

DIARY DATES:

TERM 4

NOVEMBER

Fri 2nd Music is Fun Band

Wed 7th BHS Transition night 5:30

Fri 16th PCC Casual Day

PRC Wet & Wild

Mon 19th Student Free Day—Data Day

Tues 27th Governing Council

DECEMBER

Mon 10th End of year concert

Thurs 13th Year 7 Graduation

ASSEMBLIES

Term 4

Weeks 4,6,8 at

2:15pm

Week 9 at 1:30pm

Dear Parents / Caregivers,

National Teacher's Day

Friday was National Teacher's Day. This is a day to recognise the contributions that our wonderful teachers make in the lives of our young people.

As a staff, we acknowledged our dedicated and passionate teachers who work hard to make a difference for our young people.

To our amazing Educators: Thank you for inspiring and educating our children throughout their learning journey. We are very fortunate to have you at Balaklava Primary School.



NAPLAN Online:

We have been selected to trial NAPLAN online this term in preparation for online testing in 2019. The Year 3,4 and 6 students will be undertaking a school readiness test in Week 6 this term. This will enable us to test our infrastructure, and thus the results of the testing will not be made available to the school or families. Please contact Kym if you have any questions or concerns.

Reminders:



19th November
BPS only, so buses
will operate on this
day

Student
Free day
Monday
19th
November

RAFFLE ITEM

Please send in your child's raffle item. We have 10 class boxes waiting to be filled. Thanks to everyone who has got us going already.

CLASSES 2019

Structures

We are currently working on class structures for 2019. It is critical that we know your intentions for 2019 in order to have class numbers as accurate as possible. Please give me a ring or send a text / email if your children will not be attending Balaklava Primary next year, or alternatively, if you know of anyone moving into the area.

Placements

The class placement process will begin as soon as we have the structures in place. This process is completed over a number of weeks and staff work hard to ensure we place students carefully in regards to class size and structure. We also try to ensure we put together groups of students who will work and learn well together.

To do this we consider:

- The learning needs of each child
- A good balance of boys and girls and learning abilities
- Each child's friendship needs

Teachers will give strong consideration to each child's friendship needs. If friends do not work well together, teachers may decide not to put them into the same class. School is a time to learn to develop new friendships. A new class and a new school year is an ideal time to make new friends.

A few children have very special learning or health needs. If you believe that your child has very special needs, we will strive to do our very best to take this into consideration when we finalize classes, but due to a range of complexities, this may not always be possible.

While we welcome letters regarding other parental considerations, we must stress that request will be considered but are not always possible. We ask that you do not request specific teachers. Staffing for 2019 has not yet been confirmed.

Please ensure all requests are forwarded in writing via a letter addressed to myself or email: dl.0477.info@schools.sa.edu.au.

Letters of request need to be sent through by no later than Friday 2nd November.

Dianna

Thank you to the Wakefield Regional Council for their quick response last

Monday, repairing the Children Crossing post before school began.



Thank You!



Picture courtesy of Plains Producer

Thank you also to the Balaklava Swap Shop. Balaklava Primary School was one of several groups who successfully applied for grant funding.

This is much appreciated and has been used to assist in our 5 day a week, Breakfast provision programme.

We were treated to a tour of the SWAP Shop and came away in awe of the amount of items dealt with per week, the huge variety of "stuff" and the number of people donating their time to this valuable community organisation.

On top of this, we received a yummy morning tea before cheques were presented—a pretty good deal all round really.

Thank you Swap Shop

CANTEEN NEWS

Balaklava Schools Canteen wish to welcome Lisa Watson to the position of Canteen Manager. We wish Lisa all the best in her new position. Lisa has been employed as a Canteen Manager for over 6 years and will bring a wealth of experience from her previous school. She is very excited about her new position and is keen to make the Canteen a vibrant and happy place to be.

With the appointment of our new Canteen Manager, we are sad to say goodbye to our past Canteen Managers, Carol Hill and Chris Daniel who are both retiring. Chris started here as a volunteer in 2000 and then when approached, took on the role of Canteen Manager in 2003. Carol started as a volunteer and then was employed as the Canteen Manager in 2004 and Chris and Carol shared the role until this year. Their dedicated service to the Balaklava Schools Canteen has been very much appreciated and we hope they will enjoy their new free time. But, don't be surprised if you see them again soon – they have both indicated that they are happy to volunteer some time to the Canteen in the future.

