

DIARY DATES:

TERM 1

MARCH

30th
Good Friday

APRIL

2nd
Easter Monday

4th
Wednesday
SAPSASA Football
& Netball Hub
tryouts

13th
Friday
Last day Term 1.
Dismissal at 2:10

TERM 2

APRIL

30th
Monday
Student Free Day

MAY

Wednesday
9th—**Friday** 11th
Mother's Day Stall

Tuesday 15th—
Thursday 17th
NAPLAN

Wednesday 23rd
School
photographs

Friday 25th
Sports Day
ASSEMBLIES
Term 1
Friday
Weeks 10 at
2:15pm.
Week 11 at
1:30pm

Dear Parents / Caregivers,
At assembly last Friday, the choir sang "Colour My World" to acknowledge Harmony Day. Ms Monck was teaching in the Junior Primary class that day which meant that Rm 6 & 7 students were treated to a rehearsal of the performance and had their faces painted in rainbow colours. BPS will celebrate Harmony Day in conjunction with Reconciliation Day later in the year.



Festival of Music Choir

Our Festival of Music Choir have been practicing each week. Next week the choir will be assessed by a visiting choir trainer, who will give feedback to help us improve our singing and performance skills. We wish our choir students and Ms Monck all the best for Tuesday's practice and assessment.



The choir painted the faces of the students in Room 6 & 7 for Harmony Day.

Please regularly check your child's head for evidence of headlice, treat as required and let us know through a phone call. It is important that we know if your child has headlice and is being treated, so we can alert other families to also check.

ADVANCE NOTICE
First day of Term 2,
30th April 2018, will be a
Student Free Day for both
BPS & BHS

BER 2 celebrated the approaching Easter by baking biscuits. Yum! Enjoy the photos inside.

We wish you all a safe and Happy Easter.

Regards
Dianna & Annette

French Corner

Bonjour from Mademoiselle Langdon!



Joyeuses Pâques!
Happy Easter!

Did you know?

In France, the chocolate Easter eggs are not delivered by the Easter Bunny, but instead are delivered by **Easter Bells!**

This is because the bells on the churches do not ring between Good Friday & Easter Sunday. The story goes that during this time the bells are flying to Rome to visit the Pope. They return with gifts (Easter eggs) & drop them around France for the children.



SAPSASA Football & Netball practices

Please note change of date

The next practice will be held on

Monday 9th April at 4:30—5:30pm at Balaklava Oval / courts due to clash with District trial times.

Note new date

BUS TRAVELLERS



Parents and students are reminded that they need to be at their bus stop at least **5 minutes prior** to pick up time. Drivers cannot wait for students that are not at their stop at the scheduled time.

If you are aware in advance that students will not be travelling by bus at any time, please inform the driver. This is particularly important for the afternoon runs.

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

"My Father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person: He believed in me" – Jim Valvano.

United States professional basketballer and coach Jimmy 'Big J' Valvano presented a moving speech at the ESPY award ceremony in which he made an extremely powerful statement about overcoming challenges. Jimmy was an aspiring basketballer who was diagnosed with cancer as a college student, and when asked how he went on to play and coach professionally, he replied *"My Father gave me the greatest gift anyone could give another person: He believed in me"*.

This speaks a powerful message about what is required for our children to overcome challenges. Inevitably they will encounter challenges and difficulties, and when they are faced with these things, our children need to know, without any doubt, that we believe in them. Not simply on a surface level, but that we truly, whole-heartedly believe in their potential and their ability to become great.

When asked how they overcome challenges, what will your child say?

Ryan Bernhardt is the Pastoral Care Worker at Balaklava Primary School. He is at school on Monday and Friday, and can be contacted at ryan.bernhardt246@schools.sa.edu.au or by contacting the front office.

CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to Riley Pannell for being judged the Mini Rural Ambassador for the Mt Pleasant Show a few weeks ago. He also won First Prize Junior Goat Handler. Well done, Riley.



PAYMENT APP

Free for mobile devices. If you need help setting up, we can do that.



