

2026 Diary Dates...

Library Borrowing: Thursday

Lunch Orders: Wednesday

Garden: Friday

Cooking: Friday

Piano: Friday

JULY

Term 3

Week 1

Newsletter

Mon, 20th : PUPIL FREE DAY

Tues, 21st : BACK TO SCHOOL

Week 2

OSHC Educators Day

Parent Survey OPEN

Fri, 31st : 9:30am National Tree Planting Day event, Centenary Park- families welcome.

Fri, 31st : 1:20pm UP CWA Project

Week 3

Newsletter

AUGUST

Tues, 4th : Governing Council Meeting

Fri, 7th : No Piano- Pauline away

Fri, 7th : 1.20pm APS Sports Arvo- families welcome.

Week 4

Work experience student Max this week.

Fri, 14th : MP Assembly

Fri, 14th : No Piano- Pauline away

Week 5

SSO Week

Science Week - Mums and Special Women in Science- details TBC.

Mon, 17th : 2026 Education Leaders Day

Tues, 18th : 2026 Education Leaders Day

Week 6

Newsletter

Book Week

Fri 28th : Small Schools Sports

Day @ Saddleworth P.S.

SEPTEMBER

Week 7

Fri, 4th : UP Assembly

Week 8

Mon, 7th : Royal Adelaide Show SCHOOL

CLOSURE

Tues, 8th : Governing Council Meeting

A note from the Principal...

SKYE IRWIN

Welcome back to Term 3!

I hope all of our families enjoyed a restful break and are ready for another exciting term of learning together.

A very warm welcome to our newest students, Albie and Evelyn. We are delighted to have you join the Auburn Primary School community and look forward to seeing you thrive. We also warmly welcome Mrs Rusca back from maternity leave. It is wonderful to have her return to the Auburn Primary School team.

Over the holiday break, Mr Marshall was hard at work pruning and refreshing our grounds. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to ensuring our school continues to be a welcoming, safe and well-maintained environment for our students, staff and families.

Congratulations to all of our Year 3 and Year 5 students who recently participated in NAPLAN. Families can expect to receive student results this week. If you would like to discuss your child's results or learning progress, please don't hesitate to contact your child's teacher.



School Captains Daniel and Walter

Auburn Primary School Captains proudly showcasing our new sports tops, just in time for Small Schools Sports Day!

Our staff recently came together for a **Pupil Free Day dedicated to professional learning in numeracy**. Guided by Numeracy Facilitator Jenni Hewett, we explored ways to further develop students' problem-solving capabilities while strengthening the important numeracy dispositions of Resilience, Resourcefulness and Reflectiveness. These dispositions help students become confident mathematicians who are willing to persevere, think flexibly and reflect on their learning. Jenni has also developed a series of **Family Maths Challenges**, which will feature in each newsletter throughout the term. We encourage families to have a go together at home, with entries going into a draw at our school assemblies.

Next week the **Parent Perspective Survey opens**, and I strongly encourage all families to participate. Your feedback—both affirming and constructive—is invaluable in helping shape the future direction of Auburn Primary School. Working in partnership with our community ensures we continue to provide the very best learning environment for every child.

I am also excited to share that our new **Auburn Primary School Sports Tops have arrived** just in time for Sports Arvo and Small Schools Sports Day. Sports Arvo provides students with an opportunity to earn House Challenge points while practising sprint events, baton relays and novelty activities in preparation for Sports Day. We look forward to seeing our students proudly representing Auburn Primary School in their new tops.

I am thrilled to announce that **Auburn Primary School has been named one of the winners of this year's Rabo Community Fund and George the Farmer education initiative**. Thanks to Mrs Jenner, who submitted an outstanding application, our school was selected from more than 170 applications. This generous support will enhance our Cooking and Science curriculum while helping students develop a deeper understanding of where our food and fibre come from and the important role agriculture plays within Australia. We are incredibly grateful for this wonderful opportunity.

As always, Term 3 promises to be a busy and rewarding one. We encourage families to become involved wherever possible, and we will continue to publish dates and information as early as possible to support family planning.

Keep an eye out for these exciting upcoming events:

- National Tree Planting Day
- Sports Arvo
- Book Week
- Small Schools Sports Day

Thank you for your continued support of Auburn Primary School. Together we continue to build a community where every child feels safe, experiences a strong sense of belonging, and is challenged to grow through meaningful learning experiences.



**Assembly
awards**



SCHOOL
RULES!



FIRST DAY BACK TO *School!*

In August this year (week 3 to week 6) Auburn Primary Students are participating in the MS Readathon- reading and raising money for a great cause.

Although reading for the challenge only starts on the 1st of August, we have already raised \$1,200 for this worthy cause and have eager readers raring to go!

Please make sure your children are registered at the following link and keep an eye out in red folders for reading logs early next week.



THE MS READATHON IS A MAGICAL READING ADVENTURE FOR AN INCREDIBLE CAUSE.

Kids read as many books as they can in August and raise funds to support families affected by multiple sclerosis and other neurological conditions.



