

Rob Houston
Principal

Leanne Twigden
Deputy Principal

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

2023 Governing Council

I would like to welcome our new Governing Council for 2023:

Anna Deller-Coombs (chairperson), Karla Pobke (secretary), Kim Messer (deputy chairperson), Lynette Morris (treasurer), Rob Houston (principal), Natalie Holmes (staff rep), Ali Farmer (staff rep), Parent Association Rep (tba), Mari Bornick-Sorhang, Nic Brown, Michelle Hamlyn, Sam Hart, Christine Rowland, Sarah Barrett and Angela Edwards.

I would like to thank outgoing members Peter Sudo, Charlie Hargroves, Jay Wheeler, Alisha Bellison and Adam Brown for their outstanding contributions to our school. I would also especially like to thank outgoing member, Lisa Jamieson for her amazing work as Governing Council Chairperson over the past 3 years.

Annual Report

You can access a copy of the 2022 Annual Report on the school website but here are some of the highlights which were shared at the AGM on Tuesday 21st February.

Our Capital Works Project began in term 2 and by the end of term 3 we had stage 1 of the project completed and we were immediately impressed by the improvements and new learning spaces.

Belair Primary School participated in an Education Standards Board (ESB) Review across 2022 and we successfully met all requirements of the review. Preparation for the ESB supported our preparation for next year's International Baccalaureate Primary Years Program (PYP) evaluation. School policies were updated and reviewed for the ESB and then provided for the 2023 PYP evaluation.

Our students excelled in school based state wide competitions with our year 6/7 debating team winning the 'Debating SA Year 6/7 Championship Trophy' and our Year 5 team earning top place on the leader board out of 40 teams. Congratulations also to our mountain bike riding team who took out the year 5/6 'Mountain Bike Championship – Overall Champion School' award.

Our students had the opportunity to participate in many extra curricula activities; after hour's school sport, SAPSASA Sport, Tournament of Minds, Choir – Festival of Music, Debating, Primary Mathematics Extension Group, Gardening club, Eco club, Lego club and PALS amongst others. Our Parent Association was again active in 2022. A new role statement was developed for

2023 DIARY DATES

TERM 1

MARCH

Fri 3 Yr 6 Road Crossing Monitor Training
 Mon 6 Yr 3/4 Mandala Drawing Incursion
 Parent Association meeting 7pm
 Tue 7 Yr 3/4 Mandala Drawing Incursion
 Wed 8 OSHC Management meeting 2pm
 Fri 10 Assembly hosted by 1/2A & 1/2C
 Mon 13 Adelaide Cup Day
 Tue 14 Canteen Committee meeting 1.45pm
 15-27 NAPLAN Yr 3 and Yr 5
 Tue 21 Education Committee meeting 6pm
 Thu 23 Finance Committee
 Fri 24 Assembly hosted by 5B
 Grounds Committee meeting 10am
 27-30 3 Way Conferences
 Tue 28 Governing Council mtg 6.30pm
 Wed 29 SAPSASA KO Cricket – Woodcroft College
 Thu 30 SAPSASA District Athletics
 Easter Presentations

APRIL

3 - 6 3 Way Conferences continue
 Tue 4 Yr 5 Road Crossing Monitor Training
 Wed 5 Easter Raffle Draw
 Fri 14 CASUAL DAY
 End of Term - Early dismissal 2:10pm

Yearly Calendar

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

class parent reps. Fund raising activities included Easter & Christmas raffles, the popular family movie night at the cinema and the highly successful Crazy Colour Fun Run! School and community events this year included year 6 Graduation, Book week & parade, Carols Night, Blackwood Christmas Pageant, Wednesday coffee mornings, Music Night and Sports Days.

2022 School Improvement Focus

Student Agency

Target 1: 54% of year 1 to year 6 students (240 out of 444) to achieve B or better in Humanities and Social Science for their end of year report.

Comment: This target was achieved with 60% of year 1 to 6 students (265 out of 443) achieving a B or better in Humanities and Social Sciences in their end of year report.

Numeracy

Target 1: 53% of year 1 to year 6 students (235 out of 444) to achieve B or better in mathematics for their end of year report.

Comment: This target was achieved with 54% of year 1 to 6 students (240 out of 443) achieving a B or better in Mathematics in their end of year report.

Target 2: 48% of year 3 students (35 out of 73) to achieve high bands (HB) in year 3 NAPLAN numeracy.

Comment: This target was not achieved in 2022 with 39% of year 3 students (28 out of 71) achieving the HB in NAPLAN Numeracy. Another 35% of students (25 of 71) were just below the HB in Band 4.

