



BELAIR PRIMARY NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter Number 1

Week ending Friday 1st March 2019

Rob Houston
Principal

Leanne Twigden
Deputy Principal

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

We had a great turnout last week for our AGM. We shared the 2018 Annual Report and elected our Governing Council for 2019. Congratulations to new, ongoing and returning members:

Phil Wooding (chairperson), Merrilyn Larusson (deputy chairperson), Karla Pobke (secretary), Paul Hutchison (treasurer), Alison Glastonbury, Lisa Jamieson, Sinead O'Connell (parent association rep), Kerry Levett, Danielle Sherman, Peter Sudo, Martin Potter-Denton, Adam Thompson, Margaret Magarey (staff rep), Tracey Upton (staff rep) and Rob Houston.

Governing Council representatives will be on the following committees this year:

- o Finance Committee Week 3 & 8
- o Sports Committee Mon Week 5
- o OSHC Committee Wed Week 6
- o Canteen Committee Wed Week 8
- o Grounds Committee T1 - Fri 22 March
- o Education Committee Week 3 & 8

Committees and their Governing Council representatives will be finalised at the next GC meeting on Tuesday 26 March and then shared with the community.

Extra classroom support in 2019

Our Student Support Officers (SSOs) play a key role in supporting student learning. This year we are increasing SSO support time in classrooms for all classes from reception to year 4 to focus on literacy and numeracy support for all learners. Reception and year 1 classrooms are gaining an extra 3 hours SSO support time per week and year 2, 3 and 4 classrooms are receiving an extra 2 hours SSO support time per week. During these times, SSOs will be working alongside teachers, supporting individual students and small groups.

2018 NAPLAN Snapshot

Our teachers work very hard here at Belair PS and our students are achieving great results, as was evidenced in our recent Annual Report sent home to all families last week.

Year 3 NAPLAN Comment

We had 77 year 3 students participate in last year's NAPLAN and once again there were some very pleasing individual student results. 60% of students achieved within the two highest achievement bands in Reading and 55% in Numeracy. 86% of the cohort achieved the Standard of Education Achievement (SEA) which is the

2019 DIARY DATES

Monday Afternoon Uniform Shop open 3:00 – 4:00 PM
Wednesday Morning Uniform Shop open 8.30 – 9.30 AM

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March

- Fri 1 Newsletter
SAPSASA District Swimming
- Mon 4 Parent Association AGM 7pm
- Wed 6 OSHC Management meeting 2pm
- Fri 8 Assembly hosted by Room 14
Rm 16, 17, 21, 22 to Adelaide Fringe
- Mon 11 Adelaide Cup Day
- Fri 15 'National Day of Action Against Bullying'
Bulletin
- Mon 18 Monarto Camp Yr 7 Room 3
Yr 3/4 incursion, "The Human Race"
Finance Committee 2pm
- Tues 19 Education Committee 6pm
- Wed 20 Monarto Camp Yr 7 Room 1
- Thur 21 Harmony Day
- Fri 22 Assembly hosted by Room 21
- Mon 25 Monarto Camp Yr 7 Room 2
- Tues 26 Governing Council 6.30pm
- Wed 27 3 Way Conferences commence 27/3 – 5/4/19
- Fri 29 **PUPIL FREE DAY**

April

- Fri 5 Assembly hosted by Room 10 & 11
- Wed 10 Easter Seminar AM + Raffle Draw 2.35pm
- Fri 12 Casual Day / Early Dismissal Term 1 at 2.10pm
- Mon 29 **PUPIL FREE DAY**

MAY

- Thurs 2 SAPSASA Athletics
- Mon 6 Parent Association meeting
- Fri 10 SAPSASA Cross Country

JUNE

- Fri 28 Toy Story 4 – Capri Theatre 6.30pm

standard above the national minimum standard, in Reading and 87% achieved the SEA in Numeracy.

Year 5 NAPLAN Comment

From our 85 year 5 students, 93% achieved the SEA in Reading and 91% in Numeracy, our best result from the past 3 years. These good results were also reflected in the progress measure with 83% of students in the middle and upper progress range in Numeracy and 77% in Reading. 55% of students achieved the highest achievement bands



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in Reading and 44% in Numeracy which is also an above average school result for both areas.

