



Term 3 Week 1 ~ 23rd July 2020

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# Balaklava Primary School *newsletter*



Students are now enjoying our new Satellite Swing

## Diary Dates

### July

- 29th - Grounds Mtg 5:30pm
- 31st - SAPSASA Winter Hub

### August

- 4th - Governing Council
- 5th - SAPSASA BASKETBALL
- 12th - PCC Mtg

17th - School Photos

19th - Bus Mtg 3:30pm

24th - RAA Street Smart  
-25th

### September

- 8th - Governing Council
- 10th - **Student Free Day**
- 17th - Sports Day

18th - RE

23rd - Yr 4/5 Illawonga  
-25th Camp

25th - Last day of Term 3

### October

12th - Start of Term 4



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## From the Principal

### Dear Parents

I trust that you had a fabulous holiday break. We certainly have been able to enjoy some crisp mornings and lovely days.

### Sports Day

We have been notified that SAPSASA Athletics has been moved to Week 1, Term 4. Dates have also now been confirmed for SAPSASA Basketball (Wednesday Week 3) and the Winter Carnival (Friday Week 2). We are very excited that these events are able to go ahead and considering these changes, we have made the decision that it is best for us to move our Sports Day so that it is closer to the revised Athletics Carnival date. Our Sports Day will now be held on **Thursday 17th September** (Thursday Week 9) please update this on your calendar. Thank you for your understanding and apologies for any inconvenience caused by the change of date.



### 2020 SCHOOL PHOTOS ADVANCE NOTICE

School Photos will be taken in Term 3, WK5

**Monday August 17th.**



### Assemblies

At the time of writing this, staff have decided that we will return to the Well for our fortnightly Community Assembly, however at this stage, this will remain a school student / staff assembly only. We will continue to offer the link to Webex so that you can have the opportunity to view the assembly from home. Please email: [dl.0477.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0477.info@schools.sa.edu.au) if you would like to be added to the Webex Assembly invitation list.

## COVID-19 UPDATE

### Requirements that remain in place

- It's important that students and staff stay home if they are unwell.
- Physical contact (even between students) must be limited. Non-physical greetings should be encouraged.
- The general public should not access school playgrounds or play equipment.
- Parents must continue to physical distance, including at school pick up and drop off.

## STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS

Wash your hands with soap

Use hand sanitiser

Wipe surfaces clean

Stay away from sick people

Cover your cough

Don't touch your face

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# SkoolBag

With the demise of Flexibuzz, BPS is now using the App Skoolbag for communication with families regarding Administrative matters (eg Newsletters, Bus Notifications, Student Absence etc)

Please note: Classroom teachers will continue to use SeeSaw to share information / photos about what students may be learning at school as well as for communication between parents and teachers.

At the time of writing, Skoolbag are aware that there is an issue with the notifications (you may notice that you are not getting a banner on your home screen to alert you to a new message) Skoolbag are working to rectify this. In the meantime, please regularly go into the App to check for new notifications.

In Week 10 Term 2, we emailed families with a link to connect to Skoolbag. If you are unable to find that link or need it resent, please let the front office staff know. Alternatively, you can download the App and register (fact sheet can be found in the newsletter) however, if we did send you a link and you are trying to use the same email address, it will not allow you to sign up. Please give the School a call if you need any assistance and we can talk you through the process.

Also included in the newsletter is a fact sheet on how to save an event to your Calendar.



## **Important:**

It is vital that parents of students who use the school buses that BPS manage to also download Skoolbag and add themselves to the required bus run. A Flier on how to do this is available from BPS, BHS, BCCC and HCS.

## **Staffing Update**

At the end of last Term Sally McArdle finished her contract as the Science Specialist Teacher. We thank Sally for the wonderful job that she has done over the last two terms. Sally will teach at BPS one day per week this term in Rm 18 and she has also secured work at BHS.

Brooke Wheeldon has taken on the Science Specialist Teacher Position for Term 3 as Leah continues her leave. Brooke has been a regular TRT at the School and is looking forward to working with all of the children across the school.



