



Newsletter

Term 2 Week 2 No. 7 – 6th May 2021

Diary Dates



Pupil Free Day

Friday 3rd September

Monday 1st November

Next GC Coffee Mornings

Wednesday 9th June,

Friday 30th July,

Wednesday 1st September

Friday 22nd October

Wednesday 24th October

Sports Day

Friday 29th October



From the Principal

NAPLaN

Next week sees us start the annual NAPLaN testing period for our Year 3, 5 & 7 students. Online tests will be conducted over the next two weeks in Writing, Reading, Spelling, Grammar & Punctuation, and Numeracy. We strongly encourage all students to participate, however, if you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact Aaron Bayliss who is coordinating the testing for us.

Grounds & Facilities

Our new storage shed is almost finished, after a couple of false starts we are nearly there! Work has been completed on extending the bike racks and we have also covered the racks with a roof to help protect bikes/scooters from the elements. We are currently working towards having the Gym roof, gutters and downpipes replaced.

Garden Night

What a wonderful turn out we had on Wednesday night for our Garden Night. Thank you to Penny and the Strings and Choir students for setting such a wonderful tone for the evening, it was a great way to start things off. A massive thank you (and congratulations) must also be passed on to Heather Gurney for her work and 'oversight' of the garden and making the night and the garden such a wonderful experience for everyone. Our Parent Network committee and parent and staff volunteers who also work tirelessly in the planning and on the night deserve a special mention too, thank you.

If you are interested in being part of the Parent Network Committee, or just willing to volunteer at school events and functions, please get in contact with [Brianna Jordan](#) and let her know your availability.

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY TO ALL OF OUR MUMS ON SUNDAY—I'm sure your wonderful children will spoil you and let you know how much you are loved and appreciated.

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Vinnies Sleepout

Last night I completed my Sleepout for Vinnies to help them support homelessness in Adelaide and SA. We were really fortunate with the weather and we were also really fortunate to have some presentations from Vinnies about the work they do. Every night in Adelaide Vinnies have to turn away, on average, ten men every night from their shelter. This shelter is full every night! The fact they are turning people away is concerning enough but what we were also made aware of this is only the people who are accessing that service.

Women access Vinnies for (generally) different reasons than men, and often this is to escape domestic violence. The level of support required in these shelters is again often far more intense and complex and requires quite specialised care.

The wonderful staff at Vinnies challenged us last night, along with thanking us, to think about how we can continue to support their support of those who find themselves without a home after we have finished our sleepout. I made a commitment to support a clothing/food/homewares drive to support Vinnies need for these items, especially as we approach the coldest months of the year. Stay tuned!

Finally, I couldn't be more proud to be a part of a community as I was last night when I was able to share our fundraising efforts with all the Principals and Vinnies staff. The pride isn't just because we were the highest fundraisers (winning isn't everything), it was because of the extraordinary total we have raised to support Vinnies. I don't think the team at Vinnies could quite believe how much we have raised to date! The fundraising will remain open until the end of the month so if you know anyone else who might want to donate please pass on the link to our page.



<https://vinnies-sa.grassrootz.com/vinnies-2021-principal-sleepout/iain-elliott-black-forest-primary-school>

Thanks again!!

Our tally from the Gold Coin Donation for Casual Day today will add a further \$531.50 to the total, which isn't showing on the website yet, taking our grand total over the \$5000 mark!!!!



RESPECT ENDEAVOUR COLLABORATION RESPONSIBILITY
CREATIVITY

Congratulations to the following students for demonstrating

School Values:

Ramos S (R1), Frankie W (R2), Hayley L, Lachlan P, Jaxon E, Jack L (R6), Georgia O (R8), Isla E (R10), Mabel S (R12), Rosie S (R16), Zack G (R17), Annie Y (R18), Thomas C (R20), Finn T (R23)

Learning Achievement Award:

Ivy W (R1), Oscar W (R2), Tom Y (R6), Sanithi G (R6), Sameer N (R8), Sean Q (R10), Yasmin H (R12), Omo I (R16), Lenny T (R17), Jay C (R18), Jasmine S (R21), Molly M & Leia M (R23)

Breakfast Club Donations

After our last call out we were inundated with supplies, thank you. The most popular item, Strawberry Jam, is running low though, so if anyone could spare a jar of Strawberry Jam it would be much appreciated.

NORTH-SOUTH CORRIDOR TORRENS TO DARLINGTON



We're building a city shaping project to better connect Adelaide.

What's the latest with the Torrens to Darlington (T2D) Project?

In November last year the Department for Infrastructure and Transport (DIT) announced its hybrid+ concept design for the T2D project. The 10.5km project is the final piece of the 78km North-South Corridor.