Year 7 NAPLAN Comment

We had 55 students participate in the year 7 NAPLAN. 87% achieved the SEA in Reading and 89% in Numeracy which was our best result in Numeracy for the past 3 years. The pleasing Numeracy results were also reflected in the progress measure with 80% of students in the middle and upper progress range with 41% in the upper growth band. 47% of students achieved the highest achievement bands in Reading and 31% in Numeracy in 2018.

Staffing update

Congratulations to Sarah Mentha who has won the School Improvement Coordinator position at Belair Ps for 2019. Sarah's new role will see her working across the school leading and supporting our literacy and numeracy initiatives from reception to year 7 on Tuesday and Wednesday each week. She will remain as room 5 classroom teacher on Monday, Thursday and Friday. We are pleased to announce that Emma Roberts will take up the class teaching position on Tuesday and Wednesday for the rest of this year. Emma has previous experience being on staff here at Belair and is looking forward to working with room 5. We also welcome Alison Moore who will join our SSO team.

2019 NAPLAN dates

This year we will be undertaking the National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) testing in online mode with the exception of year 3 writing. The online test dates will be between May 14 and May 24.

ASSEMBLY REPORT

Rooms 5 and 6



The theme of our assembly was a talent contest. Throughout the performance the acts showed many different types of leadership and the performance resulted in a crowd chosen winner. The winner was a group of girls who performed a shadow dance. The other performances were magic, the bullying skit, sport, the bystander, the leadership skit, a musical, stop motion and advertisement breaks. All of these acts and the hosts were incredible, showing leadership and courage to perform these roles. All in all, the assembly was a great success. We would like to thank parents and teachers for supporting us along the way. We are extremely happy with the turn out, so we hope you enjoyed our performance as much as we did.

Kate and Karina

ACADEMIC COMPETITIONS

Information regarding registering your child for the ICAS or Australian Mathematics competitions will be available shortly.



CANTEEN NEWS

With the term now well underway we have our first Special lunch day next Tuesday 5th March. Our Sushi lunch has been well received with lots of orders. Thank you for participating in this event. Sushi will be delivered to the classes and this time there is no need to send your re-usable wallets as we get the sushi in bulk containers so we will need to put it in bags anyway. Remember that **no other lunch orders will be available on this day.**

Please keep in mind that the Canteen is not just about the food and treats, students love the independence of looking after their money and then deciding for themselves what they would like and what they can afford to buy all in a friendly and safe environment so please consider giving your child some money so they can experience the Canteen. Our snacks range from as little as 20c up to \$2 so there's no need to send along large amounts of money.

I still have a few spots I need to fill on the Canteen roster this term so if you are available I would love to have you help out in the Canteen just contact me and we can add you to the helpers list.

Our re-usable Lunch Wallets are now back in stock, available from the Canteen or you can order through flexischools...on Sale this term for only \$10

Thanks
Julie
8278 6439

PARENT ASSOCIATION

PA meeting: It was great to see so many new faces at our PA meeting in week 2. Our next meeting is the **AGM next Monday 4th March, 7pm**, in the school staff room - a short AGM to elect available positions, followed by a regular PA meeting. Takes about 90 minutes all up. All parents and carers are welcome to attend. We hope to see you there.

As usual all positions will be declared vacant at the end of the AGM so if anybody would like to play a more active role on the committee there are a number of ways to do this. If you're interested in more details please contact PA president, Kristy Fairlamb.



Easter Raffle: Easter is during the school holidays this year, but we'll still be running our annual mouthwatering raffle. Preparations will be underway soon, and you will see details for this in a few weeks. For those new to the school, a small amount of tickets will come home to you (via your youngest child) to sell.



We'll also be asking for your help with donations for the prize baskets.

We'll be making up the hampers/baskets on Monday 8th of April, so put the date in your diary if you've got an hour or so to spare straight after school drop-off. It's always lots of fun!

Class Parent Reps: Thank you to those of you who volunteered to fill this important role in 2019. All classes now have their parent reps who you may have already heard from, but if not, should do so soon. We look forward to working with each of our class reps throughout the year and thank them for their invaluable support.

You can help make their job easier by naming all your child's belongings (first & last name) and assisting when it's your class's turn on the lost property or sick linen roster. ☺

The PA needs YOU! Would you like to be a non-PA member **volunteer**? If you'd like to help with activities from time to time but can't get to our meetings, please send your details to the email below.

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.