Last week I was Room 7's teacher for the day. This tied in wonderfully with the assembly as it meant my choir students could test out their performance ability before their assessment NEXT WEEK!!!!

Classroom Engagement

Room 6 and 7 were treated to an early performance of the choir before assembly. As the choir had painted their hands for the performance, we treated room 6 and 7 to a little face painting to get them into the spirit.



Thank you

Thank you to Cathy McArdle and Michele Davey for donating white shirts for choir. These are greatly appreciated. Thank you also to Tori Lane for her donation to purchase much needed percussion instruments. Tori is now a year 8 student at Wilderness School.

Festival of Music

ASSESSMENT IS NEXT WEEK! Students in choir will be sent home with certain songs ticked in the back of their choir books. Please allow and encourage them to listen to and sing along to these songs as much as possible prior to Tuesday's assessment.

It would appear that many students didn't hear the message regarding outfit for assembly. Can students please come to assessment in a maroon shirt, black pants/formal shorts, white socks, black shoes, have tidy hair and a full water bottle. We will organise time for students to have their lunch before the assessment.

Instrumental Ensemble

Band rehearsal will be missed next Monday due to Easter. Instead, it will be Wednesday next week. Please remind your children on Tuesday of week 10 – I have already informed them.



Vocal Ensemble

Vocal Ensemble will be interrupted next week due to Festival of Music assessment. I will be discussing whether we can have another rehearsal on Wednesday to compensate for this students will keep you informed.

We are looking to create specific flexibuzz groups for this. Please let me know ASAP, if you don't use the flexibuzz app.

Sincerely Miss Jessica Monck

Diary Dates

| Date | Activity |
|---------------|--|
| Friday Week 8 | Harmony Day Assembly for Festival of Music Choir |
| Tues Week 10 | Festival of Music Assessment |



Books & BEATS
Balaklava Community Library
Thursdays 9:15AM – 10AM
Stories Songs Instruments Activities
Each week during the School term
For children aged birth – 5 years and their parent/caregiver



FUNDRAISER—BALCO AFTERNOON TEA



THANK YOU to everyone who assisted with food, monetary donations, preparations, transport and also presentation & clean up.

This represents a great fundraiser —\$2000— for the school and would not have been possible with out the willingness of families & staff plus some members of the community to help out.

A special thanks must go to **Tania Allen**, who believed we could undertake this fundraiser, offered to coordinate and certainly invested a great deal of time and effort in making sure it was a success.

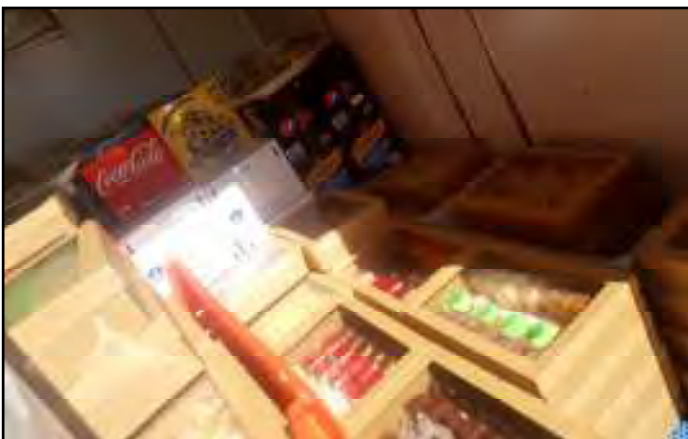
On the day she was ably assisted by volunteers :

- Jess Holzberger
- Cathy McArdle
- Silena Robertson
- Vanessa Dickinson
- Narelle Michael
- Andrew and Irene Toholke



While we have a comprehensive list of all those who supplied items, at the risk of missing someone, and I'm sure we would, please accept this newsletter acknowledgement of the sincere appreciation of your part played in this success fundraiser.

