



# BELAIR PRIMARY BULLETIN



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**Bulletin Number 1**

**Week ending Friday 12 February 2021**

*Rob Houston*  
Principal

*Leanne Twigden*  
Deputy Principal

## PRINCIPAL REPORT

### Staff Update

The recent departure of Ms Karen Gillespie (assistant principal) to take up a deputy principal position at Port Noarlunga Primary School has required us to advertise our vacant assistant principal position for 2021. I would like to congratulate, current staff member, Ms Sarah Mentha on winning this position for the year. Mr Marco Cecere-Palazzo will be taking Sarah's place as room 5 classroom teacher on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Marco has previous experience teaching year 6/7 at Belair in 2020. Marco brings great enthusiasm and passion for learning and will work very closely with Ms Carly Roworth who will be remaining with the class on Wednesdays.

### Governing Council AGM

You are welcome to attend our Governing Council AGM this Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February in the school library from 6.30pm. If you are planning on attending, to assist with COVID-19 safety measures can you please RSVP via the school email [belair.ps415@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:belair.ps415@schools.sa.edu.au)

### Parent Information Evenings

We are looking forward to our Parent Information Evenings next week. To adhere to social distancing requirements 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.

All sessions will be held in classrooms.

Please follow the links below to book your place

Link to Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February bookings –  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BOPCS>

Link to Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> February bookings –  
<https://www.trybooking.com/BOLSA>

### **Monday 15<sup>th</sup> 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  
Year 5 Room 6  
Year 3/4 Rooms 13, 14, 15

### **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> 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

## 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

Fri 12 Festival Choir and Percussion auditions - Hall  
Mon 15 Parent Information Evening 6.00 or 6.40pm  
Tue 16 Governing Council AGM – Library 6.30pm  
Wed 17 Parent Information Evening 6.00 or 6.40pm  
Tue 23 School Photos  
Wed 24 School Photos (catch up day)  
Rm5 Parent Information Evening 6.00 or 6.40pm  
Fri 26 District Swimming Carnival

#### MARCH

Tue 2 Sushi Lunch Special (order via Flexischools)  
Wed 3 OSHC Management mtg 2pm  
Mon 8 Adelaide Cup Day holiday  
Tue 16 School Tour  
12,19,26 SAPSASA Lacrosse  
Thur 25 State Metro Swimming Championships  
Wed 31 School tour

#### APRIL

Fri 2 Good Friday  
Mon 5 Easter Monday  
Fri 9 Last Day Term 1 – Early dismissal at 2:10pm

Yearly Calendar <http://belairps.sa.edu.au/newsletters-2/>

Year 3/4 Rooms 10, 11, 12

Year 2 Rooms 19, 21, 22

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** - please email Melissa –

[Melissa.Clark541@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:Melissa.Clark541@schools.sa.edu.au) with your child/ren's name, age, session date and times you require. Bookings must be made no later than **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February**.

Bookings are essential for the information sessions and the crèche.



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## Laffers Road Parking

Given the poor condition and limited safe parking there will continue to be no parking available for parents to use between 8am and 4pm on weekdays.

'Kiss and Drop' zones are provided on Main Road, Laffers Road and Rokewood Avenue as indicated by signs. Staff are on duty at each of these locations at the end of the day supervising students until 3.30pm. To avoid congestion coming a little later at the end of the day or driving around the block when the Kiss and Drop zones are busy are potential solutions. Limited parking is also available on each of these roads. We seek your support in ensuring a safe environment at all times for our students and Governing Council is currently in communication with the City of Mitcham seeking further improvements.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

School Photo Days are **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup>** and **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup>** February 2021

Envelopes for school photos have been sent home this week. Parents can order by sending cash in the self-sealed envelope supplied however online ordering is the preferred option. This is the safest and easiest way to order school photos, just enter the shootkey printed on your child's envelope and make your selection.



If you are having a Sibling photo taken, do the same with the shootkey printed on that envelope (envelopes available from the front office). The range of options available online has increased including low and high resolution digital downloads. As an added incentive MSP offers a 10% discount for all orders above \$100 a family. You must place orders in one transaction to receive this discount.

## VOLUNTEERS AT BELAIR

We are very grateful for the wonderful volunteers who help us in a variety of ways at Belair. While things were put on hold for a significant period last year we are very happy to be able to welcome our volunteers back at the start of 2021 to relative normality. We have very much appreciated the parents who were able to help us out at short notice with the year 3-5 swimming this week – we were able to draw on our list of volunteers who have completed the application process.

Many parents/caregivers have completed **part** of the volunteer application process but still have some requirements to finalise before they can volunteer. Please contact Shelley, [shelley.pohlenz223@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:shelley.pohlenz223@schools.sa.edu.au) to check where you are up to with your application so that you are able to volunteer.

If you are considering taking on a sports coach role at some point in the future please get your application in as these opportunities often come up at short notice.

## PERCUSSION AND CHOIR GROUP

Our year 5 - 7 students have the opportunity to 'come and try' both choir and percussion group on Friday. Percussion group will meet after recess and choir after lunch, both sessions will be in the hall. If your students are interested in these activities please remind them to go along on Friday. We anticipate having 2-3 weeks to try before committing for the year.



## 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 30 March 2021, 5.30 to 6.30pm**  
Brighton Secondary School Concert Hall  
Followed by a free short concert on the front oval  
(bring a picnic dinner and chairs)

**For all enquiries please call  
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email:**

[pamela.parsons939@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:pamela.parsons939@schools.sa.edu.au)