



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4, Week 9

BUS DRIVERS

Warrow

Paul Tierney - 0429 882 010

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PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE



Unbelievably here we are at the final newsletter for 2021. What an interesting, busy, and challenging year it has been. We continue to be making multiple plans for every occasion to cover contingencies and working on a building site has certainly presented its challenges. Throughout all of it though, have remained the constants of committed staff and families supporting our fabulous students. They continue to amaze me with their adaptability and capacity to just get on with what is asked of them, no matter what. They are a credit to their families and the entire school community.

By the time we return to school, Kym Clarke Constructions will have completed our new Art, Design and Technology building. Throughout what has been a massive project for all of us they have kept us front and centre and I cannot speak highly enough of their commitment to ensuring we have the best outcome with the minimum of fuss. I would personally like to acknowledge Kym for his support of our site, and mention particularly Brad Cimarosti, Cole Raleigh and Amanda Barnett for their amazing communication, honest talk and drive to ensure everything remained on track.

Our Yr. 12 Graduation Assembly and Dinner were held in Week 7. The assembly was a fabulous showcase of the achievements of students from across the school as well as staff and community members. There were tears and hugs as the Foundations farewelled their buddies who have ensured a smooth transition to school and our former student, Simone Murnane gave a heart wrenching speech about her achievements after school and the grit and resilience required as her business was impacted so heavily by COVID. I hope all our students learned something from Simone about following dreams and shifting course as necessary without losing faith in themselves. The dinner was attended by 180 guests, made up of graduates, their families, friends, and staff. As always, they scrubbed up well and showed us a glimmer of the amazing young adults they have become. Good luck to our Graduating class – you will be missed, and we look forward to tracking your pathways.

Last week the last Governing Council Meeting for 2021 was held. At this meeting we farewelled outgoing Chairperson Kris Speed and outgoing Secretary Julie Crettenden. There is absolutely no doubt that these two people have given unbelievable support to me as Principal, but, more importantly, have given their all to ensure that our school continues to grow and develop for the benefit of our children. I will miss their steady reflection and sage advice as members of this group. Obviously, this will create opportunities for other family members to join Governing Council – the more the merrier. Please don't hesitate to contact any of our current members, including Kris and Julie if you are keen to be involved.

The end of the year is always complicated as we farewell some staff. Some may be back – some are off to new adventures in other places. Every one of these staff members have contributed significantly to the site – whether it be for one year or



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many and we wish them all the best in their future endeavours.

Jeni Siviour has announced her retirement and is already quilting / stitching up a storm in Coffin Bay and around the EP. Callan Hammond has won a position at Adelaide Botanic High and will be making his home back in the big smoke. Callan has been an exceptional contributor to our school as a teacher, organiser of sporting events and as someone who lifts the culture of the site just by quietly going about his job and setting some solid standards for everyone to aspire to. Keeley Mason will spend 2022 at Port Lincoln Primary School and Tannille Fleming at Elliston Area School. We will also be missing Denise Barnes, Tegan Modra, Ashley Franklin, Rhianna Foster, Rachel Fuller, Dan Hansen, Chloe Rayson, Kirsty Breed, Paul Tierney and Dan Nordbrock. I am sure we will see many of these people back onsite in the near future, but at this point wish to acknowledge their contributions to Cummins Area School.

Don't forget that we finish at 2.20 pm on Friday and reports and next year's classes will be emailed home on Friday afternoon.

Thanks to all of you for your support and commitment to our school community in 2021. We look forward to 2022 being a build free year and a year where we can continue to progress towards our goals for our students.

Have a Fantastic Christmas and a Happy New Year. Enjoy the break and we will see you all in January.

Regards

Mel

CAS BYOD PROGRAM

If you are needing to purchase a laptop for your student in readiness for 2022, please be aware that laptop supplies are low and there may be a long wait time once ordered. Please find following the information from Governing Council regarding the purchase of laptops for use at Cummins Area School.

'The Cummins Area School ICT Committee and the Governing Council have recommended that the current 1:1 BYOD Laptop Program be extended include to our Year 7 students for 2021.

