



# Balaklava Primary School

**Term 1  
Week 3  
15th Feb  
2018**

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## **DIARY DATES:**

### **FEBRUARY**

#### **19th Feb– 2nd March**

R-Year 5  
Swimming  
Lessons

#### **20th–23rd**

Yr 6/ 7 Aquatics  
camp

### **MARCH**

**2nd** Swimming  
Carnival

**6th** AGM

**12th** Adelaide  
Cup Holiday

**19th** Interviews  
TBC

**20th**  
Governing Council

**30th**  
Good Friday

### **APRIL**

**2nd**  
Easter Monday

**ASSEMBLIES**  
Weeks 2,6,8,10 at  
2:15pm.  
(not wk 4)

Week 11 at  
1:30pm

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

This year we have 268 students. We extend a warm welcome to all of our new students and their families.



We also welcomed  
Seth, Cyrus, Libby,



Back Row: Phoenix, Elly, Abbey, Rose, Jaxon, Denny,  
Will, Jiah, Riley, Jay.

Front Row: Alice, Lynk, Annabella, Archer.



Welcome to the  
Reception students  
in Mrs Russell's

Welcome to the  
Reception students  
in Miss Nowlan's



Government of South Australia  
Department for Education and  
Child Development



**Meet & Greet** Thank you to families who were able to make it to the Meet and Greet night on Tuesday. It was a great opportunity for families to liaise with the staff and meet new staff members, as well as new families having the opportunity to meet the school community.

I recognise that for many of our families, it is difficult to make it into school in the evening. Classroom handouts from the Meet and Greet should have been sent home to families that could not make it in. If you have not received yours, or if you have any questions or concerns, I urge you to make contact **with your child's teacher or myself.**

I would like to acknowledge the behind the scenes work that occurred to make the night successful. Thank you to the SRC for selling drinks and to the Governing Council for cooking and serving food. I would also like to thank the school staff who helped both of these groups. Nights like this do not happen without the generous help of our volunteers and staff.



### **Can you help?????**

**PCC** are holding their first meeting for 2018, this Friday at 1:15pm at the School. New members for the Parent Coordinating Committee are welcome and encouraged to join this active parent team. If **you would like to know more about PCC but can't make it along to their first meeting, please give us a ring at school, or otherwise please feel free to "just rock up" at 1:15pm**

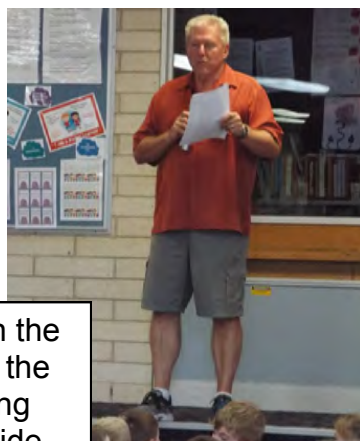
**Governing Council** works with the leadership team to help set and monitor the direction of the site. We are looking for new people to join our Governing Council. We meet twice a term in the evening. It is a great way to have input into what is happening within the school. If you are interested, or would like to know more before making your decision, please phone the school.

**Swimming:** Swimming lessons for Reception—Year 5 students will be held in Week 4 and 5. Classroom teachers will send home specific information soon. The Swimming Carnival will be held on Friday 2nd March at the Balaklava Swimming pool. We hope you can join us throughout the day.

If you have any questions or concerns at any time, I would love to talk with you. Please pop in or phone to make an appointment to see me. Have a fantastic weekend.

**Regards**

**Dianna**



Well done! \$300 was raised in the ODD Shoes Day. Funds go to the Jodi Lee Foundation, supporting the "Happy Chappy Charity Ride."



**BALAKLAVA PRIMARY GOVERNING COUNCIL**  
2018 NOMINATION FOR ELECTION FORM

I.....  
*full name of the person who is making this nomination of themselves or someone else*  
 of.....(address)

Nominate (it is possible to self nominate)

I.....  
*full name of the person that is being nominated*  
 of.....(address)

**To be elected as a member of Balaklava Primary Governing Council.**

I.....  
*full name of person that is being nominated and agrees to accept being nominated*  
 of.....(address)

accept the nomination and hereby declare that:

I have not been declared bankrupt and do not receive a benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors

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

I understand that should I be declared bankrupt, receive a benefit of law for the relief of insolvent debtors or be convicted of any of the offences listed my membership of Balaklava Primary Governing Council will cease.

Signed.....Date.....

**BALAKLAVA PRIMARY GOVERNING COUNCIL SUB-COMMITTEE**  
2018 NOMINATION FOR ELECTION FORM

I.....(full name)  
 of.....(address)

**Nominate to be elected as a member of BPS Governing Council sub-committee**

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| Parent Coordinating (PCC)       | <input type="checkbox"/> | Bus     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Finance                         | <input type="checkbox"/> | Canteen | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Fundraising (subset of Finance) | <input type="checkbox"/> | Grounds | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Facilities                      | <input type="checkbox"/> |         |                          |

## ASSEMBLY WEEK 2



Class award recipients:  
Rear: Codie, Demi,  
Taileigh and Riley  
Front:  
Annabella and CJ



Congratulations to  
Maya, Rubi, Kobe,  
Tahlia and Rubi who  
have completed the  
**Premier's Reading**  
Challenge.