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Dear Families,

The following is excerpted from a blog post by Sherrie Campbell a licensed psychologist. I've just included the highlights, but you can read the whole thing (and I highly recommend that you do) here:

http://www.huffingtonpost.com/sherrie-campbell-phd/7-things-every-child-needs-to-hear_b_9400088.html

7 Things Every Child Needs to Hear

(Children) need certain essentials to learn resilience, to love themselves, to care for others, to value failure and to subsequently learn to turn failure into triumph. They need positive self-esteem. Their self-esteem, first and foremost, is directly under your care as their parent.

1. **"I love you."** You can give a child too many things, but you can never give a child too much love. Telling your children they are loved teaches them to love themselves and how to love others.

2. **"I'm proud of you."** In order to develop a healthy sense of self, children need a surplus of affirmation and validation.

3. **"I'm wrong and I am sorry."** When you can admit wrong to your children, you show them you are human and that you have compassion for how they feel on the other side of you. They learn through you that it is OK not to be perfect.

4. **"I forgive you."** No one, no matter what age, appreciates being reminded of how they made a poor choice or mistake. It is your task, as their parent, to teach them they are lovable despite their imperfections. Forgive them, don't condemn them.

5. **"I am listening."** It is incredibly important to listen to your children so they know that you are interested in what they have to say. Being heard is a huge statement of their worth.

6. **"This is your responsibility."** Personal accountability is part of growing up. When your child makes a decision — whether wise or not — dealing with the fallout of the decision goes along with it. Making your children responsible communicates to them that you believe in their abilities to do what they need to do.

7. **"You have what it takes to succeed."** Healthy self-esteem is your child's protective armor against the challenges of the world. Parent your children to know their strengths and weaknesses and to feel good about themselves. Your kids will be realistic and generally optimistic when they deeply believe they have what it takes to succeed. Encourage your children through your belief in them. Celebrate their efforts, their achievements and support them when they fail. Teach them that failure is a form of success, as it will be through their failures that they will pave their path to living a happy and fulfilling life.

Kind Regards,

Sara Walding, Pastoral Care Worker

SOCCER

Registrations due by the end of term. Forms and payments to the front office. Open to players aged 7 and over. Girls and boys encouraged to play. Emphasis on equal on field playing time regardless of experience or ability.

Coordinator for 2019 needed

For further information please contact Mallory blairm76@hotmail.com Please contact sooner rather than later to allow for handover of the position.

NETBALL

Netball Registration – Winter 2019

Thank you to all who have registered your child's interest in playing netball for Belair Primary School in the coming 2019 Southern Area Junior Netball Association season (S.A.J.N.A).



Registration is still open and we would love to hear from you!

If your child is interested in playing in a great team sport, learning some new skills (or building and developing on their existing ones) and having loads of fun along the way - talk to them about netball!!!

Netball is played in terms 2 & 3 and we will have teams for eligible players (either 8yrs old and above, or those who turn 8 within the season) from year 2 right through to year 7.

If you are keen to play netball for Belair Primary School please go to the school website - After School Sports - for



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more information and to access the registration/medical/consent and uniform ordering forms.

Please have your netball registration forms/payment in to the front office **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 8th MARCH!** Late registrations cannot be accepted.

Teams are entered based on numbers of players registered and no team nomination changes can be made after the close of registration.

Coaching - every team also needs a coach! Please indicate on your registration form if a parent/carer/sibling etc is keen to coach a team.

Please contact Kerrie Wooding for further enquiries – 0414 492 442

COUNSELLING SERVICES

In keeping with the importance we place on student and family well-being, Belair Primary School is piloting the placement of a graduate counselling student on-site. Annara Oxenham will be available to provide counselling services, to students, parents and other family members on Mondays at Belair Primary School. She will work out of the Pastoral Care Worker's office near the uniform shop. There is no fee for the service.

Annara is studying the Master of Counselling Practice at Tabor College. This course is accredited by the Psychotherapy and counselling Federation of Australia and is carefully structured to ensure safe, effective and quality delivery of counselling practice by Tabor's Masters students. Annara will be supervised by Tabor staff and will be monitored by Belair Primary School's student well-being team.



The following biography has been provided regarding Annara:

Annara is 24 years old and has recently married. She first began focussing her career in accountancy, however she quickly realised her desire to help others required a career change. She is empathetic, warm and loves to work with people. She has a wide range of experience working and volunteering as an: accountant, nanny, customer support associate, women's support group leader/facilitator, Kids Hope Mentor, and treasurer of BEACON (an emergency relief program). She is also a dual national and spent part of her time studying her undergraduate degrees overseas. This experience helped solidify her appreciation for every individual's uniqueness. She understands that every individual has unique needs and she uses her skills to help individuals in the way they need. While young in years, Annara has much wisdom.

