



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2, Week 5

BUS DRIVERS

Warrow

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Mt Hope

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Karkoo

Kelvin Starke - 0428 852 246

Vanilla

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Helen Robinson - 0428 885 017

Brimpton Lake

Barry Boyce - 0418 762 319

Parents must contact the bus driver at least 24 hours prior to travel being required on an alternate bus.

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Government of South Australia
Department for Education

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Hi Everyone,

As we reach the halfway point of Term 2, there is already much to reflect on – and some exciting opportunities just ahead for our students.

Our Parent-Teacher Interviews were well attended, and feedback from staff indicated they were a valuable opportunity to connect with families around the students we are jointly invested in. If you were unable to attend or would like to follow up on any initial conversations, please feel free to contact the front office and ask Jenna to arrange a time with your child's teachers, or reach out directly via Daymap. Staff are always happy to find a suitable time to discuss progress, support, and curriculum.

Last week, our Open Boys Football Team and Years 7-12 Netball teams participated in carnivals in Port Lincoln. It is always reassuring and pleasing to receive positive feedback on the participation and behaviour of our students – knowing they have represented our school and the Habits of Character we stand for so proudly. Well done to all involved.

Tomorrow is National Simultaneous Storytime, with this year's book being Luna Roo the Kangaroo Baller. Our Guest Reader will be entertaining JP students in the library at 11:00 am, and students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite sportsperson. This is always a fabulous celebration of reading and books, and we are grateful to our library staff for organising it each year.

Also tomorrow, we will welcome Mr Peter Kelly, Deputy Chief Executive of the Department for Education, to CAS. Peter will tour our school in the afternoon before joining the Leadership Team for afternoon tea, where we will share our current Improvement Journey and Site Learning Plan with him. It is a genuine honour to have Peter visit and to showcase the wonderful work happening across our site.

On Thursday, we will be acknowledging Reconciliation Week with a Cookout organised by our Aboriginal Education Teacher, Donna Bagshaw, alongside our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander students. This event brings together Naou Elders and other Aboriginal community members to share their culture and heritage in a relaxed, social setting. It is a highlight of the school calendar – celebrated not only for the fire, damper, Lilly Pilly Jam, cordial, and kangaroo, but for the rich opportunity it provides to weave diversity meaningfully into our curriculum.



CAS WEEKLY SNAPSHOT

TERM 2

WEEK 5

Mon 25/5 - Wed 27/5

- SAPSASA Football, Adl

Thurs 28/5

- Reconciliation Week gathering

WEEK 6

Tues 2/6 - wed 3/6

- Explore 2026, yr 9, Port Lincoln

Wed 3/6

- year 10 immunisations
- year 5 first aid in schools

WEEK 7

Mon 8/6

- King's Birthday holiday

Tues 9/6 - Thurs 11/6

- yr 10 outdoor ed camp

Tues 9/6 - Fri 12/6

- year 11 exams

WEEK 8

Mon 15/6 - Fri 19/6

- Yr 11 Work Experience

Mon 15/6 - Wed 17/6

- yr 10 Science & Engineering challenge

WEEK 9

Mon 22/6 - Fri 26/6

- Year 10 Work Experience

WEEK 10

Sun 28/6 - Thurs 2/7

- Year 10 Careers Trip, Adl

2026 TERM DATES

Term 1

- Tuesday, January 27 - Friday, April 10

Term 2

- Monday, April 27 - Friday, July 3

Term 3

- Monday, July 20 - Friday, September 25

Term 4

- Monday, October 12 - Friday, December 11

Thursday also sees our 25 participants from Years 7–9 begin their journey in the Bloom Leadership Program, with their first session led by Tom Jonas and Nat von Bertouch. We are excited to work with Tom and Nat to build the leadership skills of these students – not only as individuals, but to cultivate strong, capable leaders for our student body as they progress through to Year 12. This program sits beautifully alongside our Year 10 Youth Opportunities Program and the personal and group leadership development that takes place within Crew. A big congratulations to these young people for stepping up and applying.

Have a fabulous fortnight.

Warm regards, Mel

A note for Primary and Junior Primary Parents

This year due to our school participating in both the Premier's Reading Challenge and the Premier's Be Active Challenge we have been lucky enough to receive an additional four tickets to any of the 6 remaining Adelaide Crows home games in Adelaide. Each ticket allows up to 4 people to enter the one game. So if your child is selected, they can take another 3 people with them to the game.

