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NEWSLETTER

TERM 4 | WEEK 3 | FRIDAY 01/11/19

Message from Governing Council

On Tuesday 29th October the VPPS Governing Council met. The School leaders presented data on Special Education (how they are helping 54 students with varying degrees of literacy help), EALD (English as an additional language or dialect) and the NAPLAN (results vs previous 2 years) – it's good to see the school making these areas a key focus.

Updates were presented by OSHC, Canteen, Finance, Fundraising and Grounds. OSHC is finalising the procurement process (basically the Tender for the next 3 years), whilst Finance/Grounds continue to scope some physical improvements for the school.

We would like to thank the school community for supporting Fundraising who has contributed \$5000 to the nature play area which looks fantastic again with dozens of red gum logs installed, a viewing platform, more trees, new irrigation, a water pump, hundreds of pavers paved in and a fresh layer of mulch. It looks great and is providing a renewed outdoor space and experience for our students. 2020 events were tabled and the allocation of further funds was discussed (watch the fundraising space for updates).

On behalf of the school community, we would also like to thank the Staff of Vale Park as we really appreciate the effort that each of them goes to, and the hours that they often put in above and beyond which is the foundation of our great school community.

Rohan Wundke
Chairperson

AED

On Wednesday 23rd October 2019, the school was presented with an Automated External Defibrillator (AED).

An **AED**, or automated external defibrillator, is used to help those experiencing sudden cardiac arrest. It's an easy-to-use, medical device that can analyse the heart's rhythm and, if necessary, deliver an electrical shock, or defibrillation, to help the heart re-establish an effective rhythm.

Thank you to Bendigo Bank, Norwood Branch in enabling this, and to the Rotary Club of Adelaide for kindly donating the defibrillator.

Thank you also to staff member Liz Pedler who headed up this project to ensure we secured Vale Park an AED.

You will find the AED located on the wall next to the first aid room, in the front office.



Term Dates 2019

Term 1 29th Jan - 12 Apr

Term 2 29 Apr - 5 Jul

Term 3 22 Jul - 27 Sept

Term 4 14 Oct - 13 Dec

Governing Council

Tuesday 26/11

School Closure

Friday 15/11

Pupil Free Day

Monday 18/11

Key Dates

Term 4

06/11 - Footsteps #4

11/11 - Remembrance Day

13/11 - Active Travel Day, Footsteps #5 & Room 4 & 5 Excursion

14/11 - VPPS Extravaganza

15/11 - School Closure

18/11 - Pupil Free Day

19/11 - Dental Van Commences

21/11 - Room 11 Excursion

22/11 - Rooms 12 & 13 Excursion, Dental Van Concludes & 2020 Reception Transition #1

25/11 - Festival Meal Deal (Rooms 14-20)

26/11 - Governing Council

29/11 - 2020 Reception Transition #2

02/12 - Year 6/7 Camp Departs & Festival Meal Deal (Rooms 2-13)

04/12 - Year 6/7 Camp Returns

11/12 - Reports & 2020 Class Placements

12/12 - Meet 2020 Teacher & Year 7 Graduation

13/12 - Last Day of Term 4

1:30pm Finish

growing for the future...



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NEWS & UPDATES

End of Year Concert Program

Please visit this link to view (download and print) the 2019 End of Year Concert Program & map.

<https://www.valeparkps.sa.edu.au/parent-info/events/>

A reminder that all students need to be in their classroom **NO** later than 5:30pm on Thursday 14th November 2019.

School Closure & Pupil Free Day

A friendly reminder that following the End of Year Concert, Friday November 15th is a School Closure Day and Monday 18th November is a Pupil Free Day at Vale Park Primary School. If you require OSHC on these days please contact Happy Haven directly on 8266 0439 or 8155 5492.

Leaving Vale Park Primary School?

To assist our planning for 2020, we ask that you advise the school in writing (at dl.0967.info@schools.sa.edu.au) if your child/children are leaving Vale Park between now and the commencement of Term 1, 2020.

Student Daily Absence

As of Term 4, if a parent or caregiver hasn't notified their child's/children's classroom teacher or the Front Office the student will be marked as 'AU' (Away – Unexplained). At 10:00am each school day an automated email will be sent to the parents/caregivers notifying them of this absence. This new system replaces the individual phone calls Front Office staff were having to make each day. Please ensure you notify the school of any lateness or absence on each school day.

Going on Holidays?

