



BELAIR PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



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Week ending Friday 18 September 2020

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Principal

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Deputy Principal

END OF TERM EARLY DISMISSAL – FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER AT 2:10PM
PUPIL FREE DAY – MONDAY 12 OCTOBER

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

COMMUNICATION STATEMENT

We shared in term 1 that we were working on finalising an updated school community communication statement. With the timeline needing to be extended due to COVID, the process included:

- A governing council sub-committee looking closely at feedback gathered from both the parent survey and staff survey conducted in 2019.
- Clarifying the purpose and methods of communication for both Whole School Communication and also Classroom Communication
- Clarifying time frames and protocols around school and classroom communication e.g. email, phone messages & Seesaw

Attached to your email is an updated version of the communication statement.

SEESAW

We have spent time investigating the current modes of communication being used across the school. After many discussions and a trial period we have purchased Seesaw for Schools. This provides us with the ability to oversee all classroom communication, and provide improved continuity and alignment between classes.

Seesaw for Schools also allows classrooms to have multiple staff attached to their classrooms, meeting the needs of 'home learning' if we needed to go down this path again. With all this in mind we have asked staff to return to using their individual classroom accounts. This should not require any extra work for parents, carers or teachers.

Staff will be sending out a message using the original class account you joined, asking for you to reconnect, as simple as sending a reply. Once reactivated, this account will be used to share student learning in place of student led conferences for this year. All students will share their learning and request feedback from parents through this medium.

Please note, due to the close working relationship of the 3 Carawatha reception classes, they will be an exception to this changeover process until further notice.

Please refer to the communication statement for further information on how seesaw will be used.

2020 DIARY DATES

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

TERM 3

SEPTEMBER

Sun 20 Working Bee 8.30am – 12.30pm
Thurs 24 Australian Girls' Choir assessments (Hall)
Fri 25 **Casual Day (Gold coin donation to 'Perfect Paws')**
End of Term Early Dismissal at 2:10pm

TERM 4

OCTOBER

Mon 12 **Pupil Free Day**
Tue 13 First day Term 4
SAPSASA District Athletics Carnival
Fri 16 SAPSASA Mountain Bike Riding
19-23 Bookweek 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'
Mon 19 Parent Association meeting 9am
Wed 21 School Tour
SAPSASA Basketball – Springbank HS
Thurs 22 Finance Committee 2pm
Tue 27 Reception Transition visit 9.15 – 10.40am
Wed 28 Reception Transition visit 9.15 – 10.40am

NOVEMBER

Mon 2 Yr 2 Bug n' Slugs Incursion
Music Concert tbc
Tue 3 Reception Transition visit 9.15 – 12 noon
Wed 4 Reception Transition visit 9.15 – 12 noon
Dental for Schools (forms due by 21/9/20)
Sun 8 Lego League Regional Final

[Click to view our CALENDAR via 'Parent Information'](#)

CHOIR

With COVID-19 restrictions in place since early on in the year, Music Festival Choir has taken an unexpected journey in their preparation for this year's Festival of Music event.

Whilst a conventional concert, traditionally held each year at the Adelaide Festival Centre, was ruled out - the SING! movie has been filmed to allow students an opportunity to sing together and perform the repertoire that they have been busy learning and perfecting. The movie is a compilation of footage from other schools around the



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state that are involved in the Festival of Music , as well as well known locations from South Australia.

The premiere of the SING! movie will be on Wednesday 23rd September in the afternoon where we will be turning the hall into a cinema (popcorn and all) to sing together and celebrate the hard work of the students involved in the choir this year, as well our Belair soloists.

Stay tuned because in the near future we will be recording our performance of some songs from the Festival of Music to be streamed in one of our online assemblies.

PERCUSSION

Percussion workshops have been running for students in years 5, 6 and 7 throughout semester 1. Class groups have had a chance to hear and experience some bucket drumming.

Bucket drumming is a great way for students to get involved in playing music together without requiring a lot of equipment. It also sounds awesome to hear a group of kids playing to the same beat.

Students who are interested in developing their musical skills and just having some fun beating buckets have signed up and auditioned for our Percussion Ensemble. It has been running on Friday mornings in the Hall.

There are still opportunities available, especially for students in year 5 and 6, to be involved in the percussion ensemble so if this is something that sounds like it might interest your child see Mr Williams and sign up. We can't wait to perform some of the pieces we've already been working on.

TERM 4 PUPIL FREE DAY

Please remember that first day back next term is a Pupil Free Day, Monday, 14th October.