IT'S EASY TO GET INVOLVED:

1. Register for MS Readathon
2. Read as much as you can in August
3. Raise money and earn epic rewards



I CAN ONLINE MENTORING PROGRAMS

For parents looking to support their Autistic children in building confidence and social connections, I CAN Network offers Autistic-led online group mentoring programs tailored for 7-25-year-old Autistic individuals. These programs provide a safe and positive environment where young people can be themselves, share their interests, and connect with peers who have similar experiences. The groups are led by I CAN Mentors, who serve as relatable role models, helping participants grow in self-esteem and pride in their Autistic identity.

Why Consider I CAN Online for Your Child?

- **Safe and Supportive Environment:** The program fosters a sense of belonging and acceptance, allowing participants to engage without feeling overwhelmed or judged.
- **Building Social Skills:** Participants have reported improvements in communication, social connections, and overall mental wellbeing.
- **Positive Identity Development:** Many young people who join the program start to embrace their Autistic identity with pride, contributing to their self-esteem and confidence.

Discover more -
<https://icannetwork.online/>

WHAT IS THE I CAN NETWORK ONLINE MENTORING PROGRAM?

I CAN Network's National Online Mentoring Program is having an impact on Autistic and neurodivergent young people who are socially isolated and face difficulties in life. Participant and parent feedback has been positive and highlights the variety of outcomes which participants can achieve in our programs.

From their comments, parents observe the following outcomes among young people engaging the National Online Programs:



"I really enjoy the games, the people, the community, how lovely everyone is, how accepting everyone is...It's, also not too... overwhelming because it's not like real-life..." - LGBTQIA+ Participant

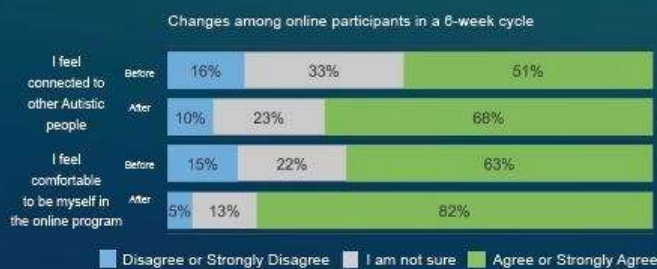
"It means that I am not lonely & I can talk to some [Autistic] people like me." - Young Adult Participant



"He has built so much more confidence and now talks more about his Autistic identity with pride. It's been amazing for his sense of belonging and also for his self-esteem." - Parent of Online Participant

"After participating a few times, she started to communicate... [and] even participated by speaking, which was a great breakthrough." - Parent of Online Participant

PARTICIPANT RESULTS



No. Students = 144 for before and No. Students = 136 for after, pooled from 21 programs

In the National Online Programs, participants can establish social connections with other Autistic young people and be themselves. These are enabled by a positive, safe group environment where participants can engage in the session without feeling judged or stressed.

JOIN US



Write to our Online team at: online@icannetwork.com.au

Or for more information visit our website at: icannetwork.online or follow us on social media.



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Auburn Primary School



Playcentre



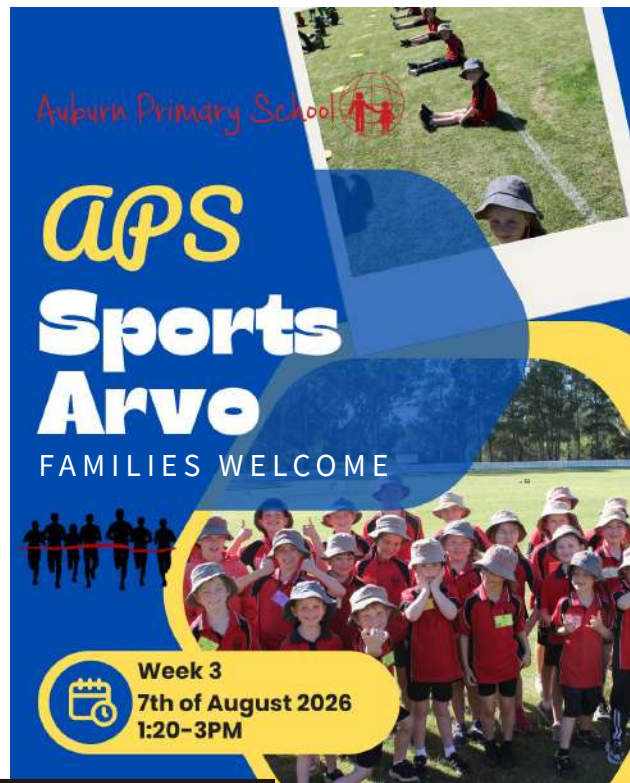
Playcentre welcomes all our wonderful families back for a fun term 3! We pride our space on a safe and social environment that families feel comfortable inviting others to join. The space stimulates our babies cognitive development by encouraging them to explore and solve problems.