If your child/children are going on a holiday or missing any school of a period of 5 or more consecutive school days you will need to complete an Exemption Form. If you could please advise the school either via email (at dl.0967.info@schools.sa.edu.au) or in person at the Front Office so you can complete the necessary Exemption Form/s we would be most appreciative.

Vale Park Website

Vale Park has a new and improved website. Please have a look - <https://www.valeparkps.sa.edu.au>

2020 Term Dates

To view the 2020 term dates please visit this link - <https://www.valeparkps.sa.edu.au/parent-info/term-dates/>

2020 School Fees Polling

Governing Council is proposing to set the Materials & Services (School Fees) Charge for 2020 at **\$430**, which represents a \$10 increase from 2019. Please ensure you return your polling slips to the Front Office by Monday 4th November to have your say.

SAPSASA Cricket Representatives

Congratulations to Keeva, Monique, Rose and Jay who were all selected in SAPSASA District Cricket Teams. All four students will represent the North Adelaide SAPSASA district at the State Cricket Carnival. We're all very proud of this special achievement and wish them the best of luck.



SA School Sport - State Athletics Representative

Congratulations to Kirsty who has qualified to represent South Australia at the All Schools Games this December in Perth. Last weekend Kirsty represented VPPS at the VIVA All School Games held at SA Athletics Stadium. Although Kirsty is only 12yrs old she entered into the U14 Girls' age group and competed in the Long Jump, Triple Jump, 100m and 80m Hurdles. Kirsty came 2nd in the Long Jump (Silver Medal) with a jump of 4.67m and 1st in Triple Jump (Gold Medal) with a jump of 10.03m. Congratulations Kirsty, we wish you all the best for the Games in December.





ROOM 5

STEM Showcase

Thank you to all our visitors who attended our STEAM Showcase day. We certainly enjoyed sharing our work with you.



Literacy - Choral poetry

We undertook some choral poetry for our assembly at the end of term 3. Choral poetry helps us with our rhythm, rhyme and fluency. We are continuing with poetry in term 4.

Penpals

We have joined a penpal program through Australia Post and have been matched with a class of year 2/3 students in Victoria. We made some beautiful origami leaf envelopes to put our letters into. We have written the first letters to introduce ourselves to our penpals and are eagerly awaiting their responses.



Mathematics and Art

In maths we finished off our unit on fractions which inspired us to do some Mondrian style artwork. We then began our unit on time and made some clocks to give us some clues to use when telling the time. This term we have been focusing on multiplication strategies and investigating length.



HASS

In HASS we have been looking at our place in the world and our connection to our place. We undertook an activity to visually illustrate this.



Pre-service Teacher

We have been lucky to have a pre-service teacher working with us for the first four weeks of term so we have had two teachers in the classroom to help out.

