



Term 4 Week 7 ~ 26th November 2021

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Balaklava Primary School *newsletter*



School Leaders, Connor, Angus, Amelia and Matilda laid a wreath at the Balaklava Shrine on behalf of BPS on Remembrance Day.

Important Dates

DECEMBER

- 29th - Year 7 Transition - BHS
- 30th - Year 7 Transition - BHS
- Rm 6 & 7 Excursion
- 1st - Excursion: BER 1, 3 & Year 2's from 14A
- Room 20 Excursion
- 2nd - Year 6 Transition - BHS
- 3rd - Year 6 Transition - BHS

- 6th - EOY Celebration
- 7th - Ber 2 Wallaroo
- Ber 4 Blyth
- 8th - Year 6 Graduation
- Reports sent home
- 9th - Year 7 Graduation
- Year 6/7 Excursion
- Rm 2 Excursion
- 10th- End of Term - 2:10pm dismissal



Week 8 Assembly
Community are able to attend the Week 8 assembly. Please Check in and wear a mask. Please stay home if unwell.



Government of South Australia
Department for Education



From the Principal

Staffing

I am extremely excited to announce that the following teachers have secured a 12 month contract for 2022 -

- Emily Behn
- Courtney Durkay
- Emily Thomas
- Abby Silverman
- Jess Fiegert
- Kate Rix
- Madeline Gardner

At the end of Week 9, we will say a very sad farewell to Ashleigh Leonello who has won a permanent position at Balaklava High School, Renee Hughes who has won a permanent position at Para Hills and Sally Holmes has also made the decision to pursue other ventures and won't be returning in 2022.

Vivienne Churchett will be taking leave from BPS in 2022.

Confirmation of class structures, who will be teaching each class will be included in the Week 9 newsletter and sent home in the class placement letter.

End of Year Reports and Class Placements

Your child's End of Year Report will go home in a sealed envelope addressed to you on Wednesday 8th December. Teachers are currently working on the class placement process. Changes to placement are not possible once classes are set. Many factors are considered and moving any one child impacts other classes. Students will have the opportunity to visit their new class in week 9 and will then bring a letter home advising you of their new class.



COVID-19 UPDATE

We all need to ensure that we are following COVID guidelines to keep our staff, students and school community as safe as we can.

Masks:

Masks are required for ALL visitors to the school IF you are entering a building. Masks need to remain on while you are in the building, unless otherwise advised by a staff member. Masks are optional for staff and are not required for Primary School students.

Check In:

All visitors (including parents who enter the site to drop off / pick up students) MUST QR check in. QR Codes are located at each entrance.

Physical Distancing:

We ask all Adults to follow the 1.5m physical distancing recommendation. Especially when dropping off, or waiting to collect children.

Front Office:

Due to the office space being limited, we ask you to wait outside if you can see it is busy. We no longer require you to phone prior to entry.

Events:

We can hold events such as the Week 8 Assembly onsite providing all COVID safe requirements are in place and followed - physical distancing, QR Check in, face masks for audience members when indoors, comply with density requirements and encourage good hygiene practice. Please do not attend if you are unwell.

The End of Year Celebration and Year 6 and 7 Graduations will be held outdoors (weather permitting) and thus, masks and density restrictions are not necessary.

If restrictions change between now and the event, we will send home an update.

Vaccination:

Parents and families attending events are not required to be vaccinated providing they are not working or volunteering at the event. Parents and families who attend the site to pick-up or drop-off students are also not required to be vaccinated.

Any person employed by the Department of Education, contractors, committee members (eg Governing Council and PCC members etc) and individuals volunteering (eg parent helpers) must provide evidence of their vaccination status to myself. A copy of the certificate can be emailed to dl.0477.info@schools.sa.edu.au although it is not a requirement that we store copies of certificates. Alternatively, you may show Dianna or Diane a copy of your paper or digital record. All records of vaccination status will be kept confidential.

While we respect individual choice, unfortunately, if you fit into one of the categories above and you are unable to show proof of being double vaccinated by the beginning of the 2022 school year, or proof of a medical exemption which has been provided by the Chief Public Health Officer you will no longer be able to work or volunteer at the school.

If you have any questions or wish to discuss your individual requirements, please phone the school and speak with Diane Gregor (Administrator) or myself.

At this point in time, we are not required to ask if students above the age of 12 are vaccinated.