We understand that attending these games may not be convenient for every family, so if you would like your child to be considered for the tickets, please let us know by Friday 30th May by the completion of the Microsoft Form which was sent out as a Daymap message Monday.

The allocation of AFL game tickets will be based on students who are up to date with their Be Active challenge and consistently demonstrate sportsmanship and fair play. Our school values fairness, respect, and positive participation—students are not selected based on sporting ability or performance. If your child receives an offer, it will be because they have shown these important qualities. Please note, acceptance is entirely optional and will be managed privately.

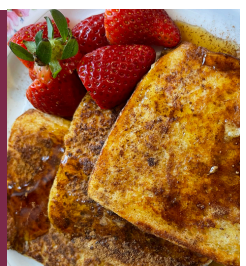
Please don't hesitate to get in contact with Susie Hansen either via Daymap or email susan.hansen208@schools.sa.edu.au if there are any questions or queries about this.

Students are not permitted on school grounds before 8:30 AM, as there will be no supervision available during that period. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Breakfast Club

Toast & Fresh Fruit will be available every morning from **8:30am** at the canteen during the school term for our students.



Port Lincoln - Find your place in Space Featuring Katherine Bennell-Pegg

Join us for this free, inspiring evening as we hear from Katherine Bennell-Pegg, the first Australian to train as an astronaut under the Australian flag. Katherine will share her remarkable journey into the space industry, the challenges and achievements along the way, and her vision for the future of Australia's role in space exploration.

The event will also showcase opportunities within the growing space sector through insights from Southern Launch - an Australian company expanding space exploration from the Southern Hemisphere with end-to-end launch and return services for space missions. Discover how local innovation and industry are helping shape the future of space technology and creating exciting career and business opportunities right here in South Australia.

Whether you are a student, professional, business owner, or simply passionate about science and innovation, this is a unique opportunity to connect with leaders driving Australia's future in space.

This is a free event, but registration is encouraged. Bookings can be made via Humanitix.

[Booking Link: Port Lincoln - Find Your Place In Space](#)



Policeman Ben and friends visit for Walk to School Safely Day

Last week, Mrs. Hansen arranged for our Junior Primary and Primary students to receive a visit from Police Officers Ben, Joe, and Paul. They spoke about the importance of walking safely to school in honor of Walk Safely to School Day. The students engaged with thoughtful questions and showed a solid understanding of the issues that should be reported to the police, as well as the matters that Jenna in the front office could help them with!





NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME
27 May 2026
www.alia.org.au/nss #LibraryStorytime

LUNA ROO
the KANGAROO BALLER
ADAM JACKSON ADRIAN LLOYD JAKE A MINTON

DRESS UP AS YOUR FAVOURITE SPORTSPERSON

WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY, 2026

JP READING SESSION @ 10.30AM IN THE LIBRARY



STUDENT LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

MONDAY	STEM CLUB & QUIET READING
TUESDAY	DRAWING CLUB & QUIET READING
WEDNESDAY	CHESS CLUB & QUIET READING
THURSDAY	LEGO CLUB & QUIET READING
FRIDAY	QUIET READING

Students are welcome to attend the library at lunch times and join in our wide range of activities we have on offer.




Opening Hours

Monday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Tuesday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Wednesday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Thursday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Friday - 9:00am - 5:00pm
Saturday - 9:00am - 12:00pm





BABY BOUNCE, READ & GROW

TALK PLAY READ SING

Join Us for BABY BOUNCE, READ & GROW
A fun and interactive program for young children and their carers!

When: Fridays from 9:30am (During School Terms)
Where: Cummins Library

Sing, play, read, and create with your little ones while making new friends!

Each week we explore new books and themes with fun rhymes, crafts, and outdoor adventures.

