

## Important Dates

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**School Disco**  
Friday 15 October

**Photo Day**  
Tuesday 19 October

**School Ball**  
Sunday 24 October

**Last Day of Term**  
Wednesday 8 December

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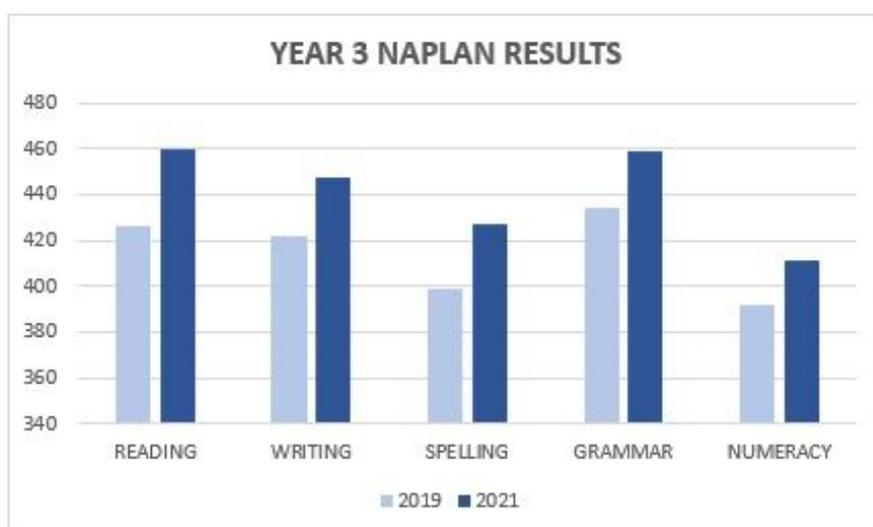
## NAPLAN RESULTS

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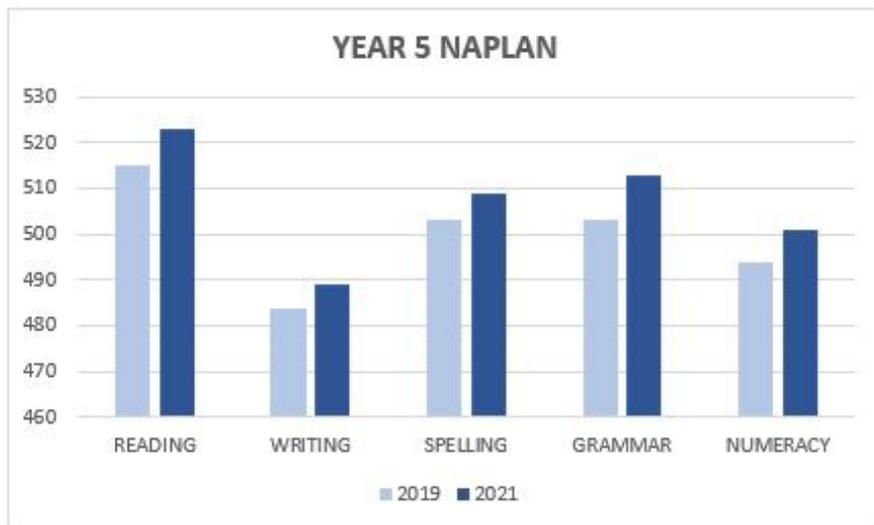
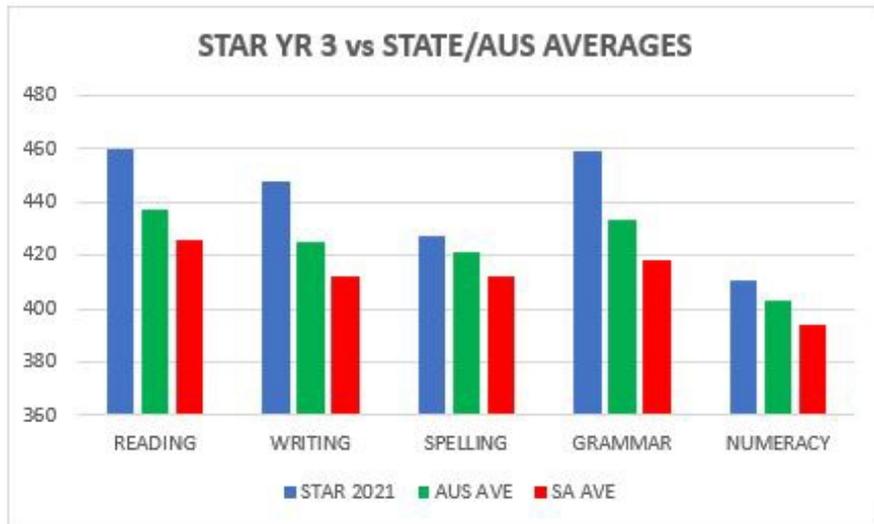
- **ALL RESULTS ABOVE THE NATIONAL AVERAGE**
- **ALL RESULTS IMPROVED ON THE LAST TEST**
- **ALMOST EVERY STUDENT ABOVE THE NATIONAL MINIMUM STANDARD**
- **MASSIVE GROWTH IN YEAR 3 RESULTS**

