



BELAIR PRIMARY NEWSLETTER



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Week ending Friday 29 January 2021

Rob Houston
Principal

Leanne Twigden
Deputy Principal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back everyone and a special welcome to all our new families (see below) and our new staff member Ms Lana Krueger (Rm 21, year 2 Thurs & Fri). We are also welcoming back from leave Ms Natalie Hall (Mon, Tues, Wed & Friday Room 16, reception / year 1) and Ms Kate Lajoie (Rm 7, year 5, Mon & Tues, Rm 13 Year 3/4 Wed).

COVID 19 Update

We have experienced a delay with approval to provide the QR sign in procedures that were explained in last week's COVID Update. We are not approved to use this technology until Monday 8th February.

We are pleased that parents and carers are once again able to come on to school grounds but please remember:

- Not to enter classrooms until further notice.
- Maintain social distancing whilst on school grounds.
- All collection of students and dropping off school materials / lunches etc during the school day needs to go through the front office.
- Please remember to leave the school grounds promptly after the bell in the morning and before 3.30pm in the afternoon. If involved in after school sport, all siblings not participating need to be closely supervised.

Fruit Fly Restrictions

The Department of Primary Industries and Regions (PIRSA) has recently advised that much of metropolitan Adelaide and some areas of the Riverland are in fruit fly outbreak or suspension areas.

To help South Australia fight fruit fly becoming an established pest, PIRSA is introducing movement restrictions, effective immediately until at least Thursday 15 April 2021.

In essence it means

- fruit cannot be in children's /student lunch boxes if you are in the suspension area
- the suspension area picks up the Black Forrest outbreak. That directly affect areas such as Clarence Gardens, Cumberland Park and Westbourne Park
- the suspension area goes out another 7.5 kms and picks up Belair Primary School

If in doubt or you want to better understand the rules/boundaries contact **PIRSA on 1300666010**

2021 DIARY DATES

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

TERM 1

FEBRUARY

Mon 1	Parent Association meeting – Staffroom 9am
1-5	Dental for Schools
8-12	Yr 3-5 Water Safety Education
Fri 12	Festival Choir and Percussion auditions - Hall
Mon 15	Parent Information Evening (see time below)
Tues 16	Governing Council AGM – Library 6.30pm
Wed 17	Parent Information Evening (see time below)
Tues 23	School Photos
Wed 24	School Photos (catch up day)
Fri 26	District Swimming Carnival

It is families' responsibilities to follow these restrictions, and preschools and schools are not required to monitor students and/or their lunchboxes. If parents have any queries as to which fruit or fruiting vegetable are affected, please visit www.pir.sa.gov.au/fruitfly.

Governing Council AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Governing Council will be held Tuesday 16 February 2021 from 6.30pm in the Library.

The Governing Council is a group of parents and staff who work collaboratively to provide a quality learning environment for your children. Meetings run for 1½ hours twice a term. Members are responsive to issues that arise and their role is to determine the views of our local community with regards to the broad directions of the school. The Governing Council advise the Principal of these community opinions and work to support educational priorities of the school.

We have 7 vacancies for 2021 and are calling for nominations from members of the school community to stand for Council for a 2-year period. The nomination form is attached to this newsletter and is due back to the Front Office by Wednesday 10 February 2021.

I would be happy to discuss this further if you have an interest in contributing in this way.

BELAIR PS FACEBOOK PAGE

We have an official Belair Facebook page. Please search for Belair Primary School to keep up with our latest news and information.