Will our school be affected?

The project team knows how important it is to keep school communities up-to-date with matters that might affect them.

We are working with the Department for Education and schools along South Road to understand what's important to local families. This includes speaking with the school leadership and regular briefings with Governing Councils.

There will be opportunities to contribute ideas and discuss concerns through our public consultation process taking place in Term 2 and 3.

Are there any works happening at the moment?

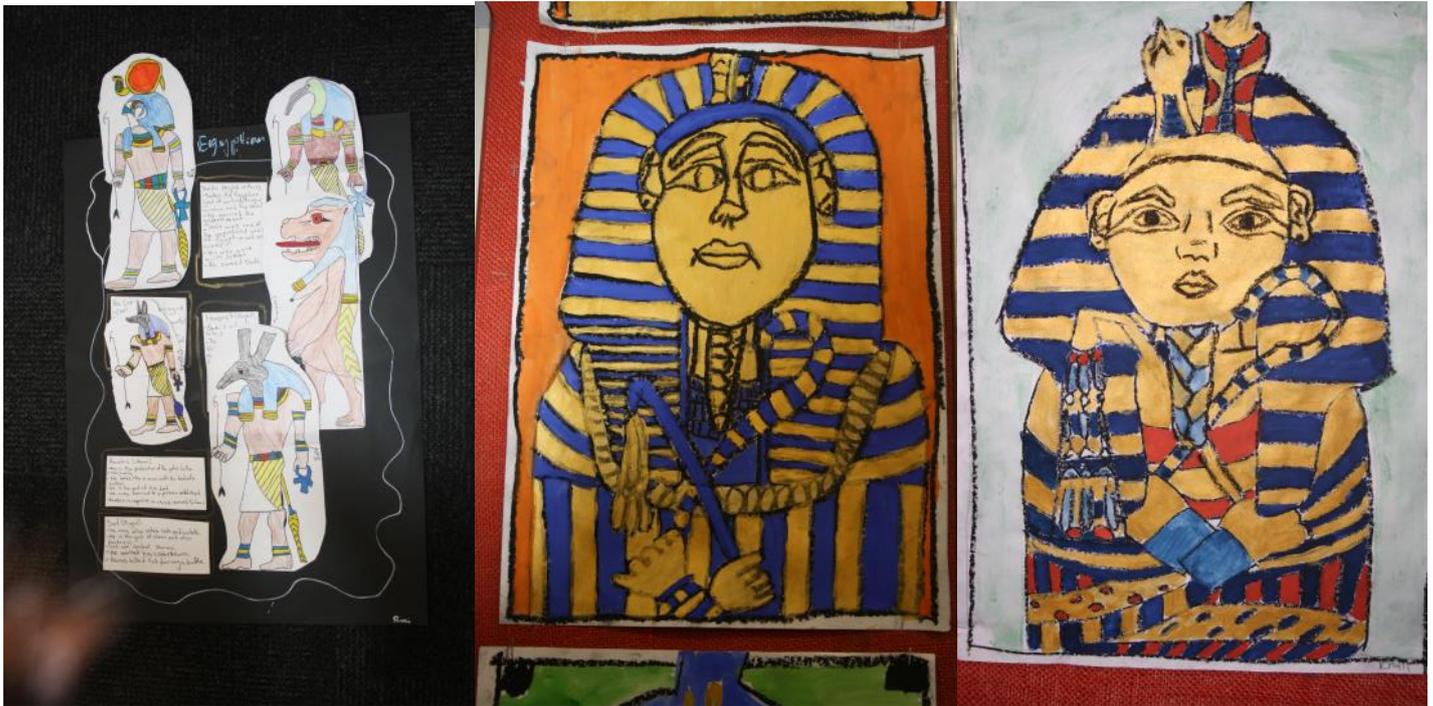
Some people have asked why there are drilling rigs and works along South Road and in their neighbourhoods.

Until the end of 2021 we will be setting up temporary work sites while we complete our early works program – this is to collect geotechnical and survey data about the ground conditions below and on South Road.

These early works will help us to refine the final design and determine the best way to construct the T2D project.

