

# Newsletter

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Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023



## Welcome to 2023



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Margaret Roads

## Principal's news

*'Strong start – Stronger finish' and 'Don't wait for opportunity, Create it'*

These are the two mottos which have driven our Week Zero preparations and the beginning of the year with our students. We have seen the mottos put into action and I am extremely proud of the way in which our students and staff have commenced 2023. A lot of work and organisation ensured our learning spaces and beginning of the year programs were ready for Day 1. The engagement and excitement of our students commencing 2023 has been fantastic. Students are demonstrating the Strong Start motto and I am looking forward to a great year for our school community.

A warm welcome to our new Reception students and their families: Jax, Caitlyn, Millicent, Addison, Marley, Dan, Matilda, Kaden and April. We are so excited to see you all beginning your schooling journey at AAS. In addition to our Receptions, we extend a warm welcome to Kayleesi and her family and welcome back to Ashton and Lily and their family.

Our new staff have been welcomed by our school community. Mrs Olivia Clifford (Year 6 teacher), Mrs Emma Wake (Science Reception – Year 8), Miss Kimberly Hodges (Year 1/2 and AUSLAN teacher) and Ms Kaitlin Hughes (SSO) have all quickly become part of our team.

Congratulations again to our 2022 Graduates. Our 2022 SACE results were excellent, with all our Year 12 students achieving an ATAR, 84% of SACE grades in the A and B bands and Calvin Perrie achieving the highest ATAR, with an impressive 95.1. We are looking forward to supporting our 2023 Year 12 students during their final year and wish them all the best for the year ahead.

Thank you to the families who were able to attend our 2023 Welcome Night. Thanks also to our Student Leadership Group (SLG) and Governing Council for their support of the night. The AAS Quiz saw great participation and certainly added to the fun of the night. We look forward to seeing our families and community members at many events throughout the year.

We have some important events in the next few weeks, including the **Student Leaders Induction Ceremony** on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February commencing at 9.30am in the Gymnasium. Congratulations to all students who nominated for positions and to those who have been successfully elected. I look forward to working with our young leaders across the year.

The **AAS Governing Council Annual General Meeting** will be held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February commencing at 7pm in the Library. The 2022 AAS Annual Report will be presented, along with the election of the 2023 Governing Council. I hope that many parents, carers and community members can attend this important meeting. If you would like information of what Governing Council involves, please speak to Scott Teakle - Chairperson, Marie Gorden - Secretary or Trent Whittaker - Treasurer.

In Weeks 7 and 8 of this term our Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be undertaking NAPLAN. This is earlier than in previous years. Families of those students were emailed the privacy letter last week. If you have any questions regarding NAPLAN please contact either Amy East or myself.

In keeping with the creating opportunities motto, I am very excited that our year 3-6 teachers will be working with the *Activate* program with *Future Anything* in 2023. The *Activate* program empowers teachers, schools and young people to build innovative ideas and enterprising mindsets. This program further extends our Inquiry learning programs across our school, with Investigations in Reception-Year 2, Future Focused Learning in years 7-9 and SACE Business Innovation for our Year 10s. We look forward to sharing our work with the Activate program across the year.

All families will have received information from Home Group teachers to commence the year. Strong communication is vital to ensuring successful outcomes and I encourage parents and caregivers to contact the relevant class/subject teacher or member of the Leadership Team if you have questions or concerns throughout year. My contact details are Margaret.Roads954@schools.sa.edu.au or phone 88373025.

I am looking forward to a great 2023 for our school and community.

Kind regards,

Margaret



# AAS GOVERNING COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



TUESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2023  
7PM  
AAS MEETING ROOM

WE INVITE OUR FAMILIES, STUDENTS AND SCHOOL  
COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO JOIN US.  
HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!



## Deputy Principal

Amy East

Welcome to 2023!

