

MORPHETT VALE EAST NEWSLETTER



Morphett Vale East
School



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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It's hard to believe we are already in the second-last week of Term 3 – the school holidays are just around the corner! What a busy and exciting term it has been for our school community.

Firstly, a huge **thank you** to our Parents & Friends Committee for running such a fantastic Father's Day Stall and for organising the custom t-shirt promotion – I absolutely loved mine and know many Dads will treasure theirs too. Your hard work helps make these special occasions memorable for our students and their families.

Our Year 1 students recently completed the **Phonics Screening Check**, which is an important tool that helps teachers identify how students are progressing with their phonics knowledge and early reading skills. Well done to our Year 1s for their focus and effort – we are so proud of you!

Meanwhile, our Year 3–6 students are currently completing their **PAT (Progressive Achievement Tests)** in Reading and Mathematics. These assessments give teachers detailed insights into each student's progress and areas of strength. Rather than being a "pass or fail" test, PAT helps us identify each child's current level of understanding so we can provide the right support and challenges to help them continue to improve and succeed.

We are also counting down to **Sports Day** (Friday, 26th September) – one of the highlights of our school calendar! It's always a wonderful day full of fun, teamwork, and community spirit. You can find more details about Sports Day later in this newsletter.

Finally, a reminder that **Term 4 will commence on Tuesday, 14th October**, as Monday will be a Pupil Free Day. Our staff will be using this day for professional learning, continuing to deepen their understanding and skills as we work with the new South Australian curriculum.

Thank you for your ongoing support – it is such a pleasure to work in partnership with you to create a thriving school community. I wish you and your children a happy and safe holiday break when it arrives.

Kind Regards,
Anthony McIver
Principal

HAPPY
Holidays



LEADERSHIP TEAM

Anthony McIver
Principal

Sonia Cooke
Deputy Principal

Rick Whitbread
Student Wellbeing Leader

DIARY DATES

September

- Fri 26th – Sports Day
- Fri 26th – End of Term, 2pm Early Finish

October

- 13th – Student free day
- 14th – First day of Term 4
- 24th – Outdoor Movie Night



ENROLMENTS FOR 2026 NOW OPEN

Enrolments for the 2026 school year are now open. To assist with our preparations, we kindly ask that if you, or anyone you know, intends to enrol at our school in 2026, please collect an enrolment pack from the front office. Completed enrolment forms should be returned before the end of Term 3.

Your prompt attention to this matter will greatly assist us in planning for the upcoming school year. Thank you for your cooperation.

PARENT/CAREGIVER REQUESTS - FORMING THE 2026 CLASSES

As always, we aim to place students into the best balanced and productive learning environment possible. While there is no guarantee that students will be with all their friends, students will be placed in classes with familiar children that they learn well with.

Families are welcome to write a short message about their child's educational needs for next year. This is not a time to request a particular teacher, but is a chance to inform us of any relevant information. We are not able to make any promises about children being placed with particular teachers or certain students etc.

Please email the Principal - anthony.mciver124@schools.sa.edu.au or complete a hard copy form (located at the front office). Please include your child's first and last name, plus their 2025 class.

Information must be received by Friday, 17th October, in order to be considered.



NOTIFICATION OF STUDENTS NOT RETURNING 2026

As we begin planning for the 2026 class structures next term, it is essential to know the number of enrolments in each year level. To assist with this process, we kindly request that you inform us of any students who will not be returning in 2026.

Your timely notification will greatly aid us in organising classes effectively for the upcoming school year. Thank you for your cooperation.

HAT REQUIREMENT REMINDER



Starting from the 1st of September, we expect all students to wear a hat during outdoor activities, as well as during recess and lunch breaks. Students without a hat will need to play in a shaded area. This expectation aligns with the guidelines set by the Department for Education and the Anti-Cancer Foundation. Thank you for your understanding and support in ensuring the safety and well-being of our students.



FREE OUTDOOR COMMUNITY MOVIE NIGHT

MOVIE NIGHT HAS BEEN
POSTPONED UNTIL
OCTOBER DUE TO
WEATHER
(WIND SAFETY ISSUES).

NEW DATE



FRIDAY 24TH OCT

GATES OPEN 6:00PM,
MOVIE AT 8:00PM



MORPHETT VALE EAST SCHOOL
1 MONARCH STREET,
MORPHETT VALE



MORPHETT VALE EAST SCHOOL PRESENTS...