## *Congratulations!*

Last term we had the pleasure of presenting service recognition certificates for the following BPS staff members who have reached a significant service milestone working with the Department for Education. We thank you both for your contribution to public education.



**Joanne Michalanney**  
20 years



**Deidre Daniel**  
10 Years

### **STUDENT FREE DAY**

Thursday 10th September (Week 8)  
– Ann Baker Maths training

### **SPORTS DAY**

Thursday 17th September (Week 9)

- Dianna

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## Music and Developing Brains



The Department for Education researched the importance of music in child development and discovered just how critical it is for a child to have access to a musical education. The government responded to this research and created a Music Education Strategy's Professional Development Project which I applied for and was granted access to.

Our first program was an online webinar with Anita Collins - an educator who works with scientists to understand how music can change our brain development for the better. Scientists revealed that the following parts of our brain were enhanced:

- Neural - Permanently faster, higher and stronger brain health
- Language - Speaking, Reading, Writing was improved between 1-3 years of being exposed to musical education
- Executive functions - Planning, memory and learning developed after three years of learning music
- Social enhancements - Personal, interpersonal and professional elements were improved continuously as students played music with instruments and other performers.

A few weeks later I had a webinar that explored Kodaly - a hands on approach to learning musical theory elements - I cannot wait to implement these new ideas in class!

## Festival Movie



A lot has been happening over last term, with ideas morphing to manoeuvre around COVID and trying to keep our children safe whilst still allowing their love of music to blossom. The festival has almost finished their movie snippets that the choir will perform with. This may be at the end of Term 3 or Term 4.

As this information keeps changing - and new things have come into play, Junior choir has been postponed as I work out what the Festival's plans are.

Year 3-7 choir will still be running in lesson 6, just on a Wednesday this term. Stay tuned - I will fill you in when I know more.

## Friday Finishing



Friday Finishing lunch times aren't just for students who haven't completed their work during the lesson - it's also an opportunity for students who want to know more! Any students who have questions that have popped up since their lesson are more than welcome to join me in the science room at

## Know, Understand, Do



Staff have been learning about different teaching styles, in particular KUD - Know. Understand. Do. Students will often be given an explanation behind what they are learning - they may recognise it through the acronyms WALT (We Are Learning To), WILF (What I'm Looking For) and TIB (This Is Because).

For parents to better understand the musical criteria this semester, I will be posting an image in each Seesaw class that will articulate what the students will be learning about and what they will be able to do if they are successful.

Please look out for these over the next few weeks. If you would like a physical copy of the image please message me on Seesaw.

## Rehearsal Changes



Bands, Ensembles, Choirs and Dancers - please check the new arts roster on page 5 - some event days have changed.



## Special Helpers

I'd like to thank Xavier and Rihanna for taking time out of their holidays to come and help me set up the music room ready for the new Term.

## LUNCH TIME EVENTS

### ROCK BAND MONDAYS



Remember to bring your music and instruments

### VOCAL TUESDAYS

Remember to bring your music, water bottle and stationery



### ENSEMBLE WEDNESDAYS

Remember to bring your music and instruments



### CHOIR WEDNESDAYS

Remember to bring your choir books, bags, water bottle and stationery in Lesson 6

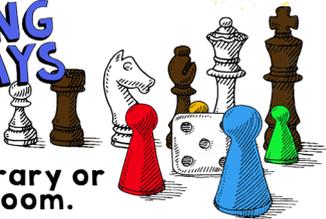


### DANCE THURSDAYS

Remember to bring your water bottles and hats



### GAMING FRIDAYS



In the Library or Science room.

- Miss Monck

## NANCY'S NEWS

### Hi Everyone!

Does anyone else feel that the holidays went by really quickly? I hope you enjoyed your holiday break. My days were filled with family time, appointments, sleep-ins, movie nights, and bush camping at Wilmington. The sunny days were perfect for walks and sightseeing, and the chilly evenings were enjoyed by the fire. Perfect!