2026 Term 2 Themes & Books:

- Week 1 (1/5): Celebrations – Train Party by Karen Blair
- Week 2 (8/5): Construction & Weather – Esmeralda's Nest
- Week 3 (15/5): Counting – One Funky Monkey
- Week 4 (22/5): Adventure – Shoo You Crocodile
- Week 5 (29/5): Friendship – Little Chicken Chickabee**

****visit from Connie Andrew - Women's Health Talk**

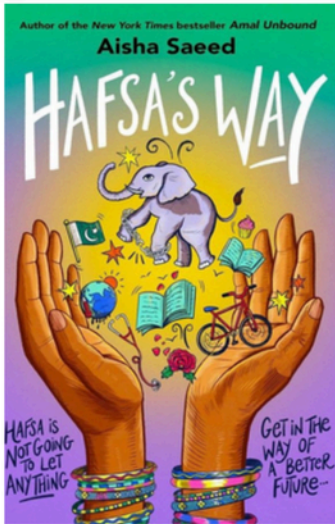
- Week 6 (5/6): Music – Alpacas with Maracas
- Week 7 (12/6): Songs and Story – at Miroma Place
- Week 8 (19/6): Measurement – Bev and KeV
- Week 9 (26/6): Aussie Animals & Nature – Thank You Rain
- Week 10 (3/7): Music – My Possum Plays the Drums**

****Techno Baby Bounce**





Check out our new Children's Fiction



Premier's Reading Challenge



PREMIER'S READING Challenge

Win a 4 game pass to watch the Adelaide Crows at any of their home games for the 2026 season!
Submit your completed Challenge Form by Friday 29th May to go into the lucky draw

Tickets will be drawn randomly on Friday 29th May at 3.30pm





The Premier's Reading Challenge team has given our students an exciting incentive to complete their Challenge Form early.

Submit your completed form to the Library by Friday 29th May and have a chance to win a 4 game pass to watch the Adelaide Crows at any of their remaining home games for the 2026 season.

It's been really pleasing to see so many completed Challenge Forms returned already.

Pop in and see the Library Staff if you have any questions!

CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL CANTEEN - ROSTER TERM 2 2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Wk 5	25/05/2026	26/05/2026	27/05/2026	28/05/2026	29/05/2026 Tegan Modra BJ Moroney
Wk 6	01/06/2026 Amy Fuss	02/06/2026	03/06/2026	04/06/2026	05/06/2026 Lucy Pedler Tegan Stephens
Wk 7	08/06/2026 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	09/06/2026	10/06/2026 Jenna Hughes	11/06/2026	12/06/2026 Katrina Phelps Claire Mickan

PLEASE UPDATE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WITH THE FRONT OFFICE IF ANYTHING HAS CHANGED



HOME/RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS?



MOBILE NUMBERS?



EMAIL ADDRESSES?



EMERGENCY CONTACTS?



FAMILY INFORMATION?

CAS LESSON TIMES

Morning Crew	8.45am - 9.20am
Lesson 1	9.20am - 10.00am
Lesson 2	10.00am - 10.40am
RECESS	10.40am - 11.00am
Lesson 3	11.00am - 11.40am
Lesson 4	11.40am - 12.20pm
Lesson 5	12.20pm - 1.00pm
LUNCH	1.00pm - 1.40pm
Lesson 6	1.40pm - 2.20pm
Lesson 7	2.20pm - 3.00pm
Afternoon Crew	3.00pm - 3.15pm

KARKOO
play group

Everyone welcome to join us for some fun!

Art, craft, singing, stories, music, play

9.30am - 12.00 pm every Thursday morning

Stay all morning or only part. For ages 0 - 4

Bring a piece of fruit and enjoy socialising your little ones in a friendly, creative play space.

**For more information contact
Kate Murnane 0429 795 443**



Could Saver Plus help with your education costs?

Google

🔍 Saver Plus YouTube

to see our quick explainer video and find out if you're eligible.



Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and social justice organisation the Brotherhood of St Laurence (BSL).

It is delivered in partnership with not-for-profit organisations The Smith Family, Berry Street and BSL.

ANZ and the Department of Social Services fund it.

saverplus.org.au

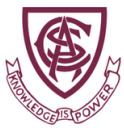
Terms, conditions and eligibility criteria apply.



Late Lunch Orders

Any late lunch orders placed by phone or Daymap to the school after the QKR cutoff must be paid for using the IOU option on QKR before the order can be processed.

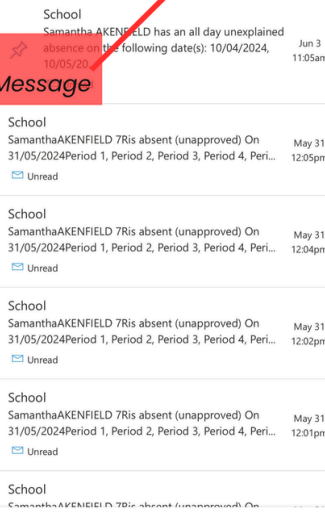
Remember: no payment means no order.