BPS Fundrasing Committee



SAPSASA—Cricket, Tennis, Softball

CRICKET



On Wednesday of week 7, 11 boys went to Seven Hill to play cricket. We trained twice before that date for selection into the team. In our first game we played against Clare 1. Nate was our captain for the first game. We lost the toss and we had to bowl. We had a good start to the game by getting a few wickets early but in the end they made 118. When we batted we made nowhere near that but we had a go. For the second game we had to drive to Watervale. There we played Burra. Lachlan was captain. We lost the toss and had to again bowl first. The ball got smashed around a bit and in the end they made 111. We didn't make that but we had fun trying. In the end it was a fun day playing cricket.

By Lachlan Michalanney

TENNIS



On the 14th March, 13 students from Balaklava, Snowtown, Horizon and Owen went to Clare for a tennis tournament. We started the day off by having a quick team meeting, then out onto the court to play our first round of the day, Clare 1. We won a few games but lost the round overall.

Round 2 we played Clare 2. We one a few more sets but still didn't win overall. After we came off of the court we had some lunch then went back out to play round 3.

Round 3 we played Blyth. We won most of the sets and won the round overall. After everyone had finished their final set we packed up and had presentations. Clare 2 won the tournament, overall it was a pretty good day and 3 people from the Balaklava hub team got picked to go to trials for District in term 4.

By Olivia Allen

On Wednesday, March 14 a team of 13 girls from Balaklava Primary School went to Clare Primary School to play SAPSASA softball. The team consisted of Janaya, Cameron, Kyeasha, Laura, Kasey, Chelsea, Jasmin, Sophie, Keiara, Janna, Maddison, Clair and Abbey. Janna and Maddison were our main pitchers and Abbey and Clair were our catchers.

Our first game was against Burra and we lost 7-1. In our second game we got a lot more confident and won against Clare Combined 12-7. Our last game before the final was a close game but we lost to Clare 3-4. In our final game we came 3rd and were playing against 4th, Clare Combined. It was yet again a close game, with us winning 19-15. In the end Burra came 1st Clare came 2nd Balaklava came 3rd and Clare Combined came 4th. All the girls improved massively in their batting and fielding skills throughout the games and we all had a great time.

We would all like to thank Mr Brice and all the other coaches for umpiring and giving us the opportunity to do these sports. Also a huge thanks to all the parents who took us and cheered us on.

By Abbey Bigg

SOFTBALL



P.C.C.—PARENT CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

President : Kirsty Williams
 Vice-President: Trudy Redpath
 Secretary: Melissa Smith
 Treasurer: Sascha Tiller
 Committee members are:
 Jess Holzberger, Tania Allen, Jodie Williamson, Narelle Michael, Diesy O’Driscoll, Kate Broadbent, Dot Tiller, Skye Mundy, Vanessa Dickenson and Stacey Cooper

The PCC supports the Balaklava Primary School community in many ways.

They oversee the purchase and storage of school bags and hats and manage the second-hand supply of clothing. There is a representative from PCC on the Uniform Committee. PCC members are present at the two Registration Days to assist parents with purchase of uniforms. The PCC have purchased sports tops and swimming caps for our SAPSASA teams.

The committee oversees the Class Parent Representatives.

They also assist with the choir, particularly around the time of the Festival of Music.

PCC supports the students during school photos. PCC provides the new Reception students with a library bag.

At the Swimming Carnival , the PCC provide fruit for the students and manage the sale of drinks to parents and students.

At the Sports Day, PCC sell donated muffins, tea, coffee and a barbeque lunch.

PCC supports staff and students at the Year 7 Graduation and provides the exiting students with a named biro.

Two casual days provide funds for the PCC, which is often given to a local charity.

The PCC have provided two Friendship Benches in the yard for students.

If you would like to be a part of the PCC or want to know more about their role, everyone is welcome at their meetings.

The next meeting is Monday May 7th at 1:30pm. Please join us!