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- ✓ FREE ENTRY - BRING YOUR WHOLE FAMILY!
- ✓ BYO PICNIC RUGS & CHAIRS
- ✓ FOOD & DRINKS AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE



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This is a smoke & alcohol free event



Morphett Vale East School Learn & Grow with us!

ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN - Book in a school tour today

- NATURE GARDEN & GREENHOUSE
- CREATIVE, STIMULATING LEARNING AREAS
- ONSITE OSHC & VACATION CARE
- EXPERIENCED TEACHERS
- HIGH QUALITY SUPPORT WORKERS

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On Thursday the 11th of September, several of our year 5 and 6 students attended Bunnings Noarlunga for an exciting challenge.

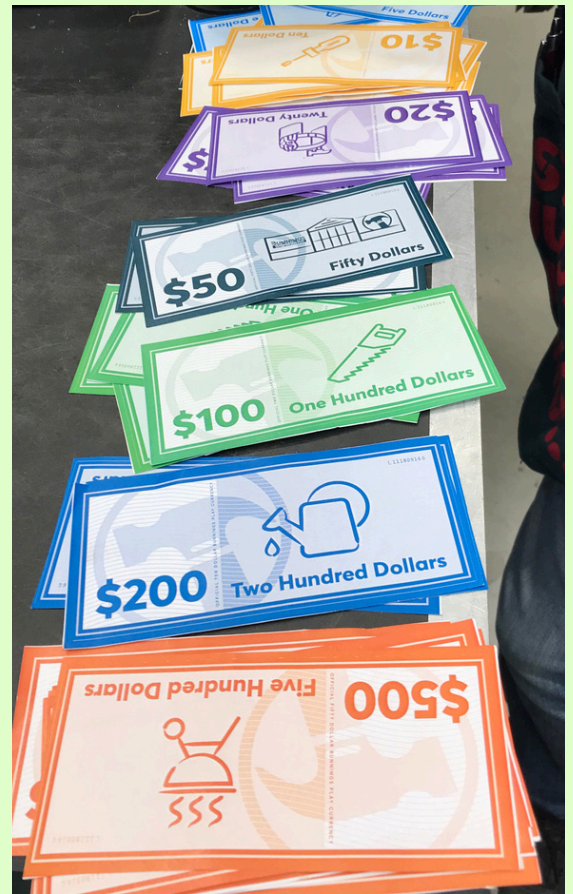
"The Block school edition"

Their mission. Form 2 work teams, accept secret scenarios, work together design, find and purchase items with Bunnings cash. The catch? Don't go over \$5000!

Both our teams worked together really well, they had great design ideas and recorded their items and prices working it out as they went.

Final challenge the register total and did they have enough cash? Both teams came in approx. \$200 under budget. Challenge Nailed!

Well, done everyone and a huge thankyou to Bunnings Noarlunga for inviting us to do this challenge and their generosity, the students receiving a bunnings gift bag and the school received a voucher towards a 'block challenge' of our own.



GET READY FOR SPORTS DAY

Sports Day is just around the corner! Mark your calendars for Friday, 26th September 2025, as the school comes alive with vibrant colours, team spirit, and lots of fun-filled activities.