In reflection, Term 2 was a whirlwind of introductions as PCW at the school and I enjoyed engaging with staff and students and starting to meet our families. I'm keen to build on that, meet more families and partner with students, assisting them in developing supportive and meaningful relationships with others.

### KNOWLEDGE BREAK

#### Did you know...?

- The word for an individual piece of spaghetti is "spaghetto". Fascinating!
- McDonalds once created bubble gum flavoured broccoli. Apparently it was a complete disaster as the kids were confused about the taste.



(And for those who enjoy household chores...)

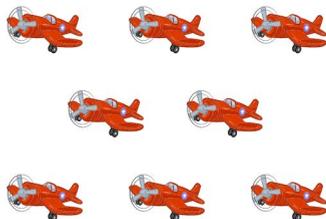
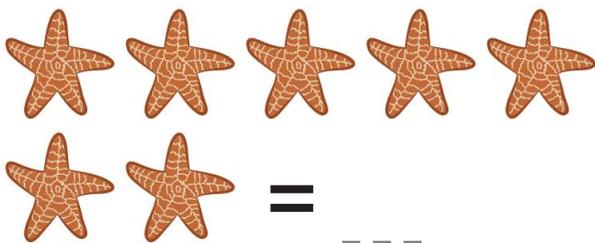
- Extreme ironing is an actual sport! Founded in 1997 the challenge is for competitors to press shirts in unexpected locations - like high up in trees, or paddling white-water rapids. Probably not on my 'to do' list!

Pastoral care isn't quite so extreme but it certainly is a privilege.

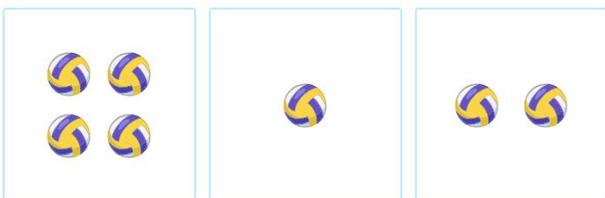
I continue to be available on Tuesday's and Friday's. Please contact me through the front office.

## Junior Primary

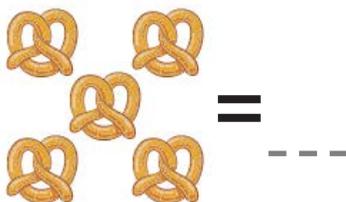
How many starfish are there?



How many planes are there? = ---



Circle which box shows 2 balls?



How many pretzels are there? = ---

## Upper Primary

I love to make chocolates and I make them in trays of 10.

1. I have 2 trays and 5 loose chocolates how many chocolates do I have?
2. I have 5 trays of chocolates and 7 loose ones how many chocolates do I have?
3. I have 8 trays of chocolates and 16 loose ones in the bottom of the fridge. How many chocolates altogether?
4. I have 13 trays and 4 loose chocolates in the blue fridge and 6 trays and 9 loose ones in the red fridge. How many chocolates altogether?
5. I have 26 trays and 7 loose milk chocolates. I have 15 white chocolate trays and 18 loose white chocolates. How many chocolates altogether?
6. I have 200 chocolates. Can you create some math equations for refrigerating these chocolates? (What is the least/most amount of trays you could use?)



### Answers

1. ---
2. ---
3. ---
4. ---
5. ---
6. ---

# READING RECEPTION TO YEAR 7

## Running Records

Students initially start by reading books or readers in the Junior Primary Classes. These books are rated using a Running Record system. The aim is for Reception students to be at or above level 5 by the end of their first year of school. Year 1 students aim to be at or above level 13 by the end of year 1 and year 2 students aim to be at or above level 21 by the end of year 2. Please remember that all students are individual and learn at their own speed as they are all on their own personal learning journey. You can support your child by listening to them read regularly at home.

## Lexile Tests

Students then move on to complete a reading comprehension test by reading and answering questions on a computer program 'Scholastic Learning Zone' once per term. Students are then given a score that tells them a reading level. The benchmarks below outline the Lexile levels and you can see where your child fits. In our library we have books with Lexile stickers on them. Children are able to read books regularly and complete a quiz of 10 questions per book. Children need to get 70% correct to pass the quiz. You can support your child by encouraging them to read regularly, listen to them, and ask questions about their books, characters or storylines.

