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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### Home Learning

I would like to once again thank our school community (families, students, staff and volunteers) for their cooperation and understanding in this difficult time. Over a matter of days we have gone from having everyone in class on Tuesday to the majority of the school community now at home, facilitating and / or accessing home learning in kitchens, lounge rooms and bedrooms.

Naturally this situation is challenging and I know we are all working hard to make this work in the best possible way.

Our teachers are also working from home in these unique circumstances, in many cases balancing the challenges of working while looking after others in the home, in much the same way that many of you are. To assist everyone I have provided a schedule of the current working arrangements for teachers and their availability to provide support:

9.00 – 9.30 am Staff meeting online via Microsoft teams  
9.30 – 12 noon Support time for home learning  
1.30 – 2.00pm Year level team - online Microsoft teams meeting for planning  
2.00 – 3.00pm Support time for home learning

When looking at the home learning plans, you will note that we have purposefully provided the same work for every class in that year level. This allows other teachers to support home learning in the event of a teacher being absent, or on leave, as has already been the case this week. We have a skeleton staff at school providing the same home learning program by year level for vulnerable children and those of essential workers.

It has been requested by the Department for Education that we monitor attendance for home learning. Every day there will be an attendance activity for each student to complete before 12:00pm while participating in home learning.

Reception to Year 4 students participate in this through Seesaw via their home learning code on the Seesaw Class App.

Year 5-7 students use Google Classroom and have an activity in their Classwork section. Teachers will be marking the roll using this activity.

We are looking forward to these arrangements coming to a close as soon as possible. In the meantime we are here to support to you. Please use the contact emails of teachers, provided on the home learning plans, for any learning issues. If you are having any difficulties with

## 2021 DIARY DATES

<b>Monday Afternoon</b>	Uniform Shop open 3:00 – 4:00 PM	
<b>Wednesday Morning</b>	Uniform Shop open 8.30 – 9.30 AM	
TOM Practice	Tuesday	12.50pm weekly
Gardening Club	Wednesday	1pm weekly
Lego Coding Club	Wednesday	1pm weekly
Pokémon Club	Friday	12.50pm weekly
Eco Club	Friday	1pm weekly

### TERM 3

#### JULY

Fri 23	Academic Competition forms due
26-30/7	Rec-Yr2 Water Safety - Postponed
Wed 28	Parent Association meeting 9am via Zoom
Thur 29	Boys Netball TBC
Fri 30	Assembly hosted by Rm12 Grounds Committee mtg 10am

#### AUGUST

Tues 3	Education Committee 6pm
Thur 5	Finance Committee 2pm
4-6/8	Yr 6 Woodhouse Camp
Tues 10	Governing Council 6.30pm
Thur 12	Kidz Biz Education 2 sessions
Fri 13	Assembly hosted by Rm21
Mon 16	Sports Committee meeting 6pm
Tues 17	Debating at Cabra
Wed 18	School Tour 9.30am
23-27/8	Bookweek "Old Worlds, New Worlds"
Mon 23	Athletics District Carnival

#### SAVE THE DATES

Fri 3 Sept	PA Quiz Night TBC
Mon 6 Sept	School Closure Day

Yearly Calendar

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

technology, please contact the school on this email [ictsupport@belairps.net](mailto:ictsupport@belairps.net). This will give you direct access to our ICT support staff who can then be of possible assistance. If parents need further support, they can contact the Department's Parent ICT Helpline on 1800 271 211, 8.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday.

On all other matters please make contact with our front office which has a staff member in place during working hours.

## Policies

We have recently reviewed and updated our Sun Safety and Mobile Phone policies. These are now available on the school website for you to view.

Please be aware of these following updates to our policy.

There have been changes to our sun safety policy which include:

### Sunscreen

Students must provide their own SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen and the school supplies SPF 30 or higher broad spectrum, water resistant sunscreen for staff and students' use on camps, excursions or when participating in extended outdoor activities.

Sunscreen should be applied prior to students coming to school and students can reapply during lunch eating time before going outdoors.

