



BELAIR PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



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WELCOME BACK

Welcome back, we trust everyone had an enjoyable break with their family and friends and also found some time to relax.

It was wonderful to see the children settled and back into routine on Monday ready for a busy fourth term of learning.

CONGRATULATIONS ROOM 17

Room 17 created a play on the old school days to perform at the last assembly. Inspiration for this came from an excursion to Old Tailem Town which was part of the class unit of inquiry investigating the past and how changes in technology have impacted on daily life. Students enjoyed dressing up in olden day style school clothes and acting their roles in the olden day's classroom for assembly. Students played their roles confidently and Ben Batchelor did a wonderful job in his extensive role as headmaster, Mr Squires.



NEW STUDENTS

A special welcome to the new students and their families who have started at Belair this term: -

Reception: Leo W
Year 6: Georgia M

We wish these children and their families a long and rewarding educational journey whilst at Belair Primary School.

PUPIL FREE DAY

Our final pupil free day for the year will be on **Monday 20th November**. We will be reviewing our mathematics journey so far this year and also begin planning for 2018.

OSHC will be open, please book directly with the service.

2017 DIARY DATES

Monday Afternoon Uniform Shop open 3:00 – 4:00 pm
Wednesday Morning Uniform Shop open 8.30 – 9.30 am

TERM 4 - 2017

OCTOBER

Mon 23rd Parent Association meeting 9am
Wed 25th OSHC Management meeting 2pm
Thurs 26th Yr 6/7 EXPO
Fri 27th The Day for Daniel – with a hint of red
Assembly hosted by Rm 3
Mon 30th Finance Committee 6pm
Music Concert 6.30pm
Tues 31st Education Committee 6pm

NOVEMBER

Wed 1st Volunteer Morning Tea 10.30 am
Thurs 2nd Music – Count Us In 12.30pm
Canteen Committee 1.45 pm
Fri 3rd Shoe Box of Love Handover Assembly 9am
Eco Action Day
Tues 7th Governing Council
Fri 10th Assembly hosted by Rm 20
Mon 13th Sports Committee meeting 6pm
Fri 17th SPORTS DAY
Mon 20th PUPIL FREE DAY
Friday 24th Yr 6 Cluster Sports Day – Blackwood HS
Sun 26th Christmas Picnic
Mon 27th Yr 6/7 Aquatics
Governing Council & Committees dinner
Tues 28th Yr 6/7 Aquatics

To view the full 2017 Calendar, please visit our website
<http://www.belairps.sa.edu.au/news.htm>

CRAZY SOCK CASUAL DAY

Congratulations to everyone on another successful SRC fundraising effort. The Crazy Sock day held in week 9 raised \$744.25 for the Hutt Street Foundation.

Thanks,
Ryder & Alannah SRC Presidents

SUPERVISION AFTER SCHOOL

Please ensure you are on time to collect your children at the end of the school day. Yard supervision ends at 3:30pm.

If you are running a few minutes late, phone the front office and we will do our best to get a message to your child, depending on the time we receive your call. You can also book your child into the OSHC service to relieve the pressure when running late.



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TERM 4 - HATS

With spring now upon us, it is time to get the school hats out again. Students are required to wear hats for all outside activities during term 4.

Please ensure your child has their hat at school from the beginning of next term.

SPORTS DAY

A reminder that Sports Day will be held on **Friday 17th November**.

FINAL DAY FOR CLASS PLACEMENT INFORMATION FOR 2018

Monday 23 October is the final day for parents to submit information for consideration during the placement process. If you wish to have factors considered, we ask you to print the attached form, complete it and deliver it to the Front Office by the date mentioned above. Requests via email or phone are not accepted.

All considerations need to be based on educational reasons. Please include information that you feel we do not currently hold which is crucial for the placement of your child.

Requests for specific teachers are not accepted.

If your child will not be returning to Belair Primary School in 2018, please inform the school in writing as soon as possible.

MATERIAL & SERVICES CHARGES - 2018

The Finance Committee has recommended to the Governing Council that there be an increase in the Materials and Services charge for 2018. The recommendation is that fees be set at \$380.00.

This charge contributes to the cost of providing essential items used or consumed by individual students during the course of their learning. For example, printed and electronic materials, workbooks and access to textbooks, stationery supplies, curriculum materials for the 8 areas of study, printing and copying for use in the educational program. We believe that the annual Materials and Services levy represents excellent value at approx. \$9.50 per school week.

Parents are invited to a public meeting to approve the Materials and Services charges for the next school year. This public meeting will be held on Tuesday the 7th November at 6.00 pm in the Staff Room prior to the Governing Council meeting. In lieu of attendance, parents can express their views in writing to the chairperson prior to the meeting. Any such correspondence will be tabled at the meeting.

Should you have any inquiries regarding this please contact Judith Wood or Susan Copeland.