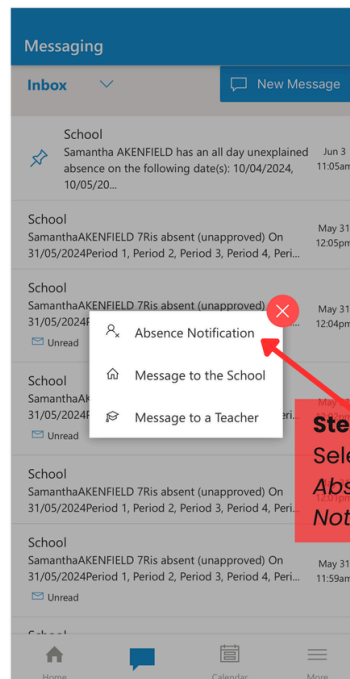
Notifying CAS of a student absence using the DayMap App



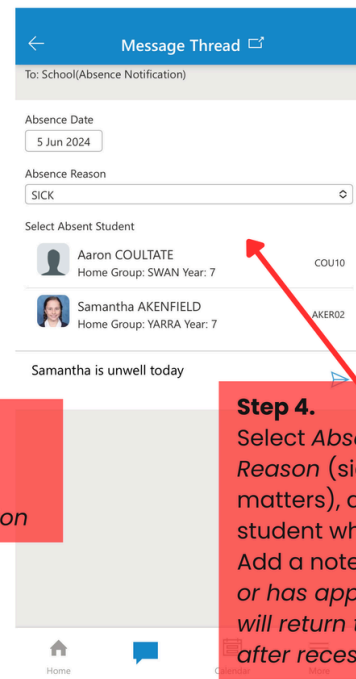
Step 2.
Select New Message



Step 1.
Select Messages



Step 3.
Select Absence Notification



Step 4.
Select Absence Reason (sick or family matters), and then student who is absent. Add a note i.e unwell or has appointment will return to school after recess.



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL merchandise

We have plenty of stock available from the Finance Office for any new 2025 students and replacements for any current students.

Please see either Anna Richardson or Cathy Haarsma to purchase any of the school stock.

CAS MAROON HATS	\$14.00
CAS MAROON SCHOOL BAG	SMALL - \$50.00 LARGE - \$75.00
ART SMOCK, MAROON	\$18.70
PENCIL CASE, MAROON	\$6.50
CAS LIBRARY BAG	\$10.00
CASIO FX-82AU PLUS II <i>(REQUIRED FOR YR 7 - 10 STUDENTS)</i>	\$40.15
HEADPHONES (VERBATIM)	\$19.80
ATTACHE READING FOLDER	\$6.75
ZIPPER BINDER READING FOLDER	\$5.45
CASIO FX-CG50AU COLOUR GRAPHICS CALCULATOR	POA

ACE

Uniforms

WWW.ACEUNIFORMS.COM.AU

Cummins Area School Uniform Supplier

Choose "Ship to shipping address" and pay postage fee to have the order go direct to your chosen address.

PRICE LIST

SUMMER DRESS	\$65.00
CAS SCHOOL JUMPER	\$60.00
CAS POLO SHIRT	\$35.00
SCHOOL PANTS (BLACK)	\$40.00
SCHOOL SHORTS (BLACK)	\$22.00
BUCKET HAT	\$11.00
WINTER JACKET	\$75.00

**7 BLACKMAN PLACE, PT LINCOLN
PH: 0421 797 612**

Student Lunch Passes

Students leaving the school grounds during the lunch break must carry a LUNCH PASS. There are two types of passes.

1. REGULAR LUNCH PASS: These will be issued at the beginning of each year on the written request of parents.

These passes are for students returning to their own home for lunch regularly. This pass is not to be used to access local shops to purchase lunch.

They may be issued to cover one or more days each week.

2. SPECIAL LUNCH PASS: Students are sometimes required to leave school for particular reasons on isolated occasions e.g. hair cuts, personal shopping, lunch at a friends, or a birthday party.

For each occasion, the student requires **a written request from parents through Daymap**. Students will not be permitted to phone home during the day to access a lunch pass.

Students in Year 6 or younger must be accompanied by an adult when they leave the school grounds and have the written consent of their parents if the adult signing them out is not their parent.