The inaugural Year 12 Retreat held at Port Vincent last week provided the opportunity for our Stage 2 students to collaborate with other senior students from the Southern Yorke Partnership Schools; Central Yorke, Minlaton and Yorketown. This retreat enabled our students to learn and reinforce key skills and strategies relating to work/life balance, maintaining a healthy lifestyle, learning and study expectations and relationship building. Students also heard from international motivational speaker, Craig Harper, and through this, and further resources, were guided on how to achieve their individual success in their final year of schooling. This was a fantastic experience for all participating students and provided all with the foundations for a strong 2023 and final year of schooling.



The strong start we have had in our secondary in 2023, is in continuance of the strong finish of our Year 12 students in 2022, of which we were and continue to be very proud. Our 2022 year 12 graduates, Sienna Bond, Kimberly McKibbin, Calvin Perrie, Megan Purnell, Nathan Rowe, Emma Whittaker, all completed their SACE, all obtained an ATAR and collectively achieved 84% of their grades in the A/B band. Further congratulations to Calvin Perrie who achieved our highest ATAR of 95.10 whilst undertaking Specialist Mathematics, Mathematical Methods, Physics, English and Research Project. We look forward to hearing of this cohort's further success in the future.

In addition to the success of our Stage 2 students in 2022, in our end of year assembly thirty students across Reception to Year 12 were recognised for their Outstanding Effort or Academic Excellence across the 2022 school year. This was another fantastic result that celebrated these students' hard work and perseverance. We look forward to seeing what these, and all of our students achieve across the 2023 school year.

With many thanks,

Amy East

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## R-6 Leader

Kim Black

Welcome to 2023 at AAS! There have been so many highlights for me over the past two weeks, I am going to share three of these moments.

**HIGHLIGHT #1** - Seeing inspiring learning spaces 'in action' with the return of students. Our dedicated educators have created engaging and supportive environments, providing students with the opportunity to make a strong start to the year. Existing spaces have been refreshed and new learning spaces have been created.

**HIGHLIGHT #2** - Welcoming our new reception students, who have transitioned to school without hesitation thanks to the support of their families, staff and fellow students. Our strong connection with the Ardrossan Kindergarten allows students to develop confidence in the school environment throughout the year before school.

**HIGHLIGHT #3** – Attending two fun filled days of Aquatics at Port Vincent last week with the Year 6/7 students. Although the weather was not ideal, students displayed a positive attitude and were lucky enough to be involved in a range of water sports ranging from sailing to knee boarding.



## SLG NEWS

A new year brings a fresh start to the Student Leadership Group. Congratulations to all members elected to form the 2023 SLG. We will formally induct these students on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> of February at 9:30am and look forward to working with them throughout the year.

### BREAKFAST CLUB

Breakfast club is held in the North Yard each Friday morning. Toast and milo are the usual menu items, with the occasional egg and bacon or pancake mornings being held. We are always looking for support with this to ensure it continues for our students. If you would like to volunteer your time to help, please contact the Front Office for more information. We would like to thank Ardrossan Drakes and the Ardrossan Bakery for their continued support and donations.

Kind regards, Kim Black



Brad Channon

## School Organisation and Student Engagement Leader

Welcome back to 2023, I hope that you all had a wonderful summer break, Christmas and New Year! It has been fantastic to get back on site and see the many smiling faces. Term 1 has commenced with high expectations and strong standards early, which has produced a great start to the year. I have enjoyed moving around the learning spaces and seeing the fantastic work that our teachers have put in over the holiday period to set up, fun, engaging and safe learning environments for all of our learners. I look forward to working with the leadership team this term to continue the fantastic work that has been happening here at AAS.