COVID-SAFE CHECK-IN

Balaklava Primary School

Please Note

If you enter the school grounds you MUST check in via the BPS QR code. QR Codes are located at each entrance.



Illness

We remind parents that Staff and Students are not to attend school if they are unwell or showing symptoms of being unwell. If a student / staff member has been unwell, they need to stay away from school for 48 hours after the last symptom. This ensures that we can halt the spread of illness within the school. Your support with this resulted in a significant reduction of illness spread through the school during Term 3.

If a student shows signs of being unwell while at school we will be contacting parents and asking you to collect them. Thank you for your co-operation with this Health SA and DFE directive.



We hope you can join us for the End of Year Celebration on Monday 6th December. The event is a lovely way to celebrate a year of learning. The 12 raffle hampers are drawn at this event. We ask all students to donate one non-perishable item each for their classroom hamper. All donations can be dropped into the Front Office.

Raffle books were sent home with the newsletter in Week 5. Additional raffle books can be collected from the Front Office.

We ask that ALL books are returned by Monday (prior to the celebration) regardless of if you have sold them or not.

This is our final fundraiser for the year. Thank you for your continued support.

Last day of Term 4
10/12/21
2:10pm dismissal

FACILITIES UPDATE



Boom Gates have now been installed on the bus road at both Wallace Street and Gwy Tce. They will be fully functioning before the end of term and we hope these will go along way to keeping our students and facilities safe.



Open and close times will be set, along with digital, as required, access.

This system is a component of the digital access keying the school has been undertaking for the bulk of this year.

GET WELL DEB

We are missing our much appreciated and valued school cleaner Deb. Deb is quite the fixture at Balaklava Primary and is very familiar with many of the students, knowing them by name. Classes have made beautiful cards to send to her. The staff are very grateful for all the extras she does to ensure our rooms are super clean.



MATERIALS & SERVICES

CHARGE

At Tuesday's Governing Council meeting, the 2022 M&S polling was in favour of the compulsory \$275.00 per student being approved.

2021 Debtors were also discussed and approved to have the Debt Collection process commenced. Debtors will receive a FINAL NOTICE early next week. Families currently still have a small opportunity to finalise or renegotiate their outstanding amounts. Please make payments ASAP and/or contact Diane at the office.

BPS Governing Council

BREADBAGS REWARD

Thank you to everyone who helped during the Wonder White Bread Bag promotion. Special thanks to Jasmine Segura who seemed to bring in an never ending supply.

Below is a picture of our PE ball school reward.

We are continuing to collect breadbags for a bigger and better result in 2022 so keep them coming in. Thankyou



RAFFLE BOXES



Please send in your child's raffle item. We have 12 class boxes waiting to be filled. Thanks to everyone who have sent in donations already.



THANK YOU!

This year Room 2 have been lucky enough to have a student teacher in our class, his name was Ben. He worked in our class 1 day a week in Term 3 and in Term 4 he worked all week for 4 weeks.



Our class have been grateful to have him working with us. He has been wonderful at teaching us. We wish him well as he continues learning to be a teacher. We will really miss having him in our class.

He was very helpful and everyone was very sad to see him go but we know he will be a great teacher. He taught us Tennis and we all enjoyed playing him when there was an odd number and we didn't have a partner. He would help us whenever he wasn't busy and would almost always have the answer. For a few weeks, he taught us math. We learnt about measurement, temperature, capacity and more. We all hope to see him again sometime.

By Ruby and Maya



The Arts



'Cause Now You're Singing in the Choir

Congratulations to Elissa for successfully entering the South Australian Public Primary School (SAPPS) choir in Adelaide. She auditioned and won a spot

An extensive study has found that students who studied music in primary school and into high school were almost one year ahead of their non-musically trained peers in their Maths, Science and English performance.

Gohin, M., Emerson, S. D., & Gouzouasis, P. (2020). A population-level analysis of associations between school music participation and academic achievement. *Journal of Educational Psychology*, 112(2), 308.



Mr Stear is looking for interested students who will be Year 4-6 in 2022 who would like to play a wind or brass instrument. The lessons are free - only the hire of the instrument has a cost - and its semesterly. If you are interested, please call the school or let me know on Seesaw.

