

Rob Houston
Principal

Leanne Twigden
Deputy Principal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back and a special welcome to all our new students and their families who have started at Belair. We wish these children and their families a long and rewarding educational journey whilst at Belair Primary School.

We would also like to welcome our new staff members:

Ms Lauren Kay - assistant principal
Ms Margaret Ellis - year 1/2 classroom teacher
Mr Matt Newton reception to year 6 music

After 12 months away we also welcome back Mrs Lana Krueger part time with year 1/2 and Mrs Marg Magarey who will be spending a day with both year 3/4 and 5.

School, OSHC & Catastrophic Bushfire Days

On a catastrophic bushfire day our school and OSHC will be closed. The best way for you to stay informed will be through;

- Bushfire Information Hotline; 1800 000 279
- ABC Radio 891
- ABC TV, The CFS website or <http://www.cfs.sa.gov.au>
- Please remember that on Catastrophic Days no staff are allowed to be working on site.

GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM

The Annual General Meeting of the Governing Council will be held Tuesday 21 February 2023 from 6.30pm in the Hall.

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2023 DIARY DATES

TERM 1

FEBRUARY

Wed 8	Parent Association meeting 9am staffroom - All welcome
Fri 10	Assembly hosted by year 6 students
13-17	Yr 3-5 Water Safety Ed.
Mon 13	Parent Info Evening Re, Yr5 Yr6 6:15-7pm
Wed 15	Parent Info Evening Yr 1/2 6:15-7pm
Thu 16	Parent Info Evening Yr 3/4 6:15-7pm
Tue 21	Governing Council AGM 6.30pm
Tue 28	School Photos
Wed 29	School Photos (catch up / other group photos)

Yearly Calendar will be updated shortly and posted on our website

I would be happy to discuss your interest in joining the Council.

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MATERIALS & SERVICES CHARGES

Thank you for the responses we received from our latest poll amongst families for the Materials and Service charges for 2023.

From the responses we received, 85.98% of parents voted in favour of endorsing the proposal that the full amount of Materials & Service charge of \$400 be legally recoverable.

PARENT INFORMATION EVENINGS

Parent Information Evenings will be held in classrooms over three nights during week 3 of this term.

WEEK 3

Monday 13th February 6.15pm – 7pm

Classes: Rec / Yr 5 / Yr 6

Wednesday 15th February 6.15pm – 7pm

Classes: Yr 1 / 2

Thursday 16th February 6.15pm – 7pm

Classes: Yr 3 / 4

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 6). 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 return the booking slip at the end of this newsletter to the Front Office by Wednesday 8th February 2023.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW STUDENTS

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

Reception: Adam, Archie, Ari, Arlo, Asha, Audrey, Audrey, Banjo, Banjo, Benjamin, Billy, Bronte, Charlie, Chloe, Connah, Douglas, Eden, Eliza, Elke, Ellie, Emma, Esther, Evie, Flora, Florence, Franklin, Freddie, Halle, Harry, Henry, Jac, Jack, Jack, Jacob, Jake, Jasper, Jimmy, Jooah, Leo, Lucy, Lucy, Marcus, Marley, Marlo, Mason, Matthew, Mia, Mila, Navraj, Oliver, Oskar, Remy, Ruby, Ruby, Rudi, Sonny, Sterling, Tate, Tommy, Valerie, William, William, Willow, Wynter, Xavier, Xavier, Zara

Year 1: Otis

Year 2: Connor

Year 3: Hajar, Freddie, Turner

Year 5: Edward

Year 6: Gus

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BEGINNING OF YEAR INFORMATION

Absence message to school - SMS Ph no. **0418157103**

If your child/ren will be on holiday for 4 or more days, an Application for **Exemption** from School form is to be completed. Available from the front office.

BRING YOUR OWN DEVICE

Belair Primary School is proud to offer a Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) learning environment for all students. We have stipulated devices to be iPads 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 the one place is what an iPad can powerfully provide.

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 and will support the 1:1 iPad learning environment for our senior classes. The benefits of BYOD remain to be ownership, and out of school hour access. There will remain to be a number of iPads for shared use in the classroom for those who don't have their own.