OSHC will be open, please contact them directly to make your booking.

ENROLMENTS 2021

If your child will not be attending Belair PS next year (excluding current Year 7), please contact Janita Collins at the front office as soon as possible as we are beginning to plan classes for 2021. In addition, if you know people whose children are likely to start at Belair from the beginning of 2021 please encourage them to contact us as soon as possible.

BUSHFIRE SEASON UPDATE

We have begun preparation for the upcoming Bushfire Season. Please take time to visit Belair website where you will find more information on our school bushfire procedures. Additional information will also be emailed home in week one of next term.

HATS

As per our school policy, moving into term 4 means all students need to be wearing their school hat when outside. Please make sure your child has a school hat from the beginning of next term. If required, they are available from the uniform shop.

OSHC

October Vacation Care and Pupil Free Day

There are still vacancies on each day of October Vacation Care. The Vacation Care form is on the school website.

OSHC will also be open for the Pupil Free Day on October 12th. We will be learning film making skills and making short films. Please call OSHC on 8278 7609 or email belair.oshc537@schools.sa.edu.au to book your child in for the day.

WOODWIND & BRASS LESSONS

Belair PS are seeking expressions of interest for beginner classes for **WOODWIND** (saxophone, flute, clarinet) and **BRASS** (trumpet, trombone, french horn, tuba) instrumental music in 2021.

Students who are Year 5, 6 and 7 in 2021 may register their interest.

DfE have not yet committed to these programs but we are hopeful that we may get approval for 2021.

Expression of Interest forms, which include more information, were sent home in week 8. (Due back Wednesday 23rd September)

STRINGS LESSONS

Belair PS are seeking expressions of interest for beginner classes for **STRINGS** (viola, violin, cello) instrumental music in 2021.

Students who are Year 3 and 4 in 2021 may register their interest.

Expression of Interest forms, which include more information, were sent home in week 8. (Due back Wednesday 23rd September)

Forms have also been sent out for continuers in **STRINGS**, these are due back Wednesday 23rd September.

PARENT ASSOCIATION



SAVE THE DATE: The Colour Run

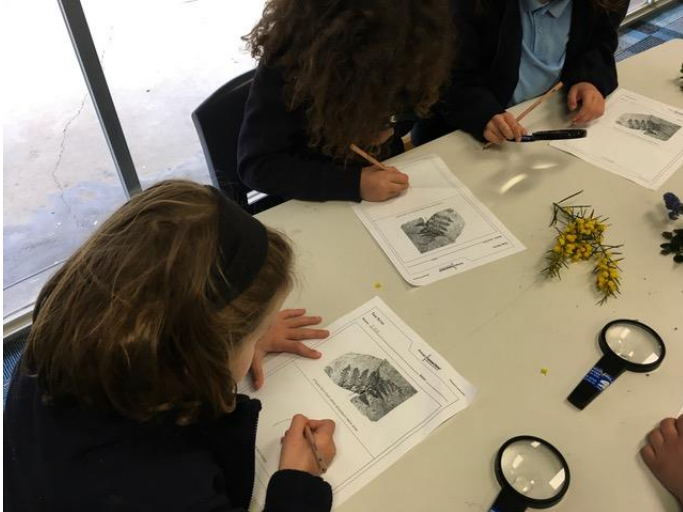
Friday 13th November – after lunch

We are gearing up to get back into fundraising for this awesome event as soon as Term 4 begins! So look out for more information in week 1.

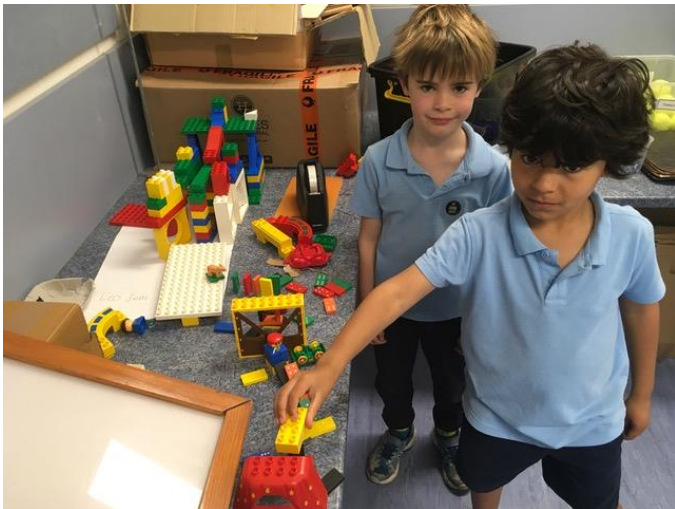
You can also now go back into your profiles or register your child for the run at this link: <https://schoolfundraising.com.au/>

