FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

“Success doesn’t come to you, you go to it”

The quote above caught my attention as being a great starting point as we begin the new school year. Research has found that to maximise the achievement of our children we need to promote self-discipline, and that the relationship between self-discipline and achievement is linear, as self-discipline increases the success, we have increases. GRIT is a never-yielding form of self-discipline and is characterised by the personality trait of extreme persistence. So, as we enter the school year, the one thing I ask of the whole school community is that we exhibit great persistence in all that we do, to produce successes that we can be proud of.

This time of the year is always exciting because as a school community we get to welcome new families and new staff. This year we welcome two new staff members to our school, and to the staff members who are returning.

Ms Kerri-Anne Hooper comes to us from Long Street Primary School in Whyalla. Her role is as R-7 Assistant Principal, focusing on Student Well-being and Pathways. She has many years of leadership experience and will be a valuable acquisition to our school community. Kerri-Anne will also have a teaching component in the primary school.

Mr Adam Stribley will be teaching Science and Physical Education in Years 8 to 10 as well as Year 11. He comes to us from Hallett Cove High School. I have also heard on the grapevine that he is a gun footballer and a possible recruit for the Southern Saints!

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Mrs Jo Lange returns from Accouchement Leave on a part time basis and will be teaching Art and Geography in Years 8 to 10.

Mrs Vanessa O’Brien will be teaching one day in the R-1 Class and another day as a Primary NIT teacher.

As a way for our families and staff to meet, we will be having a school open night on Tuesday 10th February from 5:00pm till 7:00pm. Classrooms will be open and I encourage all parents, students and community members to make the time to reconnect with the school. In particular as a staff, we see it as really important that parents of all our students come and take the time to personally meet their child’s teacher/s on this evening and to discuss individual subject requirements with them.

Parents; hopefully your child has shown you their new school diary by now. We see this as an important communication tool for all stakeholders and strongly encourage you to go through this with your child regularly as part of your “CATCH UP” with them about how school is going.

Two other very important events that will be happening in the first few weeks are the Swimming Carnival (Friday 13th February) and the Governing Council AGM (Tuesday 10th February), and I encourage all community members to attend.

Finally, well done to the successful number of Year 12 students who achieved their first preference of University choices. To all our students in 2015, I wish you all the best as you pursue your studies this year.

Remember that the key to your success is the level of persistence and self-discipline you display.

DAVID CLUSE
Principal

PAVER BRICK FUNDRAISER

We will be running the Paver Brick Fundraiser again this term. Please contact the school if you would like the forms for participation.

EUDUNDA AREA SCHOOL GOVERNING COUNCIL
Consistent Effort, Attitude & Behaviour (R-7)
- Reception - Year 1 Class: Ryan Stretton
- Year 3 - 6 Class: Kiara Schick
- Year 3 - 6 Class: Kayla Steinborner

Most Improved in Class Awards (R-7)
- Reception - Year 1 Class: Zack Jones-Bain
- Year 3 - 6 Class: Decota Curran
- Year 7: Jesse Macdonald

Academic Awards (4-7)
- Year 3 - 6 Class: Katrina Manguera
- Year 7: Kayla Steinborner

Academic Awards (8–10)
- Year 8 Male: Mark Aves
- Year 8 Female: Soraya Leopold
- Year 7: Tyson Launer
- Year 9 Male: Decota Curran
- Year 9 Female: Skarlett Coe
- Year 10 Male: Jake Schmidt
- Year 10 Female: Chelsea Kotz