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2021 NEW STUDENTS

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

Reception: Alex, Alice, Amelia, Ashley, Beatrice, Benji, Bethanie, Bethany, Charlie, Clara, Declan, Dylan, Edie, Eliza, Ella, Eve, Evie, Evie, Felix, Felix, Finn, Finn, Freddie, Hannah, Harvey, Hugo, Jasmine, Joel, Joel, Kiya, Lawson, Leo, Leon, Lily, Lior, Lottie, Luca, Lucas, Luka, Maisie, Matilda, Max, Mehrsa, Morgan, Myles, Noah, Oscar, Robert, Rose, Ruby, Sophie, Ted, Teddy, Tom, Tristan, William, Yuna, Zahra

Year 1: Addy, Zoe

Year 2: Chaise

Year 3: Asher, Eli, Georgie, Grace, Ramih

Year 4: Lars

Year 5: Davey, Lachie

Year 6: Beau, Harrison, Katerina

Year 7: Layla, Astrid, Brody

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

PARENT INFORMATION EVENING

Parent Information Evening is being held over two nights during week 4 of this term. Each class will hold two 30 minute sessions with a cap of 15 people at a time. We are asking that only one person per immediate family attend. An email explaining the booking system will be sent home next week.

WEEK 4

Monday 15th February

Session 1 6.00pm – 6.30pm

Session 2 6.40pm – 7.10pm

Carawatha Reception & Year 1 - Rooms CW1, CW2, CW3

Year 6 Rooms 3, 4 & 5

Year 5 Room 6

Year 3/4 Rooms 13, 14, 15

Wednesday 17th February

Session 1 6.00pm – 6.30pm

Session 2 6.40pm – 7.10pm

Minno Reception & Year 1 - Rooms 16 & 17

Year 7 Rooms 1 & 2

Year 5 Rooms 7 & 9

Year 3/4 Rooms 10, 11, 12

Year 2 Rooms 19, 21, 22

All sessions will be held in classrooms.

The evening provides teachers with an opportunity to meet parents, outline the classroom program and answer questions.

To support your attendance at this evening a free crèche service will be provided in the OSHC room for children of school age (Reception to year 7). Preschool age and children at high school are not able to attend the crèche.

It is the responsibility of parents to sign their children in and out of the crèche on the evening.

OSHC bookings are essential to ensure adequate staffing ratios. Information on how to book OSHC will also be in the email next week.

BYOD

Belair Primary School is proud to offer a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) learning environment for all students. We have stipulated devices to be either iPads or iPad minis which are connected to the school's infrastructure and covered with a rigorous filtering program. iPads provide a unique and 'just in time' learning approach for students. The ability to be 'learning focussed' in a range of settings with all the tools that you need in one place is what an iPad can powerfully provide.

Year 3-5 BYOD

Purchasing an iPad for your child in year 3 or 4 is a good time as these products will generally last them until the end of their primary schooling. The benefits of BYOD remain to be ownership, and out of school hour access. There will however, be a number of other devices for shared use in the classroom for those who don't have their own.

Year 3-5 students receive:

- individual access to computer log in
- belairps.net account to access Google Apps for Education
- Filtered access to the internet
- access to age appropriate apps
- access to YouTube kids

Year 6-7 BYOD

Belair Primary School has been running a successful 1:1 iPad learning environment for our senior classes (year 6 and 7) since 2019. Further information about learning 1:1 with an iPad at our school is included as attachment with this email – 'Classroom Learning & 1:1 iPads at Belair Primary School'.

We strongly encourage all students to participate in our 'bring your own device' (BYOD) program but acknowledge that some students are unable to do so.

2021 STUDENT PRESIDENTS & EXECUTIVE

Congratulations to our new student leaders for 2021 – Year 7 presidents Phoenix and Maya, Year 6 presidents Amber and Lachie. 2021 executive team Dimetri, Lauren, Tahlia and Shardai.



SCHOOL UNIFORM

There has been confusion regarding the wearing of bike shorts to school.

As per our Uniform Policy -

“APPENDIX

Other suitable clothing

- Plain navy blue bike shorts for under skirts/dresses, not visible”

Please refer to our Uniform Policy on our website, for more information.

DOGS AT SCHOOL

Dogs are not permitted on school grounds. We also ask that they are kept on a lead and closely supervised, near our gates, during drop off and pick up times.



CHOIR & PERCUSSION LESSONS

Choir for year 5 – 7 students will commence after lunch on Friday of week 3. Any students interested in being involved in the Festival Choir are invited to come along on Friday 12th February to find out more.