Wipe out Waste

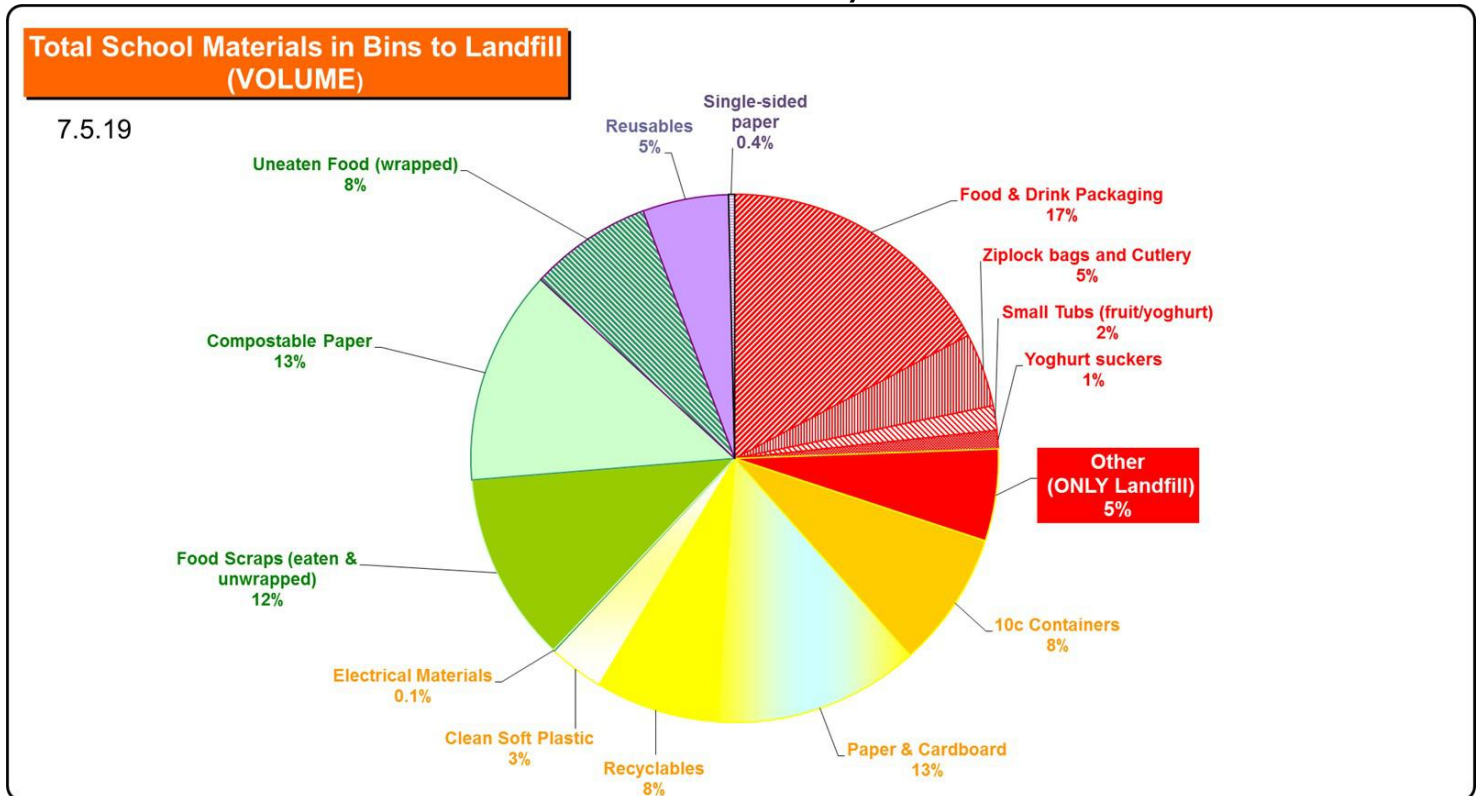


In May our school participated in a Bin Materials Audit. This involved all the waste in all of the bins in the school being collected and counted by students with the support of KESAB and Wipe Out Waste. The results of this were shocking to say the least.

Currently **266 Litres** per day are going to landfill for 515 people (63 840L/yr).

This is equivalent to **0.517 Litres** per person per day.

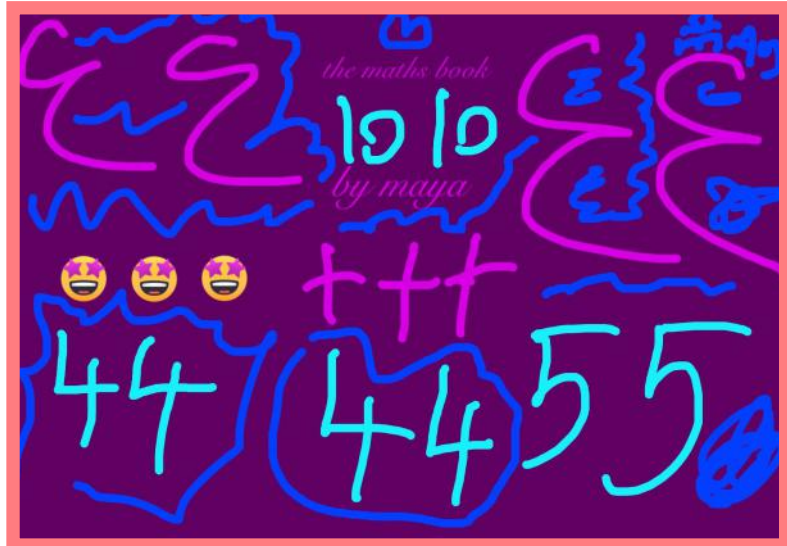
HOWEVER – only **15 Litres** HAS to go to landfill. By **reducing, reusing** and **recycling** Vale Park **could reduce their waste to landfill by 94%.**



- A minimum of \$600 is being lost each year with 10c deposit containers being thrown to landfill.
- Partly eaten or uneaten food makes up 20% of our school waste.
- Food packaging choices make up 17% of our school waste.
- This data is of waste collected on a Monday and does not include waste impacts from the canteen.

The Garden and Sustainability Action Team and students will be working with teachers, families and the school to develop strategies and educate us all to reduce the impacts of waste on the school and community.

ROOM 7



Room 7 Receptions
We made books all about the addition strategy 'doubles'.
We used iPads to design the front cover.