Certificate for Excellent Attendance
- Kyle Murray

Year 11 Subject Awards
- Biology: Angus Wiech
- Chemistry: Angus Wiech
- Mathematics: Angus Wiech
- Research Project (Stage 2): Angus Wiech
- Physical Education: Angus Wiech
- Child Studies: Rachel Allchurch
- English: Karla Schutz
- Food & Hospitality: Karla Schutz
- Mathematics Applications: Karla Schutz
- Visual Art - Design: Karla Schutz
- Nutrition: Rosheen Blumson
- Geography: Ben Prior
- Technology Studies - Metal: Ben Prior
- Design & Tech - Wood: Douglas Beddome
- Physics: Year 12 Subject Awards
  - Excellence in English: Leesa-Joy Flanagan
  - Biology: Leesa-Joy Flanagan
  - Nutrition: Leesa-Joy Flanagan
  - Physical Education: Leesa-Joy Flanagan
  - Visual Art Studies: Mikayla Mills
  - Child Studies: Demi Schulz
  - Food & Hospitality: Demi Schulz
  - Mathematical Applications: Cassia Mathews
  - Mathematical Studies: Isaiah Blumson
  - Physics: Isaiah Blumson
  - Specialist Maths: Isaiah Blumson
  - Chemistry: Isaiah Blumson
  - Society & Culture: Taylor Rigby-Meth
  - VET (Vocational Education Training)
    - Cert II in Horticulture: Jake Bugeja
    - Japanese Award
      - Primary: Jasmine Scholz
    - Wine Label Design
      - 2013 Vintage: Karla Schutz
    - 2014 Vintage: Karla Schutz

School Captains
- Isaiah Blumson
- Demi Schulz

Primary School Captains
- Cassidy Neville-Pope
- Kayla Steinborner

Special Service to the School
- Ronda Dunstan

Volunteering Award for Outstanding Service
- Soraya Leopold

Rowan Ramsey School Community Award
- Janice Henderson

Governing Council School’s Values Awards
- Secondary: Demi Schulz
- Primary: Acacia Rooke

Design & Technology - Buschutz Award
- Angus Wiech

Eudunda District Country Education Foundation
- Isaiah Blumson
- Leesa-Joy Flanagan
- Demi Schulz

Principal’s Awards
- Primary: Acacia Rooke
- Secondary: Isaiah Blumson

Samantha Keith Memorial Quiet Achiever Award
- Kelly Michalk

Lillia Cluse Memorial Award
- Leesa-Joy Flanagan

Caltex Best All Rounder Award
- Isaiah Blumson

Sportsperson Award - Jan Patterson Shield
- Blake Biscan

Leadership Award - Regional Council of Goyder
- Karla Schutz

Dan van Holst Pellekaan Citizenship Awards
- Mark Aves
- Brooke Stretton

Eudunda/Robertstown Library Board
- Rosheen Blumson

Eudunda RSL Scholarship
- Jake Schmidt

Hansborough Hall Scholarship
- Karla Schutz

ADF Long Tan Youth Leadership & Teamwork
- Year 12 Award: Isaiah Blumson
- Year 10 Award: Tiarna Roocke

Agriculture Award – Primary
- Jasmine Scholz

Agricultural Club - Secondary
- Emily Allchurch
- Benn Heinrich
- Jake Schmidt
- Garry Schutz
- Karla Schutz
- Jayden Steinborner
- Dylan Stacey
- Angus Wiech

Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Leesa-Joy Flanagan (Silver)
- Mikayla Mills (Silver)
- Emily Allchurch (Bronze & Silver)
YOUNG CITIZEN OF THE YEAR!

Kyle Murray was honoured to be 2015 Young Citizen of the Year!

Judy Partington nominated Kyle. This is what she said, "Kyle has been involved in YAC (Youth Advisory Committee) for three years, coming onto his fourth year. He is my right hand little organiser, as he get all the members organised for the meetings and he gets the events sorted and running, he's fabulous! Kyle is a friendly, polite, caring, outgoing, enthusiastic and intelligent man for his age! He has shown incredible determination and commitment towards not only YAC, but his schooling and sporting, as he has broken many records at his local school, and while representing his school broke records at SANTOS! In Kyle's Sporting he is always encouraging his team to do their best! While attending Eudunda Area School he has won many awards for his hard efforts! I and the community have noticed that Kyle, in work hours at Eudunda Foodland and out of work hours, helping the elderly with their shopping! One of the best things I love about Kyle is if something is worth while to him, he will fight for it and won't give up! Kyle is a very honest person and I think that is what makes him so brilliant and makes him the young amazing enthusiastic person he is today! I could not be prouder to have nominated Kyle to be our Young Citizen of the Year for 2015, as I hope many of you agree! He has done Eudunda and the youth good that is why I believe Kyle deserves this incredible award! Thank you."

