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### FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Term 3 is an exciting term because of the extra opportunities provided to students to achieve and excel outside of the usual learning program and generally requires an out of school hour commitment from those participating. This term we have had students involved in the following programs:

#### Primary Mathematics Extension Group

This program runs in cooperation with the Australian Science and Mathematics School (ASMS) from the end of term 2 across term 3 and is aimed at primary students in year 5 and year 6 who show great enthusiasm and special interest in mathematics. Participants are guided by staff and students from ASMS to develop an inquiry question and present their learning on a digital poster. The theme for this year was 'Art in Mathematics: Beauty through Numbers'. This year we have had 19 students participate and I thank Karen Gillespie and Tim Verryt for supporting the program.

#### Debating

Debating runs on selected Tuesday evenings across term 2 and 3 at Pultney Grammar School in the city. We have had 11 students in year 5 and year 6 participate this year with great success. Special thankyou to Alicia Farmer and Karen Gillespie for supporting this program.

#### Tournament of Minds

Tournament of Minds (TOM) is a program for primary and secondary students providing the opportunity to solve authentic, open-ended challenges that foster creative, divergent thinking whilst developing collaborative enterprise, excellence and teamwork. Challenges are set in the The Arts, Language Literature, Social Sciences and STEM. Our team of 5 year 5 & 6 students have taken on the challenge in The Arts and will present at Adelaide High School this Sunday. Thank you to Natalie Holmes for supporting the team this year.

#### **School based assessments term 3**

Students participate in a number of assessments across term 3 which are a pulse check on individual student learning and achievement. Our year 1 students have just completed the Department for Education year 1 phonics screening check. Children in year 1 and 2 are currently being assessed on their Reading Running Record. Students from year 1-7 are also sitting the ACER Progress Achievement Tests in mathematics and reading (PAT M/R) by the end of term. This does create a busy time for our school. However, collectively, the

### 2022 DIARY DATES

Debating Practice	Mon & Wed 1pm
Gardening Club	Wed 1pm
Lego League	Thur 1pm
Minecraft	Fri 1pm
Eco Club	Fri 1pm

### TERM 3

#### SEPTEMBER

Fri 9	Premier's Reading Challenge finishes SAPSASA Athletics at Bowker Oval Grounds Committee mtg 10am
Sun 11	Tournament of Minds - State Final
Tue 13	Education Committee meeting 6pm
Wed 14	Partnership SRC meeting Festival Choir Concert 7pm
Thur 15	Book Club closes Finance Committee meeting 12.45pm
Fri 16	Assembly hosted by Rm 9 & 22
Tue 20	2023 Rec Transition visit 9am Governing Council meeting 6.30pm
Thur 22	2023 Rec Transition visit 9am
Fri 23	Newsletter <b>Colour Run</b>
Tue 27	Year 6 Exhibition
Wed 28	Year 5 Expo
Thur 29	Student Led Conferences
Fri 30	Last Day Term 3 – <b>Early Dismissal at 2:10pm</b>

#### OCTOBER

Mon 17	Pupil Free Day
Tue 18	First Day Term 4

#### FUTURE EVENTS

Mon 7/11	Music Night
16-18/11	Year 6 Camp
Wed 23/11	Re-2 Sports Day
Thur 24/11	Yr 3-5 Sports Day
Sun 27/11	Carols Night
Mon 28/11	Year 6 Aquatics
Wed 14/12	Year 6 Graduation Day

Yearly Calendar

[2022-FAMILY-Yearly-planner-3.pdf \(belairps.sa.edu.au\)](https://belairps.sa.edu.au/2022-FAMILY-Yearly-planner-3.pdf)

information provided greatly benefits all learners directly and supports the development of strategic initiatives which support the learning and wellbeing of our children.

## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's reading challenge finishes tomorrow, 9 September 2022.

All forms need to be returned to library staff ASAP!

## BOOK CLUB

### Scholastic Book Club

The new Book Club catalogue has been distributed to students. Please place your orders by Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> of September. Orders can be placed via the LOOP website at <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/parent/login.aspx> All orders help to earn points for our school to purchase more fabulous books. Thank you for your support!

## CONFERENCES

### Student Led Conferences

Students Led Conferences will be in week 10 and will be held at home again in 2022. Please stay tuned in the coming weeks for more details.

## COLOUR FUN RUN

All children participate in the Colour Fun Run on Friday 23 September 2022.

Direct donation to our school account is available if you do not wish your child to participate in the fundraising aspect of the Colour Fun Run.