



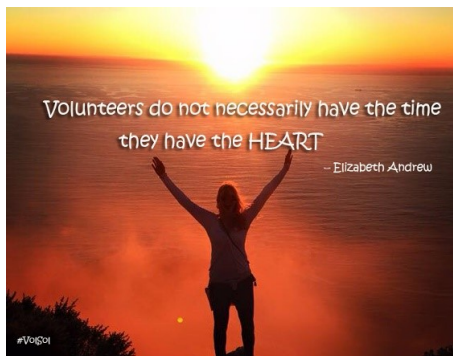
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Newsletter Term 4 Week 6, 2021



## Principal's report

**Volunteers** – Today at our assembly, we acknowledged the volunteers who have helped at Callington Primary School in 2021. Volunteering can take many forms from cooking a barbecue at the Show, transporting students, hearing reading, joining Governing Council, helping with breakfast club and more. Schools are busy organisations and we appreciate and value any contribution that can be made to assist our staff and students. Over the last two years, volunteering has looked different, as Covid-19 restrictions have had an impact, but the support has been felt nonetheless. On behalf of all the staff and students, a big THANKS to our volunteers.



**External Review** – Our review is now complete. The review panel met with students, teachers, SSOs and parents to discuss the progress our school has made against the directions outlined in the previous review. Thanks to those who gave their input through the review process. We are awaiting formal feedback, but from my perspective we have a lot of positives to be proud of as we approach the end of the year. Our students are happy and engaged with learning, our staff work together and are driven to improve and our school community work with staff towards shared goals. Our school is growing and the future is bright at Callington Primary School.

**Milk Bottle regatta** – As part of STEM work, our children are once again preparing a boat for the Milang Milk Bottle regatta. If families can collect any plastic 2&3 litre milk bottles (washed), Mr. Ratcliff would be greatly appreciative! They can be sent in to school any time from now.



**Christmas Christian Option** – You will notice in Jeanette's article that on Monday there is a Christmas Christian Option. Consent for your child's attendance has already been sought for this or families have indicated children won't be attending. If your circumstances have changed with regard to this, please notify the office before Monday afternoon.

**Student Free Day Reminder** – Monday 29<sup>th</sup> November is a Student Free Day. Our staff will be analysing 2021 data and developing the next School Improvement Plan.

If you would like to discuss any matter regarding your child's education, please send me an email or make an appointment through Sarah/Kate in the school office.

Kind regards,  
Paul Jude  
Paul.jude460@schools.sa.edu.au



**Hello from Jeanette!**  
(Pastoral Care Worker)



As we journey towards the end of the school year we also approach Christmas. To highlight this special time of the year the Schools Ministry Group (SMG) Life Matters Team will be visiting Callington Primary on Monday 22nd November after lunch and sharing a special presentation with us. It is called "Christmas– A Gift Of Gratitude". It is a creative retelling of the foundational story of Christmas, told in a sensitive and inclusive way. It is interactive and presented with a mixture of live story games, activities and digital media.

It is funded through the Strathalbyn Inter-church Council and for all students (except those who have opted not to attend the Christian Options presentation).

It goes for about 45 minutes and includes topics such as

- Gratitude
- Appreciation
- The Christmas story
- And mental health

Students will also receive a Christmas pack at the end of the performance.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me on 0431 791 423

Until next time,  
Warmly Jeanette



Phoenix

Joshua

Lochlan

Jock

Zarah-Dusk

Reagan

Levi

Ryder

**Dates to remember**

29/11 Student Free Day

3/12 Year 6/7 Graduation

9/12 Final Assembly Yr 6/7 farewell 2:30 pm

10/12 Last day, early dismissal (2:20pm)

**Bravery**  
**Respect**  
**Excellence**

Congratulations to our  
Bremer award recipients

R/1

**Lauren and Jock**

2/3/4

**Zac and Alex**

5/6/7

**Mitchell and William**

**Enthusiasm**

**Mindfulness**

**Responsibility**



Lost Property and Library book  
return

As the end of term is fast approaching, please check with the front office if your child/ren are missing any school clothes.