At the end of last term, and during this week, we have run our School Captain and Student Leadership Group election processes. Congratulations to the following Student Leaders for 2023:

**School Captain:** Isabelle Teakle

**Middle School Captains:** Lily Colliver, Tia Black, Mikayla Dayman

**Junior School Captain:** Layla Black

**Vincent House Captains:** Isabelle Teakle, Jake Clifford

**Vincent Junior Captain:** Abby Elsworthy

**Yorke House Captains:** Nicole Whittaker, Jakson Steele

**Yorke Junior Captain:** Carly Whittaker

**Music Captain:** Serenity Gorden

### Class Representatives:

**R/1:** Marley Hollitt, Kaden Reidy

**Year 1/2:** Cooper Robinson, Zoe Dragan

**Year 3:** Cooper Hicks, Angel Pavlou

**Year 4/5:** Cody Thompson, Molly Oster

**Year 7/8:** Aleisha Goodchild

**Year 9/10:** Ella Stacey

**Year 11/12:** Jackson Moffat, Elisha Carter

### SLG Executive:

**President:** Isabelle Teakle

**Secretary:** Elisha Carter

**Treasurer:** Jackson Moffat

Mrs. Kim Black and I both look forward to working with the 2023 Student Leadership Group across the year.

### From the Sports Desk:

Athletics Carnival! It is fast approaching – Save the date for **Friday the 10<sup>th</sup> of March** (Week 6 Friday).

If you are able to support the event in a volunteering capacity please let the front office know and I will get in touch with you via email.

Brad Channon 😊

# Highlights

## Aquatics

6/7 students participated in Aquatics Thursday & Friday of week 1.



## First day pictures.....



## Welcome Night

A wonderful turnout at our Welcome Night held last night. Our families enjoyed the AAS Quiz and the delicious sausages. Thank you to Governing Council for cooking the barbecue and to SLG students for selling soft drink and snacks.







# Parent/Emergency contact details are very important!

Please ensure your contact details are up to date at all times. If you change your home phone or mobile number, could you please let us know straight away in case we need to contact you if your child is ill or injured. This also applies to your emergency contacts, email and home addresses.



has your address has changed?



Do you have a new landline/mobile number?



Is your email is different?

**If your details change, please update at the front office**





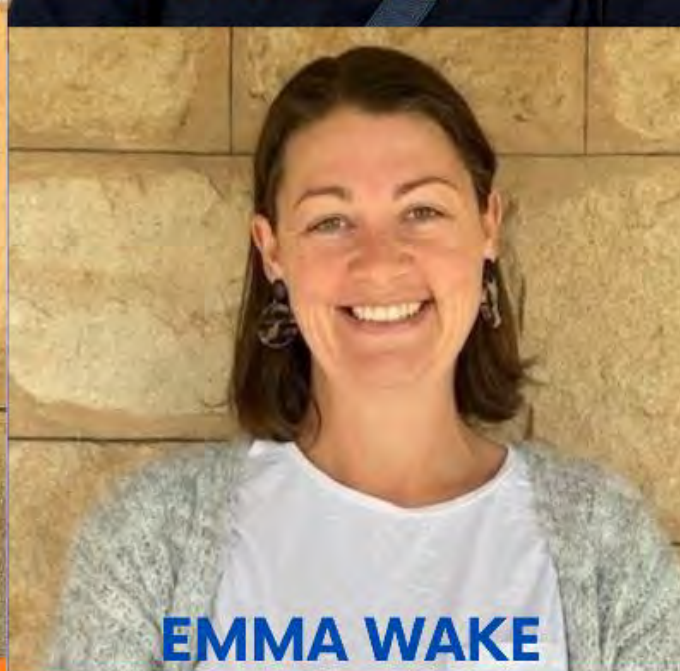
**KIMBERLY HODGES**



**KAITLIN HUGHES**



**OLIVIA CLIFFORD**



**EMMA WAKE**

**WELCOME**

**TO AAS**



# Eggstraordinary

On Monday the R/1 class collected a record number of 25 eggs from our chickens!



**Georgia-** "There were a lot of eggs from the chickens."

**Clare-** "I cleaned the water."

**Kayne-** "I like patting the chickens."

**Kaden-** "I told mum, 25!"

**Millicent-** "My favourite thing was getting the eggs."

**Marley-** "We collected lots of eggs."



# Community News



## EMERGING LEADERS Yorke Peninsula

Do you want to be a confident, effective leader within your community?  
Then this program is for you...

