



DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✦ 15/10/2020 Sports Day – Spectator Free Event
- ✦ 19/10/2020 Book Week
- ✦ 28/10/2020 Year 5 information session @ WHS
- ✦ 11/11/2020 Remembrance Day
- ✦ 13/11/2020 Student free day
- ✦ 16/11/2020 School Closure Day

Dear Families and Friends,

ADVANCE NOTICE - 2

Governing Council has approved a Student Free Day on Friday 13th and School Closure the following Monday 16th of November as a half term break. This will enable staff to prepare the virtual concert and Showcase of the Arts for our community in celebration of the talented students of 2020.

Student Achievement

At the end of last term staff and students engaged in some tests that we use to monitor how children are tracking with their Reading and Maths. The Reception-Year 2 children were assessed using Running Records and the Years 3-7 did the PAT Maths and Reading online tests.

As teachers we recognise that these tests are only a snapshot but they give us some information about how our school is progressing. The chart below shows the percentage of children reaching Standards of Educational Achievement (SEA) against which the children are measured.

	Reading	Maths
Reception	30% 20 children	
Year 1	65% 37 children	
Year 2	75% 44 children	
Year 3	75% 43 children	56% 55 children
Year 4	81% 51 children	56% 48 children
Year 5	78% 47 children	80% 35 children
Year 6	80% 60 children	68% 86 children
Year 7	68% 41 children	70% 67 children

Our data includes all learners; those who have learning difficulties, those whom English is a second language and some who have attendance issues. For those children who do not achieve SEA the school has

targeted intervention programs in place to support them with their development.

Attendance

'Every day matters in the school life of a child or young person. Each day of attendance has a positive effect on their development and future success.' Children who do not attend school regularly also miss out on planned learning experiences, sequences of instruction and class participation. The impact of this loss is compounded with each absence. It is also more difficult for them to build positive relationships with others.

As reported on previous occasions, missing a day a week over time means that a child can miss a term each year; if you add this up a child can miss two years during their Primary Education.

	Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Average
Reception	82.4%	86.2%	84.8%	84.6%
Year 1	80.8%	90.2%	88.8%	86.7%
Year 2	75.3%	89.7%	88.3%	84.5%
Year 3	79.2%	89.3%	87.8%	85.6%
Year 4	75.3%	88.1%	89.5%	84.5%
Year 5	79.6%	86.5%	87.1%	84.5%
Year 6	81.4%	87.1%	86.9%	85.3%
Year 7	83.0%	87.5%	85.4%	85.4%
	79.7%	88.0%	87.3%	85.2%

This term we are trialing strategies to acknowledge and celebrate those children who are strong with their attendance:

- For the class with the best attendance – afternoon of free time as negotiated and voted by the class.
 - Adopting a big soft bear and dressing it in school colours. The class with the highest percentage of attendance for the week will have the bear in their class for the next week.
 - 5 days of full class attendance is celebrated with the students, eg free time, movie, etc.
 - Sharing positive attendance through Seesaw posts.
- Our **target of 93%** is a challenge that we ask families to support by sending their children to school each day.

Quote for the week:

The more that you read, the more things you will know.

The more that you learn, the more places you'll go

Dr. Seuss

Kind regards,

Fiona Voigt



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

What's On: Term 4

DE Preschool: Monday-Friday

Morning: 8.45-11.45am

Afternoon: 12.15-3.15pm

For more information

Contact: Rhianna Woodbury ph:84148688

Child Care: Monday- Friday

Full day: 7am-6pm

Morning: 7am-12:30pm / Afternoon 12.30pm-6pm

Fees apply and bookings essential

Contact: Megan Mefail ph:8414 8688

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Important Dates:

Preschool closure and
pupil free days

3,13 &16 November

16 October

National Children's
Week

11 November

Remembrance Day

20 November

White Ribbon Day



Parkers Dance Party &

Family Event

29 October

4-5 pm

On the grass at the front

Of the Parks Theatre

Do you know about
Parker Pelican?

Parker loves to read,
sing, talk dance & rhyme
every day!



LEARNING TOGETHER

PLAYGROUP

Teal Building

Starts Week 1

9.30-10.30 &

11.30-12.30

School Term Only

A supported playgroup
Recommended for
children aged 0-4 years.

Contact Clara:
0418 844 516

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Healthy Families and Relationships

Wednesday

18 Nov 9.30-11.30

Call 8414 8688 to

register your interest

& creche needs with

Gloria

Preschool transition group for CALD families Term 4

Monday am and
Friday pm

Bookings essential
Please see Rhianna
for more

Information

Ph 8414 8688

NDIS Kudos Services

Is your child 0- 6 years? Do you have
concerns about their development? Please
come along to learn about the service
and answer any questions.

Monday 26 October

9.30-11 am

Register your interest with Gloria on

8414 8688

Uniting Care Wesley Bowden

Presents a workshop on

Understanding Pre-schooler Behaviour

Tuesday 3 November

9.30-11.30am

Contact Gloria to register &

creche available on request

0438 177 430

Health & Immunisation Services

Will be visiting the

Children Centre

Wednesday

4 November

11am-1pm

Please call

8414 8688 to

book an appointment

Come along to have a coffee and a chat with Community Development

Coordinator Gloria about what's on

Friday 30 Oct,

13 Nov & 11 Dec

from 2-3pm



BRIGHT
TOMORROWS



New Parenting
APP

<https://www.brighttomorrows.org.au>

Do you have any
concerns about your
child's speech and
language?

Call for an
appointment
with Marina our
speech pathologist
on
8414 8688