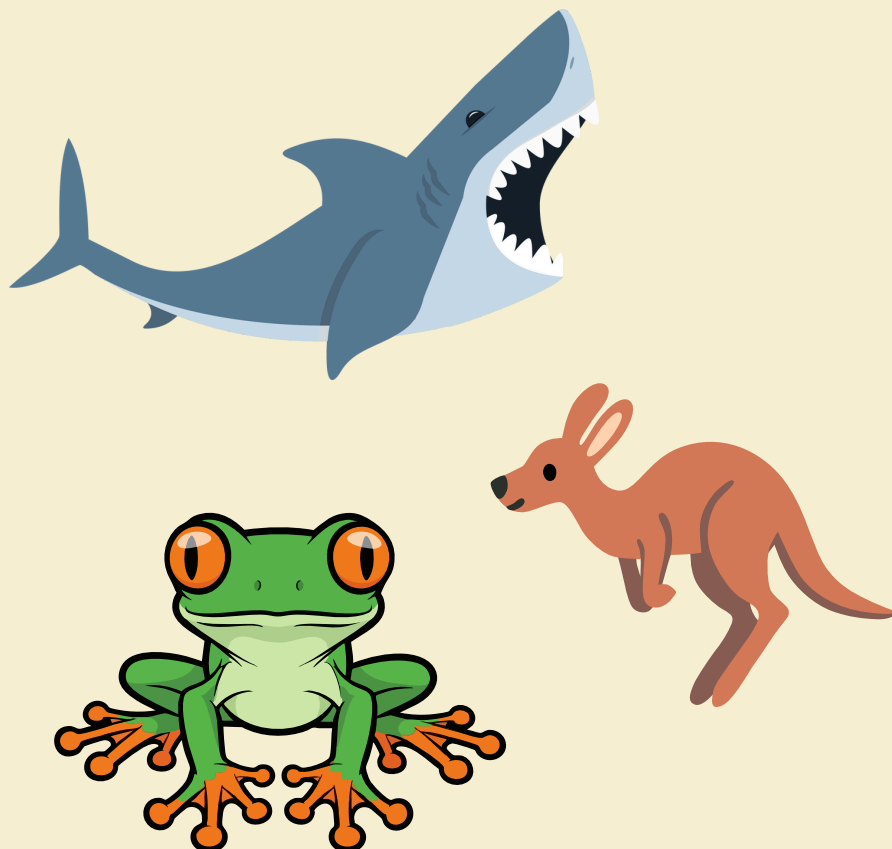
This year, our students will rally behind their teams:

- Blue Sharks 🦈
- Red Kangaroos 🦘
- Green Tree Frogs 🐸

Each team is gearing up, ready to showcase their skills, sportsmanship, and teamwork. From running races to novelty challenges, every event will embody the excitement and energy of this beloved day.

Parents, carers, and families are warmly invited to join us on the day and cheer our students on. Spectators, don't forget to come in your team colours to support your champions!

Let's make this Sports Day a memorable experience, celebrating the achievements, efforts, and enthusiasm of every child. See you there!



Tug-o-war	Kangaroos	Frogs	Sharks
Yr 3 Boy	Oliver (6)		Riley (6)
Yr 3 girl	Vaeroa (6)	Kira (6)	Amantia (6)
Yr 4 Boy	Riley (17)	Jasper (17)	Liam MT (17)
Yr 4 Girl	Dalliah (17)	Arbiya (16)	Mila (17)
Yr 5 Boy	Lincoln (3)		Si (3)
Yr 5 Girl	Almal (3)	Olivia (3)	Gemma (3)
Yr 6 Boy	Xavier (3)	Leo (3)	Vaander (3)
Yr 6 girl	Allirah (3)	Olivia (3)	Winter (3)

Get Ready for Tug-O-War!

SPORTS DAY TUG-O-WAR

Boys	Kangaroos	Frogs	Sharks
Yr 3	Lincoln (6) Oliver (6) Isalah (6)	Jack (16)	Riley (6)
Yr 4 Div 1	Stephan (16) Riley (17)	Ryder (16) Archer (17)	Maxx (16) Jenson (17)
Div 2	Caleb (17) 3 Alex (17) 4		Tyson (16) Liam mt (17) Ashton (17)
Yr 5 Div 1	Lincoln (3) Le Treys (2)	Regan (3) Phoenix (2)	Cody (2) S.J (3)
Yr 5 Div 2	Hamish (3) Braxton (2)	Ollie (3) Aaron (3) Willi (2)	Silas (3) Logan (2)
Yr 6	Xavier (3) Rowan (2)	Leo (3) Ben (2) Kalus (3)	Cooper (2)

Get Ready to Sprint!

SPORTS DAY SPRINTS

Girls	Kangaroos	Frogs	Sharks
Yr 3	Vaeroa (6)	Adeline (17)	Amantia (6) Layla (16) Evie (6)
Yr 4	Dalliah (17)	Imogen (17)	Mila (17) Alaylah (17) Amelia (16)
Yr 5	Adele (3) Melieshar (2)		
Yr 6	Allirah (2) Aleah (3)	Olivia (3)	Macie (3) Samara (2)

Get Ready to Sprint!

SPORTS DAY SPRINTS

9:00am 9:15am Welcome to Sports Day

Welcome to Country

National anthem

Team chants and house speeches.

Health Hustle – led by house captains

9:15am – 9:35am Walkathon

Teachers to walk with class and SSO support around school see attached map.

9:35am- 9:50am Fruit Break

9:50am-10:50am JP tabloids- see attached timetables.