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Notice of Materials and Services Charges for 2018		
Notice of Charges for Reception To Year 7		
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
Printed and electronic materials related to the educational program and which are provided for the student	Workbooks	\$25.00
	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00
	Photocopied Material	\$35.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$60.00
Stationery items that are provided for the student	Stationery Items	\$80.00
	Other (please Specify)	\$0.00
	Other (please Specify)	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$80.00
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the student to consume or use the materials or take ownership of a finished article produced by the student with the materials	Access to Student Information Technology	\$110.00
	Access to Machinery	\$0.00
	Access to Equipment	\$0.00
	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$95.00
	Other (please Specify)	\$0.00
	Other (please Specify)	\$0.00
SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$205.00	
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the student	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$35.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZACLJ)	\$35.00
Total Materials and Services Charge (excluding Subject Charges)		\$380.00

These subject charges are in addition to the Materials and Services Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

Subject Description	Cost (\$)
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00
	\$0.00

RESOURCE CENTRE

Book Club - Issue 7 brochures were distributed this week. The final day for orders is 9am on Friday 27th October.

Use LOOP or if you want to do a cash order please bring to the Resource Centre. Remember **No** late orders can be accepted so get them in ASAP.

Shoeboxes of Love - This year an amazing **146** boxes were collected. (just 1 less than last year) Sincere thanks again to everyone who donated items.

A short handover assembly will be held on **Friday 3rd November at 9 am** in the Hall. Please feel free to join us if you would like to.

EMERGENCY PROCEDURE DRILLS – FOR YOUR INFORMATION

It is mandated that schools in areas of high bushfire risk practise Emergency Procedures/Bushfire Procedures

There will be 2 drills carried out this term and 2 in term 1 2018. This ensures everyone on site becomes familiar with and understands their responsibilities in the event of a bushfire threatening our school.

CANTEEN NEWS

Sun's out, hats are on it must be term 4 already! Lots of exciting things happening in the Canteen this term.

To get us started Tuesday October 31st (week 3) is Halloween so it's time to spook up the Canteen and have a fun day! I would love a hand with any donations of spooky or non-spooky treats that you can come up with to sell on the day it would be greatly appreciated.

Of course the event of the year in the Canteen is SPORTS DAY and I will soon be getting out info to you regarding lunches, helping on the day and the very popular cake stall. So watch out for this information as it makes its way home to you.

The other very important issue is Reducing waste! In the Canteen we are going to use more than 8000 paper bags this year!! That is unbelievable especially for an eco-friendly school. You can help radically reduce this by purchasing a re-usable lunch wallet for only \$12 from the Canteen or from the Canteen flexischools menu.

Returning to the Canteen in term 4 is our summer snacks: Fresh fruit cups, homemade fruit ice pops, frozen orange juice cups just to name a few!

I am looking forward to a busy and exciting term 4.

Thanks, Julie

DID YOU KNOW?



Buy a reusable bag!

Help the environment and support the Canteen to keep costs down.

Just **\$12!** Different colours available.
Order on FlexiSchools or pop into the Canteen.



PARENT ASSOCIATION NEWS

Family Portrait Fundraiser - Sunday 22nd October: Thank you to those of you who have supported this fundraiser, we hope you have your smiles ready for Sunday. For those who've paid for a session, Mallory will be in contact on Friday with your allocated time slot.

Cadbury Chocolate Drive: Our annual Cadbury chocolate came to a close last term. If you're yet to return your money, can you please do this as soon as you're able. Many thanks.



SAVE THE DATE: Christmas Picnic - Sunday 26th November, 6-8pm.

We're delighted to announce the fifth 'Christmas Where the Gum Trees Grow' Picnic.

A twilight Christmas Picnic for the Belair Primary School community and friends, hosted by the BPS Parent Association. Featuring traditional, fun and Aussie carols led by the Belair Primary School Family Choir. Stay tuned for more details.

PA Meeting: The next Parent Association meeting is next week. **Monday 23rd October at 9am in the staff room.** All parents and carers are welcome. Meetings go for about an hour. They're a great way to meet other parents in our school community, to be involved in the fundraisers and social events and find out first-hand what the PA has planned for the year. We hope to see you there!

Contact the Parent Association: If you want to ask the PA a question or make a comment or suggestion, please email kristy@fairlamb.me and we will respond asap.

CHILD PROTECTION - KEEPING SAFE DAY FOR DANIEL - 27 OCTOBER

A major focus of the DECD Keeping Safe - Child Protection Curriculum is child safety and harm prevention.

The Daniel Morcombe Foundation holds an annual event nationally entitled 'The Day for Daniel', to raise awareness of Child Safety, Protection and Prevention.

The Day for Daniel will be held on Friday 27 October. As part of the regular child protection curriculum, teachers and students will reflect and focus on the importance of personal safety.

To show our support, students are asked to wear a hint of red next Friday along with their school uniform e.g. a red ribbon around their wrist or in their hair, red shoelaces or red socks.

As this is a very serious topic and not a casual fun day, we expect that students will take this into consideration and make a respectful choice when selecting their hint of red item.

No red hair or face painting.