Congratulations to all our Year 3 & 5 students who sat the test. A special thank you, firstly to our Reception to Year 2 teachers, who over two years ago, examined the data of our students progress and made enormous changes to their teaching practices. Secondly, thank you to our Year 3-6 teachers, who for the past year have been adopting some of the practices introduced in the Early Years.



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## From the Principal

Dear Families

Welcome to the last term of the 2021 year, how quickly time flies by! This is a very busy term so please keep an eye on the calendar and announcements.

I am pleased to announce that the following permanent teaching positions have been made:

1. Early Years – Daniella Barilla
2. Primary Years – Louise Santillo and Samantha Muir

I am sure you will join me in congratulating these excellent teachers.

In this newsletter you will find an article about our fantastic NAPLAN results, it is worth a close read! On our Pupil Free Day, we looked closely at our results and what they meant for classroom teaching. One of the changes we are making this term, is to be clearer to parents about the marvellous extension work that is done daily in this school for students working beyond the curriculum. As a school we are targeting Maths and a whole-school approach to sharing the great work that students and teachers are doing. At the start of the week, you might receive a seesaw post or other electronic communication from your child's class teacher, or even your child. This post would indicate that your child has successfully shown that they understand the topic at their year level and that the rest of the week they will be extended. At the end of the week, you will receive a second post relating to that extended work. This trial will run for the next four weeks. Remember, you will only receive communication if your child is working beyond the maths curriculum.

Our other area of work, on the pupil free day, was with the SEQTA program. You may have heard about this, as many secondary schools use this program. SEQTA is described as a learning management system. SEQTA supports teachers with workflows and decision making. It is a collaborative teaching and learning ecosystem, providing teachers with a range of tools to support student outcomes. We are very much at the beginning of this learning journey, but the future possibilities look very exciting.

Last term we introduced lunch-time Clubs. These were very successful, and I am pleased to say that we will continue to run these sessions this term. At every lunch period there is a Club for R-2 held in the Atrium and a Club for the Years 3-5 in the Stella Maris Room. Numbers are limited depending on the activity, but children can line-up when the bell rings.

### **EARLY YEARS CLUBS**

Monday – Paper Craft

Tuesday – Lego

Wednesday – Dance

Thursday – Dance

Friday – Surprise

### **PRIMARY YEARS CLUBS**

Monday – Lego

Tuesday – Board Games

Wednesday – Zumba

Thursday – Chess

Friday – Art/STEM

Tomorrow we have the School Disco and next week the School Ball and we thank the Parents and Friends committee for organising these fantastic events. Just for the record the disco dress has been changed to casual clothes.

Over the holidays there was a variety of maintenance undertaken around the school. The most visual of these has been the upgrading of the signage on the grandstand. The "Tony Quinn" signage is dedicated to a past teacher of our school and I am sure that Tony would be very impressed with the new sign!