GOVERNING COUNCIL Meeting Dates 7.00pm start

TERM 1
 13/2/18 & 6/3/18

TERM 2
 15/5/18 & 19/6/18

TERM 3
 7/8/18 & 11/9/18

TERM 4
 30/10/18 & 27/11/18



BREAKFAST CLUB

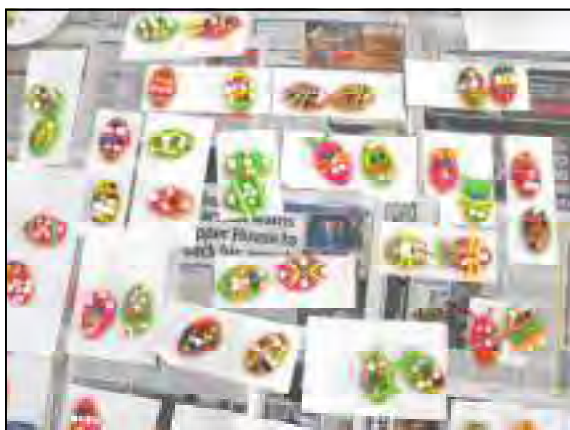


Due to the generosity of the Inter-church Council’s Carols Collection, Golden Wheat Bakery and Lovin’ It Fresh, we are now able to provide Breakfast Club every morning of the week.

Toast, fruit and cereal is available to any student who would like something to eat before school. Several parents and SSOs assist the students by preparing the food and assisting afterwards with the cleaning up.

We would really like to thank the community for their support. Please let us know if you can help.





EASTER TREATS in Mrs Rowland's Class

On Wednesday, the Year 4/5s decorated biscuits on the Easter theme.

They created colourful eggs and rabbit faces on the top of an iced arrowroot biscuit.

SSO Bec Houston supervised the activity.

Balaklava High School



Year 7 Parent Meeting
Balaklava Primary School
Staff Room

Thursday 5th April 2018
5:30— 6:00pm

Come and meet

Kerry Williams, Deputy Principal Balaklava High

- An opportunity to ask any questions
- Clarify any concerns
- Discuss the transition process
- Learn about the Year 8/9 Curriculum
- Discuss Open Night

ASSEMBLY WEEK 8



Premier's Reading Challenge.

Congratulations to:
Rear: Cassie, Chris, Alex, Dylan, Jackson, Jasmin and Ned
3rd Row: Stella, Brianna, Natalie, Alexa, Logan, Lachlan, Oliver and Charlotte
2nd Row: Dante, Alexa, Ella, Lexi, Ayden, Lachlan, Alex, Matt and Riley
Front: Maddison, Hudson, Madalyn, Isabelle and Kaitlin have joined us on our road trip to the Gold Coast.



Class Awards went to:

Rear: Chris, Bryce, Marissa, Nicola, Brooke, Rachel, Matthew and Lily.
Middle: Riley, Rhylee, Mathew, Halle, Ryan, Cohen and Naish.
Front: Kaiden, Emilee, Audrey, Riley, Lexi and Hailey



Maddison, Cooper, Lily, Oliver, Jackson, Aiden, Janna, Tasman and Shayla received a Lexile award

**PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE
2018**

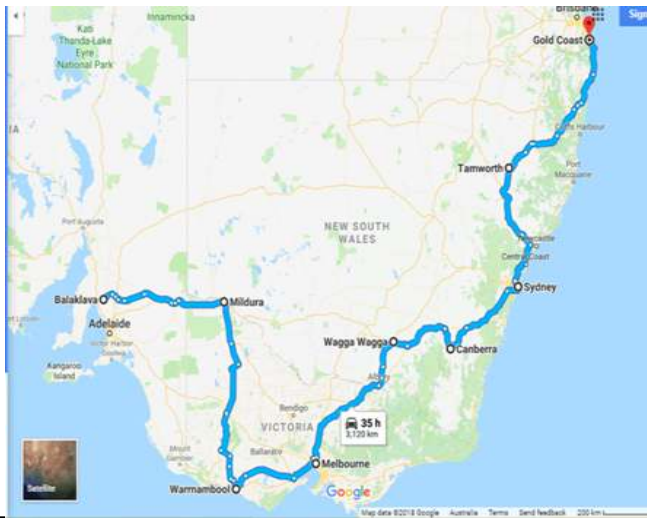


**Premier's Reading
Challenge**

We have travelled through the Mallee country, visiting

Mildura, Ouyen and Hopetoun to Warracknabeal. We have achieved 660kms. The next leg of our journey heads us towards Warrnambool.