The Belair Percussion group is open to students in years 5 – 7. This will be held after recess on Fridays in the Hall. Students who were involved last year are welcome to continue and new students are invited to come along and have a try.

Mr Brett Williams will be teaching both the choir and percussion groups again this year.

CANTEEN

Welcome back everyone I hope you all had a lovely break. A warm welcome to all of the new families to Belair. If anyone has any questions in regards to the Canteen please feel free to pop in, give me a call or an email I'm here and happy to help.

Following on from last year all of our lunch orders are online only so head over to flexischools.com.au to see the menu or to register your children ready to place your order.

Flexischools now has an app for your phone to make ordering even easier

The Canteen had a major upgrade during the holidays and it looks amazing!



We are now stocked up and ready to go for orders and also for recess and lunch. We'd love to see you all so pop over for an ice block, slushy or a delicious snack.

If you would like to help in the Canteen this term please contact me in the Canteen I would love for you to join our band of merry helpers.

Canteen specials and special days will come later in the term and I will keep you all informed as they get closer.

Have a great start to the year.

Thanks,

Julie

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PARENT ASSOCIATION

Welcome to a brand new school year, and for the families new to the school, welcome to Belair Primary!

The Parent Association's primary role is raising funds to go towards special projects at the school to improve facilities and resources for our kids and we have a lot of fun putting on our events, even with Covid last year the Colour Run was a huge success! And our quiz nights and movie nights are always great events to bring the school community together. Keep an eye on PA News in each school newsletter to get up to date info on any fundraisers, meetings, events or social activities coming up.

We would love to see some new faces in the PA! Please consider becoming a member, the commitment is as big or small as you can manage and it's a great way to keep up to date with school activities and get to know other families in the school. To become a member, just come along to our first meeting next week (details below) or you may prefer to be a non-member volunteer.

If you'd like to help with activities from time to time but can't get to our meetings, **please fill in the slip below and drop it in to the front office** or send an email with your details to the address below.

For everybody else, we hope you'll be able to support us throughout the year by donating prizes, selling raffle tickets, buying things etc. It's all for the very best cause!

Parent Association meeting: The PA meets twice each term, in week 2 and week 6. **Our first meeting is Monday 1st of February at 9am in the staff room.** Meetings go for about an hour. Come along to hear what's happening in the school, offer help, or throw your ideas into the ring. All parents and carers are welcome.

Our second PA meeting (and AGM) – in week 6 – will be on Monday 1st of March at 7pm in the staff room.

Class Parent Representatives: We need a Class Parent Rep for your child's class. Class Parent Reps help to create a supportive network in the classroom with the teacher, have a social role with class parents, and are an important point of contact with the Parent Association. Another aspect of this role is finding parent volunteers when your class is rostered on sick room linen a couple of times a year. Other aspects of the role may include communicating between the PA and the parents, organizing coffee catch ups, etc. If you are interested in

volunteering for this role, please speak to your class teacher.

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

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Dear Families,

Happy New School Year!

I am very excited to begin a new school year at Belair Primary School once again. You would think that in my 18th year I might be a bit tired of it all. I am NOT 😊. I love my job here at Belair. Students delight me. I love their energy and the way they think. I love seeing them grow and mature. I love working with families and supporting the amazing, and often heroic, work of parents and carers. And I love the staff here at Belair – some of the most dedicated, kind and generous people I know. I don't think there is a better job in the world.

I hope you have a fantastic year at Belair. As the Pastoral Care Worker I'm here as a resource to staff, students and parents. My role is to:

- Provide social and emotional support to students, parents and staff.
- Be a role model and mentor for students.
- Support students in school engagement.
- Be available to students, parents and staff as a listener and support person.
- Provide information regarding resources and agencies available to assist families.
- Work with others in the school and its community to develop services, programs and strategies that meet the needs of children and families at our school.
- Be a resource for staff, students and parents regarding spiritual matters and questions. Please note that this is only if requested. It is not my role to promote any particular religious belief. I do not discuss religious matters. However, when requested by parents, this is something I can provide and is inclusive of all religious beliefs. While this aspect of the role may not be important to everyone, it is very valuable to a number of families in our community.