Students in Year 7/8/ 9 must have written parental consent and be accompanied by another student the same age or older.

Students in Year 10 - 12 are able to leave the school grounds by themselves provided they have written parental consent. Our preference would be that they don't leave the school grounds alone.

All students who leave the school at Lunch time must sign out at the computer located at the Front Office. They must sign in on their return. This is an WHS requirement and applies to students with both Permanent and Daily Lunch passes.

Cummins Area School Canteen

Stickybeaks Lunch Bags

Paper lunch bag alternatives



\$10.50 each

Our Canteen has available the Stickybeaks Reusable Lunch Wallets/Bags which are great alternative to using the Paper Bags and good for our environment too.

They are available in Pink, Green, Grey, Blue, Red, and Purple and can be easily ordered and paid via our Canteen QKR page under the heading of Lunch Bag, or you can collect and pay at the Finance Office.



2025 SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Copies of last years magazine are still available.

\$35 each

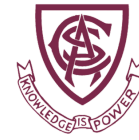
Please phone the front office to secure a copy
8676 2388



Responding to Peer Pressure

Peer pressure is a natural part of growing up. As children and adolescents place greater importance on friendships and belonging, the influence of peers can shape their choices, behaviour and sense of identity. While this influence can be positive, it can also create pressure to conform or take risks, particularly during adolescence.

In today's digitally connected world, peer pressure extends beyond face-to-face interactions. Social media and online communication expose young people to constant comparison and unspoken expectations about how they should look, act and perform. Understanding how peer pressure works, both on and offline, helps families support young people to build confidence, make healthy decisions and stay connected to their own values.



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL MAGAZINE 2026

PRE ORDER FORM

PRICE TO BE DETERMINED – BETWEEN \$30 – \$35

Pre order now to avoid disappointment!

STUDENT NAME

PARENT NAME

2026 CLASS

QUANTITY DATE

Invoices for magazine pre-orders will be sent out in Term 4 and will include payment options.

Magazines are due for delivery in Term 4, Week 9 2026.

Support for your wellbeing



If you're feeling stressed, overwhelmed or finding it hard to cope with what is happening in your life, free mental health support is available.

We offer short-term confidential support for people aged 16 and over who live or work in Cummins and nearby areas.

We take time to:

- understand what matters
- explore support options that feel right for you
- support you to strengthen your connection with community
- identify strategies that are already working for you
- link you with services that meet your needs.

We provide flexible support and can meet you in the community, at home, at our service, by phone or video.

Contact us

Call our Community Care Coordinator

Monday to Friday, 9am – 5pm

Shane: 0488 145 922
Carrie: 0419 515 619

Walk-in service

No appointment necessary

Tuesdays, 10am – 4pm

SA Ambulance Service Building
Tumby Bay Road, Cummins

This is a Neami National service made possible by funding from Country SA PHN.





Term 2 Dates, 2026

Come join us every third Friday after school for some fun!

Term 2
Week 3 - 15th May
Week 6 - 5th June
Week 9 - 26th June

We are a Kids Club for anyone from Foundation to Year 7 with afternoons full of **fun, food & faith**-based activities.

Give Amy Maddern a call on 0429 090 276 for more information.

If your children are meeting at the school shelter for pickup, please text Amy.

Finishes at Cummins Uniting Church Hall at 5.30pm



Term 2 Dates, 2026

Years 7 - 12

A fun & relaxed space for teens to **hang out, make friends**, play **games**, share **food** and **chat** about life and faith. No pressure – just good people and good fun.

Week 1- 1st May
Week 2- 8th Life Life Louder
Week 5- 29th May
Week 8- 19th June

Please contact:
Sandra Eldridge 0400 800 346 or
Jordy Wilksch 0428 865 055 for more info.



PRE ORDER YOUR CHICKENS

Available for collection late Term 3

Call the front office on 8676 2388 to place your order

lovingly cared for by our year 8 students



Lincoln Rural Our Town Cummins BBQ Fundraiser!

Come and join us on Friday 12th June 3:00pm-5:00pm @ Lincoln Rural, 14 Railway Terrace, Cummins.

All proceeds go to Our Town Cummins to support the important work they do in our community.

The Our Town Cummins crew will be there on the day to have a chat and talk about the services they have on offer.