FROM THE SCIENCE ROOM

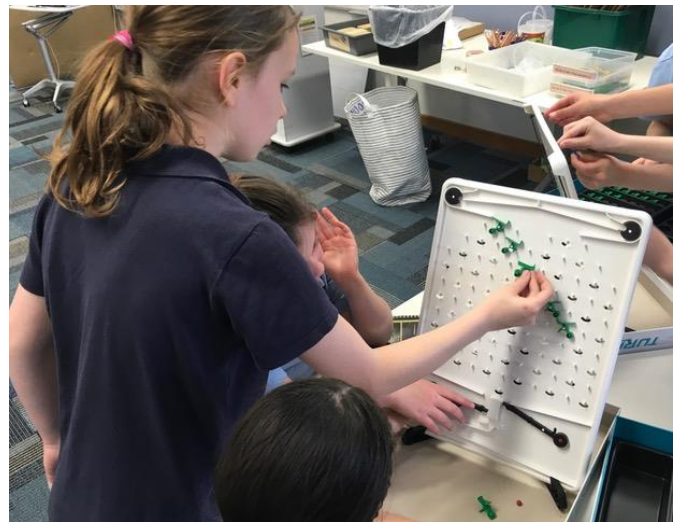
Did you know that dinosaurs only lived on land, they didn't swim in the sea or fly in the air? Our year one students have been learning the difference between dinosaurs and other prehistoric animals and how you can tell what they ate by looking at their teeth. They are also learning to draw accurate labelled diagrams of plants.



Levers, inclined planes, axles and pulleys have been built into a myriad of Rube Goldberg machines by students in year 2. They have been planning, designing, constructing and testing their machines over the last two weeks.



The school recently purchased 10 Turing Tumble Machines. These are a great way to teach students about coding unplugged, i.e. without an electronic device. Students across years 3-5 have been working in teams of 2 or 3 to solve a series of increasingly challenging puzzles. Problem solving, teamwork and perseverance are skills children are applying to achieve success.



CANTEEN

What a success the Choccie Donut special was. Definitely enjoyed by all.

As we wind down term 3 as usual the Canteen stock levels will reduce but we will still have all of the favourites available and the menu will be updated daily on Flexischools.

A reminder too that we have a Canteen Facebook page and this is a great platform for us to advertise specials, rosters for helpers and keep you up to date with Canteen news. So, if you're not already on then please head to Belair Primary School Canteen Facebook page and join. This page is however for news etc. only, for food order related messages you need to contact the Canteen directly on 8278 6439, thanks.

Enjoy the upcoming holidays and I look forward to a great term 4!

Thanks

Julie ☺

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<https://www.entertainment.com.au/orderbooks/161b062>

SAPSASA

State Hockey Carnival

On Wednesday through to Friday of week 6, myself (Halli) and 11 other boys from different schools represented Southern Heights in the Hockey State Carnival at Grange Royals Hockey Club.

We got there on Wednesday afternoon after the country kids had left and played 3 games that day. We won all of those and were ready for the next day. At that time we were placed at the top of the ladder. Thursday was just as successful as the previous day, with us winning all of our 4 games and keeping our first place spot.

The next day we had a hard day playing the other teams just below us. We lost our first game against East Adelaide 0-1 but won the next two. When the day finished there was a presentation and we had finished on top of the ladder. Congratulations to all the boys who participated and to the girls who came third overall. A big thanks to Astrid and Mr D for coaching! I highly recommend it for the current year fives and sixes to trial next year. It's a lot of fun and a great experience.



State Soccer Carnival

Last week Thorsten, Brodie, Matilda, Lilka, Karina and Haakon went to West beach for the SAPSASA soccer state carnival representing Southern Heights.

Boys report

We played against Onkaparinga South and after a tough and free-kick filled game we won 3-2. After our first win we went into our second game with confidence, we scored the first goal but everything went downhill from there. We ended the first half 3-1 but miraculously came back to win 5-3.

Going into our second day we were filled with confidence. We played against the top team and on the final minute with an amazing free kick by Thorsten we drew the game 2-2. Next we played the bottom team and we struggled, we scored some very lucky goals but conceded some silly goals so we drew the game 5-5. Next was City South, our rivals. After an amazing screamer by Thorsten (volley from halfway going into the top right) the score was 2-2. They had one last chance and their best player slotted into the net with us losing 3-2.

