



Understanding - Care and Compassion - Responsibility - Doing Your Best - Respect



Thurs 6th Feb

Yr's 3-5 Swimming lessons
at Cadell

Mon 10th & Wed 12th Feb

R-2 Swimming lessons at
MPS pool

Tues 11th Feb

Yr's 3-5 swimming at
Waikerie Pool

Wed 12th Feb

Yr's 6-7 Aquatics at
Barmera

Wed 19th Feb

Meet & Greet Evening
5-7pm

**NEWSLETTERS
WILL BE SENT HOME
EVERY SECOND MONDAY.
(Starting 17th Feb)**

School News

Dear Parent / Caregivers,

We have had an excellent start to the 2020 school year at Morgan PS. Our enrolments are now 35 primary school students and 6 preschool students. A special welcome to our new children and families starting at Morgan and to Ralph Earle as our Japanese teacher and support staff Megan Fitzgerald joining us this year. Our teachers and support staff have worked hard prior to our first day in organising and preparing classroom learning environments, resources and materials to provide a structured, ordered and well prepared environment ready for learning. New and our returning students were also happy and ready for learning this week.

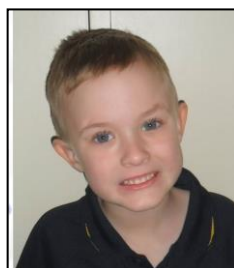
As you are aware our school, staff and the parent governing body of Governing Council are committed to continual improvement, with the ultimate aim of every student being the very best they can be. From this school year we have strengthened our professional support for teachers, through high impact teaching and learning strategies, curriculum collaboration and instructional coaching. I look forward to working in collaboration with our students, parents and staff in achieving our goal of moving Morgan from a good and great school to one that is consistently outstanding. With such a highly skilled, happy, committed, enthusiastic and passionate group of educators we have at Morgan in 2020 this goal is well on track.

The year 3 – 5 students have been participating in swimming lessons alongside Blanchetown and Cadell this week and I have been very impressed with the caring, respectful and well-mannered conduct our students have been displaying.

A BIG welcome to our new students for
2020.

Alex, Ellie, Jemima, Lily, Ebony and
Dylan

Regards
Principal
Melissa Claridge



Parent Information

Swimming

Students remember to bring your bathers and towel if the weather is forecast to be 30 degrees or over.

Scholastic order due: Monday 17th Feb

Please find an updated Term Planner included in today's newsletter pack. Please note that it is subject to change.

Please remember that the office is unattended on Fridays. If you have any queries please see a staff member or payments can be made Monday to Thursday. Thanks

Start the chat before
someone else does



Start the chat about online safety and help make every day a Safer Internet Day!

Join in the Safer Internet Day buzz

This year Safer Internet Day will be celebrated on Tuesday, 11 February 2020. The theme is 'Together for a better internet' and Australia's eSafety Commissioner is encouraging parents to mark the day by starting family conversations about online safety.

You can download our Safer Internet Day resources at esafety.gov.au/sid and use them to start the chat about online safety with your family.

Explore Australia's online safety hub

Check out eSafety's great range of advice and resources. Get started by visiting our **parents and carers** pages and reading the practical tips for kicking off an online safety conversation. You can also download our **'Parents guide to online safety' booklet** (available in 5 languages), look through **eSafety Kids** with your family or get familiar with our **step by step advice** for reporting different types of online abuse. **Find out more at esafety.gov.au**

Join our free parent webinar

The session will cover how to start the chat about harmful content, contact with strangers and cyberbullying.

Helping Kids Thrive Online

12th February 2020 at 8:00 PM (AEDT) 14th February at 2020 12:00 PM (AEDT) **Register now at esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars**



eSafety Commissioner

esafety.gov.au/sid

MEET AND GREET – WED 19TH FEB
PLEASE RETURN YOUR RSVP FOR CATERING PURPOSES, THANK YOU.

Our Learning Dispositions in 2019

Self-motivation
Challenge

Adaptable
Concentration

Early Years Newsletter



Morgan Early Years Centre

A place where children laugh, play and learn



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

Ph: 8540 2102
www.morganps.sa.edu.au

Incorporating Preschool, Occasional Care and Playgroup.

Term 1. Week 2. Monday February 3, 2020.

OUR FIRST DAY

We had a wonderful first day on Tuesday. There was a lot of laughing and learning. We read lots of Australian themed stories, started work on Nursery Rhymes, this week was Incy Wincy spider. We even made spiders by threading wooden beads onto pipe cleaners. Jo got a bit scared when we went to visit her. 😊 Here are some photos from our first day of preschool learning.



OCCASIONAL CARE

Next Monday, February 3rd, Occasional Care sessions will be starting up again. Sessions are from 9-12 noon each Monday and Tuesday. Cost is \$5.00, or \$2.50 with a health care card, which must be paid on the day. Please call the school on 85402102 or mobile, 0407846399, to book your child in. Occasional Care provides wonderful opportunities for children, 3 - 4 years old to play and learn with our staff, preschool children and each other and experience the early years environment and its resources.

PLAYGROUP

Playgroup will continue fortnightly on Wednesday mornings from next Wednesday February, 12th. Session times are 9.00-10.30. The first two sessions are free, \$2.00 per session after that, children under 1 are free. We encourage all of our families to join the Playgroup association. You can join online or grab a form from the front office at school. This year we are asking that everyone signs in and pays Jo Jericho before heading over to the early Years Centre. Thank you.



PRESCHOOL FEES

As mentioned last week preschool fees for 2020 have been set at \$50.00 per term. Invoices will be sent home this week. Please see myself or Jo Jericho in the school's front office to make your payments or ask about payment plan options.

Reminders/Attachments/Dates:

- Me Box sharing begins this week for Luca, Zara and Jedrik.
- Sunscreen available at the centre if you would like to apply to your child at the start of the day.
- Sending home this week - Scholastic book catalogues
- Benefits of learning about Nursery Rhymes
- Day One photo pages.
- Monday February 3 - Occasional care begins today, 9 - 12 noon.
- Tuesday February 4 - Occasional Care, 9 - 12.00
- Wednesday February 12 - Playgroup starts, 9 - 10.30



Trish Zerner
Early Years Coordinator/Educator



Community Notices


COMMUNITY GRANTS NOW OPEN
www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au

Individual Sport & Cultural Grants

MMC offers a range of Community Grants including an Individual Sport & Cultural Grant. This grant provides Council the opportunity to recognise, encourage and support individuals who reside in the MMC region who are participating in either a sport or cultural activity/event at State, National or International level. The purpose of this grant is to support individuals who display talent within their field.

THIS GRANT IS OPEN ALL YEAR FOR AMOUNTS UP TO:




- WITHIN SA \$100
- INTERSTATE \$500
- INTERNATIONALLY \$1000

More Info on eligibility criteria & how to apply visit : www.mid-murray.sa.gov.au

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Riverland West Small Schools Splash Carnival 2020

Blanchetown
 Cadell &
 Morgan
 Primary Schools
Waikerie Swimming Pool
Friday 21st February 2020






\$2.00 - Entry fee for parents / caregivers

Due to the increasing cost of bus hire we are requesting parents provide transport

Please return the travel slip provided if their child or children will be using private transport to and from Waikerie swimming pool on the day

Thank you



Social Tennis

Waikerie Tennis Club

Starting Wednesday 5th February to Wednesday 4th March
 6 - 7.30pm
 All welcome
 \$3.00 for ball costs.
 BYO drinks
 BBQ snags available to purchase.
 Dust off your rackets and have some fun!
 (Some rackets available to borrow)



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