EFTPOS and cash available.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Community Group advertising in the newsletter is available at a minimum cost of \$5.50 for a ¼ page. Items larger than a ¼ page will be charged accordingly with consultation with the Finance Office.

Payment needs to be made to the Finance Office prior to inclusion by Cash or Bank Transfer to our School account. No invoices will be issued for payment – a tax invoice / receipt can be issued upon request.

BSB - 633 000, ACC - 112 105 770
REF - Newsletter & Entity Name

Only Advertisements or notices of community interest or non-commercial value will be published.



CUMMINS AREA SCHOOL

TERM TWO PLANNER 2026

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1	27/04/26	28/04/26	29/04/26	30/04/26	01/05/26
		DUX Assembly, 11am			
Week 2	04/05/26	05/05/26	06/05/26	07/05/26	08/06/26
	yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp	yr 4-6 Arbury Park Camp
Week 3	11/05/26	12/05/26	13/05/26	14/05/26	15/05/26
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Wk 4	18/05/26	19/05/26	20/05/26	21/05/26	22/05/26
Week 5	25/05/26	26/05/26	27/05/26	28/05/26	29/05/26
			Simultaneous Story	NRW Celebrations	
Week 6	01/06/26	02/06/26	03/06/26	04/06/26	05/05/26
		Explore 2026 -yr 9	Explore 2026 -yr 9 Yr 10 immunisations		
Week 7	08/06/26	09/06/26	10/06/26	11/06/26	12/06/26
	KING'S BIRTHDAY	yr 11 exams Yr 10 OED bushwalk	yr 11 exams Yr 10 OED bushwalk	yr 11 exams Yr 10 OED bushwalk	yr 11 exams
Week 8	15/06/26	16/06/26	17/06/26	18/06/26	19/06/26
	yr 11 Work Experience yr 10 Science Challenge	yr 11 Work Experience yr 10 Science Challenge	yr 11 Work Experience yr 10 Science Challenge	yr 11 Work Experience	yr 11 Work Experience
Week 9	22/06/26	23/06/26	24/06/26	25/06/26	26/06/26
	yr 10 Work Experience	yr 10 Work Experience	yr 10 Work Experience	yr 10 Work Experience	yr 10 Work Experience
Week 10	29/06/26	30/06/26	01/07/26	02/07/26	03/07/26
	yr 10 Careers Trip	yr 10 Careers Trip	yr 10 Careers Trip	yr 10 Careers Trip	yr 10 Careers Trip



Could **\$500** help pay for school camp fees or upcoming excursions?

Join Saver Plus, Australia's longest running financial education and matched savings program. Saver Plus is a free program that has supported over 68,000 people to develop lifelong savings habits and receive up to \$500 to assist with education costs.

The Smith Family
is delivering Saver Plus
To support families at
ALL SA Schools

ENQUIRE NOW



Saver Plus was developed by ANZ and the Brotherhood of St. Laurence and is delivered in partnership with The Smith Family and Berry Street. It is funded by ANZ and the Department of Social Services.

What is Saver Plus?

A free 10-month program that helps you save for your own or your children's education.

- Build lasting savings habits
- Be better prepared for unexpected expenses
- Stay in control
- Improve personal wellbeing

Who can join?

To be eligible for Saver Plus, you must meet all of the following criteria:

- Have a Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card
- Receive an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment*
- Be studying yourself or have a child in school (can be starting school next year)
- Have regular income from work (you or your partner)
- Be 18+ years old

* Many income types and Centrelink payments may qualify. Not sure if you qualify? Just fill out the enquiry form and a Savings Coach will reach out to you.

To confidentially find out more, call Saver Plus or fill out the enquiry form in the link.

1300 610 355 saverplus.org.au



Do you have a health care card? You could be eligible for Saver Plus.

For every dollar you save, you'll get a dollar from ANZ to spend on educational costs, up to \$500.

To join, you need to meet all of these requirements:

- ✓ Be 18 years or older
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pensioner Concession Card
- ✓ Be in receipt of an eligible Commonwealth social security benefit, allowance or payment
- ✓ Have a child in school, starting school next year, or be studying yourself
- ✓ Get a regular income (can be you or your partner)
- ✓ Agree to join in free online financial education workshops



saverplus.org.au
1300 610 355



The Tiger's Apprentice (2024) (PG)

**JUNE 05
4:00 PM**

**Our Town
Village**



**SNACKS + DRINKS
PROVIDED**

