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# Echunga Primary School



Together we will strive for academic, social, emotional and personal achievement,  
working within a positive culture that promotes the pursuit of excellence and the understanding of others

Week 3, Term 4, 30th October, 2020

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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers

What a tremendous start we have had to Term 4. Energy and enthusiasm appear to know no bounds as each challenge and event occurs as the weeks progress. Since our return the children have been engaged in classroom learning including Science Investigations, Performance and new writing genres, PAT testing, Book Week and our Parade and most recently in our Camps. In between this we have been preparing for Transition days for our Preschoolers who have been enjoying regular visits. Each of these builds different capacity in our children and our staff as we work together to navigate outside our comfort zones. My observations throughout have included developing communication between students as they problem solve and work together, increased levels of team spirit and group responsibility and improved resilience through wins and losses. The great variety of experience has tapped into the different flairs of the students and community with creativity featuring often - costumes, cooking and characters. We have received so many compliments regarding the children's conduct, manners and interactions, so utterly deserved. Our staff, as always have gone the extra miles, bringing along with them willing parents, without whom our camps could not go ahead. So...I want to express my absolute gratitude to our parents and community and our staff (some people are both) for making participation in these events possible and highly enjoyable.

Kind regards

## DIARY DATES

Tues 3 Nov—6:00pm  
Special Governing Council  
Meeting to approve the  
Materials & Services  
Charge for 2021

Wed 4, 11, 18, 25 Nov—  
Footsteps

Thurs 5 Nov-Outdoor  
Classroom Day

View the newsletter on  
our website at  
[www.echungaps.sa.edu.au](http://www.echungaps.sa.edu.au)

ECHUNGA PRESCHOOL AND PRIMARY SCHOOL

## TRANSITION *from* PRESCHOOL *to* SCHOOL PARENT INFORMATION SESSION

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD

• 5:30PM •

SCHOOL ALLUVIAL HALL

A SESSION FOR OUR 2021 ENROLLED  
RECEPTION FAMILIES TO GAIN A GREATER  
INSIGHT INTO THE TRANSITION PROCESS AND  
STARTING SCHOOL.

\*\* COVID PROTOCOLS APPLY \*\*

# SCHOOL NEWS

## MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGE 2021

As per the invitation and watermarked notice which was emailed to families on the 13th October this is a reminder to families that the Governing Council Meeting where the charge will be discussed is on Tuesday 3rd November at 6:00pm in the Staff Room.

If you are unable to attend the meeting you can express your views in writing to the chairperson. These letters can be left at the Front Office or emailed to [dl.0123.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0123.info@schools.sa.edu.au) to be passed on to the chairperson.

If the charge is approved by Governing Council all families who will be liable for the charge in 2021 will be polled to seek to increase the legally recoverable amount from \$246 to \$300.



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Echunga Primary School - 0123		
Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2021		
Notice of Charges for Reception - Year 7		
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
Printed and electronic materials related to the educational program and which are provided for the student	Workbooks	\$0.00
	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00
	Photocopied Material	\$70.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>
Stationery items that are provided for the student	Stationery Items	\$70.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)</b>	<b>\$70.00</b>
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the student to consume or use the materials or take ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Student Information Technology	\$40.00
	Access to Machinery	\$0.00
	Access to Equipment	\$0.00
	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$85.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)</b>	<b>\$125.00</b>
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the student	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$35.00
	<b>SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)</b>	<b>\$35.00</b>
<b>Total Materials and Services Charge (excluding Subject Charges)</b>		<b>\$300.00</b>

These subject charges are in addition to the Materials and Services Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

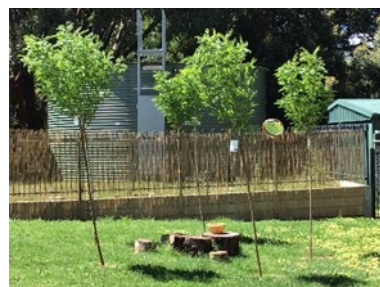
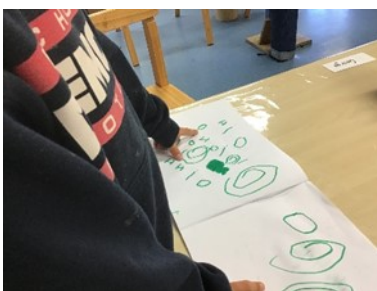
Subject Description	Cost (\$)
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
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	\$0.00

# SCHOOL NEWS

## PRESCHOOL NEWS

Over the past few weeks the children have been involved with bookmaking. They have been developing their identity as authors and illustrators as they create their books. All children are encouraged to explore writing, which may be in the form of mark making on their page, using “loopy loop” writing or with the use of conventional letters.