We are looking for people who are willing, able, and ready to take on their first, or more senior, leadership role in local community organisations (eg. sporting clubs, parents and friends, emergency services, progress associations, service clubs, show societies etc) to participate in this high-quality 7 day/2 evening program to gain knowledge and build confidence to become a future leader!

### EMERGING LEADERS PROGRAM INCLUDES:

INTRODUCTION TO LEADERSHIP	FOUNDATION OF GOVERNANCE	MANAGING FINANCES AND RISK
PROJECT AND EVENT MANAGEMENT	MEDIA, PUBLIC RELATIONS AND PRESENTATION SKILLS	MANAGING TEAMS AND FUTURE PLANNING
WELCOME FUNCTION	GRADUATION CEREMONY	COACHING + GUEST SPEAKERS

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### How to Apply

To apply, complete the form via the QR code or go to [www.yorkeandmidnorth.com.au](http://www.yorkeandmidnorth.com.au)  
Applications close Friday, 10 February 2023 5pm



### Further information:

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## ROCKDOCTORS

"PRESCRIBING HAPPINESS"

SATURDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2023

9pm to 11pm, HENLEY SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB (Henley Beach)

SATURDAY 25 FEBRUARY 2023

8pm to 10pm, ARDROSSAN TOWN HALL (Ardrrossan)

SATURDAY 4 MARCH 2023

9pm to 11pm, HENLEY SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB (Henley Beach)

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# TERM PLANNER

# TERM 1, 2023

(The calendar is updated regularly, please check newsletter diary dates, School Star and Facebook)

WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1	January 30 <sup>th</sup>	31 <sup>st</sup>	February 1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Year 6/7 Aquatics	3 <sup>rd</sup> Year 6/7 Aquatics
2	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> 2023 Welcome Night	8 <sup>th</sup> Newsletter publication	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> Whole School Assembly hosted by 9/10
3	13 <sup>th</sup>	14 <sup>th</sup>	15 <sup>th</sup>	16 <sup>th</sup> SLG Induction 9:30am	17 <sup>th</sup>
4	20 <sup>th</sup>	21 <sup>st</sup> School Photo Day	22 <sup>nd</sup> Year 7, 8 & 10 Immunisations	23 <sup>rd</sup>	24 <sup>th</sup>
5	27 <sup>th</sup>	28 <sup>th</sup> Governing Council AGM 7pm	March 1 <sup>st</sup> Newsletter publication	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> R-6 Assembly hosted by Year 3 Traffic Light reports go home
6	6 <sup>th</sup> 1500m	7 <sup>th</sup> Javelin	8 <sup>th</sup> 800m	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup> Athletics Carnival
7	13 <sup>th</sup> Adelaide Cup Day Public holiday	14 <sup>th</sup> Student Free Day	15 <sup>th</sup> NAPLAN	16 <sup>th</sup> NAPLAN	17 <sup>th</sup> NAPLAN
8	20 <sup>th</sup> NAPLAN R-6 Interviews	21 <sup>st</sup> NAPLAN R-6 Interviews	22 <sup>nd</sup> NAPLAN R-6 Interviews Newsletter publication	23 <sup>rd</sup> NAPLAN	24 <sup>th</sup> NAPLAN R-6 Assembly hosted by Year 6
9	27 <sup>th</sup> NAPLAN Yorke Peninsula Schools Secondary Athletics Carnival @ Central Yorke School	28 <sup>th</sup> SYP Primary Schools Athletics Carnival @ Central Yorke School	29 <sup>th</sup>	30 <sup>th</sup>	31 <sup>st</sup>
10	April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	4 <sup>th</sup> Choir assessment	5 <sup>th</sup>	6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup> Good Friday
11	10 <sup>th</sup> Easter Monday	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup> Newsletter publication	13 <sup>th</sup> Year 7-12 Reports go home	14 <sup>th</sup> Whole School Assembly hosted by Year 11/12 - 1:30pm Early dismissal 2pm