	Below Basic	Basic	Proficient	Advanced
Year 1	BR51L and below	BR50L-99L	100L-400L	401L +
Year 2	99L and below	100L-299L	300L-600L	601L +
Year 3	249L and below	250L-499L	500L-800L	801L +
Year 4	349L and below	350L-599L	600L-900L	901L +
Year 5	449L and below	450L-699L	700L-1000L	1001L +
Year 6	499L and below	500L-799L	800L-1050L	1051L +
Year 7	549L and below	550L-849L	850L-1100L	1101L +
Year 8	599L and below	600L-899L	900L-1150L	1151L +
Year 9	649L and below	650L-999L	1000L-1200L	1201L +
Year 10	699L and below	700L-1024L	1025L-1250L	1251L +
Year 11	799L and below	800L-1049L	1050L-1300L	1301L +
Year 12	799L and below	800L-1049L	1050L-1300L	1301L +

## It's NOT GARBAGE

### Dear Composters, Gardeners and Environmental Enthusiasts!

Balaklava Primary School has bags of shredded paper that has environmentally friendly ink on them. If you are looking for some carbon for your garden, please message Miss Monck through any of the following avenues:

- Email: [jess.monck269@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:jess.monck269@schools.sa.edu.au)
- School Phone: 8862 1660
- Your parent seesaw account



A reminder that Miss Monck is collecting your empty toothpaste tubes and stationery (such as highlighters, textas, whiteout, mechanical pencils etc). No normal pencils will be accepted at this time. Drop off your toothpaste tubes in the 'airlock' between the BPS entrance and the office – stationery will need to be given to Miss Monck at this time as she is re-designing the container.

Lastly, any (clean) and visually interesting packaging – please also bring to Miss Monck. She is exploring advertising and design with several classes and some eye-catching items would be a great topic of discussion! We also continue to collect breadtags and lids.

- Miss Monck

# TERM 2 CRAZY COLOURFUL CASUAL DAY







## CHILDREN'S UNIVERSITY

Children's University passports need to be handed in to me, please return them as soon as possible.

- Mrs Cleary



## BEAUTIFYING OUR GROUNDS



Last term a new bike track was laid from the Wallace Street fence behind the wooden Science/French building as Phase 1 of the creation of a secure enclosed shed for our bikes and scooters. Over the holidays our gardening gurus, Kevyna Gardner and Sonja Gangell prepared the space between the track and the mini retaining wall of the BER building facing the High School oval with new soil and a mixture of new plants. The students from Ms Durkay's and Ms Silverman's classes will be involved with the planting and tending of this area. Here we have some students from both classes getting their hands dirty planting out the new area with Sonja's and Kevyna's help.





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### Stay informed with the SkoolBag App

The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and all school communications.

- 1 Download the app**  
Search for the free SkoolBag app in the Apple App or Google Play Store
- 2 Create an account**  
Sign up in seconds with your email address
- 3 Add your school**  
Search for your school and add your subscription groups

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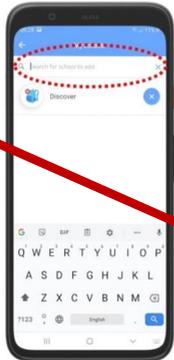
**Create an account**  
Open the SkoolBag app and Click 'Sign Up'



Enter your email address, create a password and click on 'Sign Up'



Open the confirmation email and confirm your account  
**Add your school:** Open the app, and Click 'Add/Remove'



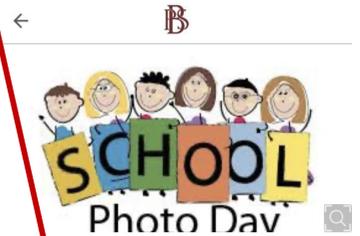
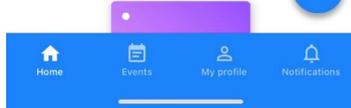
Click '+' to add your school, now you can see your school, under My Schools & Services