Qualifications:

As a Pastoral Care Worker, I am required to have a Certificate IV in Pastoral Care and undertake additional professional development training each year. I am also a qualified counsellor with a Master's Degree in Counselling. While the role is not that of a counsellor and I am not required to have counselling qualifications, the skills have been very handy.

If you think I can be of help to you or you simply want to have a chat, feel free to stop by my office (next to the uniform shop) or contact me at by phoning the front office or emailing sara.walding521@schools.sa.edu.au. You or your child can also leave me a note in my box in the front

office. It sits on a little table just opposite the finance window.

I will be in school on Wednesdays and Fridays all day, as well as Tuesday afternoons.

Sara Walding, Pastoral Care Worker
Sara.Walding521@schools.sa.edu.au

COUNSELLING PLACEMENT



Belair Primary School is committed to supporting the well-being of students and families. Therefore, we are pleased to announce that we will again have a Master of Counselling Practice Student placed at Belair this year. This will be our third year with the program and we have noted that a number of families have accessed the service over the past two

years.

Tenna Albrecht will be our counselling placement student this year.

Having completed a Graduate Diploma of Counselling, Tenna is now finishing studies in a 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. Tenna will be supervised by Tabor staff and will be monitored by Belair Primary School's student well-being team.

Tenna is an empathetic individual who loves working with people in a caring, non-judgemental way. She has a keen interest in assisting people to flourish. Tenna understands that life has its ups and downs. Her counselling areas of interest include Acceptance and Commitment Therapy and Solution Focused Therapy. These therapies support people to grow in self-awareness, empowering them to make choices based on their own values and strengths despite the 'storms' that may be occurring in their life.

Tenna has over 30 years' experience in the education sector, including as Program Director in a tertiary setting, and more recently as a School Support Officer in a primary school. She is looking forward to getting to know the Belair Primary School community and working alongside staff, students and their families.

Tenna will be available to provide counselling services to students, parents and other family members on Thursdays 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.

If you would like to make an appointment for yourself or your child, please contact Tenna at -

tca209957@tabor.edu.au

SOFTBALL

Softball registrations are now due. Please have them back by the end of week 2 at the very latest.

Softball numbers are good and we almost have 3 teams ready to go! I am asking for one or two more from years 2-7 so we can meet the minimum numbers per team and have extra. We welcome both boys and girls, and it is an excellent precursor to learning baseball but without paying club fees. We do not have any boys currently, so if there are some interested please bring a friend for support.

Practices are every Wednesday after school until 4.30pm. And another practice is being held Friday mornings 7.45am to 8.30am. It is not yet decided which team will practice when, but if you cannot make one then there's an opportunity to get to another one.

Matches are Saturday mornings, are local, and finish by 9.30am or 11am for the later games.

Please see here for more details about the games, costs, uniforms, etc. <http://belairps.sa.edu.au/course/softball/>

Thanks!

Janie Hutchison
Softball Coordinator
janie.hutchison@gmail.com
0406 627 277

NETBALL

Netball Registration – winter 2021



We would like to hear from all students who would like to play netball for Belair Primary School in the coming 2021 Southern Area Junior Netball Association season (S.A.J.N.A).

Netball is played in terms 2 and 3 and is open to players in grades 3-7 (or players who turn 8 before the end of the season).

If you are keen to play netball for Belair Primary School please go to the school website - After School Sports - for more information and to access the registration/medical and consent forms.

Please have your netball registration forms/payment in to the front office **NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 5th MARCH!**

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 – 0414492442

POSITION VACANT



ATTENTION FOOD LOVERS

Large Secondary School looking for an enthusiastic person with a love for food.

Casual up to 15 hours a week.
Needs to be flexible.

CV and Cover Letter to be forwarded onto
sharna.smart@bhs.sa.edu.au by
Friday 5 February 2021.

