



## *From the Principal*

It has been a very productive start to the year and we are already past the halfway mark in the term. As always there has been a lot going on.

Acquaintance Night - Thank you to everyone who was able to attend. It was great to be able to chat to people and put faces to names. Our Parent Club and Governing Council have been established for the year. Thank you to returning members and welcome to new members. It is very pleasing to see the commitment to support the school.

We have been lucky enough to get new laptops for the school. These devices will replace our older technology and give students opportunity to continue developing their IT skills. Hopefully these will be setup and ready to go in the next week or so. The students are very keen to engage with technology and are looking forward to getting onto the new devices.

Our new flags fly proudly each day on the new flagpole. Senior students have the responsibility of raising the flags daily, they are enjoying the responsibility and doing a great job.

Students are very settled and working well in class. Our new furniture is in classrooms and looks fantastic. The purchases help to create a high quality learning environment where students can feel comfortable and work in an inspiring space. We have established our weekly routines and students are embracing the opportunities they have at Manoora PS. Our Friday rotations are working very well and I am proud of the attitude, manners and friendliness of all our students during our Friday lunches, prepared by Cass and her team of budding chefs. We have a strong focus on phonics development in literacy and a continued target around numeracy as part of our School Improvement Plan.

Sadly we had an issue with our chooks during the week, with a fox getting into the pen. We are looking at how to make the structure more secure before we get more chooks. This should be sorted next week.

Our Playgroup will be starting again next week. The sessions will run from 9.00 – 10.30 on Tuesday mornings. This is a great opportunity for kids to have fun, learn how to share through play, discover how to get along with other children, learn and develop new skills and listen to music and stories. Please share this information with parents you think might be interested. Hope to see you there.

Just a reminder that Monday 14th March is a public holiday.

Have a great weekend.

Regards

Steve

## Upcoming Events

March 14  
Adelaide Cup Holiday

March 15th  
Playgroup begins 9-10.30

March 19th  
Election Trading Table

March 28th  
Student Free Day

March 29th  
School Photographs

Thursday April 14  
Last Day Term 1  
2.15 dismissal

April 15  
Good Friday

Monday May 2nd  
Day 1 Term 2



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# UP CLASSROOM NEWS

## Manoora History

We have been learning about history in our class and here are some facts!

The first people in this area were the Ngadjuri people who lived from down near Gawler all the way up to the bottom of the Flinders Ranges. This area had lots of natural resources and permanent water holes.

Did you know Manoora is the Aboriginal name for spring or water?

Did you know before Manoora got the name it was called Chinkford?

In 1863 4000 sheep were bought to a land between Black Springs and Burra.

In 1864 the Karlsruhe church was completed and Post Office opened in Chinkford.

In 1866 the Waterloo flour mill was operating.

In 1869 a school was opened near the Anglican Church which is our school library now.

In 1870 the Manoora railway station and Manoora Hotel was built.

We had to sort out the dates in chronological order.

Ruby



## Physical Science-Forces

In science we are learning about forces and were studying the stored energy in a spring and our task was to design and make a toy suitable for junior primary students using the power of a spring. There was lots of hands on modifying and fabulous designs. I had a fantastic time designing my pop up toy and I am learning there are lots of different types of forces.

Grayce



## Maths

This term in maths we have been starting the lesson with a game. Then we have gone to our fencing problem, it is called fencing the freeway. We had 1 post every 2 metres so we made models and found strategies to help us find the answer to our problem. It was really challenging finding the patterns. One of the patterns we found was every 10 metres there were 5 posts, apart from the first 10 metres there were 6 posts and 20 metres there would be 11 posts and so on. We also found another pattern for example  $20 \div 2 = 10 + 1 = 11$  and then you have your answer. Then we had to do another problem it was the farmer wanted a new paddock for his cows it had to be  $48m^2$  so we made models of all the possibilities to make the paddocks. We are also calculating how many pavers are needed for the new outside learning space.

Hayden



## Literacy Circles

In Literacy Circles we have been reading *Boy Overboard*, *Storm Boy* and *Jodie's Journey*. We have a role to do like, summariser, connector, word wizard, quiz master and predictor. We all discuss events, find interesting words, look at how the author writes and voice our opinions about the novels. We like reading in groups, and talking about the novels helps us understand what we are reading better.

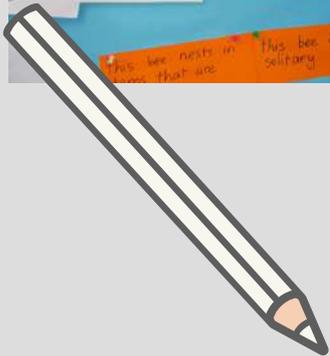
Heath



## Get up to date with the Bee Hotel

The Upper Primary class wants to encourage native bees into our school. Did you know Aboriginal people harvested native bee honey and called it sugar bag honey? Did you know native bees make spiral shaped bee hives? Did you know Aboriginal people used the wax for glue and to mould around the didgeridoo mouth piece? We will be making bee hotels in the Friday gardening groups. We will be recycling holly hock stems from our garden for bees to nest in that like burrowing into hollow stems. Thankyou to Hayden for donating bamboo for our bee hotels. The old tree stumps will be used and we will drill holes for some native bees that burrow in wood. We would be very happy if the bee hotel would help us have better produce because native bees help pollinate vegetables, fruit trees and crops.