We also kindly ask that all library books are returned by end of week 7.

Thankyou CPS

Congratulations to all our students for once again completing the Premier's Reading Challenge.

**PREMIER'S  
READING  
Challenge**

**BREAD TAGS FOR WHEELCHAIRS**

Please save your bread tags - they will be recycled to fund wheelchairs in South Africa.



Bread Tags for Wheelchairs has been recycling bread tags in South Africa since 2006. They currently collect about 500kg/month, which funds 2-3 wheelchairs. Now we are collecting in Australia too!

**What can I do?**

It's easy ..... save your bread tags for a while and then drop them off at one of our collection points. Ask your family, friends, school and local café to help.



Contact us for signage, to find your nearest collection point, or to host a collection point.

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**f** aussiebreadtags Local Contact: .....  
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Anyone welcomed  
 Contact us to make  
 an appointment  
 8531 4900



**Free pop-up COVID-19 vaccination clinics**

WE are supporting ac.care clients and anyone in the community to obtain the COVID-19 vaccine by providing pop-up clinics at the ac.care Murraylands Centre.

ac.care is partnering with Country SA PHN to provide the sessions.

Anyone can book a clinic appointment to receive the vaccine at no cost.

Clinics will be held at the ac.care Murraylands Centre,  
 29 Bridge Street, Murray Bridge

Wednesday, November 17  
 9am-4pm

Wednesday, December 8  
 9am-4pm

The Pfizer vaccine will be provided.

Call 8531 4900 or speak to our friendly staff to book an appointment.

**Communities for Children Murraylands**

**BIKE BASICS**



**Cost:** FREE and bring your bike.  
**When:** 3.30-5pm on Tuesday afternoons commencing 19th October for 8 weeks  
**Where:** Murray Bridge - location to be advised once registered

- Puncture repairs
- Road safety
- Group bike project
- Gain new skills
- Replace parts

**Pushbike maintenance**

Come along with your child (4 to 12 years) to learn about the basics of pushbike maintenance and work on a group bike project

Register to attend as numbers are limited

Phone Centacare on 82156347

**COVID REQUIREMENTS:**

- Maintain physical distancing of 1.5m and maintain good hand and respiratory hygiene
- Stay at home if you have cold or flu like symptoms and get tested and download the COVID safe App

Communities for Children Murraylands is facilitated by ac.care and funded by the Australian Department of DSS. This activity is delivered by Centacare a Community Partner of Communities for Children Murraylands





'I like learning the torpedo' - Ada



'I enjoy diving under the water and getting the frog from the bottom' - Ellissa



# Junior Primary Swimming



'I enjoy playing with the toys and using the board' - Michael



'I like sitting on the bottom of the pool and spinning in circles' - Evan



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Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Dear Families,

On November 16, the Commissioner of Police, acting in his role as the State Coordinator responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, announced the Emergency Management (Education and Early Childhood Settings Vaccination) (COVID-19) Direction 2021.

Under this Direction, COVID-19 vaccinations will be mandatory for all people who work or volunteer at our school, except those who have a medical exemption endorsed by the Chief Public Health Officer. This includes:

- All of our staff and contractors
- Anyone who visits our schools/preschool/children's centre for work purposes
- Our Governing Council members
- All volunteers and parent helpers (people who assist with reading, camps, excursions, canteen, fundraising etc).

Under this Direction, all of the above-mentioned people must receive at least 1 dose of a Therapeutic Goods Association (TGA) approved COVID-19 vaccination and a booking to receive a second dose by 11.59pm on 10 December 2021, which is the last day of term.

The Direction does not apply to students, parents dropping off or picking up children, attending parent teacher interviews, events or similar, as long as they are not working or volunteering at the event and COVID safe measures are followed.

More information about the Direction is available on The Department for Education website: [education.sa.gov.au](http://education.sa.gov.au)

Our number one priority is providing a safe environment for our students and for our staff, and this new measure aims to reduce the spread of COVID-19.

*Regards,*

*Paul Jude*

*Principal*

**Bravery - Respect - Excellence - Mindfulness - Enthusiasm - Responsibility**