Canteen Volunteers

We wish to thank the people listed below who have volunteered their time during this year to work in the Canteen. Their help has been extremely valuable and very much appreciated. Anyone who would like to donate a day a term, or semester or even a day once a year, would be welcomed. Should you require any information, please contact the Front Office on 88620600.

Kirsty Williams, Katrina Gameau, Sharon Hill, Carol Cross, Karina Page, Cindy Artwik, Sascha Tiller, Tania Allen, Holly Cowan, Sharalyn Pike, Emily Wandel, Kylie Taylor, Sarah Young, Kate Reinke, Angela Battle, Narelle Michael, Mary-Anne Kuhn, Tania Heaslip, Ali Tiller, Carol Hill, and Chris Daniel .

Price Increase

Unfortunately, suppliers have increased the cost of a few canteen items and this expense has had to be passed on. Please see the price list sent home on Monday with the updated pricing. QKR has been adjusted accordingly.

Ruth Stevens, Canteen Administrator

Introducing the new Canteen Manager

I am so pleased and excited to be your new Canteen Manager. I look forward to getting to know you all. I have lived in Balaklava now for nine months but have been travelling to and from Adelaide for two years. I have previously been a canteen manager of a primary school for six years and left a four year career as an Early Childhood Educator to come here. My two children started at the High School this year. I have introduced some new products already, a favourite is homemade banana bread sold daily for \$1 slice. I aim to offer more home cooking and exciting products in the future.

Lisa Watson

Canteen orders quick & easy —QKR

Comments made by parents who use the QKR app for making payments for items at school:

"Once QKR is set up on your phone or iPad, it only takes minutes to order lunches, pay fees or school trips - so much easier than bank transfers! "

Katrina

"This is a fantastic app – I use it to order lunches for both my kids, at the Primary School and the High School. It is so easy to use and being able to order in advance and for multiple weeks, is so handy. Takes the headache out of ordering. I use it to pay for any school payments as well. Really pleased that this is available." **Julie**

YR 7 PARENTS

BHS UNIFORM - SUMMER DRESSES

BHS have been able to source a BHS Summer Dress through a supplier and are able to offer it to students. The cost of the dress is \$80 and must be pre-ordered. BHS need to order a minimum of 10 dresses to maintain this pricing. If you are interested in buying a dress for summer, please email your interest to Ruth.Stevens116@schools.sa.edu.au before **Friday 16th November 2018**. If there is enough interest shown, BHS will have sample uniforms to ascertain the correct size. You will then be required to fill in details on a form supplied and send payment with the dress request. No dresses will be ordered without prior payment.

Ruth Stevens

BHS Administrator



CREDIT UNION CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

I have again ordered tickets for the reserved area of the Christmas Pageant on

Saturday November 10th November.

The restricted viewing section is adjacent the Fire Station and entry is by official bracelet only. Please contact me if you would like to obtain any of these tickets / bracelets.

Marcia Nowlan

PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

Always try your best in whatever you do, and always be happy in your life. – Cpl Cameron Baird VC



The last known words of Cpl Cameron Baird, penned in a letter to a Sydney teen, sum up so beautifully what should be the life goal of all of us, and especially of those children we educate and raise.

Cpl Baird was an Australian Commando who was killed in action in Uruzgan province, Afghanistan in 2013. He was awarded a Victoria Cross posthumously for his incredible leadership, bravery and self-sacrifice in combat. In the letter, Cpl Baird encourages the young teen to chase his dreams, work hard, and to face challenges with the "mindset of a soldier: do or die".

I feel that this is a valuable lesson for us all. As you travel through the coming days and weeks, let this message sink in. Try your best, be happy in life, chase your dreams, and meet challenges head on.

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.

French Corner

Bonjour from Mademoiselle Langdon!

C'est l'halloween! Joyeux Halloween!



Similarly to Australians, the French generally consider Halloween an American tradition and many do not celebrate Halloween.