All you who have not completed the Premier's Reading Challenge get your reading completed and come and join us.



GUITAR TEACHER



As some of you may know, our acoustic guitar teacher, Allan Dean, retired this year.

As per DECD requirements we contacted the Instrumental Music Service. They have called to say they might have a classical/contemporary/pop guitar teacher who can teach students how to read and play guitar music.

If you would like to know more, please contact the office ASAP to **register your interest** as rough numbers need to be given to DECD **by end of week 10.** **Jessica Monck**



**SAPSASA
MID-NORTH DISTRICT
2018**

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To: Principal / SAPSASA Rep

Re: Hub Football/Netball Selection

Change of dates and times due to District Practice clashes

All Students who would like to try out for the Balaklava Hub football and netball teams will need to be at the trials / practices at Balaklava on:

* **Monday March 26th**

* **Monday April 9th**

Term 1 - Weeks 9 & 11

at **Balaklava Town Oval (Football)** - 4:30 to 5:30pm

and **Balaklava Town Courts (Netball)** - 4:30 to 5:30pm

(For Netball, we will aim to select the netball squad at the first practice and finalise the 2 teams at the second practice.)

The Balaklava Hub teams will play at Blyth in the SAPSASA Winter Carnival against Clare and Burra on Thursday 3rd May (Term 2 Week 1).

Parent help is most welcome and appreciated.

Please let Jo, Derek or myself know if you are able to help in any way.

We will need a parent to help with one of the netball teams and parents to help goal umpiring for football.

Apologies / Information to:

Couches: Derek Friedrichs (football)
Jo Michaluney (netball)

at Balaklava Primary School on 88621600

Marty Brice - Hub Coordinator



Mid*North OT

School Holiday's

SKILL BUILDERS

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| <p>Bean Sprouts <i>Fun cooking program for kids with disabilities and developmental delays to work on life skills, independence, social skills, team work, and motor skills.</i></p> <p>Super Hands <i>Fun filled and messy program—for school aged kids to work on developing their fine motor skills necessary to succeed at school and life.</i></p> | <p>*Primary (5-8 Years)</p> | <p>10.00am—11.30am Port Pirie Community Centre Symonds Street, Pt Pirie</p> <p>10.30am—12.00pm Mid North OT 1 Alexander Street, Pt Pirie</p> | <p>Monday 16th April Thursday 19th April Thursday 26th April</p> <p>Wednesday 18th April Friday 20th April Tuesday 24th April Friday 27th April</p> | <p>\$140</p> <p>\$160</p> |
| <p>Kids Kitchen <i>Kids will have a blast cooking for themselves and families as we explore different foods, textures and tastes, while also working on their life skills, independence, motor skills, and social skills.</i></p> <p>Community Explorers <i>In a safe and supported environment—your tween will be able to learn to explore the Pirie community and surrounding areas. We will learn about the public transport system, money handling, interacting with service providers and explore a range of social and recreational supports and opportunities available in the local area.</i></p> | <p>*Tweens (9-12 years)</p> | <p>1.00pm—3.00pm Port Pirie Community Centre Symonds Street, Pt Pirie</p> <p>10.00am—12.00pm Mid North OT / Community 1 Alexander Street, Pt Pirie</p> | <p>Monday 16th April Thursday 19th April Monday 23rd April</p> <p>Wednesday 18th April Friday 20th April Tuesday 24th April Friday 27th April</p> | <p>\$150</p> <p>\$160</p> |
| <p>Mix Masters <i>Aimed at teens with disabilities and developmental delays, we will work together to prepare the components of a 2 course meal and develop skills in meal preparation, shopping, budgeting, list making and life skills — ending with a meal prepared and shared with a person of their choice at the end of the last group.</i></p> <p>Community Explorers <i>In a safe and supported environment—your teen will be able to learn to explore the Pirie community and surrounding areas. We will learn about the public transport system, money handling, interacting with service providers and explore a range of social and recreational supports and opportunities available in the local area.</i></p> | <p>*Teens (13+ years)</p> | <p>3.30pm—5.30pm Port Pirie Community Centre Symonds Street, Pt Pirie</p> <p>1.30pm—3.30pm Mid North OT / Community 1 Alexander Street, Pt Pirie</p> | <p>Monday 16th April Monday 23rd April Thursday 26th April</p> <p>Wednesday 18th April Friday 20th April Tuesday 24th April Friday 27th April</p> | <p>\$150</p> <p>\$160</p> |