Staff are currently working on creating classes for the 2022 year. If as caregivers, you would like to contribute to this process you will find information about this on the link below.

Have a great term

Damian Weeks

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## From the Deputy Principal

Welcome back to school for this term and it was fantastic to see all of our children back in the school yard on Tuesday morning. A friendly reminder that school hats need to be worn when children are playing outside. Please ensure that all hats are labelled with your child's name on them.

### **School Disco**

On Friday, 15 October we will celebrate our school disco during the school day with our year 4s and 5s disco session beginning at 3:15pm. Children are encouraged to wear casual clothes and a gold coin donation via QKR. A splash of white is also encouraged to be worn at the disco sessions. We are excited to get our dancing shoes on.

### **Motorist and Pedestrian Safety**

I remind all of our families, family members and friends who pick up children from school, about safety around our school crossings and not parking on clearly marked yellow lines or parking or stopping on pedestrian crossings.

Pedestrians need to ensure that vehicles have stopped at the crossing before they cross the road.

Please remember speed limits around our school.

### **School Ball**

The school ball this year will be at the Adelaide Oval on Saturday 23 October, and we look forward to this fantastic event on the school calendar. A massive thanks to our parents and friends group who have spent hours and hours organising and coordinating this marvellous event. Tickets are available through QKR until midnight tonight.

### **Yard supervision in the morning**

I remind parents and families that yard supervision in the morning begins at 8:20 am

Children arriving before this time will need to go to OSHC. Thank you for helping us maintain our duty of care.

*The average pencil is seven inches long, with just a half-inch eraser – in case you thought optimism was dead.* **Robert Brault**

Thanks and Blessings

Matt Perry

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## Prayer



*"To change the world, we must be good to those who can't repay us". Pope Francis.*

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## From the APRIM

Children's' World Mission Day is Wednesday 27 October and to celebrate we are holding a Market Stall Day. The Tuckshop will be closed at recess. Students in Years 4 to 6 can nominate to be stall holders and after recess, year levels will have the chance to visit the market to engage in fun activities, raffles and buy goods. COVID protocols will be followed, and ingredients displayed that are used in baked goods etc. Loyalty cards will replace cash and these can be purchased via QKR. Students will need to submit a business plan for their stall and parent permission is required. A detailed proforma with stall guidelines will be available soon. Monies raised will be donated to Catholic Charities and Missions, which supports children both here in Adelaide and around the world. Casual clothes is the go for the day.

Let's Pray. Give. Go!

Stella

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# Stars Got Talent



## Sport Dates

Footsteps Dance - Weeks 2,3,4,6 & 7

SACPSSA Athletics Carnival - Friday 5 November

Year 4 Surf Ed - Friday 12 November and Monday 15 November



# "Say Cheese"



**MSP Photography  
are on their way!!!**

**School Photo Day is:**

**Tuesday 19 October 2021**

**Have your child's school memories  
captured forever.**

Please take time to read the relevant information  
on the MSP payment envelopes & remember  
these helpful points:

- Don't seal envelopes inside each other – You can pay for all children in one envelope however each child needs to have their own envelope on photo day.
- Use the Shootkey on your envelope to order online!
- Family envelopes are available at the school office upon request.
- Please enclose correct money as no change is given – cash, cheques and money orders only. Credit card payments can only be made online.

Please feel free to visit our web site

[www.msp.com.au](http://www.msp.com.au)

For photo enquiries Phone: (08) 8132 1148 or Email: [enquiries.adl@msp.com.au](mailto:enquiries.adl@msp.com.au)

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## Healing Weekend

Healing Weekend with Fr Patrice Ndemasi cp At Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Church 420 Seaview Road Henley Beach Saturday 23rd October 11.30am - 3.30pm Sunday 24th October 12.30pm - 4pm Please bring your own food tea/coffee provided COVID 19 protocols to be observed Enquiries and bookings phone Pauline 0403002240 by 20th of October if possible Cost by donation All welcome Thank you Pauline Cotton 0403002240 Co-ordinator Living Waters Prayer Group