Stella and Braxton



## Gardening by Charlee

Last week the gardening group has been harvesting tomatoes, capsicums, cucumbers, potatoes, onions, leek, zucchini, carrots and pumpkins. The chooks have laid lots of eggs and we have planted eggplants, tomatoes, capsicums, basil, nasturtiums and parsley. We planted swan river daisy bushes in the butterfly garden and composted the old plants and collected lots of onion seeds. Cassie and the cooking group made all our healthy ingredients into a delicious vegetable slice so there was no food miles! We would love any donations of fruit or vegetable produce for Friday lunches if you have excess fruit or vegetables.



## Writing

In literacy we are planning, drafting and publishing an orientation for a narrative and we had to use similes and metaphors to engage the reader. Similes are when you use like or as. Metaphors are when you give something not living a human quality. This is my orientation.

*As the day began I set off on my journey to find the Arctic Fox. As the sun fell and the daylight disappeared it got colder and colder and it was like walking into the coldest freezer. I tried to forget about the temperature and marched on. As sun rose, luck was not on my side. I was exhausted, I fell into the snow which covered me like a blanket. The icy wind growled at me, my journey was only just beginning but so was the bad luck.*

Alyssa



## Manoora Primary School Parent Club Trading Table

Parents Club are looking at holding a trading table as our first fundraiser for the year, on the day of the State Election, Saturday 19th March.

Just a reminder to please send your completed forms that came home on Thursday 10th March, back to school ASAP so that we can get an idea of who will be around to run the table,

Thank you,  
MPC



**The Children's University program for 2022  
is starting!**

you have children aged between 5 and 14, why not get them involved in this fantastic learning program hosted by the **Riverton Library!**

Members earn out of school time learning hours, doing activities they love, and record their learning and hours in a special CUA passport.

At the end of the year, we hold an impressive graduation ceremony at Conyngham Hall at the University of Adelaide!



**LIKE TO KNOW MORE?**

For more information, please phone Merrill at Riverton Library on 88472414 or email [merrill.thwaites342@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:merrill.thwaites342@schools.sa.edu.au)



**SOUTH AUSTRALIAN  
ROAD RUNNERS CLUB**

**FREE**

## Kids Fun Run

as part of the Clare Valley Running Festival

**Sunday 3 April 2022**

(Reception to Year 6)

Start from 10.30am

**AT CLARE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**REGISTER ON THE DAY**

*All participants receive a Finishers Certificate  
and "Colour it yourself" runners bib*



Sponsored by Sportspower Clare  
Further details: <https://sarrc.org.au/>



**Manoora Hall**

**Market**

**Easter Monday 18 April**

**9am to 3pm**

Wide variety of stalls

Under cover and  
outside sites

Selection of fresh  
bread and rolls

Hot food

Tea, coffee, cold drinks

MANOORA HALL  
Weymouth Street/  
Barrier Highway

For more information phone:

8848 4330 / 8848 4315

Join us on the Easter Monday Long Weekend for our annual market at the historic Manoora Institute/Hall.

Wheelchair access at rear of Soldiers Memorial Supper Room.

Supporting and promoting local and surrounding areas stallholders  
New stallholders always welcome

Find us on Facebook.

COVIDSafe Plan will apply

**NEXT MARKETS:**

**2022**

Sunday 12 June  
9am - 3pm

Saturday 1 October  
9am - 3pm

Xmas Twilight Friday 11  
November  
4.30 - 8.30pm



**HAPPY EASTER**

## SA Ambulance Service volunteers needed at Clare

The SA Ambulance Service (SAAS) Clare team and surrounding areas are looking for new volunteers to join their team.

Did you know that your local ambulance station is solely staffed by volunteers?

With more ambulance volunteers needed it's the perfect way for you to give back to your community, while gaining life-saving skills you can use in your everyday life.

No prior medical knowledge is required, and no experience is needed. In fact, SAAS will provide the necessary training totally free of charge, and at the end of your training you'll walk away with a nationally accredited Certificate IV in Health Care.

Clare volunteer Brad says, "I wanted to diversify my skill set from my everyday work, which is greatly different to my farming life. As a volunteer I've been able to try something new that is rewarding and has influenced my life for the better. I've gained new skills, met new people, and enjoy being part of a team that provides a high level of care to the community."

Brad says that he's gained personal attributes that positively affect his business, including improving his self-confidence, good decision-making skills and dealing with stress. "I have learned to be more compassionate and caring, as I've met people from many walks of life that are different to mine."

Most patients are people with chest pain, breathing problems, have experienced a fall, or have pre-existing medical conditions. Of course, on some occasions there are major incidents, but these are a very small portion of the work. You will always be paired with a qualified ambulance officer, who will be there to assist and support you.

Whether you work full-time, are a student or retired, volunteering with SAAS can help you broaden your skillset, meet like-minded community members and make new friends. With flexible rosters that can work around your lifestyle, you don't always need to be at the ambulance station when on-call.

There's no better time to take control in an emergency, to help save the lives of others.

Interested? Call Regional Team Leader, Lloyd Tonkin on 0417 843 515 or the Volunteer Support unit on 8150 3460 (Monday to Friday, 830am to 4.30pm). Or apply through the SAAS website: [www.saasvolunteer.sa.gov.au](http://www.saasvolunteer.sa.gov.au) or email [SAASvolunteer@sa.gov.au](mailto:SAASvolunteer@sa.gov.au)

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