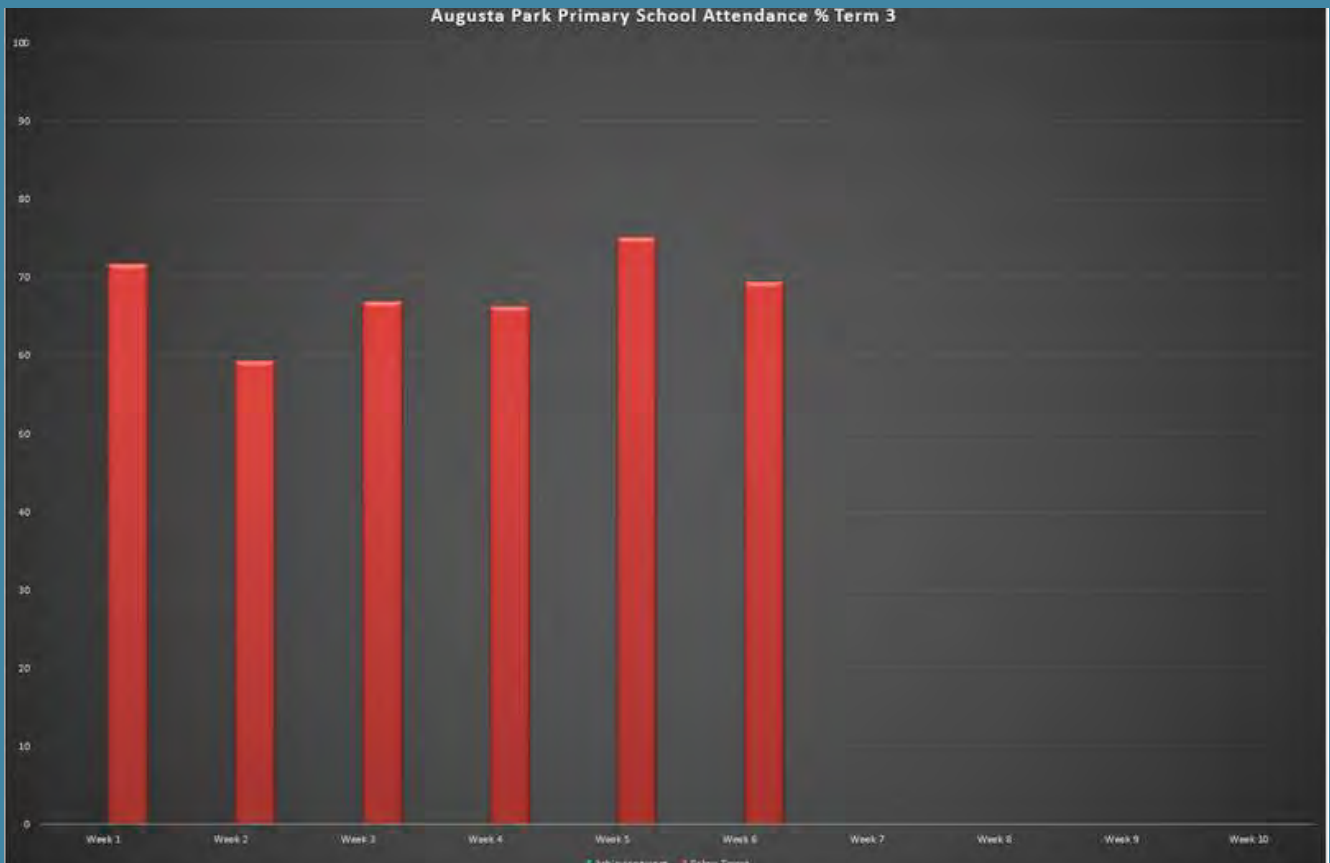
Admin Building Update

I am pleased to share that the repairs to our administration building are almost complete. We anticipate that we will reopen the administration building on Monday 18th September which is great news for our staff, students and families. We have been waiting very patiently for this day so it is exciting that it is nearly upon us. We will remind families of this change closer to the date and we hope you pop in to say hi when we are back in the building!

Kind regards, Bec Mueller



Miss Sghirripa's Spiel



Attendance this term is well below our schools target of 90%. For the remainder of this term it would be great to see students faces more regularly!

Please remember:

- If your child is sick for more than three days a doctor's certificate is required.
- If your child is absent unexplained you will receive a phone call from an ACEO to find out why.
- If your child/children are absent unexplained for 3 days a home visit will be conducted by staff.

If your child is going to be absent from school please ring the school on 8642 3599.

FOOTY COLOURS DAY



It was fantastic to see so many students dressed in the team colours last Wednesday. Big thank you to the Clontarf Academy for organising a sausage sizzle at recess and Woolworths for donating the sausages.

Students then played footy games on the oval with Kriston and Corey, which they loved.

The SRC are proud of raising \$383.50 for the Cancer Council to support young children with their fight against cancer.