Tabloids	Rm5 + 6 (yr 2's) Adam/ Anette/Leanne	Rm 7 Steph/Carol Sasha (Matrix - 12)	Rm 8 Pete D/ Amanda
9:50-10:02	Egg and spoon race	Fireman's Relay (grass area)	Sack race
10:02-10:14	Tunnel Ball (In gym)	Rob the nest	Fireman's Relay (grass area)
10:14-10:26	Sack race	Egg and spoon race	Rob the nest
10:26-10:38	Fireman's Relay (grass area)	Tunnel Ball (In gym)	Egg and spoon race
10:38-10:50	Rob the nest	Sack race	Tunnel Ball (In gym)

10:50am-11:10am Recess play

11:10am-11:20am Recess eating

11:20am-11:50am JP sprint 18 races 4 per race.

Start	Pete M – Class teacher help line students up in groups of 4. (make sure no more than 4 in a race)
Finish	Pete D – Sonia Give ribbons out 1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd , 4 th .

11:50am Finish for JP students.

JP PROGRAM

9:00am 9:15am Welcome to sports day

Welcome to country

National anthem

Team chants and house speeches.

Health Hustle -led by house captains

9:15am – 10:15am Athletics Tabloids – see attached timetable

	Frisbee Throw	Long jump	Tug of war	Hurdles
9:15-9:30	Rm 16 +6(yr 3)	Rm 3	Rm 2	Rm 17
9:30-9:45	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr 3)	Rm 3	Rm 2
9:45-10:00	Rm 2	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr 3)	Rm 3
10:00-10:15	Rm 3	Rm 2	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr 3)

10:15am- 10:25am Drinks/fruit Break

10:25am-10:50am UP marathon

Yr 6 start 10:25am

Yr 5 start 10:28am

Yr 4 start 10:31am

Yr 3 start 10:34am

10:50am-11:10am Recess play

11:10am-11:20am Recess eating

11:20am-12:40am Fun Tabloids – see attached timetables. 13 min per tabloid

	Water relay	Soccer Kick	Egg and spoon race	Sack Race	Parachute	Vortex
11:20-11:33	Rm 16 +6(yr3)			Rm 3	Rm 2	Rm 17
11:33-11:46	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr3)			Rm 3	Rm 2
11:46- 11:59	Rm 2	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr3)			Rm 3
11:59- 12:12	Rm 3	Rm 2	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr3)		
12:12-12:25		Rm 3	Rm 2	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr3)	
12:25-12:38			Rm 3	Rm 2	Rm 17	Rm 16 +6(yr3)

UP PROGRAM

12:40pm Lunch play

1:00pm lunch eating

1:20pm Championship Events

Sprints

1:20pm Yr 3 boys sprint

1:22pm yr 3 girls sprint

1:24pm yr 4 boys sprint div 1

1:26pm yr 4 boys sprint div 2

1:28pm yr 4 girls sprint

1:30pm Yr 5 boys sprint Div 1

1:32pm Yr 5 boys sprint Div 2

1:34pm Yr 5 girls sprint

1:36pm Yr 6 boys sprint

1:38pm yr 6 girls sprint

Tug-o-war

1:42pm Kangaroos v Sharks

1:44pm Kangaroos V Frogs

1:46pm Frogs v Sharks

1:48pm Final Top Team v 2nd Team

1:50pm Closing Ceremony

Winner Announced

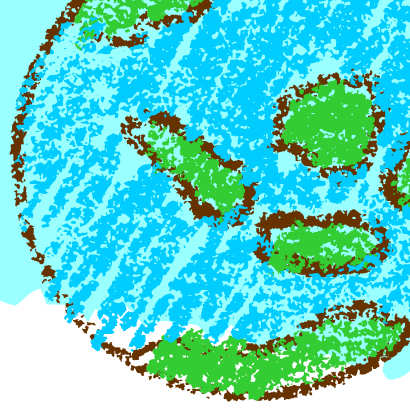
Winning House Captain Speech

2pm Home Time

UP PROGRAM

ROOM 6

Year 2/3



Ms Fernandez is in Europe, so for the last 4 weeks of term 3, Room 6 has had Ms Leanne.

We've been learning how to write procedures, beginning with a chocolate milkshake. We wrote the procedure and followed the recipe to make and enjoy delicious chocolate milkshakes.

Our next procedure was for science, to make solar ovens out of pizza boxes. The class watched the 'how to' video on YouTube and wrote the procedure down. We followed it to make our very own solar ovens that we made S'mores in.