YAC (YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE)

Welcome back to school for 2015!

The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) is wanting more members! What is the Youth Advisory Committee? The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) program aims to get young people actively involved in their local communities by participating in youth related projects, conducting events and influencing decisions on issues important to young people. So please, if you want to make a change or have a say in the community don't be shy to come find me, Kyle Murray, and speak to me for more information and when our next meeting is!

Thank you.

KYLE MURRAY
YAC Student Representative
District Council of Goyder
## TERM 1 CALENDAR

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**Notes:**
- **M** Jan 26: Public Holiday
- **FEB 9:** Swimming Carnival
- **FEB 10:** Governing Council AGM
- **FEB 17:** Library Board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- **MAR 9:** Operation Finders
- **MAR 16:** Operation Finders
- **MAR 23:** Operation Finders
- **MAR 30:** Operation Finders
- **APRIL 6:** Easter Monday
- **APRIL 13:** Good Friday
- **APRIL 20:** ANZAC Day
- **APRIL 27:** Good Friday
Help your child ACHIEVE!

One way to help your child achieve at school is to work together with your child’s teacher. The parent-teacher partnership takes work from both sides to become a reality. Here are some ideas that will help.

1. Know what your child’s teacher is trying to achieve
Like children, every teacher is different with their own specific expectations, goals and interests. Get to know your child's teacher and gain an understanding of their approach and aspirations for your child's class.

2. Keep your expectations reasonable and positive
If your expectations are too high your teacher may give up. Too low and they will meet them! The trick is to keep your aspirations for your child in line with their ability and their interests. Also be realistic about what your child's school can deliver. Sometimes our expectations of schools are not in line with their capabilities or their roles.

3. Support your teacher’s expectations & activities at home
One practical way of supporting your child is to take a real interest in their home-based learning tasks and follow the guidelines laid out by teachers.

4. Send kids to school ready to learn and on time
Maximise your child’s chances of success by sending them to school in a good frame of mind, with plenty of sleep and a good breakfast. Also make sure they get to school on time. It’s estimated that many kids miss up to two weeks of school a year when they are routinely late by just five minutes a day.

5. Inform teachers of your child’s challenges and changes
Life’s not always smooth sailing for kids. Family circumstances can alter. Friends move away. Illness happens. These changes affect learning. Make sure you keep your child’s teacher up-to-date with significant changes or difficulties your child experiences, so he or she can accommodate their emotional and learning needs at school.

6. Skill children to work with others
Schools are social places requiring children to work and play with each other much of the time. Teaching manners to kids, as well as encouraging them to share their time, space and things with others are practical ways to help kids with their social skills. Talk through any social challenges they may have, helping them develop their own strategies to get on with others.

7. Respectfully seek joint solutions to problems and difficulties
Rest the temptation to solve all your children’s problems or think you have the only solution. Most learning and social problems can be resolved when teachers and parents work together in the best interests of the child.

8. Participate in class & school activities
There is a huge body of research that points to the correlation between parent involvement in a child’s schooling and their educational success. Quite simply, if you want your child to improve his learning then take an interest in his learning, attend as many school functions as you can, and follow the lead provided by your child’s teacher. This simple strategy will have a massive, long-term impact.

9. Trust your teacher’s knowledge, professionalism and experience
Your child’s teacher is your greatest ally. Their training, their experience around kids, and their objective professionalism puts them in a strong position to make judgemental calls about your child.

10. Talk up what happens at school
Your child will take their cues from you about how they see their school. If you want your child to value learning, and enjoy their time at school then you need to support your school and make sure he or she hears positive messages about learning, teachers and the school itself. You can set a strong educational agenda at home by talking up your school.