See you all Friday 9-11 am



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What's happening in Term 3



What's happening in Term 3

Auburn Primary School 
Book Week



SYMPHONY OF STORIES

Week 6

Watch this space... more information to come...
a friendly reminder to get your creative juices flowing and start planning your costume!



Royal Adelaide Show
School Closure Day
Monday 7th September



SAVE THE DATE!
STUDENT LED INTERVIEWS



Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
14	15	16

What's happening in Term 3

The Auburn Primary School community will be taking part in the

RISING SUN HOTEL MEAT RAFFLE

more information to come out about how you and your family can be involved

FRIDAY WEEK 7: 4/9/26
FRIDAY WEEK 8: 11/9/26
FRIDAY WEEK 9: 18/9/26
FRIDAY WEEK 10: 25/9/26

RAZZAMATAZZ 2026



ADELAIDE
Woodville Town Hall
Thursday, 13th August 2026
11am, 4.30pm & 6.30pm

**Free tickets available
for your students, families,
clients or group**

HOSTED BY LIONS MEDICAL RESEARCH FOUNDATION
& SPONSORED BY THE LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY

FREE TICKETS AVAILABLE FOR CLIENTS, STUDENTS,
FAMILIES, CARERS & THOSE THEY CARE FOR.

Razzamatazz Variety show is suitable for all ages and
accessible for people with diverse abilities and
backgrounds, for those who might require a more
flexible and inclusive environment, and those who are
facing hardship and are unable to have the opportunity
to attend live theatre.

Tickets for Hobart can be ordered at razzamatazzshow@gmail.com

Please email how many tickets you would like and which performance.
Please also let us know which organisation referred you.
Tickets will be emailed to you.

WEDNESDAY SCHOOL LUNCH

Menu




Hot Pastries
Plain Beef Pie - \$6
Sausage Roll - \$6
Pastie - \$6
Vegetarian Pastie - \$6

Hot Dogs
Hot Dog with Cheese & Sauce - \$7.50
Hot Dog With Sauce - \$7.00
Plain Hot Dog - \$6.50

Toasties
Ham & Cheese - \$5.00
Cheese - \$4.00

Drinks
Fruit Box
Apple - \$2.50
Orange - \$2.50
Tropical - \$2.50

**Lunch Orders Due Tuesdays at Auburn Lane
by 2pm Please come in to order and pay.**

Auburn Lane Bakery & Sweet Shop - Open Tuesday - Sunday 10am - 4pm
These prices are subject to Auburn Primary School Lunches Only
Carly: 0425402003





THE LIONS CLUB OF GILBERT VALLEY
ARE EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE



WHEN: Friday 14th Aug.

WHERE: Riverton Bowls Club

DOORS OPEN: 6.00pm

EYES DOWN: 7.00pm

COST: \$2.50 per book

BAR OPEN WITH FREE TEA & COFFEE

Mathmagicians - Family Challenge 1

This is our first Family Mathematical Challenge. The challenge will involve families working on a maths question (s) which will appear in the Newsletter. The questions will vary in difficulty and at times can be solved in a number of ways, depending on your experience and how you think through the problem.

These problems will provide you with an opportunity to work as a family. We encourage you to talk about and discover the thinking that helped your child/ren solve the problem. Remember these discussions are just as important as the answer itself, as we learn a great deal by explaining our thinking to others.

The Mathematical Challenge . The guidelines are:

1. You have a week to work on the problem, and record how you solved it (see below)
2. You need to record your families name and the class your child is in on the entry
3. You must place your entry in the 'Mathmagician' Challenge Box in the front office by Friday of the following week. Your working out can be attached but is not necessary
4. All correct entries will be collected and one will be drawn from the box each fortnight. A maths prize will be awarded. The winner and solution(s) will be in the next Challenge newsletter.

We hope that you have fun as a family if you choose to take the challenge.

Strategies to help Problem Solving include:

- Draw a diagram, picture, model or graph
- Guess/estimate, check and improve
- Use a Table or Chart
- Make a List
- Look for a Pattern

- Use Real Objects - Hands on approach
- Use Logical Reasoning - What do I know?
- Work Backwards - build up information
- Act it out
- Break the problem into smaller parts
- Write a Number Sentence or equation
- Solve a Simple Problem with smaller numbers
- Find an exception
- Think - What other ways are possible - try them all?

This resource was developed by Numeracy consultant Jenni Hewett .

Junior Level - Part 1

Farm Holiday

I was visiting my cousins' farm where I saw some chickens and pigs.

**Altogether I saw 20 legs.
How many chickens did I see?
How many pigs?
Is there more than one possible answer?**



Upper Level - Part 2

Summer Holiday

While on holiday I saw some children and donkeys on a beach. In total they have 33 heads and 110 feet.

How many donkeys?

How many children?

Bonus points if you use algebra!



Mathmagicians - Family Challenge 1 - Solution (Place in the Maths Box in the Front Office before Friday, wk2)

Family Name:

Student's class:

Our Answer to Junior Level - part 1 (you can answer part 1 only, part 2 only or do both parts)

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Our Answer to Upper Level - part 2

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A method (or more) we used to solve the problem(s)

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