ROOM 12



Room 12 have taken it back to the basics in Visual Art lessons and have been learning all about the colour wheel. We have learnt about primary, secondary and tertiary colours and how colours can complement each other. These are some of our complementary colour monsters!



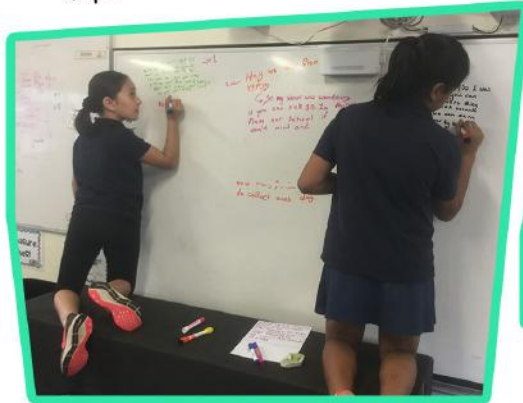
Room 19 - Year 4s

Miss Rivett

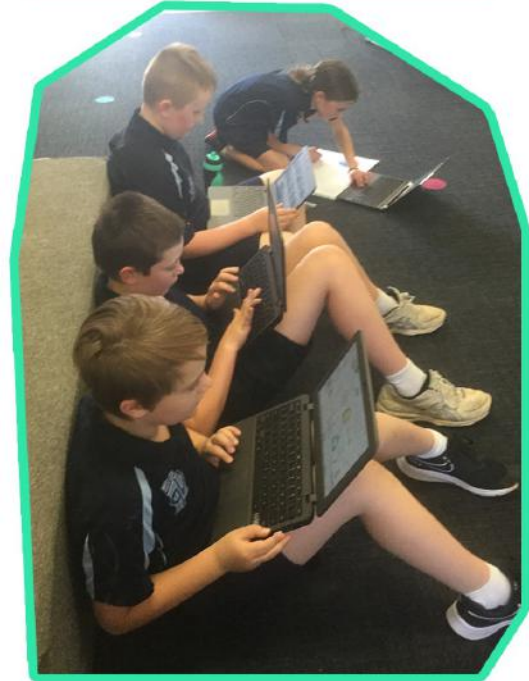
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We have been focusing on data to help drive our inquiry and STEM learning. We have been analysing the data from the school's waste audit and using this to design actions to avoid, reduce, recycle and reuse resources before they are sent to landfill. We have developed action plans, undertaken further data collection, written letters and been developing our own teaching resources. Some students have written to companies to get donations of hand dryers, been creating social science experiments with the canteen and educating OSHC on other ways to redirect waste for sustainability.



We have been comparing the variety of waste disposal bins and systems around the school. This is helping us make judgements about waste management procedures.



Pie Graph

Data Displays

We learnt about different types of graphs by creating them with our bodies. Check out our birthday month bar graph, line graph and pie graph.



Bar Graph



Line Graph



VINNIES CHRISTMAS APPEAL

Vale Park Primary School will be supporting this initiative to help those who are marginalised and in need all over Adelaide this festive season. We hope you will kindly consider and share the gift of giving and help donate goods for Christmas hampers.

Boxes will be placed in each classroom and one in the front office to collect your donations of toys or non-perishable in date food items.

**MAKE IT A REAL
CHRISTMAS**

FILLED WITH JOY.

Too many Australian families are going without the very things that make Christmas special.

Food Drive **Toy Drive**

**YOU CAN HELP VINNIES SUPPORT FAMILIES
IN NEED THIS CHRISTMAS**

Please place your food or unwrapped gift
donations in the box provided

Vinnies Christmas Appeal
St Vincent de Paul Society
just say yes



Vale Park's

GOT TALENT



2019 Winners Maddison, Summer, Savannah, Sophie sang a dramatised song from the Greatest Showman.

This year we had 69 acts audition for Vale Park's Got Talent that ran across term 3 this year. Thursday of week 10 was our Grand Final featuring four of our best acts. We were blown away by how much effort all our contestants put in as they continued to improve on their performances.



Eva, Gurshan and Pearl had us bopping to their cultural dance.



Hanna, Lanna and Bassil sang & danced their hearts out.



Cooper and the Magic Bros dazzled us with their tricks.

Thank you to our helpers and parents support. I look forward to next years Vale Park's Got Talent.

Yard Play Action Team



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Safer, greener and more active travel for South Australian primary school communities

VALE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



Active Travel Day

Wednesday 14th November (Week 5)

We are fast approaching our Active Travel Day! The changing weather is the perfect reason to choose active pathways to get to school and set your child up for a positive start for the day. Let's fill the Wheels Hub with bikes and scooters and help our children arrive more alert for learning.