Strategies are in place to remind students to apply sunscreen before going outdoors which include:

- Routines for students developed during lunch eating time
- Classroom UV monitors
- Reminders via school and staff information bulletins
- Morning routines developed at home before students come to school

### Hats

All students are required to wear hats that protect their face, neck and ears e.g. legionnaire or broad brimmed hats whenever they are outside in terms 1, 3 and 4. Teachers are asked to role model sun safety by wearing a hat when outside.

### Shade

Care is taken during the peak UV radiation times, and outdoor activities are scheduled outside of these times or in the shade where possible.

Students are encouraged to use available areas of shade when outside.

Students who do not have appropriate hats or clothing are asked to stay in the shade or a suitable area protected from the sun as determined by the school.

### Curriculum

Programs on skin cancer prevention are included in the curriculum for all year levels. Sun Smart behaviour is regularly reinforced and promoted to the whole school community through newsletters, school web site, parent meetings, staff meetings, school assemblies, student and teacher activities and in student enrolment packs.

### Excursions and special Events

When planning for an excursion or event, sun safety procedures are managed through the Department for Education, 'Sports, adventure, camps and excursions risk management plan'. The teacher in charge / school leader identifies risk controls to eliminate or reduce the risk when participating and applies them during the excursion or event.

## ICAS assessments and Australian Maths Competition

Today (Friday 23rd Jul entry for the ONLINE Australian Mathematics Competition and the ICAS, University of New South Wales y) is the last day for Competitions for **year 3 to 7** students. Information can be found on the email that was sent on the 16th of June, If you require this information again please contact the school.

These are optional for students and do not form any part of our school assessment.

To enter students

- ICAS registrations are completed online by parents.
- Australian Mathematics Competition contact the front office.

## Pupil Free Day

On Monday of this week, classroom teachers from Belair Primary School were involved in a day of learning with the teachers at Coromandel Valley Primary School. The day began with a session focusing on cohesion in writing. The rest of the day gave teachers an opportunity to share across schools in the areas of mathematics and the IB Primary Years Program, including agency. Specialist teachers had the opportunity to work together with others teaching the same learning areas and all staff appreciated the opportunity to share learning across different school contexts. SSOs were involved in Professional Learning with Department support staff.



## COMMUNITY REMEMBRANCE DAY PROJECT

Belair Primary School has a long fence line on Main Road and we thought it would be a nice idea to get a community project up and running for a display for Remembrance Day. This will involve the crocheting or knitting of black and red poppies which will be put onto a backing to spell out a message.



You may have seen something like this at the Brighton Jetty in the last couple of years.

So if you like to knit or crochet and would like to get involved please start making red poppies with black centres. Size is generally about 7cm diameter – anything around this size would be good. Patterns can be found by looking online or if you would like a crochet pattern that we have tried please contact the office. This might be a great opportunity for grandparents to teach their grandchildren the skill of crochet or knitting.

Please leave donations at the office.  
Thank you.

## PARENT ASSOCIATION



**QUIZ NIGHT!** Save the date **3<sup>rd</sup> September 7pm for 7:30pm start** in the school hall. The theme is 'The Great Outdoors'! More details to come for booking tables but start getting your group together now as places will be limited and it is always a popular and super fun event.

**Parent Family Seminar:** The Parent Association is putting on a Parent Family Seminar on the **12<sup>th</sup> August**, run by Kidz Biz Ed, on topics 'Where Did We Come From?' (years 2-4) and 'What's Happening to Me?' (years 5-7). An information sheet will be emailed to families, once COVID-19 restrictions have eased. Please fill out the form if you wish to attend. This is a PA supported event and is free to Belair Primary families.

**Parent Association meeting:** Our next meeting will be held on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 9am via zoom**. Meetings go for about an hour. If you would like to come along to hear what's happening in the school, offer help, or throw your ideas into the ring please send me an email and you will be sent and invited to the zoom meeting.

**Contact the Parent Association:** If you want to ask the PA a question or make a comment or suggestion, please email [stacey@hargroves.net](mailto:stacey@hargroves.net)