We need to try again as we didn't have time to leave them out for long.
We loved eating them, even though they didn't completely work.



SPEECH & LANGUAGE CLASS - ROOM 5

In Room 5, we have been busy developing our skills in following and giving directions using clear, simple instructions. We have been using low-tech tools such as maps and directional cue cards, as we practised guiding each other around set routes. Working in pairs and small groups allowed us to support one another, share ideas, problem-solve and further strengthen our teamwork skills. We then extended our learning using Bee-Bots, where we tested our ability to program and give precise instructions to reach a goal location.

Our science lessons have been equally hands-on, as we have been investigating a variety of materials, exploring their properties and the different ways in which they can change. Together, we discussed practical and impractical uses of materials including metal blankets, jelly chairs and fabric windows. This sparked lots of curiosity and laughter.

Taking this learning further, we got creative and designed and built boats using everyday items such as aluminium foil, pop sticks, bottle caps, paper and cardboard. This activity required lots of problem solving and persistence. Some of us added bottle caps underneath to improve buoyancy, while others built higher walls to stop water from seeping in. Finally we made our predictions and tested our creations—and every single boat floated successfully!



MORPHETT VALE EAST VACATION CARE PROGRAM

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 29th Sept - 10th Oct 2025



MOVIE DAY AT THE CINEMA

Join us as we head to the cinema for a movie. Bring your favourite snacks and drink as you relax with friends whilst enjoying the movie cinema style. We will be travelling on private charter bus to and from the venue.

***Cost \$14 per child**

Outcome 5: Children and young people are effective communicators

MONDAY 29/9/25



TUESDAY 30/9/25



GAMES 2 U GAMING VAN @ OSHC

Come along and join in for the day as we have games to you coming to OSHC for a range of games experiences whilst you play against all your friends at OSHC. See who will be your biggest challenge for the day.

Outcome 4: Children and young people are confident and involved learners

WILFRED TAYLOR RESERVE

Join with us as we head over to our local playground for some fun and games on the playground as well as the on the grassed areas. We will be walking on designated walking tracks to and from school to the playground and on our return journey.

Outcome 5: Children and young people are effective communicators

WEDNESDAY 1/10/25



THURSDAY 2/10/25



CREEK & CUBBY HOUSE DAY @ OSHC

Come along for the day as we head out of the school grounds and into the creek where we will build a cubby house from the sticks and stuff we find in the creek bed. We will have some old sheets and blankets for coverage.

Outcome 2: Children and young people are connected with and contribute to their world

MINI GOLF AT WEST BEACH

Join us as we head to west beach for a round of mini golf. You will be able to show off your golfing skills or perhaps you just want to come for the day to play with your friends at OSHC.

***Cost \$14 per child**

Outcome 1: Children and young people have a strong sense of identity

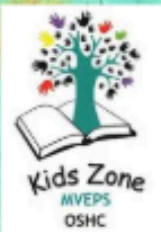
FRIDAY 3/10/25



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MORPHETT VALE EAST VACATION CARE PROGRAM

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS 29th Sept - 10th Oct 2025



LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Sorry We're
CLOSED

MONDAY 6/10/25



TUESDAY 7/10/25



WHEELS DAY WITH ELECTRONICS DAY

Join us at OSHC as we have a day of riding your wheels and time to enjoy your own devices in the designated times we have at OSHC.

Outcome 3: Children and young people have a strong sense of wellbeing

ADELAIDE CHOCOLATE SCHOOL

Come and join us as we head into the Adelaide school of chocolate. We make a tray of chocolates, a lollypop and a large novelty chocolate. We will be travelling on private charter bus to and from the venue.



Thank you!

Outcome 4: Children and young people are confident and involved learners

WEDNESDAY 8/10/25



THURSDAY 9/10/25



SHREK THE MUSICAL @ ARTS THEATRE

Come and join us as we head to see the Adelaide youth theatre perform Shrek the Musical. We will be travelling on private charter bus to and from the venue.

*Cost \$15 per child

Outcome 5: Children and young people are effective communicators

PARTY DAY @ OSHC

Its party day at OSHC to celebrate the last day of the school holidays. We will be having a sausage sizzle for lunch and some yummy snacks in the afternoon.

Outcome 2: Children and young people are connected with and contribute to their world

FRIDAY 10/10/25



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