However, there are people who do enjoy the fun of Halloween – dressing up, trick or treating or throwing a Halloween party!

So if you like celebrating Halloween, **Joyeux Halloween!**

Fun Facts:

- Although spelt the same, Halloween is pronounced "Alloween" in French – they don't pronounce the H!
- Rather than saying "Trick or Treat" they have two alternatives:
Candies or a spell: *Des bonbons ou un sort?*
Mischievous or sweets: *Bêtises ou friandises?*





Come and Try with Mr Staehr

Mr Staehr is our Instrumental Music Service Woodwind and Brass teacher. He will be hosting a 'Come and Try' in Week 4 (next week) for any students in Year 4 and up who would be interested in learning an instrument for Term 4 and/or 2019. The lessons are free and the hire of most instruments are very affordable. Please come to the music room or the ATCO for a flyer if you are keen to know more.

Diary Dates

Date	Activity
Friday Week 3	Music is Fun Band
Tuesday Week 5	Festival Choir Entertaining Seniors and Staff at Mill Court
Mon 10 th Dec Week 9	End of Year Celebration (Choir, Ensembles, Bands)

A Sneak Peak

Rooms 8, BER 1 and BER 4 have been learning about instruments. This week Room 8 and BER 1 collected the last of their paper instruments and started rearranging them into sections of the orchestra!



Jessica Monck

ATTENTION Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students

Would you like to learn a Woodwind or Brass instrument?

Would you like to learn to read music?

Could you be the next star we discover??



Please join us for a COME'N'TRY session on

Monday Week 4 in the ATCO Building

@ 9:30am



To participate, you need to have parent permission - please fill in and return the Expression of Interest form to the Front Office ASAP

(see the newsletter or your teacher for the form)

ZAC'S BOOK MARKS

Hi, I'm Zak Ziegler one of the year 7's at BPS. Repeatedly this year I have been searching for ways to raise money for certain causes.

Last semester it was for Cancer Council, this semester it's for the **Australian Farming Drought Relief Program**.

For the rest of the term I will be selling book marks.

Colours: **Red Orange Yellow Green Blue** for only .50c each

Be generous and donate today.

If you would like to order a bookmark/s, hand an envelope to the front office with the money, your child's/ren name, colour of bookmark/s and how many.

Thank you

Zac Ziegler



Just slide it on to your page corner to mark where you're up to.



RAFFLE BOOKS



A book of 10 raffle tickets has been sent home to each family with this newsletter.

There is an envelope provided in which to return the money and the raffle book ticket stubs.

All books must be returned (**whether sold or not**) before Friday 7th December 2018.

There will be a prize for the family selling the most tickets.

Thank you for your support.

Fundraising Committee



LIBRARY NEWS

BookClub

Our final BookClub for 2018 has closed and been ordered.

Orders will be sent home with children UNLESS you have let us know that it is a "special" order to be collected by yourself from the office.

Premier's Reading Challenge

All of our students who completed the Premier's Reading Challenge will be visiting the Balaklava version of Wet 'n Wild on Friday 16th November.



Classes will visit the Balaklava Swimming Pool for 2 lessons during the day. If your child completed the challenge please pack their bathers on the 16th Nov. Classes will be staggered with an older class and younger class going at the same time so that we can make full use of the area.

An invitation will be sent home with students participating closer to the event.

Stay tuned for Assembly certificate presentation information.

YEAR 3 SLEEP OVER

On Friday it was the year 3 Sleepover.

We had a play on the playground. We watched Free Birds. We had a talent show and there were lots of different types of acts performed.

Mrs Rix's husband brought us Domino's Pizza for dinner. We had cupcakes for dessert.

We played lots of different games and board games. We had popcorn and watched Ferdinand before bed.

Most people went to bed at 11:00 but some boys kept the teachers awake until really late in the night.

In the morning we woke up at 6:00am and then packed up. We had cereal and toast for breakfast.

After breakfast we played some ball games on the court until our parents came to pick us up.

It was very fun and exciting!

From Charli and Rubi

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YEAR 3 SLEEP OVER



SCHOOL MATERIAL & SERVICE CHARGE 2019

The procedures for School Charges for 2019 remain as they have for the past years. The Material & Service charge, of \$260 per student, was approved by the Department for Education and then ratified at Governing Council Tuesday night.