Year 3-6 students receive:

- Individual access to computer log in.
- A belairps.net account to access Google Apps for Education.
- Filtered access to the internet.
- Access to age appropriate apps

The specifications required for iPads (iPad, iPad Air, iPad pro) are:

- Camera (front and rear)
- Wi-Fi access
- Able to support the latest operating system
- If 4G/5G capable we ask that the device comes to school without the sim.
- Min 32GB
- Screen Size min – 9.7" (Ipad Mini's are too small for many apps and websites)
- Keyboards and Headphones (over ear, not in ear (buds, pods, ect)) are recommended.
- iPad covers and screen protectors are required.
- Students with their own device will have them registered with our Mobile Device Management (MDM) then released when they leave our school.

WOODWIND & BRASS

BRASS & WOODWIND VACANCIES

Limited vacancies for Clarinet, Alto Saxophone, Percussion, Trumpet and Trombone are still open for students to join the 2023 Concert Band Program.

Preference will be given to Year 5 and 6 students. Year 4 students can also indicate interest and may be accepted if there are spaces available.

Half hour lessons happen once a week on Wednesdays, and students combine into a Concert Band several times a term. Lessons are provided free of charge but there is an administration fee and instrument hire cost.

If you are interested please contact the front office.



CANTEEN

Hi All, It is great to be back and I'm looking forward to the term ahead. The Canteen is stocked and ready to go for all your lunch orders and recess/lunch snacks.

For those of you new to the school here's a few FYI's but certainly feel free to contact me with any questions.

- 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

- We are open Mon- Fri for lunch orders and for over the counter sales at recess and lunch. Cash only in the canteen and not large notes preferable please. Our snacks range from \$1 - \$2.50
- The Canteen operates with volunteers and this year we are in need of more helpers. Parents, grandparents, carers all welcome. Contact me for more information if you'd like to help out we would love to have you.
- We have a Canteen FB page to keep you up to date with what's happening in the Canteen so jump on and join Belair Primary School Canteen

Whilst I endeavor to keep all of our prices as low as I can unfortunately in the current climate our suppliers have bumped up their prices and therefore we have had to increase some of ours. I have kept the majority of our menu the same price but there has been some price increase.. If you are giving your children money to spend in the Canteen. \$2 will definitely cover a treat 😊

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

8278 6439

Julie.croft558@schools.sa.edu.au

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Dear Families,

Happy New School Year! What a fantastic start. I've spent the first few days with all our new little ones in Carawatha. The children are so brave. I can't believe how much there is for them to remember, but they are doing great. And the teachers are amazing! I know for certain I could never be a reception teacher 😊. In fact, I could never be any kind of teacher. I don't think I have the stamina. I truly believe we have the best teachers at Belair Primary School. And I know for a fact that they are committed to their students. Teachers put their heart and soul into their work. I can't praise them enough!

I hope the rest of the year goes as well as the beginning, but the reality is, it probably won't. At some point your child will make a mistake, your child's teacher will make a mistake, you will make a mistake, and I will make a mistake – or two or three or more! We may need to forgive each other now and then, but we all have the

same goals – to help our students become successful and content in life.

I hope you and your child(ren) 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, carers 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. 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: Pastoral Care Workers are 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 or contact me 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.

All the best for 2023!

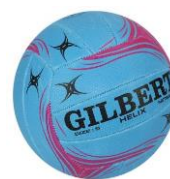
Sara Walding, Pastoral Care Worker

In school: Tuesday afternoon; Wednesday and Friday all day

NETBALL

Netball Registration – Winter 2023

We would like to hear from all students who would like to play netball for Belair Primary School in the coming 2023 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 2 to 6.

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 register online.

[After School Sport - BPS \(belairps.sa.edu.au\)](http://belairps.sa.edu.au)



Please submit your online netball registration NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 10th 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 is keen to coach a team.

Please contact Jodie Hansen for further enquiries – 0412 855 287 or jodie@sweetcopy.com.au



Apply now for 2024!

Special Interest Football Program Special Interest Netball Program

Do you have a genuine interest in football?

Are you interested in improving your skills and knowledge in all areas of the game?