On our last game we had nothing to lose so we went into our match winning the first one 4-1 and the last one 3-2.

We ended tied third. We had a blast and for any year 6/7s next year I highly recommend you try out. It was a great experience and I recommend everyone to at least trial because you never know.

Thorsten, Brodie and Haakon.

Girls report

In week 7, six representatives from Belair participated in the sapsasa State Soccer Carnival, 3 boys Thorsten, Brodie and Haakon and myself Karina, Matilda and Lilka we all selected. The event covered three days and we played 8 other teams in our division. It was my second time at the carnival and we were in City Girls Division 2.

We won 3, lost 4, drew 1 and placed 4th overall. It was a new experience for some of us and a great carnival all round.

It was a great opportunity to improve our skills, meet other people who share our interests and I definitely recommend it to anyone who is interested. Thank you to everyone involved.



Football

On September 9th to 11th three boys from Belair Primary School participated in the SAPSASA Southern Heights football – Hamish W, Harry S and Levi M.

It was a good effort by all the boys winning three out of the eight games but not enough to finish top of the table.



We were unlucky with some games with our highest losing margin only going down by three goals. The lads all played really well with the standard was extremely high. We wish to thank Mark Lemmey from Craighburn Primary for coaching our games.

Netball

On Wednesday to Friday Georgia and Charlize went to the state Carnival to represent the Southern Heights district. Overall we played 9 games, we lost 5, won 4 and we ended up coming 4th. We had lots of fun and had an amazing time representing our district for netball.



WOOLWORTHS CRICKET BLAST PROGRAM R-2



SOFTBALL

Softball Come 'n Try

Wednesday 23 Sep 2020, 3.15 to 4.30pm

On the school oval

We have gloves, bats, helmets and face guards. Please bring a mouthguard if you can. We have guidelines for being Covid safe and will ensure all equipment is cleaned prior to and after practice and matches.

The Softball Association has agreed to bring **Year 2s into the softball game**. They will be part of the Year 2-4 competition. More competent year 4s will be part of the Year 4-5 competition. Year 2-4 competition will **bat off a tee**, and will have Carnival Rules where the batting team will bat for a duration of 12 minutes before a change of innings. Year 4-5 & 6-7 competition will bat off a pitched ball, and change innings as per normal based on 3 outs or 5 (or 7) runs.

I have to get my nominations in **during Week 10**. I will assume all who have paid for the season are coming back and will contact those who paid for half the season to see where you are at. Anyone who has not played softball yet and is keen please let me know ASAP by email or text. I don't require the school sport form to be filled out just yet, I am more interested in numbers so I can see what teams I have. Anyone who is keen to be a coach please let me know. I was never part of softball until 4 years ago and learnt the rules along the way. Come out and learn with us and then adopt your team!

Softball is \$25 for this term, if you are new. Prices for next year are currently being reviewed and any change will be announced towards the end of term 4.

Janie Hutchison
Softball Coordinator & Coach
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PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Dear Belair Families,

Recently, I was reminded of a colleague who told a wonderful story about a young student in her school. I want to share it with you as a reminder that children are creative and compassionate and often see opportunities to bring joy to someone when adults do not.

As part of a community building exercise, my friend, Anne, regularly took a small group of students to a nearby nursing home where the students sang songs and chatted to the residents. On one particular visit, a reception student asked a resident, "What is your name?" The resident replied that she could not remember her name. This perplexed the student and she told Anne about it. Anne gently told the student that perhaps the lady wasn't feeling well or was a bit tired that day making it hard for her to remember things.

Before the group left the nursing home, Anne found out the resident's name was Mary, so she told her young student that the lady who couldn't remember her name was Mary. With that the student went off and Anne thought that was the end of it. But, it wasn't the end of it for the student. She went to a table, found some paper and a pencil and very carefully wrote "Mary" on a piece of paper. She folded the piece of paper, skipped over to Mary, smiled and handed Mary the paper saying, "Here is your name. It is Mary. I'm giving you your name back." Mary held the piece of paper close and said with gratitude and joy, "Mary. Mary. My name is Mary!" Anne watched as Mary smiled and clutched her name to her chest.

Mary was transformed by a little girl who not only saw a way to bless someone, but actually did it. Sometimes we can learn a lot from children ☺.

Blessings to you!

Sara Walding, Pastoral Care Worker
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In School: Tuesday afternoons; Wednesday and Friday all day.



