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## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

There have been lots of really great things happening at Belair this term. 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 requires an out of school hour commitment from staff and students 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 'The greatest mathematical discoveries in history'. This year we have had 15 students participate and I thank staff members Lauren Kay and Tim Verryt for facilitating the program.

### Debating

Debating runs on selected Tuesday evenings across term 2 and 3 at Pultney Grammar School in the city. We have had 10 students in year 5 and year 6 participate this year again with great success. Our year 6 team is participating in the semi finals tonight. Special thankyou to teachers Alicia Farmer and Sam Helbig 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 7 year 5 & 6 students have taken on the challenge in Language literature and will present at Adelaide High School this Sunday. Thank you to Natalie Holmes for her work with the team this year.

### Olipphant Science Awards

The Olipphant Science Awards provide students with an opportunity to expand their scientific literacy, by showing interest and understanding in the world around them and engaging in discussions about science. Most of the work is done outside of school hours, generally with some parent/sibling support and mentoring at

## 2023 DIARY DATES

### TERM 3

#### September

Thu 7	Yr 6 Debating Semi Final
Fri 8	Assembly hosted by3/4D
Mon 11	Sports Committee mtg 6pm
Tues 12	Education Committee mtg 6pm
Wed 13	School Tour
Thu 14	Finance Committee 12:45
Fri 15	Grounds Committee mtg 10am
Mon 19	State Athletics
	Governing Council 6:30pm
Tue 20	Carrawatha excursion to Cleland
Fri 22	Festival Choir Concert
Tue 26	1/2A & 1/2D excursion to the zoo
Wed 27	1/2B, 1/2C & 1/2E excursion to the zoo
Fri 29	Casual Day & Early Dismissal

Yearly Calendar

[2023-FAMILY-Yearly-planner.pdf \(belairps.sa.edu.au\)](https://www.belairps.sa.edu.au/2023-FAMILY-Yearly-planner.pdf)

school. This year we had 37 students enter the awards, with some fantastic submissions and I would like to thank our Science teacher Tim Verryt for guiding students throughout the process.

## LANGUAGE OF LEARNING

Our next parent information session will be held on Tuesday 12th September at 6:30-7:30pm in the library. It will be a repeat of the 'Our language of learning' session.

Our 'language of learning' is centred around our Primary Years Program (PYP) with information about key terms including:

- Transdisciplinary themes
- Learner profile attributes
- ATLs (Approaches to Learning)
- Key concepts
- Action

Our intention is for participants to leave with an improved understanding of our 'language of learning' and how it can be used at home to support better learning outcomes for all students.

The last session was well received by attendees and we would love to see you there. Please register via the following link <https://forms.gle/9RukAkHiMQwRTazm7>

## OPEN AFTERNOON & LIBRARY UNVEILLING

We are looking forward to lots of visitors to our open afternoon on Sunday the 17th September from 1pm to 3pm. This is a great opportunity for you to come and see the recently completed building works and to celebrate the official opening of our wonderful library. There will be a coffee van on site and our Parent Association will be selling sausages and drinks. The formal library opening ceremony will take place at 1:15pm

## YEAR 6 EXHIBITION

The year 6 Exhibition is the culminating, collaborative experience in the final year of the PYP. The central idea of the Exhibition presented this week was:

'Historical events can impact on how people live today'

Over the past 7 weeks our students:

- Engaged in an in depth collaborative inquiry
- Demonstrated agency and responsibility for their learning
- Demonstrated the attributes of the learner profile in authentic context
- Explored multiple perspectives
- Monitored, documented and presented their learning
- Synthesised and applied learning
- Took action as a result of their learning
- Collaborated with others
- Reflected on their PYP education
- Celebrated their transition to the next stage of their education with the school and community

## BLACKWOOD TENNIS ACADEMY

We will be running the postponed Come n Try day 11am - 1pm this Saturday 10th of September also with a free sausage sizzle.

Please register at: [blackwoodtennisacademy.com.au](http://blackwoodtennisacademy.com.au)

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### GET INTO RUGBY

#### SOUTHS RUGBY JUNIOR CLINIC

**Ages: 10 to 12**

**Cost: \$50** (covers all sessions)

**FREE T-Shirt & other goodies** (when registered via RUGBY XPLORER)

**FREE BBQ** Sausages & bread for children and carers (each training session)

**Location:** AA Bailey Recreation Ground, Clarence Gardens, SA 5039

**Register:** <https://myaccount.rugbyexplorer.com.au>

#### Week

Week 1 – Wed 11 Oct  
Week 2 – Wed 18 Oct  
Week 3 – Wed 25 Oct  
Week 4 – Wed 1 Sept

#### Time:

5.30pm – 6.30pm  
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### GET INTO RUGBY

#### SOUTHS RUGBY JUNIOR CLINIC

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