This type of 10-point plan is easy to read but hard to put into practice, particularly when you get busy or your child has significant difficulties. Choose two or three ideas from this list to really focus on in the coming year and you’ll find that the rest will fall into place. Good luck and nurture the partnerships you have with your child’s teachers.

Stay one step ahead of your kids with great ideas & expert advice from Michael Grose. Join Michael’s NSW Parenting Ideas Club today at parentingideasclub.com.au. You’ll be so glad you did.

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Our first ever

OPEN DAY

Saturday, FEBRUARY 14, 2015

10am to 4 pm

2198 Eudunda Road, Neales Flat. You can find us on Google Maps

This is a good way to find out what we are up to!

- The Footeside Farm Story
- Products, Resources will be available from our Barn Shop
- Tours of the plantations and processing shed.
- Food will be available for purchase and of course it will have a native flavour
- Drinks will also be available
- Didgeridoo Playing
- Workshop on using Native foods in your Cooking
- A selection of native food plants for sale

Entrance fee of $5 will give you free tours and entry to the
Open Day Raffle featuring our Native Food products.
School aged children and younger have free entry.

Entrants Raffle
All entrants go into the draw to win a deluxe Footeside Farm Product Hamper valued at $115. What’s included: Wattle Seed 60g, Quandong 50g, Bush Tomato 50g, Salt Bush 50g, Wattle Seed Apricots in Port, Australian Native Dukkah, Quandong Jam, Bush Tomato Onion Jam, Wattle Seed Cookie Mix, Macadamia Oil 250ml, Wattle Seed Coating Mix and a copy of Wattle Seed the Kitchen Handbook containing 35 Wattle Seed Recipes written by Linda.

Hope to see you at the Farm
**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**SOUTHERN SAINTS FOOTBALL CLUB**

**U17 training** commences 5pm Tuesday 3rd February at Eudunda Oval. All new players are welcome. Enquiries: phone Jamie 0400 018 004

**U14 training** commences on Tuesday 17th February at Eudunda Oval. Training will then be Tuesday and Thursday at Eudunda starting at 5pm. Enquiries: phone David 0413 340 610

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**Eudunda Playgroup’s Open Day**

**Time:** 11am—1pm

**Date:** Monday 9/2/15

**Contact person:** Louise Schutz 0411952870

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**Barossa United Junior Soccer Club**

‘COME & TRY’ SOCCER SESSIONS

NEW AND CURRENT BOYS & GIRLS WELCOME

Wed Feb 4th & Wed Feb 11th, 6 – 6.45pm

FREE! AGES 4 – 7 FREE!

**BAROSSA UNITED JUNIOR SOCCER GROUNDS**

Penrice Road, Nuriootpa (entrance between High School oval & Tourist Park)

Info: Vicky Ireland 0422 048546

Please note: PARENTS/CAREGIVERS MUST STAY WITH THEIR CHILDREN

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**The first KIDS PRAISE session will be held on Sunday 1st February during the 9am Eudunda Parish service at St Johns Church, Eudunda. All school aged children are welcome to attend, pre-school children are able to attend with a supervising adult. Cost is free. 2015 registration forms will be available to complete on the day. Look forward to seeing you there! Fiona Schiller**

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**CRAIG GILES with special guests NATHAN BRUHN and JOHN RAMKE at Eudunda Institute Wednesday 11th February 8pm-11pm**

$18 (includes supper). Come along and enjoy a wonderful night of fun and first class entertainment.

Enquiries and tickets phone Dot 8581 1218 or 0407004469 or email

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**Eudunda Playgroup’s Open Day**

**Time:** 11am—1pm

**Date:** Monday 9/2/15

**FREE**

Sausage Sizzle

Face Painting

Glitter Tattoos

Craft Activities

Playground

Birth to School aged children and their Parents/ Caregivers are all welcome. Please come along and join in the fun.