New Receptions 2018  
Rear: Henry, Savarna, Dylan, India, Violet,  
Madi and Deacon  
Middle: Brooke, Libby, Ava, Jasmine, Jed,  
Chloe, Morgan, Audrey and Jasmine.  
Front: Sarah, Lucas, Marlee, Clay, Zander,  
Joel, Kaiden, Damian, Joe and Willow.  
Absent: Absitie, Savannah, Alejandro and  
Emilee

## French Corner

Bonjour from Mademoiselle Langdon!



### Postcards:

During the last few weeks many students have been creating postcards from places they visited in the summer holidays.

They are learning French vocabulary for writing short letters.

Here is an example of the sentences they are able to write:

Bonjour!

Chère Mademoiselle Leonello,

Ça va? Ça va bien ici!

Je suis en Australie à Port Hughes avec ma famille et mes amis.

**J'aime la plage.**

Tu me manques.

Bises,

Mademoiselle Langdon

I wonder how many students can translate this...



## PCC



Each year PCC reps volunteer from the parents of each class. These reps are given a list of the families in the class and the contact details so that they can contact parents as the need arises to support the class. These lists are kept confidential.

Should you not want your contact details given to the PCC reps then please contact the school **before the 28th February**

There will be a PCC meeting on Friday (tomorrow) at 1:15pm in the ATCO building. Please sign in at the Office before the meeting.  
All welcome.







Hello everyone! A few reminders for the weeks ahead!

### **Festival of Music**

Week 3 was the last week to decide whether to continue choir or not. Forms will be given out this week and next to be brought back ASAP. This will help avoid last minute forms later in the year.

If you want to know more about the Festival of Music's songs, you can go to the Balaklava Facebook page. I have created a YouTube Playlist. Books are \$12.00 and come with CD's.

You can have a look at the t-shirt order page now to discuss size and colours. The printed copy you get later on in the year may not display the same colours due to our printer variation, so it's a good idea to check online at <http://www.festivalofmusic.org.au> > click on grids and forms > click on T Shirt Order form.

### **Important**

Some students have told me they are worried about their workload this year. Please come to see me if this is shaking your confidence about being in the Festival of Music Choir, and we will do our best to help you.

### **Instrumental Ensemble**

Our first get together was Monday Week 3. Instrumental Ensemble will be held on Mondays this year as we have Jacob Staehr on the same day to answer any of the tricky questions about wind instruments. As it will be Monday lessons, it will be difficult to remind students to bring their instruments/music on Monday. Could please write a reminder at home, ready for Monday morning. That would be fabulous!

### **Vocal Ensemble**

Auditions started last week and there are a few more opportunities coming up. Please check the music room window to find your audition time.

### **Captains**

Remember, if you are wanting to be captain of Instrumental or Vocal Ensemble/Choir, you will need to be participating in either group.

Submission forms were due Monday this week. If there was a reason for a late submission, please hand them in ASAP with a note from parents.

Sincerely,  
Miss Jessica Monck

### **Diary Dates**

Date	Activity
<b>Tues Week 1-3</b>	Festival of Music Come and Try
<b>Tues Week 2</b>	Vocal Ensemble Audition Submissions
<b>Mon Week 3</b>	Ensemble Captain Sheets
<b>EST Week 9-10</b>	Festival of Music Assessment

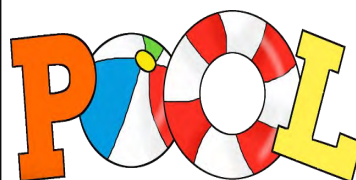
## **2018 Swimming Carnival Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March 9am – 1:30pm**



All children will need to bring a **hat, sunscreen, t-shirt/rashi, adequate water supplies** and warm clothing if it is cool.

Year 3 - 7 children will need to bring a small healthy snack and water bottle to the pool. Children will return to school at lunchtime for afternoon lessons.

Please note: The **school canteen is not open** to Primary School students on Swimming Carnival Day.



Parents/families please bring a chair.

### Contact Details

If we have your current mobile phone number, you will have received a text messages from school this week to remind you about Meet and Greet.



### Absence without explanation

We have purchased a new system which can instantly send out bulk messages. You will receive a message from this number, if your child is not at school and we have no explanation about the reason.

### Lateness without explanation

This system works hand in hand with our electronic sign in and sign out system in the front office.

Please ensure that if your child arrives after the siren, your child is signed in electronically at the front office. Our system generates a note for parents about a child's lateness, as a check for you about your child's arrival time.

### Communication

Communication is critical for seamless transitions between school and home. We have various methods of communication that we use at the school. Please feel free to phone or text at any stage.

Alternatively, we use online communication methods of email, Flexibuzz and Facebook. If you have access to a device and internet, we would appreciate you installing the app "Flexibuzz". If you would like some support around this, please phone the school. We can 'walk' you through the process. Alternatively, pop in with your device and we can help you set it up.