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MUSIC CONCERT



The annual Music Concert is to be held on Monday October 30 at 6.30pm in the School Hall. The concert is for students currently involved in our school's music program. It will showcase students and provide them with an opportunity to perform for an audience.

Parents will receive information from their child's music teacher regarding their involvement.

If you do not receive any information by Monday 23 October, please contact your child's music teacher directly.

Tables and chairs will be set up in the Hall and parents are able to bring along their own drinks and nibbles to enjoy during the performance. Please bring everything you need to serve your nibbles and drinks as none of these items are supplied. Tea and coffee will be provided.

Date: Monday 30th October 2017

Time: 6.30 until 7.30pm, School Hall

We look forward to seeing many parents and family members for a great night out. Everyone is welcome to attend.

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Dear Belair Families,

Well here we are in term 4. As we approach the end of the year, I know things can get a bit stressful for families. Feel free to drop in and have a chat and a coffee.

Here are some things you might be interested in during term 4.

- Wednesday Morning Walking Group. Parents are welcome to join me for a walk through Belair National Park after drop off. We meet just outside the front office (where the alphabet letters are painted on the pavement) leaving at about 8:50 am. We arrive back at the school at about 10:00 am. We go at whatever pace suits people, and prams are welcome. Dogs are welcome too, but if you want to bring your dog, we ask that you don't bring him/her onto school grounds as some children are quite frightened by them. We can meet you and your dog at the gate on Laffers Road. If you think you might be coming, let me know so that I don't accidentally leave you behind.
- Wednesday Afternoon Group for Parents of Children with Special Needs. This is an informal group that meets at 2:15 on Wednesday afternoons in my office. We share what is happening with our children as well as tips and ideas that have been helpful. We laugh a lot and cry sometimes. Any parent is welcome to come. Your child does not need a specific diagnosis for you to attend.

I hope you have a great term!

Sara Walding, Pastoral Care Worker

sara.walding521@schools.sa.edu.au

In School: Monday and Wednesday all day. Tuesday and Thursday afternoon.

SOCCER COORDINATOR NEEDED

If your child is playing soccer for Belair Primary School, please consider volunteering as a coordinator for the teams.

No knowledge of soccer coaching required.

Please let staff in the front office know, if you're willing to have a go.



NETBALL

Toward the end of term 3 we celebrated the end of the 2017 SAJNA Winter Netball competition.

This year we had five teams entered into the competition with players ranging from Yr 2 to Yr 7. We saw wonderful skill development in all of our players throughout the season, had some fantastic wins along the way, and most importantly, had a lot of fun.

Of course, the development of our players doesn't happen without the massive voluntary contribution of time, dedication and passion from our coaches. A huge thank you to Claire D, Melanie, Helen, Allan, Chloe and Claire C.

We ended the year with our presentation day and sausage sizzle. Thank you to Bo and Megan at Akermans Bakery for their generous bread donation, and Josh at Bruce's Meats Panorama for supplying us with sausages.

We also held the annual Coaches vs Yr 6/7s game. This year marked the 4th year that the coaches have shown us that they really know their stuff with a big win - albeit with a few more bruises and aching muscles than the younger ones.



We will be up and running again for the 2018 SAJNA Winter Netball Season with registration open from early in Term 1.

Kerrie Wooding (Netball Coordinator)

BUSHFIRE SEASON

A Guide for Families available in our Front Office



CANTEEN ROSTER

23 Oct	24 Oct	25 Oct	26 Oct	27 Oct
Jan Waller	Jo Osmond	Ted Curran	Di Miles	Cathy Hough Sarah Mallin
30 Oct	31 Oct	1 Nov	2 Nov	4 Nov
Mackella Giles	Penelope Carrick HALLOWEEN	Bek Cox	Tania Campbell	Margot Strachan Brianna Meldrum

**If you are unable to work, please try to swap with someone else first and then let me know. Thanks.*

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **CITY OF MITCHAM** – Our History, Our Story. Children only. An invitation only evening for children's camp sleep out in a created army style training village – conversations with our older community members and children about our history, letter writing from the camp, poppy wreath making, movie under the stars. Visit: www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au
- **MITCHAM REMEMBERS** – 11th November - Mortlock Park, Colonial Light Gardens. For the whole community – 10am – 2.30pm – Ceremony, Community Activities, historical displays, food, brass band, marching drills, light horses
- **AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL OF PERFORMING ARTS / AUST GIRLS CHOIR** – Open Days at Glenelg and Glen Osmond. Sunday 29th October. Flyers available at Belair PS front office or visit www.aspagroup.com.au



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PARENT REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF CLASS PLACEMENT FOR THEIR CHILD 2018

Parent name _____ Child's name _____

Teacher's name in 2017 _____ Year level in 2018 _____

Return this form directly to the Front Office by Monday 23/10/17

Specific requests for teachers are not accepted.

Please note, all children will be asked to identify friendships for consideration.

Comments on any of the following will be considered:-

- The environment which best supports your child's learning
- Preferences for placement regarding sibling/relatives
- A specific health or learning issue that we should give consideration

Parent signature _____ Date _____



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