Maximum 6 participants per group

For more information and to register contact Jo on 0413 102 499 or email jobauer@midnorthot.com.au

Registrations close 9th April, 2018

COMMUNITY NEWS



Avon Art & Craft Guild Inc

**Celebrate SA Youth Week
Creative Youth Arts Workshop & Exhibition**

Come and be creative, have fun while trying something new at these art/craft session for young people or share your own talents

Avon District Hall, Avon, SA.

Tuesday 17th April, 2018 11am to 3pm

Free Entry

Free Light lunch will be available for participants.

Donation for light refreshments for Adults

Registration of Participants appreciated by Friday 13th April

(All children/young people must be accompanied by an Adult)

Participants will be encouraged to decorate a small badge to add to a larger banner which will be unveiled to the community on Sunday 22 April

Activities, craft/art supplies will be provided free, whilst some extra kits/materials will be available at an extra cost. (\$2/\$3s)

Articles made by participants will be exhibit at the

Community Youth Week Celebration Recognition Gathering at Avon Hall

Sunday 22nd April between 2.30pm and 6.30pm. Free Entry

A fun day to celebrate and recognise young people and their importance to community, acknowledge their talents, skills, and ideas.

Activities for all.

Light celebratory tea will be served

Bookings & Information contact Ph. 88671127, 88671120 or 85272303



Government of
South Australia



South
Australian
Youth Week

**Avon Art & Craft Guild Inc,
Invites you and your friends to come celebrate SA Youth Week**

Celebrate and recognise the importance and achievements of all young people in the local community.
An opportunity to view an exhibition of young peoples' talents and skills.

**Avon Community Youth Week Celebration & Recognition Gathering
Sunday 22nd April 2018 2.30pm - 6.30pm
Avon District Hall, Avon SA
Free Entry**

A fun afternoon of activities for the whole families and friends of local young people
So come share, celebrate and recognise their talents, skills, and ideas.
Awards presentations for participants in Youth Arts/Craft Workshop
Light Celebratory Tea will conclude Youth Week celebrations
All welcome

Booking and Information contact Ph. 88671127, 88671120 or 85272303

COMMUNITY NEWS



Balaklava NetSetGO

Thursdays 5-6 pm Term 2

Starts Thursday May 3rd

Cost is \$60, Sports Vouchers accepted

REGISTER BEFORE APRIL 11: www.netsetgo.asn.au

More info: Facebook -Balaklava NetSetGO or Nikki McCracken on 0402 785 024.



Note change of cost is \$60



Balaklava Auskick training starts
Thursday 3rd May 4-5pm for 10
weeks (Term 2).

NAB AFL Auskick is an introductory program to the game of Australian Rules Football for boys & girls. The program aims at teaching participants the basic skills of Australian Football with an emphasis on fun activities conducted in a safe & friendly environment. All boys & girls are welcome. Parents are most welcome to attend & join in & have some fun with the kids.

Training will take place on the
Balaklava Sports Oval.

Any enquiries please contact:
Kerry Williams 0402 848 603



Balaklava Peckers Junior Colts, Mini
and Mini Minis training starts
Thursday 5 April 4:00-5:00pm.
Training will take place on the
Balaklava Sports Oval.

Any enquiries please contact:
Kerry Michalanney 0427 164 992
Kerry Williams 0402 848 603



Balaklava Netball Club Junior Training

Starts Thursday 5th April
Time 4pm-5pm

Contact Megan Arthur 0438 621 205

*Please note there will be a parent meeting
at 5pm when you collect your child.*

Thanks
Megan Arthur – Junior Coordinator