For more information on our early works program and to sign up to receive updates on the T2D project please visit dit.sa.gov.au/torrenstodarlington or contact us on 1300 951 145

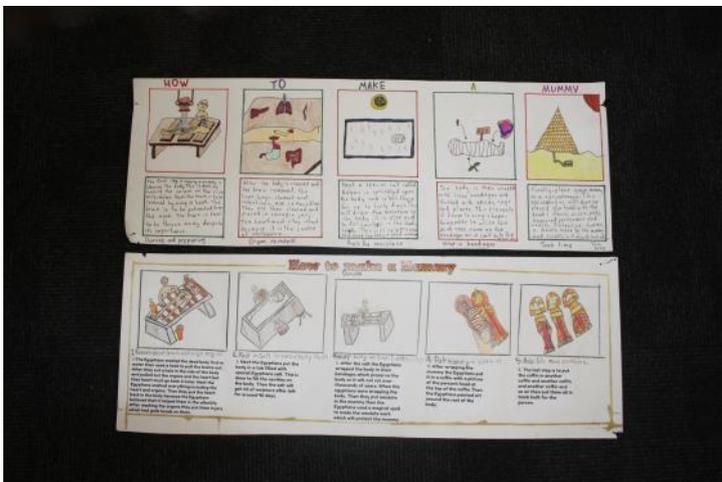
Room 6 Ancient Egypt Learning



Last term we studied Ancient Egypt in History.

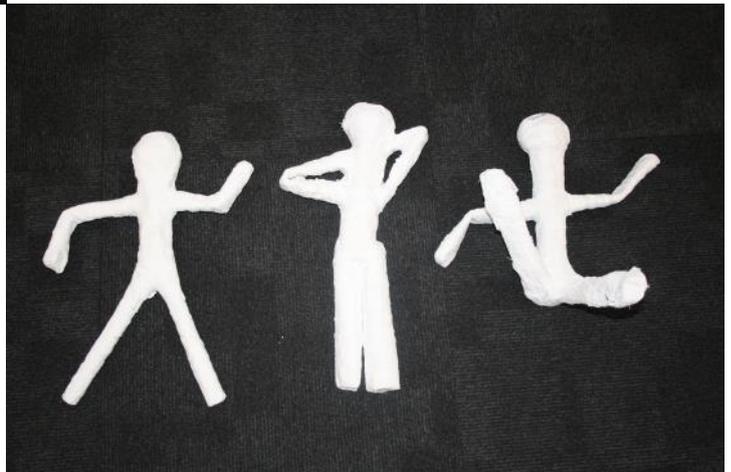
We learnt why the Ancient Egyptians mummified their dead and then we made our own.

We learnt the belief systems and why the gods were so important.



We studied the history and created timelines to demonstrate our learning.

And we create artworks such as Tutankhamen's death mask.



Year 6/7 Camp to Mylor

Last term all the Senior Students went on camp to MYLOR in the Adelaide Hills. We had such a great time and learnt many new skills. Most of all we had lots of fun.



Thom

My favourite parts of Mylor camp were the activities that we did in our group and my favourite out of the six activities was definitely archery. Archery was my favourite because I found it fun to hold a bow and slip an arrow into the line of the bow and then aiming it towards where you want to hit without shaking or your fingers sliding off the bow. I enjoyed it because I liked the thrill of holding a weapon and focusing on where your shooting and trying to steady your arms and body without shaking and slowly letting go of the string and watching the arrow fly towards where ever it was aimed and hitting the target and just the thrill of knowing that you were the one who hit that target and shot that arrow and it just gives you a pleasing sensation when you hit the target.



Jack

One of the most challenging days was on the 2nd day morning there was a fog that made us blind so I took out the torch and put the mode on brightest so that I could see but I couldn't reach the grass. Well the fog disappeared when we started the activity but that was worse for me because it made the day colder and we had mud run for the activity so I got really wet and shivered until the sun was out which was about when the activity ended.



BLACK FOREST PRIMARY



Charlotte

Some of my favorite parts are the activities, just hanging out with friends and the talent show. The reason that the activities were one of my favorite parts was because you had lots of different challenges like working together, figuring out puzzles, conquering your fears and many more things. There were many different challenges like some up high and some down low (the giant swing and the mud crawl.) Somewhere you would stay dry and somewhere you would get wet (the low ropes and the raft building/canoeing.) My favorite activity was definitely the challenge course because it was all different challenges put together. First you had to climb over a wood wall, then wait for your team to all get over it and then throw all 6 bean bags into the hoop, after that you would run over to a tyre and hold hands with your team and try and bring the tyre all around whilst still holding hands. Then you would throw a bucket of water from a cone each with a team player on it. There was this long rope and your team had to run around to a frisbee-golf goal and run back. The best thing was that we had to run over a pole with a bucket full of water but the bucket had holes in it. After the bucket on the other side of the pole was full you got it go through the mud crawl (it was super fun) and at the end you had to make a puzzle and the first team to finish that was the winner (my team.)



Morgan

Canoeing was also very fun! I was in the front of the canoe I shared with Willow and we had a great time. When all of the canoes were bunched together to form a raft, I saw a spider crawling in the front, and I got really scared, but the only people that found out there was a spider in my canoe was Willow, and Kaya, who was in the canoe next to me.