This means that by the beginning of the 2021 school year, all students from Year 7 to Year 12 will be required to supply their own laptop for use at school.

We ask that ALL purchases of new laptops for school use, for all year levels, be made via the School Ordering Portal – <https://cummins.orderportal.com.au>.

This decision has been made to alleviate the current issue of the many varied devices being purchased which do not meet the required minimum specifications for use at school.

The online Order Portal will provide families with a variety of suitable devices which meet the required specifications, including some accessories, insurance and finance options. The devices found on the portal have been chosen for their battery performance, durability of cases, network compatibility and based on recommendations from industry experts.

**Please note; Apple devices are not recommended and therefore will not be supported for use in our school environment as they are not easily managed within our school network.'*

Please visit the Order Portal, there are a number of payment options available.

TERM 4 KEY DATES

Week 9

Thursday

Yr F-6 Assembly 10.10am

Friday

School finishes 2.20pm

SCHOOL MERCHANDISE

We have plenty of stock available from the Finance Office for any 2022 new students and replacements for old and possible Xmas gifts. Please see Leanne Vigar or Cathy Haarsma to purchase any of these School goodies.

CAS Maroon Hats –Slouch - \$12.00

Canteen Lunch Bags in various colours - \$10.50

CAS Maroon Library Bag - \$10.00

CAS Maroon X Large Bag - \$62.00

CAS Maroon Large School Bag - \$42.00

Marron Art Smock - \$16.50

Maroon Pencil Case - \$6.50

GOVERNING COUNCIL

Material & Services Charge 2022

Thank you to everyone who returned their poll regarding the fees for 2022. It was great to have families responding and have their say regarding this issue. Once the poll closed, the votes were counted by School Governing Council reps Julie Crettenden and myself, after all identifying information was removed from the polling slips by Julie Harder, our returning officer.

The voting for years both F-6 and years 7-12 were in favour of the increase in fees as suggested by the Governing Council. The fees of **F-Year 7: \$368 and Years 8-12: \$449** are now set as compulsory for 2022.

If you have any questions regarding this process or the outcome, please feel free to contact any member of the Governing Council.

Community Service Award

This year our Community Service Award has been presented to 2 deserving volunteers Stuart Modra and Brad Blacker. These gentlemen have worked in unison to ensure the success of the school Agriculture program through their involvement on the Ag Committee. They have assisted both staff and students with the preparation, sowing and post care of the 2021 cropping program. They have both donated their time and knowledge, seed and chemical for crops as well as the use of their trucks and equipment freely. Nothing was too much trouble for these blokes, even going as far as picking up urea from Port Lincoln and storing it at their farm and organising it to be spread at the optimum time. All this while trying to organise their own cropping programs! They have gone above and beyond to

ensure Cummins Area School has the best cropping program. Thank you and congratulations.

Thanks to school management and staff for their adaptability with Covid in 2021 to work for the best student outcomes, on behalf of the school community it is much appreciated.

The AGM is Tuesday 22 February 2022 and it would be great to see some new faces. Thanks for the parent interaction and feedback in 2021, hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable summer.

Kris Speed

Chairperson

Cummins Area School Governing Council

CAS CHAPLAINCY REPORT – TERM 3 & 4 2021

A big thank you to our wonderful Pastoral Care Worker, in Mardi Green for her work over the past 2 terms which kicked off in June with her annual conference in the Barossa of which was a wonderful time to connect and reflect with other school chaplains from around the State. This new semester has seen Mardi attend many school sporting events with students to Tumby Bay and Port Lincoln. Mardi also had her annual review with Phil Bryce – SMG Regional Manager and Mel Degner in August and it was noted that it was her 10th year review and how such a valued and loved school chaplain she has become by our students, staff and school community over these years.

Mardi and her band of awesome RE leaders also completed their last instructions for the year with all of our Junior and Primary students. Last week SMG visited to give the Primary students a performance with the messaged theme being “A gift of gratitude “ which was a great take home message for them all. Last week Mardi attended the Year 7 Aquatics Camp with the students and staff, which is a favourite of hers and she is very grateful to attend each year.