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Languages Alive!

Experience the delights of other languages and cultures

Languages Alive! is a program of engaging and interactive language and cultural experiences for R-7 students

Delivered by highly proficient speakers of the relevant language, the program will run during the October school holidays in metropolitan and country locations.

Workshops will explore a range of languages including Arabic, Asian, Chinese, French, Italian, Nepali and Spanish.

Who
Reception to year 7

When
September/October 2020

Where

Pilgrim School, Aberfoyle Park	29 September
School of Languages	6 to 7 October
Mypolonga Primary School	8 October
Bern Primary School	9 October

Cost
\$10 per day
School card/Healthcare card holders FREE

Register online by 25 September
www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive

CANTEEN ROSTER

12 Oct	13 Oct	14 Oct	15 Oct	16 Oct
PUPIL FREE DAY	Di miles	Raylene Sheehan	Di Miles	Mallory Chatfield Susan Chatfield
19 Oct	20 Oct	21 Oct	22 Oct	23 Oct
	Annette Harrison	Jan Waller	Di Miles	Emily Connor Robyn Hambour
26 Oct	27 Oct	28 Oct	29 Oct	30 Oct
Lisa Jamieson		Julia Brueggermann	Kate Smith	Lynette Morris Jane Burford
2 Nov	3 Nov	4 Nov	5 Nov	6 Nov
Luella Clark	Emily Connor	Raylene Sheehan	Sarah Coote	Josie Caltrigrione Ann Phillips

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **GRASSHOPPER SOCCER** - Australia's #1 non-competitive soccer program for girls and boys aged 2 – 12; For more information visit our website, www.grasshoppersoccer.com.au or contact Bobby by phone, 0480129125 or email, innersouth@grasshoppersoccer.com.au or visit <https://www.facebook.com/grasshoppersoccerAdelaideInnerSouth/>
- **FLAGSTAFF GOLF COURSE** - Term 4 Clinics (6 weeks); Wednesdays, 28 October – 2 December ; 4pm – 5pm; \$65; Ph: 8270 2300; Email: admin@fhgc.com.au; Website: www.fhgc.com.au
- **HELEN RICE TENNIS SCHOOL US OPEN GRAND SLAM HOLIDAY CLINICS** in the Sept/Oct School Holidays; Helen Rice Tennis School Ph:0428988873 Web: www.helenricetennis.com.au
- **OCTOBER BASKETBALL SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMP** - 6- 8 October from 9am to 4pm daily at Wayville Sports Centre, \$190/child For more on community programs: <https://www.adelaide36ers.com/pages/community-programs>

- **BELLEVUE HEIGHTS TENNIS CLUB** – re-construction due for completion in October. Justin Tredwell 0415289733 www.justn2tennis-coaching.com
- **WESTBOURNE PARK UNITING CHURCH NETBALL CLUB** (WPUCNC). We are preparing for the upcoming Summer 20/21 Netball season, which commences 6/10/2020. Sarah Nobbs, WPUCNC Admin wpucnc@hotmail.com
- **GYMNASTICS** - Classes are held at Marion Leisure & Fitness Centre OR Westbourne Park Community Centre. Come and try to see if this is the sport for your child! For inquiries please call Head Coach Ksenia on - 0481 210 070 or email - aelita.rhythmicgym@gmail.com <https://aelita-gymnastics.com>
- **GIRL GUIDES** – The World is Waiting for her at Girl Guides – Please phone 0433261013 for more information
- **CHEERIO NETBALL CLUB** - Summer Season Trials - All players welcome! Priceline Stadium, Mile End www.cheerionetball.com For any queries - Ph: 0419 810 656, Email: secretary@cheerionetball.com
- **2020 DARE TO DREAM ATHLETICS HOLIDAY CLINIC** - SA Athletics Stadium on Wednesday 30th September & 7th October 2020. The clinic provides a great opportunity for students to learn, have fun, and improve their athletic skills through the participation in event coaching with our experienced coaches! Meet two time Australian Commonwealth Medallist & Olympian Jessica Stenson (née Trengove) (7th Oct)! Visit <https://salaa.org.au/dare-to-dream-athletics-holiday-clinic-october/> for more information.
- **MOUNTAIN BIKING PROGRAMS** - Head for the Hills has a range of Mountain Bike programs commencing soon, including the Holiday Geocache Adventure, Holiday Skills Clinics and After School Skills. These programs focus on the key skills of mountain biking and will develop the students ability. For more information, visit headforthehills.net.au