If you would like to make an appointment for yourself or your child, you can contact Annara at Annara.Walding@gmail.com

UNIFORM SHOP



We are pleased to now offer a range of hair clips, ties and headbands in our school colours.

These new products will be available in the Uniform Shop from Monday 4th March.

Pricing starts from \$4.50.

SA Dental Service

Keep your kids smiling

Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, preschool and most children under 18 years at School Dental Service clinics.
The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Call us now for an appointment!

Your local clinic is: Marion GP Plus Dental Clinic
Phone: 7425 8400
www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/sadental



**Marryatville High School
Special Interest Music Centre
INFORMATION EVENING
Thursday 21 March 2019
7.00 - 8.00pm**



**The Forge Theatre
Marryatville High School
170 Kensington Road
MARRYATVILLE**

Information about the Special Interest Music Centre, course structures, curriculum and selection process.

For information about the event call 8304 8431

**BLACKWOOD
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You are invited to the
Blackwood High School

OPEN NIGHT

Monday 18 March 2019
4:30pm - 7:30pm

Please join us as we showcase our

- Science, Mathematics, English, Humanities, Technology, Food and Hospitality displays
- International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program
- Senior Learning Centre and SACE
- Special Interest Netball and Football Programs
- Visual and Performing Arts in our specialised facilities
- STEM—Imagination Centre
- Languages
- Primary Transition and Pastoral Care
- Pathways to university, training and vocational education within and beyond the school
- Opportunities for international study and travel
- Digital learning environment

**Principal's welcome presentation in the
Performing Arts Centre
at 4:30pm, 6:00pm and 7:15pm.**

Join a guided or self-guided tour.



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Blackwood High School
invites you to book a
**PRINCIPAL'S TOUR
TUESDAYS
9:00am - 10:30am**

26 March	25 June
30 April	30 July
14 May	3 September
28 May	29 October

Bookings required
To book phone: 8278 0900
or email blackwood@bhs.sa.edu.au

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**URRBRAE
AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL**

OPEN DAY

**FOR PROSPECTIVE
YEAR 8
STUDENTS
TUESDAY MARCH 19TH 2019**

2 hour programme (9.30 - 11.30am or 1.00 - 3.00pm or 5.00 - 7.00pm)
Includes Application Information,
Farm Tours and School Tours

Students wishing to enrol at Year 8 level in 2020 and their parents are invited to attend.
Parking on the School Oval with access via Gate "C" off Cross Rd. Proceed to the Gym.

- Urrbrae is a Special Interest School which offers a comprehensive curriculum including Agricultural Studies.
- Selection for enrolment is based on the student's interest in Agriculture, the Environment and Technology
- Application Packages available from March 19th
- Enrolment applications close 5pm Wednesday May 1st

505 Fullarton Road, Netherby, SA, 5062
Ph: (08) 8274 7455
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www.urrbraehs.sa.edu.au



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**Brighton Special Interest Music
Information Evening for Years 6 & 7**

*Everything you need to know about auditioning for the
Brighton's Special Interest Music Program*

Tuesday 2nd April 2019, 6.30 to 7.30pm
Brighton Secondary School Concert Hall
Followed by a Free Concert
"Jazz on the Green"
Brighton Secondary School, front oval.
BYO supper, chair or rug.

**For all enquiries please call Pam Parsons 83758215
or email: pam.parsons@brighton.sa.edu.au**



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UNLEY HIGH SCHOOL

EXCELLENCE RESPECT DIVERSITY COMMUNITY

2019 OPEN EVENING

6.00pm - 8.00pm
Principal's address - 6.10pm
Tours commence at 6.30pm

Wednesday
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2019 PRINCIPAL'S TOUR

9.30am - 10.30am

Wednesday
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Bookings essential for Principal's Tours
Register at: tours@uhs.sa.edu.au

Special Interest Programs available at Unley High School:

Summit (High Ability Learners) French Immersion
French Bilingual/Binational Rowing

Excellence^{PB}
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Harmony

Glenunga International High School



Information Night

International Baccalaureate Diploma
IGNITE (Gifted and Talented)

Hear the experts! Ask the questions!

Thursday 7 March 2019 6:15pm until 7:45pm

Open Day

See a world class 21st century school in action

Friday 8 March 2019 10:00am until 12:15pm

Please register your interest via our website. Only registered people will be able to attend.