Mardi would like to thank all the Churches for their continued support through financial and spiritual offerings and the amazing support network they offer each year and wish everyone a fantastic Christmas and happy and safe holidays.

CAS CHAPLAINCY AGM

Tuesday, 8th February 2022 (School Community Library at 4.30pm). We would like to welcome any school, church or community members to come and join us for our Annual General Meeting and we would further welcome anyone wanting to join the committee that is here to support our School Chaplain.

Subject Awards

Agricultural Production	~	Toby Modra
Biology	~	Olivia Turner
Business Innovation	~	Charlie Shepperd
Chemistry	~	Mitchell Laube
Child Studies	~	Taylor Darby (Year 11)
Design Technology & Engineering	~	Sydney Claughton
Digital Technologies	~	Dylan Bond
English	~	Layla Doudle
Food & Hospitality	~	Leona Papajua
General Mathematics	~	Charlie Shepperd
Health & Wellbeing	~	Olivia Turner
Information Processing & Publishing	~	Lacey Murnane
Modern History	~	Mackenzie Walter
Nutrition	~	Olivia Turner
Physical Education	~	Charlie Shepperd
Research Project	~	Harry Shepperd (Year 11)
Workplace Practices	~	Lacey Murnane
South Australian Grain Industry Trust 'Crop Science Investigators' Competition Winners	~	Year 10 Agriculture students: Cody Modra, Aaron Kerr, Jacob Parsons, Ethan Pugsley, Max Turnbull, Ashton Howard-Ham, Archer Pertzelt, Saxon Rogers

Congratulations

Special Awards

John Fitzgerald Sports Shield ~ Eyre & Flinders

April Wagner (Year 6)

Primary Meritorious Award ~

Archer Hill (Year 6)

Wendy McWhinnie Award ~ Saxon Puckridge (Year 2)

Zonta Award ~ Olivia Turner

Year 12 - Charlie Shepperd

Australian Defence Force Long Tan Award ~

Year 10 - Archer Pertzel

Year 12 - Dylan Bond

Australian Defence Force Future Innovators ~

Year 10 - Aaron Kerr

Bendigo Bank Community Award ~ Denvar Pool

Rural Bank Agricultural Award ~ Toby Modra Cummins

Bearings & Engineering STEM ~ Saxon Rogers

Eyre Trading Award ~ Toby Modra

Career Employment Group

~ Toby Modra

Apprenticeship Award

Career Employment Group

~ Ry Enright (Year 11)

Traineeship Award

Ampol Best All Rounder ~ Mackenzie Walter

Mary Trigg Award ~ Katelyn Randall

Flo Polkinghorne Award ~ Kylie Thorpe

School Community Service Award ~ Stuart Modra & Brad Blacker

ASSEMBLY HOSTS: Eli Giddings, Harry Shepperd & Henry Turnbull

Congratulations

Year Level Awards

Year 12

Academic Merit ~ Charlie Shepperd

Academic Effort ~ Mackenzie Walter

Carmel Laube Memorial Award ~ Olivia Turner

Year 11

Academic Merit ~ Henry Turnbull

Academic Effort ~ Harry Shepperd

Year 10

Academic Merit ~ Cody Modra

Academic Effort ~ Noa Gerber

Year 9

Academic Merit ~ Maya Radford

Academic Effort ~ Bree Shepperd

Year 8

Academic Merit ~ Bradley Phelps

Academic Effort ~ Amity Mikan

Year 7

Academic Merit ~ Braden Holley

Academic Effort ~ Stella Chandler

Congratulations



Denise Barnes with ADF Long Tan Award winners Archer Pretzel and Charlie Shepperd.



Denise Barnes with ADF Future Innovator Award winners Aaron Kerr and Dylan Bond.



Rural Bank Agricultural Award winner, Toby Modra and Bendigo Bank Community Award Winner Denvar Pool with Chris Miller and Braden Gale.



Carmel Wauchope (Zonta Rep) with Zonta Award winner Olivia Turner.



Mary Trigg Award recipient, Katelyn Randall.