All students who walk, ride or scoot more than two blocks to school this day can see Mr Goldney or Miss Rivett when you arrive at school for **Values Cup points** for your house team.

It will be a "Wheely" good day!

Active Travel Day supports Vale Park PS involvement in the Way2Go project in conjunction with the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure. We encourage all students to select active pathways to school every day.

Spring into



Active School Travel

Spring is the perfect time to add some physical activity to your family's routine! Why not welcome the warm weather and longer days by encouraging children to actively commute to school – it can be fun and very rewarding!

Biking, walking, rollerblading, and skateboarding are all ways to actively commute. Walking or wheeling to school is not only tons of fun but it positively contributes to children's health and well-being. FYI, here are some of the many benefits that come from choosing active modes of transport:

+ Physical Activity!

Physical activity improves cardiovascular health and reduces the risk of developing chronic diseases.

+ Improved mental and emotional health!

Decreased stress, anxiety and depression are correlated with active school travel.

+ Save the planet!

Fewer vehicles in school zones mean reduced emissions and cleaner air for our children.

+ Improved academic performance!

An active commute increases alertness and attention at school to help students to succeed and be ready to learn when they arrive at school.

+ Quality time with your child!

Evidence indicates that spending time actively commuting to school increases opportunities for parents and caregivers to engage positively with their children.

Parents and caregivers have a big influence on children's travel to and from school. Consider walking or wheeling with your child, or planning a safe route they can explore with their friends!

Active School Travel is for Everyone!

Waste Free Week

Week 5

To support the schools work towards being more sustainable, the Garden Sustainability Action Team and Room 19 are hosting Waste Free Week. Everyone is encourage to choose options that put no waste in their lunch boxes. If you do give your child/ren wrappers they will be sent home in their lunch boxes. There are many options out there that save parents and families lots of money, create jobs and help our environment.

Kind regards, the V.P.P.S students.



Wipe out Waste

www.wow.sa.gov.au



Start a compost collection at school or home.

Many food scraps can be put into a compost bin, which is good for your garden and stops this valuable resource being sent to landfill.



Wipe out Waste

ON OUR WAY TO ZERO WASTE

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\$100 SPORTS VOUCHER **GREAT CLUB CULTURE**

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Junior boy & girl footballers of all ages

Current Gaza player incentives for 2020 season

Bring 1 additional player & receive 20% off fees
Bring 2 or more additional players & receive 50% off fees

2020 fee structure

U7's to 8's = \$150 / U9's to U11's = \$200 / U12's to U16's = \$220
Minimum \$50 deposit required on registration with remaining to be paid by Round 3

For further information please contact
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or email us at gazajuniors@outlook.com



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Vale Park Primary School presents

'Off the Bookshelf'

A concert extravaganza

Thursday 14th November

Concert will begin at 6pm

Food and drinks will be available to purchase from the canteen and the SAKG

All students are to be in their classrooms by 5:30pm so that teachers can have their classes seated on the oval by 5:45pm



A program will soon be available that will include a map, food options, seating arrangements, performance order and class times



WELL-BEING & RESILIENCE

Parenting Mindfully Workshop



THURSDAY NOVEMBER 7TH

Arrive 6:45pm for a 7pm start
\$10 includes Tea & Coffee

WALKERVILLE UNITING CHURCH

17 Smith Street Walkerville

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ABOUT THE FACILITATOR PAULA PORTER

Paula is an energetic and passionate facilitator who loves empowering others to live their best lives.



Paula has a Diploma in Positive Psychology & Wellbeing, and a Diploma in Vocational Education & Training.



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North East Community Day

Saturday 2nd November 2019
10am - 2pm

- ★ FREE Entry
- ★ FREE Kids Entertainment
- ★ FREE Live Entertainment
- ★ 40 + Stalls
- ★ Coffee Van, Sausage Sizzle, SA Tornado Potato & Cheese Toasties



Bring your own picnic and enjoy the atmosphere

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ONLY 100 tickets available @ \$10 each

Winner will be drawn on 8/11/19

Prize includes:

- Roped off PRIME seating with beanbags, cushions & blankets (for up to 6 family members - the best seats in the house!)
- A grazing platter, SAKG BBQ, snacks & soft drinks (to the value of \$100)
- Photos of your child/ren on the night from our official photographer

Contact Phone Numbers

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Uniform Shop

Open Monday Mornings 8.45 - 9.15

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Mon - Fri 8am - 4.30pm