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igniting
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Open Day

Wednesday 27 March 2019
4.00pm-5.30pm
and
6.00pm-7.30pm

Principal's Tours

Tuesday 9 April 2019, 9.00am-10.00am
Thursday 16 May 2019, 9.00am-10.00am
Friday 14 June 2019, 9.30am-10.30am

267 Daws Road, Pasadena SA 5042

Please phone 8152 6800 or email dl.0975.info@schools.sa.edu.au to register your interest



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CANTEEN ROSTER

4 March	5 March	6 March	7 March	8 March
Jodie McLachlan	Lana G SUSHI LUNCH	Teryl Overton	Jan Waller	Jan Charles Emily Connor
11 March	12 March	13 March	14 March	15 March
<i>Public Holiday</i>	Mandy Mason		Sarah Coote	Belinda Blockow Linda Ogrowsky
18 March Yr 7 Camps	19 March	20 March	21 March	22 March
	Annette Harrison*	Julia B	Raylene Sheehan	Sarah Coote Lisa Howlett
25 March	26 March	27 March	28 March	29 March
Jan Waller	Luella Clark *	Bek Cox		<i>Pupil Free Day</i>

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **OLIVER !** – Starring one of Belair PS’s own – Norwood Concert Hall, March 8 – 10, Book thru Adelaide Fringe 2019
- **BLACKWOOD FOOTBALL CLUB** is currently recruiting new players for our sub junior footy teams with limited spaces available NOW in **U8, U9** and **U10**, but you will need to be quick. We’d love to welcome new families to join our friendly community at the club. For more information please get in touch with coordinator Lulu Collins on lulu.collins.bfc@gmail.com Our website is www.blackwoodfootballclub.com
- **MEN’S BREAKFAST** – Saturday 30th March at 7.30 – 9am Speakers: Dan Newton, James Van Loon & Isaiha Groeneveld; Blackwood Hills Baptist Church; RSVP Michael Houston 0403656537 or email mjhouston7@gmail.com
- **AUSTRALIAN GIRLS CHOIR** – February Open Classes. Look no further than the Australian Girls Choir (AGC) because we encourage, challenge and inspire girls as they learn to sing, dance and perform. School aged girls are invited to try our fun and inclusive classes and learn more about being part of the AGC! Contact us if you would like to attend a free trial class in February. Ph 8271 1622 or email: adelaide@aspagroup.com.au
- **GIRL GUIDES IN BELAIR** have vacancies now. ‘Belair Tawny Guide Unit’ for girls aged between 6-10 years meet in the Belair Guide Hall, Dunn Avenue, Glenalta on Wednesdays from 4.45 – 6.15pm. For more information, contact the District Manager, Jan on 0433 261 073 Women over the age of 18 yrs. can become Guide leaders. If you would like some information on what Girl Guides can offer you, give Jan a call.
- **JUNIOR FIELD NATURALISTS SA** - Do you have a fascination with WILD ANIMALS, their lifestyles and habitats? Also rocks, crystals, geology, astronomy ... anything to do with the wonderful world of nature? Our meetings are held on the LAST THURSDAY of each month (except January and December) at the Bellevue Heights Primary School in the Activity Room. 7.00pm to 8.15pm \$40.00 per family per year For further info contact Rona Sakko (President) 0419827723 or email rona.sakko@gmail.com
- **Hookin2Hockey** is Hockey Australia’s National Junior program designed to give boys and girls the opportunity to learn the basic skills of hockey, develop fundamental motor skills and make friends all while beginning their lifelong love of hockey! It is a 7 Week program from 9 - 10 am on Sundays, commencing 24th February 2019. Cost is \$85 which includes Participant Pack containing a singlet, ball, shin guards, hockey stick and backpack! Go to www.hookin2hockey.com.au enter your postcode and select the Forestville program to register.
- **ROAMING CLASSROOM FOR REBEL GIRLS** - This exciting Fringe event will be held at the Australian Science and Maths School on Saturday 2 March from 10am-12noon. Run by the team from Code Like a Girl, it targets girls aged 6-12 years to experience or further develop their coding skills. The cost is \$15 per child. Teacher supervision will be provided during the event. More details and tickets are available at <https://codelikeagirl.org/states/sa/2019/march/roaming-classroom-for-rebel-girls-at-the-adelaide-fringe-saturday-am/>