The selection criteria will include:

- potential high level of ability/performance indicated through skills testing and trial
- a high level of coachability
- a positive sporting attitude
- a positive attitude towards school and study
- a history of high standard of good behaviour, attendance and social skills
- recent member of a football team (club or school)
- a documented high level of ability/performance.

Entry to the program is by application (school reports to be included) and a trial process conducted at Blackwood High School.

Please contact Nick Liddle for more information.
(nick.liddle629@schools.sa.edu.au)

The Netball Program is aimed at students who:

- want to develop in all aspects such as playing, coaching and umpiring
- demonstrate skill and a commitment to netball
- wish to spend time in further development
- aim to compete at a higher level than that of the average student.

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- member of a netball team (club or school)

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Please contact Peta Maher for more information.
(peta.maher678@schools.sa.edu.au)

Visit the school's website www.bhs.sa.edu.au to download an application form.

Applications due Monday 20 March 2023

Trials for the Special Interest Programs:

Thursday 23 March 2023

8:45am registration for a 9am – 11am trial
Blackwood High School





Health & Sciences (STEM) Pathways Program Year 7 entry in 2024

To apply, visit: abhs.sa.edu.au/enrolment/
Applications close 15 February 2023

Adelaide
Botanic
High School



MONDAY SUPPORT LOCAL

\$5 FROM EVERY MEAL PURCHASED IN
THE MAIN BAR FROM 5PM DONATED
TO BELAIR PRIMARY SCHOOL



BELAIR
HOTEL

UNTIL THE END OF FEBRUARY
BOOKINGS ADVISABLE

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **KIDS TAEKWONDO** - Resilience Confidence Discipline Fitness • Children can start at the age of 5 • Self-defence, anti-bullying program • Non - Contact Training • Experienced WWCC Instructors • Sports Voucher approved provider
NEW TERM STARTING NOW Enquiries: info@worldtaekwondo.com.au Ph: 0412909500 Website: www.worldtaekwondo.com.au Sports Voucher Approved Provider
- **BLACKWOOD COMMUNITY YOGA CLASSES** - Mindful yoga flow classes with a balance of breath-work, stretching, strengthening and relaxation; Release Tension; Manage Stress; Improve Posture and Mobility; Open to all levels of experience; Wednesdays, 9:15-10:45am and Fridays 9:30-10:30am; Free Come 'n' Try; Contact Vanessa for further details on 0423 442 954 or boundlessyoga@adam.com.au
- **WESTBOURNE PARK UNITING CHURCH NETBALL CLUB WINTER 2023** - If interested please email Sarah at wpucnc@hotmail.com to confirm a vacancy





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2023 GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

I, _____ would like to nominate for a position on Belair Primary School Governing Council beginning in 2023 for a two year period.

Daytime Contact phone number: _____

Youngest child's name _____ Room No.: _____

I declare I have not been bankrupt or convicted of any offence of dishonesty, or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person.

Signed _____

RETURN TO THE FRONT OFFICE BY WEDNESDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2023



BELAIR PRIMARY SCHOOL OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

Main Road,
BELAIR 5052 S.A.
Phone: 8370 3733
FAX: 8370 2651
Web: www.belairps.sa.edu.au
Email: belair.OSHC537@schools.sa.edu.au



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Department for Education

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT - CRECHE REGISTRATION FORM

I, _____ would like my child/ren registered for the crèche on Parent Information Night in the OSHC building.

- **Monday 13th February 2023 6.15 – 7.00pm**
 - Reception Room CW1, CW2, CW3
 - Year 5 Room 5A, 5B, 5C
 - Year 6 Room 6A, 6B, 6C
- **Wednesday 15th February 2023 6.15 – 7.00pm**
 - Year 1/2 Room 1/2A, 1/2B, 1/2C, 1/2D, 1/2E
- **Thursday 16th February 2023 6.15 – 7.00pm**
 - Year 1/2 Room 1/2A, 1/2B, 1/2C, 1/2D, 1/2E

Please circle the date/s your child/ren will be in the crèche.

Child's name _____ Age: _____ 13/2/23, 15/2/23 and/or 16/2/23
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Unfortunately, we are not equipped to provide the necessary care for pre-school aged children.

Bookings are essential to ensure adequate staffing ratios.

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Wednesday 8th February 2023

Signed _____

Mobile phone number _____