To enable parents to pay for the M&S Charge prior to the commencement of the school year, the office will be open on Wednesday 23rd January and Thursday 24th January 2019 – times to be confirmed. These are our Registration Days. Bags, hats, dresses and second uniform items will be for sale, along with opportunity to collect a class stationery/information pack. (Balaklava High School will be open on these days also). All credit cards are accepted along with cash and cheques for payment of the fees. EFTPOS facilities are available. Fees are payable using our QKR app for mobile phones also. If you will be away on these days, you can still make payment and packs will be put aside ready for the first morning of school.

For those who are eligible for School Card, procedures have remained the same as last year i.e., both parents whose names appear on cards need to sign the form. Income limits and eligibility are based on the 2017/2018 financial year. The following table indicates eligible limits which applied for the 2018 year, which may be a guide for those who will be applying.

Number of dependent Children	Gross Annual School Card Income Limit	Gross Weekly School Card Income Limit
1	\$57870	\$1113
2	\$58903	\$1133
3	\$59936	\$1153
4	\$60969	\$1173
5	\$62002	\$1193
More than 5	Add \$1033	Add \$20

The eligibility criterion for the 2019 School Card Scheme is based on whether the applicant's combined family gross income is within the School Card income limits.

Eligibility is not dependent on any member of the family receiving any Centrelink benefits or Family Tax benefits.

There are many different application forms for School Card. All forms will be available from the front office. "A" forms will be sent out. Should you need further information, please contact the School Office on 88621660 in the new year and we will provide the updated information.

OPTIONS FOR PAYING M&S FEES & INVOICES

In 2019 we will continue to offer multiple ways to pay items which are associated with the school, i.e., school fees, camps etc. Listed below are some of these options:

- Payment can be made ***in person*** with either ***cash, cheque or EFTPOS*** at the Front Office.
- Payments can be made by filling out the ***credit card details*** at the bottom of your invoice along with the ***3 digit CSV*** on the rear of the card and returning to the school for processing.
- Payments can be made over the phone using ***credit or debit card*** details.
- If you believe you are entitled to School Card, you **MUST** fill out a form **EACH** year (cut-off date will be 15th November 2019) and submit it to the school or to the School Card Section. Forms and details available at Front Office. If you have students at different schools ie Primary School and High School, a form must be submitted to BOTH schools.

PCC CASUAL DAY Friday 16th November

Theme : casual clothes (sunsmart)

Cost:
Preloved
uniform
items or gold
coin



Balaklava Primary School End Of Year Celebration

Monday 10th December
BBQ Starts 5:30PM Concert Starts 6:30PM

BBQ and drinks
will be available
to purchase

ALL
ARE
WELCOME

Then settle back on the oval to enjoy the
performance of the classes as they entertain us
and celebrate the year

Balaklava Primary School
10 Christmas Hampers

Raffle

Each class is being asked to prepare a Christmas Hamper to be raffled and drawn at the

Week 9 End of Year Concert
Dec 10th 2018

Donations of :

Christmas decorations, cans and jars of food, sweets, stationary, small gifts etc may be included.

NB: no second hand goods please



***We would greatly appreciate**
each student donating
one item towards their class hamper.

\$1 / ticket

Win a wonderful surprise just in time for
Christmas Celebrations!

Booklets of tickets will be sent home for the students to sell
and additional tickets will be available from the front office.

Tickets (sold & unsold) must be returned to the school with any money
no later than Friday 7th Dec.

ASSEMBLY TERM 4 WEEK 2



Lexile award recipients:

Back row: Taileigh, Charli, Dean, Zaria, Jasmin and Miabella.

Middle row: Anthony, Nicholas, Tanner and Oliver.

Front row: Ryan, Hailey and Tasman



Above:

Rear: Alex, Clair, Jordan, Josh and Zaria

Middle row: Courtney, Amelia, Angus, Karl and Daniel

Front: Annabella, Halle, Rubi, Amelia, Kourtney, William and Tasman received class awards

MUD KITCHEN

Mud Kitchen

Thankyou to all of the people who have sent in some items over the year for our mud kitchen.