Ampol Best All-Rounder recipient, Mackenzie Walter.



Cummins Bearings & Engineering STEM award winner Saxon Rogers.



CEG Traineeship award winner Ry Enright and CEG Apprenticeship award recipient Toby Modra.



Eyre Trading Award recipient, Toby Modra.



Joint John Fitzgerald Shield winners - Eyre and Flinders. Eyre Captains Sydney Claughton & Toby Modra. Flinders Captains Matthew Phelps & Elsie Maddern.



Member for Flinders, Mr Peter Treloar with Primary Meritorious Award recipients April Wagner and Archer Hill.



Yr 12 - Academic Merit winner Charlie Shepperd & Academic Effort recipient Mackenzie Walter.



Yr 12 - Carmel Laube Memorial Award recipient Olivia Turner.



Yr 11 - Academic Effort winner Harry Shepperd & Academic Merit recipient Henry Turnbull.



Yr 10 - Academic Merit recipient Cody Modra & Academic Effort recipient Noa Gerber.



Yr 9 - Academic Effort recipient Bree Shepperd & Academic Merit recipient Maya Radford.



Yr 8 - Academic Effort recipient Amity Mickan & Academic Merit recipient Bradley Phelps.



Yr 7 - Academic Merit recipient Braden Holley & Academic Effort recipient Stella Chandler.



Year 11 subject Award winners, Harry Shepperd and Taylor Darby.



Year 12 Subject Award winners.



Year 10 Agriculture 'Crop Science' award winners.



CUMMINS SCHOOL COMMUNITY LIBRARY



IS ALWAYS OPEN ONLINE

EXPLORE OUR MANY ONLINE SERVICES
WWW.LIBRARIES.SA.GOV.AU/CUMMINS
PHONE US ON 86762476 FOR INFORMATION

Christmas Holiday hours

With school holidays just around the corner, we would like to wish all of our community members a very, Merry Christmas and safe festive season.

We thank you for your ongoing support and understanding during this past year!

Please note that we will be closing for the Christmas break on Thursday Dec. 23 @ 6.00pm and reopen Tuesday, Jan. 4 @ 9.00am.

LIBRARY HOLIDAY HOURS
CLOSING THURS. DEC. 23 @ 6.00PM, REOPENING TUES. JAN 4 @ 9.00AM
MON.: CLOSED
TUE.: 9.00AM - 5.00PM
WED.: 9.00AM - 5.00PM
THUR.: 9.00AM - 6.00PM
FRI.: 9.00AM - 5.00PM
LUNCH DAILY @ 1.30 - 2.30
SAT.: 9.00 - 12.00 NOON

2022 Pre-school STEM Programs:

Little Bang Discovery Club and Maths Fun for Under 5s.

Wed. 11.15am during terms 1, 2, 3.

More information on our FB page.

Phone to reserve a place for your scientist!



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Nature Play

Friday mornings at 10.00am, during term time.
Immediately after Story and Rhyme Time @ 9.30am.
Join us to explore our backyard, using nature as our tool for craft, STEM and play.

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CAS CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 4 2021

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI
	06/12/21	07/12/21	08/12/21	09/12/21	10/12/21
Wk 9	Alicia Laube		Danielle Meaney	Hayley Ness	Tegan Modra * Brooke Pugsley

CANTEEN TERM 4, 2021

CAS Canteen update

Welcome to Term 4! We are really excited to have volunteers allowed back in the canteen this term and thank you for volunteering your time to help out our school.

As always, you can find the *Weekly Specials* on the **CAS Canteen Facebook page** and on QKR! every Sunday evening. As the weather warms up, we have plenty of ice-creams, slushies, cold drinks and fruit salads, along with all the usual lunch time favourites. You can always order wraps, sandwiches and paninis with your choice of fillings. Recess is available through QKR, students just need to come to the canteen at recess to collect their order.

The QKR! App is the preferred way to order recess and lunch for your child. It is quick, easy and cash free. Just ensure you have selected the correct class for your child, so their lunch ends up at the right place. You can also now pay off canteen debts via an IOU option on the opening screen of QKR.