Target 3: 29% of year 5 students (25 out of 86) to achieve HB in year 5 NAPLAN numeracy.

Comment: This target was achieved with 35% of year 5 students (29 out of 82) achieving the HB in NAPLAN Numeracy.

Target 4: 55% of students (47 out of 86) who achieved HB in year 3 will remain in HB in year 5 for NAPLAN numeracy.

Comment: This target cannot be measured as our Year 5s did not sit NAPLAN in Year 3 in 2020

Target 5: All Aboriginal learners have a learning goal for mathematics in their One Plan.

Comment: This target has been achieved with all Aboriginal learners having a mathematics learning goal in their One Plan.

Literacy

Target 1: 56% of year 1 to year 6 students (247 Out of 444) to achieve B or better in term 3 school based narrative.

Comment: This target was achieved with 64% of year 1 to 6 students achieving a B or better in our term 2 school based narrative writing.

Target 2: 53% of year 3 students (39 out of 73) to achieve high band (HB) in year 3 NAPLAN writing.

Comment: This target was achieved in 2022 with 56% of year 3 students (40 out of 71) achieving the HB in NAPLAN Writing.

Target 3: 21% of year 5 students (18 out of 86) to achieve HB in year 5 NAPLAN writing.

Comment: This target was achieved with 27% of year 5 students (22 out of 82) achieving the HB in NAPLAN Writing.

Target 4: All Aboriginal learners have a learning goal for writing in their One Plan.

Comment: This target has been achieved with all Aboriginal learners having a writing learning goal in their One Plan.

NAPLAN

All year 3 and 5 participants in this year's NAPLAN assessments were doing so for the first time. NAPLAN was cancelled for the year in 2020 due to COVID-19 pandemic. Because of this, we are unable to report any

progress, or any higher band retention information for year 5 students.

Year 3 NAPLAN

We had 71 year 3 students participate in this year's NAPLAN assessment and once again they experienced very good results.

In Reading, 93% achieved the Department for Education 'Standard of Educational Achievement' (SEA). The SEA is defined as children progressing and achieving at or above their appropriate year level. The appropriate year level is described as one or more bands above the national minimum standard. 69% demonstrated achievement of the highest 2 Bands in NAPLAN Reading, which is the second best ever school result on this measure.

In Numeracy, 90% of students achieved the SEA and 39% demonstrated achievement of the highest 2 Bands in NAPLAN Numeracy.

Year 5 NAPLAN

82 year 5 students participated in NAPLAN in 2022. Our year 5 students performed very well in NAPLAN Reading. 94% achieved the SEA, the equal best school result since 2014. 51% of year 5 students demonstrated achievement in the highest 2 bands of NAPLAN Reading, which is only the 3rd time since 2013 that our students have achieved above 50% on this measure.

In NAPLAN Numeracy, 87% of students achieved the SEA and 35% of students demonstrated achievement in the highest 2 bands of NAPLAN, our third best result since 2013.

A-E Assessment

For the past 4 years we have included year 1 to year 6/7 A-E assessment targets into our Site Improvement Plan, as a key measure of student and school improvement. We have achieved outstanding results in learning achievement (A – E assessment) once again in 2022.

54% of students in year 1 to 6 achieved an A or B in semester 2 English. 54% of students in year 1 to 6 achieved an A or B in semester 2 Mathematics. 60 % of students achieved an A or B in semester 2 Humanities & Social Sciences (HASS).

Reading - Year 1 Running Records

82% of our students achieved the Standard of Education Achievement (SEA) for reading 'running records' by being at or above level 13 by the end of term 3 2022. This is a very good result but at the same time students who are below the SEA are receiving continued support through extra classroom SSO time throughout the year. When compared to 'like' schools (category of disadvantage 7 schools and local partnership schools) we have higher levels of student achievement between levels 16 and 26.

Reading - Year 2 Running Records

85% of our students achieved the Standard of Education Achievement (SEA) for reading 'running records' by being at or above level 21 by the end of term 3 2022. This is a very good result but at the same time students who are below the SEA are receiving continued support through extra classroom SSO time throughout the year.

When compared to 'like' schools (category of disadvantage 7 schools and local partnership schools) we have higher levels of student achievement between levels 21 and 31.

Year 1 Phonics Check

68% of students achieved the Department for Education target score of 28 sounds or higher in 2022. The teaching of phonics requires explicit teaching in the early years of school. We experienced significant disruption through COVID related absence for staff and students in terms 1 and 2 of 2022. Phonics will remain a key focus of the year 2 literacy program in 2023 to support all students to make improvements in this area.