Our budding Master Chefs are having a wonderful time.



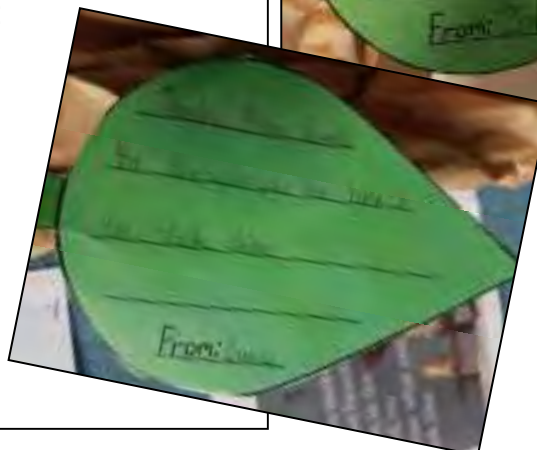
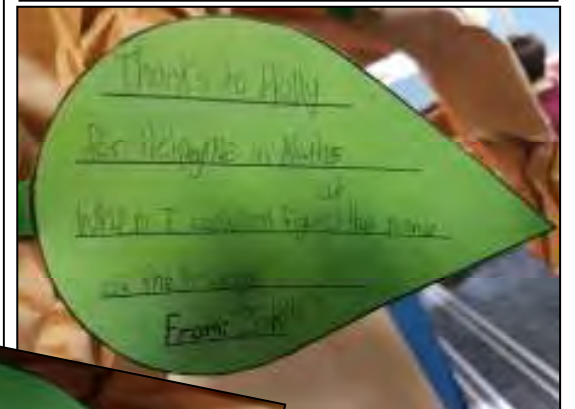
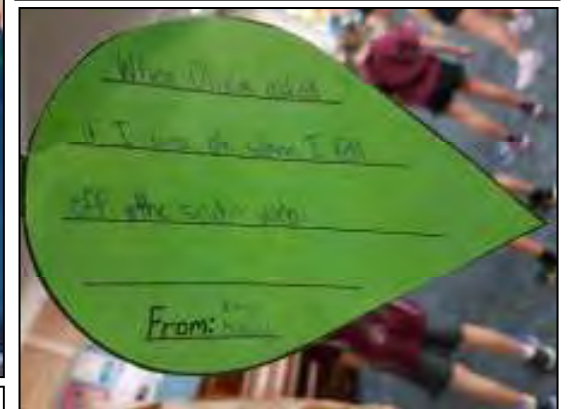
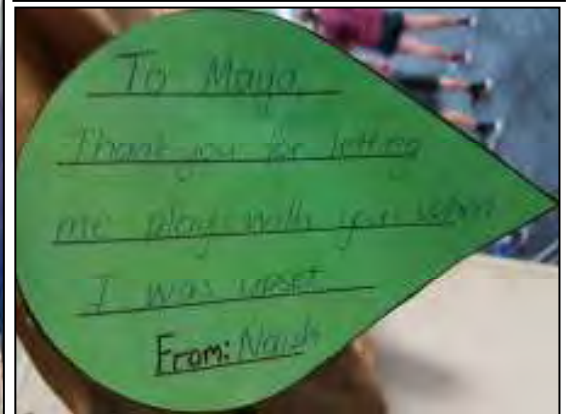
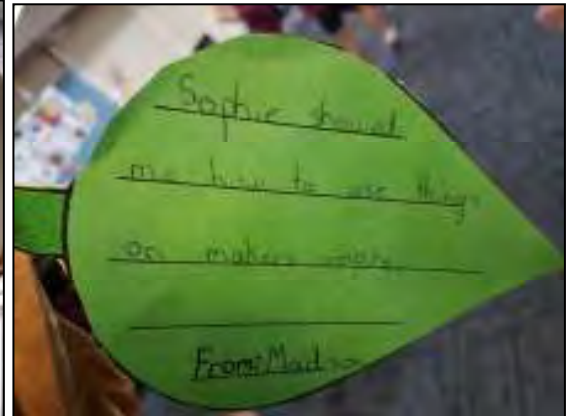
Cuppa and cake anyone ?