Click to open Balaklava Primary School



EVENTS



EVENTS

School Photos

Starts Aug 17 8:30am Ends 01:00pm End Date Aug, 17

Add to calendar

## Notifications and Emails

When BPS posts a new notice to the app, parents will be notified via a push notification on your device. To ensure you receive push notifications, please navigate to your phone's app settings and ensure notifications are allowed on your device:

Android: Settings – Apps – Skoolbag – Notifications Allowed

Apple: Settings – Notifications – Skoolbag – Allow Notifications

## Groups (Classes / Bus Groups)

To ensure you are receiving information relevant to your child's class and/or bus, please select "groups" from the top menu and under "Add/Remove Groups" select the applicable class / bus your child/children are associated with.

Please keep in mind that you will need to update the class each year.



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Add / remove groups

RM6

RM7

RM8

BER1

BER2



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Notifications

### Change of Details

Please help us keep up to date by completing this form if your details have...

### Absentee Form

Please complete this form if your child has been sick or otherwise absent from school.

### Contact Us

We value communication. Please submit your message and details using the form.



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### Change of Details

You can also notify us of a Change of Details

eg change of address or phone number

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### Contact Us

Send us a NON URGENT email and we will respond to you as soon as possible



# Add a SkoolBag<sup>®</sup> Event to your Calendar



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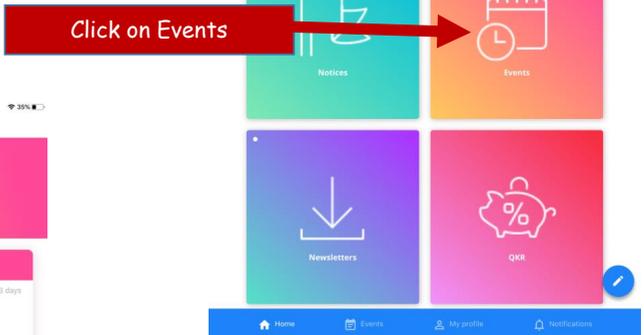


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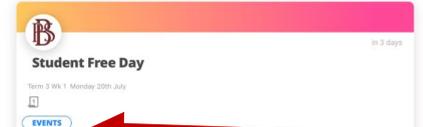
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Student Free Day

Term 3 Wk 1 Monday 20th July

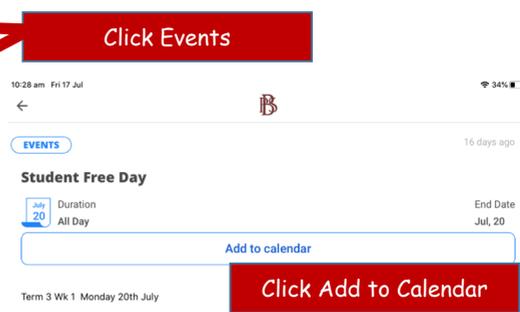
EVENTS



School Photos

Term 3 Wk 1 Monday 20th July

EVENTS



Click Events

10:28 am Fri 17 Jul

EVENTS

Student Free Day

Duration All Day

16 days ago

End Date Jul, 20

Add to calendar

Term 3 Wk 1 Monday 20th July

Click Add to Calendar

## SATELLITE SWING



On Friday afternoon and evening of Week 9 a small group of parent helpers placed the border around our Satellite Swing on the southern end of the oval. Once the hardwood sleeper border was in place the soft fall was spread under the swing as well making it safe to be used. This involved drilling holes in the sleepers so that reinforcing rods could be used to keep the sleepers in place. As the satellite swing is pentagonal in shape the ends of the sleepers needed cutting to match the overall shape. Quite an effort! Thanks go to Hayden Battle, Leigh Wright, BJ Dall and Marine for their tireless work to provide a wonderful means of physical activity and enjoyment for our children.

The swing allows 5 at a time to use it and it is in such demand that a Yr level roster system has had to be worked out.