PARENT ASSOCIATION

PA meeting: It was great to see so many new faces at our PA meeting in week three. Our next meeting is the **AGM next Monday 6th March, 7pm**, in the school staff room - a short AGM to elect available positions, followed by a regular PA meeting. Takes about 90 minutes all up. All parents and carers are welcome to attend. We hope to see you there!

As usual all positions will be declared vacant at the end of the AGM so if anybody would like to play a more active role on the committee there are a number of ways to do this. If you're interested in more details please contact PA president, Stacey Hargroves.

Easter Raffle: Our Annual Easter Raffle is drawn on Wednesday 5th April this year! For those new to the school, a small amount of tickets will come home to you (via your youngest child) to sell. As always we need donations for the prizes dropped off to the front office, and we thank everyone who contributes each year as the bags of chocolate and Easter themed gifts continues to grow!



We'll be making up the hampers/baskets on Monday 3rd of April, so put the date in your diary if you've got an hour or so to spare straight after school drop-off. It's always lots of fun!

SCHOOL QUIZ NIGHT: we are running the School Quiz Night again this year! Date TBD (possibly Term 3). It is always a lot of fun, with dress ups and prizes and games! We need lots of help to run it so if you are interested in helping with the event we are forming a committee shortly, please email stacey@hargroves.net.

The PA needs YOU! Would you like to be a non-PA member **volunteer**? If you'd like to help with activities from time to time but can't get to our meetings, please join our Belair Primary Volunteers facebook page:

[Belair Primary Volunteers | Facebook](#)

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.

OSHC NEWS – VACATION CARE

Our exciting, new-look April Vacation Care program will go online on Friday 10th March. We will be taking bookings for April Vacation Care from that day.

CANTEEN

Why not give your child/children some coins to come and spend at the Canteen? The Canteen is a safe and friendly environment where students can learn the value of money, responsibility of looking after their money, independence of making their own choices and they get a treat at the end! Canteen snacks range from \$1 - \$2.50

The Canteen relies on your support to keep our range high but prices low and to open all 5 days of the week.

Tuesday we had our first Canteen lunch event for the year and enjoyed sushi for lunch. Thankyou for supporting the Canteen events. Word about school was the sushi was delicious.

We are seeking more helpers in the Canteen this year, if you are able to help out 1 day a term it would be greatly appreciated. Grandparents also very welcome and younger siblings also welcome under your supervision. We would love to have you join our merry band of volunteers.

Current clearances are required but the office staff will happily guide you through the easy process. Contact me in the Canteen for more information.

Thanks all,

Julie
8278 6439
Julie.croft558@schools.sa.edu.au

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Dear Belair Families,

I've really enjoyed a 'normal' start to school this year after all the COVID adjustments over the past few years. I'm having fun visiting classrooms talking about feelings, friendships and well-being.

If you are a parent of a child with a disability or extra needs, you might be interested in attending a parent group facilitated by one of our Belair mums. Please contact Luella Clark luellaiclark@gmail.com for more information. Having been a part of a group such as this in the past, I can honestly say it is very affirming, helpful and encouraging.

Also, I gather a group of students twice a term who have siblings with a disability or extra needs. We have a wonderful time having snacks, sharing stories and expressing our feelings. I love this group! I learn a lot from these students. If you have a child that you think might be interested, please be in touch with me.

Sara Walding, Pastoral Care Worker

Sara.Walding521@schools.sa.edu.au
In School: Tuesday afternoon; Wednesday and Friday all day

FROM OUR NEW COUNSELLOR

Dear Belair PS children, families and staff



My name is Maria Naranjo Mendoza and I'm doing my last year of a Master's in Counselling Practice at Tabor College. I feel honoured to have been given the opportunity to practice my counselling skills and knowledge with the families from this beautiful school community and to learn a bit

more about you as we work together towards achieving your goals.

I have an empathetic, compassionate and caring approach to the work I do, which I truly believe is the pillar in building long-lasting, nurturing, relationships.

I'm married to Pablo and have three boys aged 17, 10 and 21 months, so my house can get very busy and noisy! I'm from Ecuador, a small country in South America, and migrated to Adelaide 14 years ago.

I love coffee, enjoy listening to good books and most of all, I really enjoy running along the trails and getting immersed in our beautiful nature.

If you would like to make an appointment with me, please email me at tca209999@tabor.edu.au. I'll be at the school every Friday, during school term.

