

# SUPPORTING SCHOOL SPORT

Ensuring our kids can keep playing



If elected in 2014, a Marshall led Liberal Government will ensure that SAPSASA continues to receive annual funding to allow our primary school kids an athletic education.

Keeping our children fit and healthy is important to all South Australians. The Liberal Party recognises that we need to do everything we can to encourage our children to participate in sport and fitness activities.

According to the latest Australian Bureau of Statistics report around a quarter of all Australian children aged 5-17 years were either overweight or obese. Despite these worrying statistics, the Weatherill Government has proposed cutting \$238,000 from primary school sport organisation SAPASA, part of Labor's \$3.5 million cut to grassroots sport.

The Liberals are committed to the full restoration and maintenance of funding to SAPSASA, our state's popular and long standing sports program.

Many successful South Australian sports people have emerged from the SAPSASA ranks, including Mark Ricciuto, Barrie Robran, Mark Woodforde, Julie Francou and Matt Cowdrey. Not only could Labor's cuts harm the future athletic careers of our kids, they could also prevent our school sporting teams from competing in national championships.

Labor's cruel cuts threaten the sporting aspirations of young South Australians, perhaps future Olympians, Crows, Port Adelaide and Thunderbirds players.

Labor wants our children to pay for Jay Weatherill's Budget mess.

Young South Australian sportspeople deserve our support at all times and only a Liberal Government will back them to fulfil their dreams.

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