## LEXILE AWARDS



**Blue:** *Back:* Charli, Zaria, Angus and Roy  
*Front:* Emilee, Bliss and Tyler



**Silver:** *Scarlett, Morgan and Cooper*



**Gold:** *Ilka*



**Bronze:** *Angus, Rihanna, Caitlyn and Denny*



**Red:** *Back:* William, Denise, Nakita, Makensy and Shayla  
*Front:* Amber, Ben, Katie, Aliyse and Tanner

## PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



**Back:** *Hayley, Scarlett, Miabella, Lily, Roy and Rihanna*  
**Middle:** *Rubi, Courtney, Nate, Jessie, and William*  
**Front:** *Isabelle, Matt, Hailey, Amiliah, Chase, Jazleen and Denny*

# ROOM 20 AND 18 SOCCER COMPETITION FINALS

## BEST PLAYERS

- Max - 1
- Cooper - 1
- Coline - 1
- Angus - 1
- Jasmin - 1
- Flynn - 1
- Jack - 1
- Lily - 1
- Riley - 1
- Roy - 1
- Rose - 1
- Mia - 1
- Kasey - 1
- Liam - 1
- Angus - 1
- Lachlan - 1

## HIGHEST BEST PLAYERS

Paul - 2

Matilda - 2



## GOAL KICKERS

- William - 1
- Rose - 1
- Nate - 1
- Lily - 1
- Karl - 1
- Paul - 1
- Max - 1
- Roy - 1
- Scarlett - 1
- Matilda - 1
- Jasmin - 2
- Flynn - 2
- Riley - 2
- Mia - 2
- Angus - 2

## HIGHEST GOAL KICKER

Jack - 4



## FINAL LADDER

1 <sup>st</sup>	Pinky Pearls
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Blue and Green
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Sunsets
4 <sup>th</sup>	Ducks 4 U

## CONGRATULATIONS...



## COMMUNITY NEWS



JOIN US AT...

**SACWA Adelaide Plains**

### Sharing And Caring With Action

Our slogan is 'Sharing And Caring With Action'. Sharing involves service and the giving of time, talents, efforts and finance. What is given in service is the road to what is gained personally. Caring involves friendship, tolerance and understanding of others.

Come and join us | All ages welcome

Monthly Night Meetings | 1st Monday of the Month | 7pm Owen Town Hall

**CONTACT LOUISE O'HALLORAN 0419974897 OR  
DANIELLE MUDGE 0429387714**

### BULLDOGS BASKETBALL CLUB

# AGM

Tuesday  
July 28, 2020  
7:30pm at Lighthouse  
Christian Centre, Balaklava

All players and parents are urged to attend. Apologies or any questions, please contact :  
[bulldogsbasketballclub@outlook.com](mailto:bulldogsbasketballclub@outlook.com)

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	20/7 SFD	21/7	22/7	23/7	24/7
2	27/7	28/7	29/7 GROUNDS 5:30PM	30/7	31/7 SAPSASA WINTER HUB
3	3/8	4/8 GOVERNING COUNCIL	5/8 SAPSASA BASKETBALL	6/8	7/8
4 MAGIC MILLIONS THIS WEEK	10/8	11/8	12/8 PCC MEETING	13/8	14/8
5	17/8 SCHOOL PHOTOS	18/8	19/8 BUS MEETING 3:30PM	20/8	21/8
6	24/8 RAA STREET SMART	25/8 RAA STREET SMART	26/8	27/8	28/8 DANCIFY
7 FOM SOMETIME THIS WEEK OR NEXT	31/8	1/9	2/9	3/9	4/9 DANCIFY
8	7/9	8/9 GOVERNING COUNCIL	9/9	10/9 ANN BAKER SFD	11/9 DANCIFY
9	14/9	15/9	16/9	17/9 SPORTS DAY	18/9 DANCIFY RE
10	21/9	22/9	23/9 ILLAWONGA Yr 4/5 CAMP	24/9 Yr 4/5 CAMP	25/9 DANCIFY Yr 4/5 CAMP

Meetings	SAPSASA	Student Free Days	Excursions
Fundraising	Incursions	Assemblies	