Everyone is thoroughly enjoying our new sandpit, dry creek bed and natural climbing circuit. The mop top trees we planted in winter are growing well. The children enjoy making a variety of potions with flowers, sand and water whilst playing in this beautiful space.



Preschool are seeking donations of old work boots and rubber boots for their sustainable garden project. Please leave items at the front office or at the preschool.

## MOBILE DENTAL CLINIC

Unfortunately the Mobile Dental Clinic which was booked in for November 23rd-25th has had to cancel this term due to compassionate reasons. They are very sorry for the inconvenience this may have caused.

A new booking will be made for early next year for families still interested in accessing the service.



# Book Week 2020





## SCHOOL NEWS

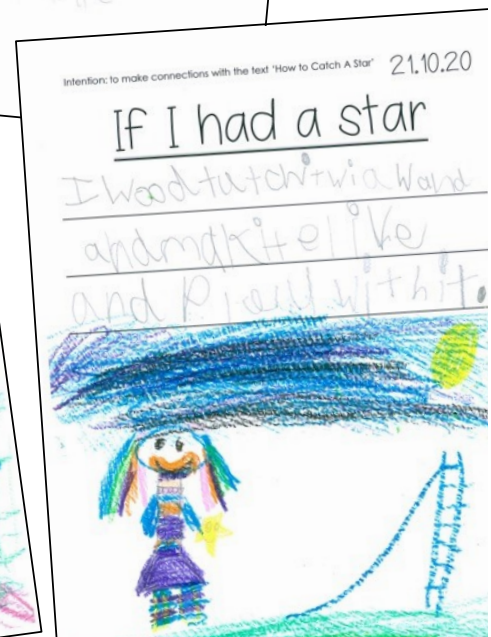
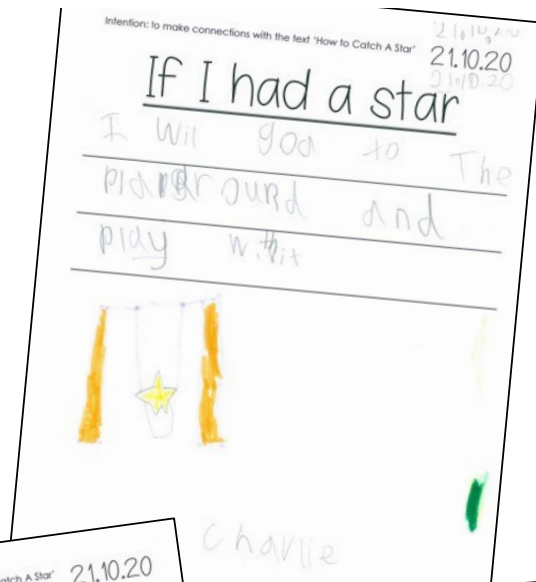
It was great to see so many join in the Book Week fun! Thank you to Max and Alice for hosting the Parade and a thank you to Sue for all her organization in the event.



## What's been happening lately in...

## Rosella

Our Talk For Writing text this term is 'How to Catch A Star'. Students have been getting to know the text and connecting with the text by doing a variety of activities, such as retelling the story, brainstorming new ideas and imagining they were the main character.





## COMMUNITY NEWS



VACSWIM is South Australia's longest running holiday program giving your kids confidence in & around water!

**December 2020  
& January 2021**

Programs held at  
120 pool & beach locations.

Enrol online at  
[vacswimsa.com.au](http://vacswimsa.com.au)

Dec closing: 2nd Dec  
Jan closing: 20th Dec



**Didge and Dance  
Workshop for  
kids**

*A workshop for children aged 5+, as part of our NAIDOC Week celebrations. Join local Aboriginal artist David Booth for an interactive dance movement workshop sharing stories, dance and games.*

*There will also be a didgeridoo explanation and demonstration*

**When:** Thursday 19 November  
**Time:** 4:00pm to 5:00pm  
**Where:** The Summit Community Centre  
**Cost:** \$5

**Bookings Essential** — [www.adelaidehillscouncil.eventbrite.com](http://www.adelaidehillscouncil.eventbrite.com)

**Ages 5 +**

This program is supported by The Department of Human Services



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