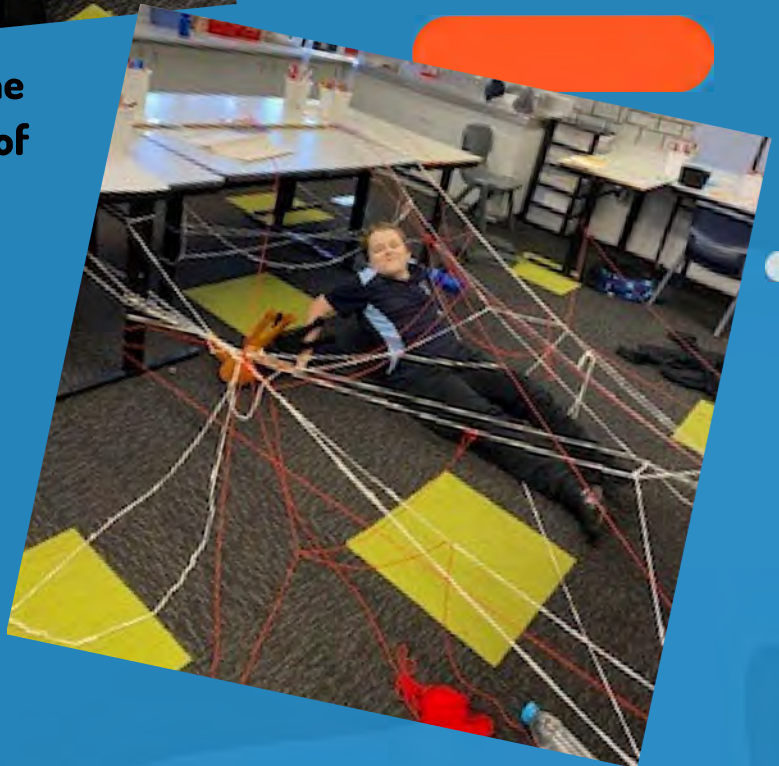
Mrs Godfrey's Year 3-6 Class

Design and Technology

For Design and Technology we designed and made new homes for our pets. We needed to work out what pets need to be safe and used that in our design.



Ty'Rhys created a wool maze that the students had to work their way out of without touching the wool.



Maths



We used our sink to help us measure how much water different containers could hold. We love using different hands on objects to support our maths learning.





Book week celebrations





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WEEK 6 ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS





FREE Parent Workshop

Understanding reading difficulties - Why some children struggle and how to help

- Develop an understanding of reading difficulties, including dyslexia
- Develop a practical understanding of the associated characteristics and difficulties
- Explore ways to support your child

This 2 hour workshop is a great first step to gaining a better understanding of reading difficulties and practical strategies that can help your child.

Tuesday 12 of September, 12:15pm to 2:15pm

Port Augusta School of the Air



BOOK ONLINE at:
speidsa.org.au/regional-parent-workshops

Thank you to the Department for Education for supporting this initiative.

Tickets

Can be collected from

Headspace
Department for Child
Protection
Youth Centre

DJ

Mozzie

You're invited!

Face Painting,
Games and
Prizes

What: Bluelight Disco hosted by DCP and BlueLight

Who: Young people aged 8 to 16

Where: Port Augusta Barracks, 6 Beauchamps Lane, Port Augusta

When: Friday 8 September 2023, from 6pm to 9pm

(This is a lock in event for the safety of all young people)

Dance competitions, Prizes, Activities and so much fun for all



Government of South Australia
Department for Child Protection



FREE COMMUNITY EVENT



WE WANT YOUR VOICE!

WE WANT YOUR IDEAS!

**WE WANT TO WORK WITH YOU TO MAKE PORT AUGUSTA
GREAT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE!**

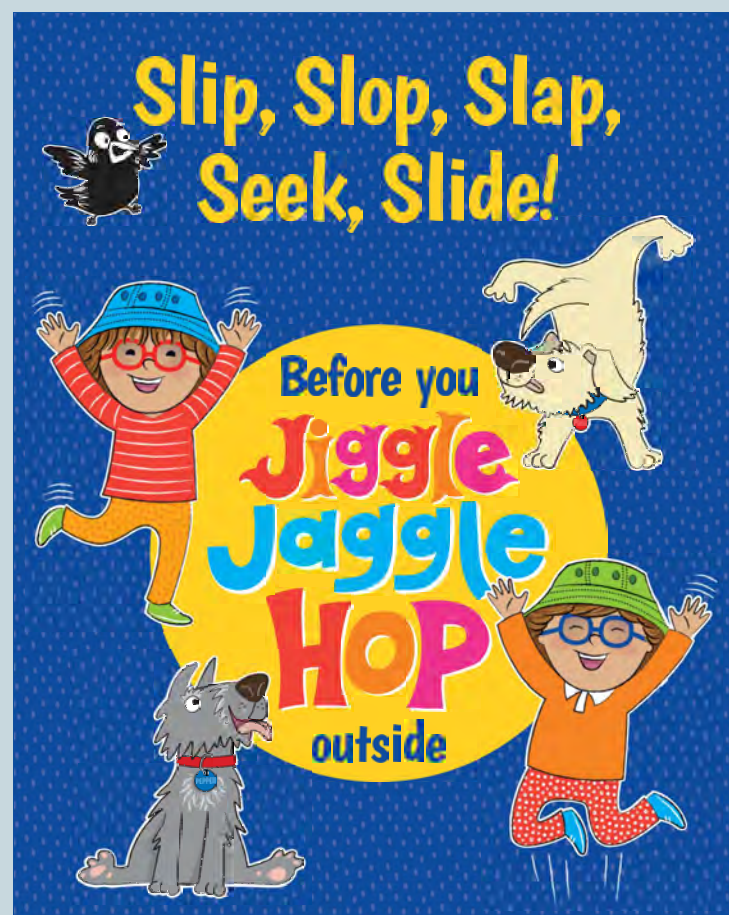
WHAT ACTIVITIES DO YOU WANT TO HELP PLAN?

We need youth from all demographics who can work with us to communicate ideas, and develop and deliver programs targeted for you.

You are between 12 and 25 years of age and are willing to work with other youth to develop a Youth Advisory Committee and have a say in your community.

To apply contact us at communitydevelopment@portaugusta.sa.gov.au - and put in the subject line YAC - and we will send you an invite for the first YARN.

Jump on board and help us organise activities/events you want in your community!



For more information visit Be SunSmart at cancer.org.au

