



# OLD NOARLUNGA PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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## From the Principal



The last few weeks have been really busy with the Remembrance Day Assembly, the Channel 9 visit and Sports Day.

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th Month, our students gathered together around our flag poles to be part of a Remembrance

Day Assembly. Our student leaders capably lead the students through a moving and well thought out speech. We held a minutes silence to remember the members of the armed forces who have died and fought in the line of duty. Each student placed a poppy at the foot of the flagpoles and each class presented a wreath during the service.

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# From the Principal CONTINUED

On Tuesday 12th November we were very excited to have Kate Collins and Brenton Ragless from Channel 9 visit our school for a special assembly. Kate and Brenton spoke at the assembly, showed a short clip about the News and then answered questions that the students posed. They were great to listen to and provided our students with lots of information about their roles and life in the public eye. They were impressed by our special house colour welcome where all students waved their house colour to welcome them and they also made comment on the sign that Mrs McKenzie had made welcoming them to ONPS. They were pleased to hear about how old our school is, 160 years old in 2019, our 300 plus year old gum and our historical bell, which they had their photo taken with. After school the Channel 9 weather team arrived with a coffee van, Krispy Kreme donuts and a BBQ. This was all enjoyed by a number of families who were entertained by PE Week activities including hurdles, rugby, tug-o-war, sponge obstacle course and the parachute. Jessica Braithwaite did live televised coverage with a number of the activities. Thank you to all of the families who were able to join us. It was a great day for our school and we were very excited to have been randomly picked by Channel 9.

To cap off a busy week we held our Sports Day on Friday 15th November. Thanks to Joe Cusano for his work in organising such a great Sports Day and a special mention to Matt Moore who worked really hard to finalise all of



the details when Joe injured his ankle. Sports Day always showcases some of the best in sportsmanship, fun and working as a team. It was wonderful to see so many smiling, happy faces enjoying the day and I would like to say thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and friends who came along and watched. A special mention to our fundraising committee who arranged the BBQ, cake stall and drinks stall. This was a popular place to visit and we took well over \$1,000 in takings. Days like sports day would not be so successful if it were not for the hard work of our community members and staff who work hard to make the day what it was. Congratulations to Millers who were the winners of the 2019 Sports Day trophy.

## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

### ONPS does it again!!

We were selected as one of 55 schools who have achieved outstanding participation

in the Premier's Reading Challenge in 2019. Our Student Leaders, Shaylee and Ben, attended a ceremony at the Adelaide Zoo on November 18th to receive our award on behalf of all the students at ONPS. A great achievement for our students and we must acknowledge and thank Gosia who manages the Premier's Reading Challenge over the school year. A great day for Shaylee and Ben and thanks to Ms Paffett for taking them there. Well done everyone!



## CLASS PLACEMENTS 2020

In the next Newsletter we will advise of the class configurations for 2020. Students will find out the name of their 2020 class teacher on Wednesday 11th December when they get their final report. Please do not request teachers to give you this information until then as we need to be fair to all students and their families by everyone finding out on the same day. Students will visit their 2020 class teacher on Thursday December 12th.

**Melanie Jones**

# Lil' MasterChefs

This term I have been holding cooking lessons with students. Through the fun of cooking, students are able to learn valuable life skills. Cooking has been shown to improve a child's language development, fine motor skills and maths ability. More so, it can be helpful to a child's reading skills, and increases focus and attention. Throughout the term, we will introduce scientific concepts and promote healthy eating.

I love to cook and believe that it is a valuable life skill that every student should learn. I look forward to using ingredients grown in our very own school garden and teaching them along the way.



We have had a lot of fun so far and I look forward to being able to bring more students into the program in the future.

**Matt W**



## KEY DATES

29th November  
**SEAFORD SECONDARY  
COLLEGE TRANSITION VISIT**

2nd December  
**VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA**

3rd December  
**CARDIJN COLLEGE  
TRANSITION DAY  
GOVERNING COUNCIL  
MEETING**



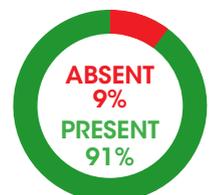
## How is our attendance rate going?

### YEAR TO DATE

The average daily attendance rate, Year-to-Date, derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 21/11/2019 is 92%.

### PREVIOUS WEEK

The attendance rate from last week, derived from student attendance data, sourced from the school systems as at 21/11/2019 is 91%.



# Thank You Channel 9!

## THANK YOU CHANNEL 9!

We would like to thank Brenton Ragless, Kate Collins, Jessica Braithwaite and the crew from Channel 9 News for choosing to visit us at ONPS.

A special assembly saw a sea of colours welcome Brenton Ragless and Kate Collins, who then spent some time talking with the students about their experiences whilst working in the media industry.

The Year 5 students from rooms 5 & 6, were then invited to learn some more about how news reports are made and broadcasted on TV. A couple of students had the opportunity to play the role of the presenter and had a short speech filmed by the crew. Whilst this was happening, some other students were invited into the Nine News crew van, to see how it all works.

Brenton & Kate were very excited to hear about the history of Old Noarlunga Primary School, particularly the old gum tree and our school bell.

Later in the afternoon, Channel Nine News treated our school community to a free BBQ, yummy coffees and delicious donuts. Students, parents, friends & grandparents all enjoyed participating in a range of sporting activities. Jessica Braithwaite joined in with a number of activities while doing her live weather reports. She particularly enjoyed challenging Alexia to a water relay race and then joined the final challenge of Parents v Students tug-o-war event. Jessica and the students were victorious in this dual!

**Mrs McKenzie**

**Poppy** - I liked it when Kate & Brenton told us the embarrassing things that they have done on TV.

**Alexia** - I enjoyed racing against Jessica in the water relay.

**Oliver** - I enjoyed being with Kate & Brenton doing the news report and everyone enjoyed the donuts and hot chocolate.

**Ali** - The assembly was really fun when they answered our questions.

**Bethany** - I enjoyed the assembly, because I learnt about the history of Nine News.

**Ashton** - I enjoyed the assembly, because we gave Kate & Brenton a warm welcoming with our coloured flags.

**Aimee** - The tug-o-war was funny, because all of the parents fell over.





**SPORTS DAY 2019**