Newsletters and notices can be accessed via Flexibuzz. Some people find it fantastic as they no longer have problems with newsletters sitting at the bottom of a school bag! Student absences and requests for call back can also be logged through Flexibuzz.

## SCIENCE

There have been some exciting changes in room 1 this year, with more to come. Our room has been enlarged and carpet tiles laid. Looks great already!

This term the students will be studying, observing, researching and experimenting the topics of weather, the solar system and energy. I am eagerly looking forward to giving the students activities that are a fun, hands-on approach to learning Science. Information about the science curriculum is available on the ACARA website under "Science, Foundation to Year 7".

We may have a future "Australian of the Year" Scientist amongst us!

If your child comes home excited about the experiments they have tried, it would be a great opportunity for you to see what they know by asking questions like.....

- What did the experiment teach you about?
- How did the experiment work?
- Will this help others in the future?
- What part of the experiment did you enjoy the most?

We will be wearing protective glasses (when necessary) and a white LAB coat. These Budding scientists must look the part, plus protect eyes and clothing when required.

Please check the newsletter for any requests I make from time to time for recyclable "stuff" that can help us in our experiments.

Kind Regards

Leah Chidgey



Mrs Wood/Ms Langdon's class in their science coats




Community Event not to be missed:

# Talk, Laugh, Read

**5:30pm – 7:00pm Wed Feb 28<sup>th</sup> 2018**  
**at Balaklava Community Library**  
**May Tce, Balaklava**

Children are born ready to learn how to talk, read and write, so what's our role as a parent/carer/grandparent in this amazing process?  
 Come hear our guest Speech Pathologist Kings, outline four areas of Emergent Literacy:


- Oral Language
- Print Knowledge
- Phonological Awareness
- Emergent Writing

**Nibbles & Drinks**


**Pre-book: Free crèche –  
phone Dale or Cars 80621 251**

**Free Give aways**

This free event is proudly brought to you by  
 Balaklava Community Children's Centre, Our Community Our Children and Balaklava Community Library



## Softball / Cricket / Tennis



**Selection/Practice dates for Balaklava Hub Team for Softball (11 girls) Cricket (13 boys) and Tennis (6 boys & 6 girls) will be held on:**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

**(Plus Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February and 6<sup>th</sup> March for Softball)**

(3:30 pm to 5:00 pm for softball)

(4:00 pm to 5:00 pm for tennis & cricket)

Cricket – Balaklava HS Cricket nets – Coach: Liam Whitwell  
 Softball – Balaklava PS oval – Coach: Marty Brice  
 Tennis – Balaklava Town Courts – Coach: Jo Michalanney

**All students wishing to try out for the hub teams will need to attend practices on these dates.**  
 Hub team games will be played against the Clare and Burra Hubs in Clare in the Summer Carnival on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March (Week 7 Term 1). We will use private transport as we will not return home in time for school buses.  
**Please talk to your parents to see if they can help out with transport.**

## COMMUNITY NEWS



Time to Heal Counselling is excited to announce confidential counselling services will be available at Balaklava Primary School for students commencing:

**Term 1 2018**

Week 6 - Thursday - 8<sup>th</sup> March

Week 9 - Thursday - 29<sup>th</sup> March

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timehealcounselling@gmail.com  
Find us on Facebook  
JACA AUSTRALIAN JOURNALISM ASSOCIATION  
For further information and bookings please call Maria 0403 913 518



## Balaklava Hockey Club 2018

The hockey season is fast approaching (under 14s begins in May)! We would love to hear from any interested players. Experience isn't necessary!

For more information, please contact Alice Cunningham 0412 773 123 or Raf Battistessa 0429 622 156.

We will be having a come and try afternoon in the next few weeks, so stay tuned for details!

## COMMUNICATION APP

Our chosen app for additional school information is FlexiBuzz. It is free to download. If you need help to install it on your smart phone, ask contact the Front Office.



## PAYMENT APP

Free for mobile devices



THE WELLBEING AND RESILIENCE CENTRE

## Wellbeing and Resilience Training

### Free community workshops to provide people with training in wellbeing and resilience skills.

The Wellbeing and Resilience Centre at the South Australian Health and Medical Research Institute (SAHMRI), in partnership with your local community worker, is delivering a workshop over two evenings to build on the wellbeing and resilience of people in the local community.

<b><u>Date / Times</u></b>	<b>Monday 19<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>3 pm – 8:30 pm</b>
	<b>Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> February</b>	<b>3 pm – 8:30 pm</b>

The workshop **runs over two half evenings** with catering provided. You must attend both evenings and childcare options will be offered to help make this possible for those with children

**Venue:** Phil Barry Chamber, Wakefield Regional Council Scotland Place, Balaklava

This workshop is a great opportunity to build on your existing resilience skills, and will equip you with a toolkit of practical skills, focusing on PERMA+: **positive emotions, engagement, relationships, meaning, and accomplishment.**

**RSVP Essential:** Register with any dietary or childcare requirements to:

**georgina.goodrich@sa.gov.au** by 4<sup>th</sup> Feb