NEW OUTDOOR GAMES in ACTION



TREE of KINDNESS



We have planted our Tree of Kindness in the assembly area of the OSU.

We started with a very sad tree which was devoid of any foliage. Our tree started to bloom due to all of the acts of kindness that occur at school during the week. Students are asked to share random acts of kindness and then classes reflect on all of the ones they have seen during the week. Classes choose one act of kindness each day which is recorded onto a leaf. Our Student Representatives then choose some of the acts and share them at assembly and all the leaves are placed on the tree.

We invite family/community members to also write a leaf of thanks for some kindness they have experienced from someone at school. Leaves are available from the Front Office. Lets see if we can make it grow.

Mrs Cleary

DANCIFY

Each Thursday for the next 6 weeks, the students will be undertaking dance lessons, delivered by the Dancify Instructor, Izzy. Today was their first lesson



COMMUNITY NEWS

BALAKLAVA SCOUT GROUP

Balaklava Scout Hall

Joeys (ages 5 - 8) from 6pm to 7pm
Cubs (ages 8 - 11) from 6pm to 7.30pm
Scouts (ages 11 - 14) from 6pm to 8.00pm
 Every Monday during school term.
 Is your child registered?

Don't miss this fantastic opportunity for your child, for you and for our community.



Any queries phone Maryanne Kuhn (Group Leader) on 0459 550 015



Balaklava swimming lessons

for children 4 yrs old and over.

Term 4 2018 (6 week Program)

Mondays 29 October - 3 December
 Thursday 1 November - 6 December

Term 1 2019 (8 week program)

Mondays 4 February - 25 March
 Thursdays 7 February - 28 March

If interested contact Roweena Tiller 0488 224 854

PAYMENT APP

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



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FACEBOOK

Like us on Facebook to keep up to date with lots of BPS news.



BALAKLAVA CHRISTMAS FAIR

Saturday 17th November 2018
BALAKLAVA TOWN HALL
 9.00 am - 3.00 pm
 Gold Coin Entry

Over 30 local Stallholders selling a multitude of handcrafted goods that they are passionate about ... sewing, knitted goods, gift baskets, kirigami style cards, jewellery, beading dolls; olive products; jam/chutneys/sauces; hand made soaps and creams; items made from recycled wine barrels; tin farm animals; vinyl clocks; 2019 calendars; hand painted silk scarves; pot plants, herbs; succulents; soy candles and melts; watches; leather bags; henna tattoos; Christmas decorations; chocolates; Teas; WORMS and WORM Farms; planter boxes; and lots more ... undercover in airconditioned comfort and in the car park outside

Morning/Afternoon tea; Lunches Devonshire tea ... with thanks to the Womens & Childrens Hospital Auxilliary

New Stallholder Enquiries : contact
 Balaklava Town Hall 1300 655224
 Email: admin@bth.org.au

The Band of the South Australia Police In Concert

Next Performance

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 4 : 2.00—4.00pm

BALAKLAVA TOWN HALL

A \$25.00; F (2+2) \$60.00; Conc \$20.00; Extra Child \$10.00

Includes afternoon tea

Tickets : <https://www.trybooking.com/YFLL>

OR Contact Brenda...

Tel 1300 656224 : admin@bth.org.au

COMMUNITY NEWS

Balaklava Carols By Candlelight

Children's Choir



All primary school age kids are invited to join the Children's Choir for the Balaklava Community Carols on the 9th of December. Rehearsals will be on Mondays, beginning on the 19th of November at 3:30pm to 4:30pm in the Balaklava Church of Christ Hall.

Please contact Casey Lawrie on 0402901885 or casey.lawrie@gmail.com with names and ages of your children, along with a contact number to register.

Thanks ☺



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Balaklava High School



**Year 7 Parent & Student
Transition Information Meeting**

**Balaklava Community Library
Wednesday 7th November 2018**

5:30— 6:30pm

All welcome

Transition Dates:

Thursday 6th December & Friday 7th December

BHS Yr 7 TRANSITION DATES

Wednesday 7th November 5:30-6:30pm Year 7 Parent-Student Transition Night

Wednesday 5th December 7pm BHS Presentation Night

Thursday 6th December & Friday 7th December Year 7 Transition Days