I look forward to meeting you!

Maria

SOCCER REGISTRATION

School Soccer Registration Open

Students from Year 2 and up are welcome to play soccer for Belair Primary. We are part of the Southern Districts Junior Soccer Association league, playing against other primary schools on Saturday mornings in Terms 2 and 3, with one training per week (day is arranged by coach). The standard is good without being elite, we focus on participation and fun. New players are welcome and will be fine, experienced players enjoy it too.

Registrations need to be in by Friday 16th March at the latest so we can arrange teams.

[Click here](#) to register, or go to the Website > Additional Programs > After School Sport.

Any questions at all, just get in touch with Soccer Coordinator Adam Thompson, adam@torgan.com.au or 0413 859 392

FOOTY REGISTRATION

School footy nominations now being accepted for students in Years 2 to 6, males and females. Games for boys are Saturday mornings, commencing Sat May 20th. Games for girls are Tuesday afternoons, commencing Tues May 23rd. Training one day after school; specific day to be confirmed. Enrolment is directly through SANFL and cost is \$60. For further details, please contact lisa.jamieson@adelaide.edu.au

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 \(belairps.sa.edu.au\)](https://www.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

Seaview High School OPEN NIGHT

Wednesday 22 March 2023

5.00pm - 7.30pm

Principal's Address 5.45pm & 6.45pm

Enquiries and bookings to 8377 8000
or dl.0893.info@schools.sa.edu.au



Attention: Year 6 Families

Blackwood High School invites you to book a **PRINCIPAL'S TOUR**
9:00am - 10:00am
Friday

5 May 12 May
26 May 2 June
9 June 30 June

Bookings required
To book please visit our website

Please note above tours are only for Year 6 families.
Tours for other year levels are available from August - December and a limit of 2 adults and 1 child per family.

4 Seymour Street, Eden Hills SA 5050

Phone: 8278 0900 Fax: 8278 0999

www.bhs.sa.edu.au bhs.info994@schools.sa.edu.au

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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.

Selection criteria will include:

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

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

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



SEAVIEW HIGH SCHOOL **Government of South Australia**
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2024 APPLICATIONS NOW OPEN
In Zone and Out Of Zone

SPECIAL INTEREST DANCE

Auditions will be held in Week 10.
For more information and to apply please call 8377 8000 or visit www.seaviewhs.sa.edu.au



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HIGH PERFORMANCE TENNIS

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CANTEEN ROSTER

6 Mar	7 Mar	8 Mar	9 Mar	10 Mar
Julia	Mandy Mason	Janet Wooding	Di Miles	Raylene Sheehan Brigid Agnew
13 Mar	14 Mar	15 Mar	16 Mar	17 Mar
Public Holiday	Danae Sudo	Raylene Sheehan	Linda Ogrowsky	Sarah Coote Karli Bowes
20 Mar	21 Mar	22 Mar	23 Mar	24 Mar
Julia	Danae Sudo	Jan Waller	Di Miles	Emily Connor Jan Charles
27 Mar	28 Mar	29 Mar	30 Mar	31 Mar
Lisa Jamieson	Danae Sudo	Bec Brown	Kylie Parrott	Janet Wooding Catherine Gray

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

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- **SPECTRUM CONNECT** - A kids club for Autistic and Neurodiverse children aged 7-13 years. Sites located in Cumberland Park, Old Reynella, Fulham, and soon to be Surrey Downs. For more information visit our website: <https://spectrumconnect.com.au/> Or phone: 0421 917 273
- **CODING CAMP** – Autumn holidays Book now at www.codecamp.com.au/flyer
- **FRIENDS OF BELAIR BUSH BUDDIES** - for children aged 7-11 Information sessions over the next fortnight. Karan Coombe-Smith, 0403690695 karan.coombesmith@gmail.com
- **CHILDHOOD LEUKAEMIA RESEARCH FUNDRAISER** – 19 March 2023, Come join us at “The Piccadilly” North Adelaide for our Charlie’s Rainbow Movie Fundraiser Screening **LYLE LYLE CROCODILE(G)** Raising funds for Childhood Acute Myeloid Leukaemia Research. Bring your family and friends for a wonderful afternoon. Ticket options starting from \$20 + Amazing raffle prizes https://wallis.com.au/events/charlies-rainbow-movie-fundraiser/?fbclid=IwAR1Bsn1P6LxpxrRUwli57J2RnOp4q_g_K-8uSrLOmVX_6G6-0hd-xiq6FjU&mibextid=Zxz2cZ