For further information on the position, contact
Louise Williamson on 8278 0948 during the
hours of 1:30pm and 2:30pm.

MARRYATVILLE HIGH SCHOOL

Marryatville High School are holding an information evening for entry into the special interest music program in 2022. The information evening caters for year 6 and year 7 parents/guardians with students seeking entry in 2022.

Marryatville High School
Special Interest Music Centre
Information evening for year 7 and
year 8 entry in 2022
Thursday 18 March 2021
6pm—7pm



The Forge Theatre
Marryatville High School
170 Kensington Road, Marryatville

Information about the Special Interest Music
course structure, curriculum and selection
process

*For information about the event call 8304 8431
no bookings necessary*

Adelaide Botanic High School

Health & Sciences (STEM) Pathways Program

Applications now open for selective entry into Year 7 and Year 8 in 2022

For further details, visit:
www.abhs.sa.edu.au/health-sciences-stem-pathways-program/

CANTEEN ROSTER

1 Feb	2 Feb	3 Feb	4 Feb	5 Feb
	Annette Harrison	Ellie Magarey	Josie Caltagirone	Mallory Chatfield Susan Chatfield
8 Feb	9 Feb	10 Feb	11 Feb	12 Feb
Lisa Jamieson	Jan Waller	Belinda Blockow	Janet Wooding	Ann Phillips Charlie Hargroves
15 Feb	16 Feb	17 Feb	18 Feb	19 Feb
	Emily Connor	Raylene Sheehan	Sarah Coote	Lynette Morris Jane Burford
22 Feb	23 Feb	24 Feb	25 Feb	26 Feb
Nancy Diao		Janet Wooding		Tania Campbell 10.40 Merrilyn Larusson Helper needed

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **YOGA KIDS IS BACK** - TERM 1 (8- 12 year olds); Thursdays 4 - 4:45 pm 11th February - 25th March 2020; Bookings & Enquiries Kate Milburn: 0416 096527, katemil71@yahoo.com.au
- **WESTBOURNE PARK UNITING CHURCH NETBALL CLUB** - We are currently preparing for the upcoming 2021 Winter Netball season, which commences 27/3/21. Sarah Nobbs wpuunc@hotmail.com
- **GRASSHOPPER SOCCER** - The Grasshopper Soccer programs provide an essential extra-curricular program that can help build the school's students' health and welfare. Email innersouth@grasshoppersoccer.com.au www.grasshoppersoccer.com.au
- **SOUTHERN BULLDOGS RUGBY LEAGUE** - Come and play NRL Rugby League. For more information on the club please contact Andrew Unger on 0418 448 420

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The Parent Association needs you

I _____ (name) am happy to be contacted by the PA if there are jobs to be done for PA activities from time to time throughout the year.

My youngest child _____ Room _____

Parent Email address _____

Phone _____



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Governing Council Nomination Form

Governing Council is the body within the school that, together with the Principal, is responsible for governance of the school.

The Council consists of 15 members in total - 11 parent representatives, 1 Parent Association representative, 2 staff representatives and the Principal.

Positions are held for 2 years. There are 7 vacancies for 2021. Now is your chance to have some input into the school by nominating for Governing Council.

Continuing members:- Kerry Levett, Tobin Hanna, Anna Deller-Combs, Lynette Morris

Outgoing members:- Peter Sudo, Karla Pobke, Martin Potter-Denton, Merrilyn Larusson, Lisa Jamieson, Tudor Thomas, Megan Finch

If you would like to nominate for the Governing Council please complete the form below and return to the Front Office by Wednesday 10 February 2021. Elections will occur at the AGM on Tuesday 16 February 2021.

NOMINATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED ON THE NIGHT

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2021 GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION RETURN-SLIP

I, _____ would like to nominate for a position on Belair Primary School Governing Council beginning in 2021 for a two year period.

Daytime Contact phone number: _____

Youngest child's name _____ Room No.: _____

Signed _____

Return to the Front Office by Wednesday 10th February 2021.



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