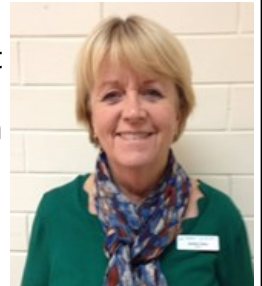


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Principal – Gaynor Steele

Dear Families

I am very happy and excited to finally commence the position of Principal at Meadows. I have visited classes every morning from 8:30 to 11:00 am where I'm meeting your lovely and often quirky children. They've been very engaging in their responses to my questions about learning.



Having attended a country Primary School and High School myself, I am very pleased to be back in the nurturing community environment of a country school.

I have been a Principal for the last 10 and a half years at Noarlunga Downs Primary and even though I was sad to leave I felt it was time to move on to a new challenge. Previously, I worked in the Department in the Learner Wellbeing Project. I have also been a Deputy in Port Augusta, at Woodcroft Primary and for a short period at Forbes Primary and as a Counsellor at Ascot Park Primary. This all adds up to many years in leadership in schools.

As a leader my passion is for improving the learning for every child no matter their skills or abilities. Having worked with many complex children from very tough circumstances my role is working with teachers to balance building the resilience to learning for all children without making excuses for them.

I love to see children proud of their growth in learning, setting goals for themselves, learning in areas of their passion and becoming lovers of learning. I also love to see children interacting positively with each other and enjoying fun, and positive friendship and relationships with their peers and adults in the school. These are my goals for every learner at Meadows Primary.

It's great that this aligns with the work that staff have been doing to

Building a community of learners and is inclusive of our learning value of **Bravery, Self-Direction, Collaboration, and Curiosity.**

I am really looking forward to meeting and working with you all over the next five years.

Gaynor Steele, Principal

We would like to warmly welcome Gaynor to the Meadows School Community!

• STAFFING NEWS

We would like to wish Dani Cook and her family best wishes as they eagerly await the arrival of another *bundle of joy!* Dani has been a very hardworking, caring and easy to get along with staff member and we look forward to her show and tell later in the year. Emma Caldwell will replace Dani in the Yr 3/4 class on Tuesdays and the Yr 4/5 class on Thursday and Friday. Safe and happy travels to Carol Pelle who will be on long service leave for most of this term. Tamara Edwards will teach in the Yr 1/2 on Tuesday and Wednesday and Hayley Blyth on Monday, Thursday and Friday.

• SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Scholastic Book Club will be sent home with students and needs to be ordered by Friday 10th August. Items can only be ordered through the Book Club's LOOP online. No orders or money are to be returned to the school.

• MUSIC LESSONS

Any parents who would like their child to learn piano/keyboard, guitar or ukulele should contact Peter Beeby by calling 0431 151 104 or email pbeeby@gmail.com. Piano/keyboard and guitar lessons are provided during school hours **on Mondays.**