If volunteering in the school canteen is something you would like to do, please let Carrie 0427765029 or Sophie 0418813995 know. Then contact Cathy or Leanne at the School Finance Office to arrange a free *Working with Children Check* or if you already have one, please forward it to:

catherine.haarsma312@schools.sa.edu.au

Volunteering at the canteen is a great way to get to know the students and help out your school community. Duties include serving at lunchtime, prepping food and cleaning up.

It's great to see more and more students take up the option of Reusable Lunch Bags. They are available from the School Finance Office or you can order one on QKR for just \$10.50 and they come in a range of colours. Your child just pops their reusable lunch bag into their class basket in the morning and their lunch is served in that, instead of a brown paper bag, helping reduce wastage.

The current volunteer roster is above. Please sign in at the Front Office and staff will direct you how to access the canteen during the build. If you can't make your shift, please arrange your own swap and advise Carrie 0427765029 or Sophie 0418813995.

Thanks for your support.
Carrie & Sophie

Starting time Monday – Thursday 12 to 2:15pm

Friday starting time 11:50am to 2pm

***Friday starting time 12:30pm to 2:15pm**

Our school is taking part in the Commissioner's Student Voice Postcard initiative!



Commissioner's Student Voice Postcards

Many South Australian primary school aged children are directly supporting the important work of South Australia's Commissioner for Children and Young People, Helen Connolly, as active participants of her annual **Student Voice Postcard** initiative, currently being rolled out to all schools across the State. The initiative is helping Commissioner Connolly gain a clearer understanding of what is important to primary school children. She is asking this under-represented group to respond to four simple questions that invite them to tell her what matters to them most, what aspirations they have, what worries them, and what they would change to make their lives better. All responses are anonymous. No personal information is collected. The Commissioner will use the postcard responses to inform her advocacy work to improve the lives of SA's children and young people.

Learn more about the Commissioner's Student Voice Postcard initiative at www.commissionerspostcards.com.au



FOOD AND HOSPITALITY

The CAS food classes would like to acknowledge the generous support of Cummins Milling for their supply of flour, it is greatly appreciated. Cummins Meat Store, 5 Loaves Bakery and Cummins IGA are also acknowledged for their continued support of our cookery programs. We are grateful to have such generous and supportive businesses in Cummins.

Kelly Wait

COMMUNITY NEWS



Cummins Christmas Festival Friday, December 10

Please join us for this community event, starting with a parade along Railway Tce from 6pm.

Community groups and businesses are welcome to participate in the parade. Parade participants to gather from 5.45pm near the cnr of Tumbby Bay Rd & Railway Tce for 6pm start.

Community celebration after the parade at the Triangle playground with food stalls & free kids entertainment including:
Bouncy castles, zorb balls & face-painting.
A visit from Father Christmas.
Fireworks!!



Edillilie Community CHRISTMAS TREE

Saturday 18th December 2021

Edillilie Memorial Hall 5pm

Father Christmas visits at 6.30pm



COVID restrictions will apply so please bring a **picnic meal** for your family, masks for those over 12 years and please sign in when you arrive.

There will be fundraiser raffle on the night with some great prizes!

Parcels to be dropped off at the Edillilie Post Office before the night.



ASTHMA SAFE IN 2022

**For the start of school,
please arrange:**

- ✓ an updated written Asthma Action Plan from your child's doctor
- ✓ a named spacer and reliever puffer
- ✓ a planned talk with your child's teacher about their asthma

**Remember to keep up
with asthma treatment as
prescribed over the holidays**



**1 IN 9
STUDENTS
HAVE
ASTHMA**



**ASTHMA
AUSTRALIA**

COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER RATES

Posters up to 1/4 of a page - \$22 (incl GST). This is the maximum size for an article or notice. Rate adjusted according to space used; Minimum charge \$5.50 plus GST for up to 5 lines. Payment will need to be made to the finance office prior to inclusion. Only advertisements or notices of community interest or one of non-commercial value will be published. Articles can be emailed to: dl.0754_info@schools.sa.edu.au

Repeat Ads can only be inserted for 2 weeks.