



# Port Augusta Special School

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MAY

## DATES TO REMEMBER

### ASSEMBLY

30 MAY  
4 JULY  
22 AUGUST  
26 SEPTEMBER  
7 NOVEMBER  
5 DECEMBER

### GOVERNING COUNCIL MEETING 9.15AM

19 JUNE  
14 AUGUST  
11 SEPTEMBER  
6 NOVEMBER  
4 DECEMBER

### STUDENT FREE DAY

25 JUNE

### NAIDOC WEEK

1-5 JULY

### LAST DAY OF TERM DISMISSAL 3PM

5 JULY

### BEGINNING OF TERM 3

22 JULY

### Materials & Services

#### Charges

Materials & Services charges are now due. Families needing a "school card application" form can collect one from the front office. It would be appreciated if payments can be made ASAP.

Do you know that you can direct deposit into the school account? If interested in this easy option please contact the school.

## From the Principal

### Assembly

Thank you to all the parents and community members who attended our assemblies last term. I know the students enjoyed sharing their learning. We will be holding another assembly on Thursday 30 May at 9.30am, hosted by Room 2 in the Activity Room.

### Excursions

This term classes have planned a number of excursions including shopping, library, Arid Lands Explorers Garden, Mambray Creek, Whyalla indoor swimming pool and tenpin bowling. Our students gain a number of skills through these experiences such as opportunities to develop appropriate social skills, independence, confidence, communication in different setting, awareness of safety and self-regulating in new situation. Our vision at the school is;

### **All students achieve to their potential and make positive contributions in their community.**

To achieve this vision, we need to be providing our students with multiple opportunities to address the curriculum in real life situations.

### ICT Resources

Recently we have purchased 10 laptops to upgrade the teacher's computers. Each teacher is allocated a laptop and an iPad mini for work purposes. Another exciting ICT purchase is the new TV by Me computer. This computer allows for more editing options and the creation of some interesting special effects. I'm sure we'll view the wonderfully creative options at our next assembly.

### Allergy Awareness

Please be aware we have a staff member who is allergic to kiwi fruit. We ask you to be mindful of this when sending food to school.

### Volunteers Needed

Our students are fortunate to access the Flinders View Primary School canteen. Each morning our senior students collect the lunch orders and deliver them to the canteen returning at lunch time to collect and deliver the food. The canteen is staffed by volunteers and Flinders View have asked if any parents from our school could help out. If you are able to spare some time to help out, please contact Anna Nayda on 86425866. I'm sure your assistance would be appreciated.

*Sarah French*

**PRINCIPAL**



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# Safe4Kids



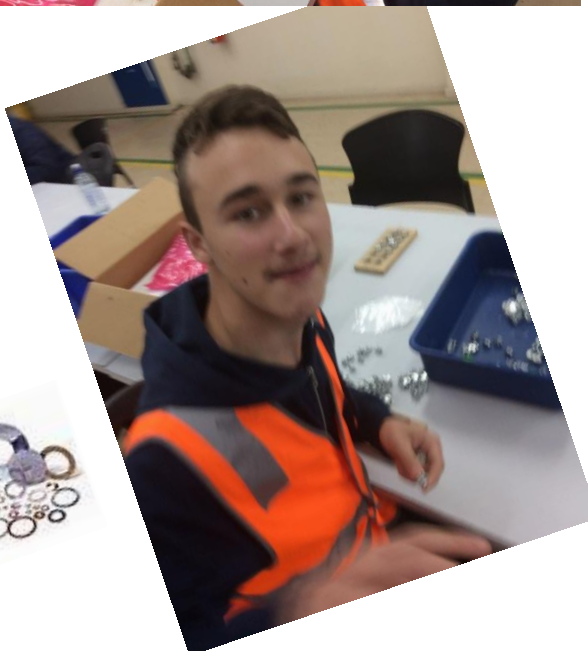
Building resilience and empowering children *parent tips*

1. Refrain from making your child kiss or hug someone they don't want to. There are other ways to show respectful affection such as shaking hands, giving a high five, or kissing a hand. If your child has objected to showing affection to someone in particular, check with your child later and find out why.
2. Encourage your child to persist in all areas of his or her life. If they start something, encourage them to stick with it. Also, if there is a time when they feel unsafe it is particularly important they keep telling an adult until they feel safe again.
3. Be a good role model... remember that children are watching you all of the time.

Child protection needs to be a priority for everyone!

## SACE students at Bedford

As part of our SACE program the SACE students attend Bedford Industries 3 times each term. This is a great program to help the students get ready for work. The students learn a lot of valuable skills that they need to help them transition from school to work. Our students really like going there and have made some friends as well. Every time we go the workers are always helpful and excited to see us.



**NAIDOC WEEK** will be celebrated by schools in the week of 1-5 July 2019.

Port Augusta Special School will celebrate with some cultural aspects of sharing food, drawing symbols represented in art, traditional and contemporary dance and dreamtime story telling. Dusty Feet Mob are booked to return after a successful visit last year.

If anyone in the community would like to conduct a special workshop on any cultural aspect, please contact with Aunty Kathy or Sue on 8641 0882.