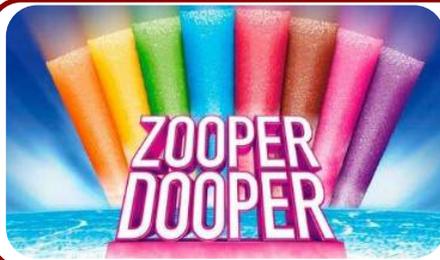
Date	Activity
Monday 6th Dec	End of Year Celebration



The SRC are pleased to announce that they are selling Zooper Dooper's

When: Recess time on Friday
Weeks 8 and 9
Where: The Library

Cost: 50c each



REMEMBRANCE DAY



On November 11th we acknowledged Remembrance Day. We made paper poppies to hang on our shirts to remember the people who fought in the war. First we talked about the importance of Remembrance Day and then we talked about rosemary and poppies. Then when it was 11 o'clock we had a minute of silence. We listened to the Last Post. A little bit later we walked down the street and laid a wreath at the triangle. Then we walked back to school.
By Angus and Matilda





RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The students enjoyed participating in the Christmas story during the Term 4 Religious Education session. At the conclusion of the session, all students enjoyed a sausage sizzle. Thank you to all of the RE volunteers for their organisation preparation and enthusiasm and staff morning tea.



TECHNOLOGY

As a teacher of arts and technology, the question often comes up - when will we use this? Arts has a subtle impression on students lives, contributing to literacy, numeracy, language, social cues, confidence, history and more, but technology often has the immediacy that students desire. Take Phoenix - a student at Flaxmill Primary School in South Australia.

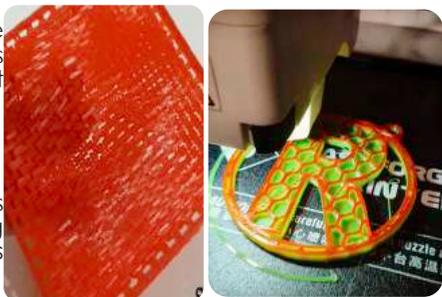
Thanks to his 3D design and printing teacher, and the school's STEM Coordinator, Phoenix's interest in 3D creation flourished, resulting in him starting a small business in custom 3D prints. Makers Empire was his stepping stone into more complex programs like Tinkercad and Fusion 360 where he would design all sorts of interesting items.

Phoenix realised that he could potentially make money out of this passion and so, through resources like YouTube and working with his mum who ran her own small cake making business, Phoenix looked into how he could 3D design items and sell them. He used all of his birthday and Christmas money to purchase a Flashforge 3D printer - like the ones the year 6/7 students used earlier this year - and created a few concepts for people to see.

Understanding that his business might not take off at his local school, he brought his concepts in and asked if people were interested. In the first day he had twenty-seven orders - five from staff!

https://www.instagram.com/whateverprints_3d/

Phoenix has his own Instagram where he shares his designs and custom-made orders. He's using his profits to save up for VR goggles, of which his 3D printing business has him half way to his goal.



Students don't always know where their learning is going to take them, but by learning new things, students can apply what they have learned to passions that they never knew they had.

<https://www.makersempire.com/how-an-aussie-kid-started-his-own-custom-3d-printing-business/>

CONDITIONAL GAMES

In technology the year 6/7's have been learning about conditional statements. These are basically rules - IF you do this THEN this will happen. Students have incorporate this into their very own games. This week they played their games to work out any bugs.



TECHNOLOGY



ROOM 18 POETRY

Kitty

Strong fierce fluffy

Hugging, stroking, playing

You love soft, fluffy, warm
cuddles

Kitty

By Charli



Poem limerick

There was a cat
That wanted a pat
That went into a room
And found a broom
And slept on the mat

By Gemma



Football

You can tackle

You can kick the football

You can kick and mark the football

Kick goals



Riley I



Cinquain Poem

Cute Sloths

They are so cute.

They like to sleep all day.

They move slowly, they are so

cute.

Cutie.

By Bliss



Sunlight

Sunlight

Perfect yellow

Steaming in my window

Brightening my whole day and my life

Sunset

Rhylee



NANCY'S NEWS

Hi Everyone!

We are rapidly moving into the last couple of weeks of the term, and I've been observing students busily finishing off work, and classes practicing for the End of year celebrations. It's full steam ahead!



CRAFT....

Ever popular Christmas Crafts have been running in the Library over the last few weeks and there have been many excited children involved in these activities. Mrs Cleary is always eager to assist, and several Year 6/7 students have enjoyed helping the younger ones, and I have been grateful for their help in cleaning-up after. Great work & thanks!



Most of my time is spent supporting students and the wider school community and I appreciate that families are reaching out more when they need some additional care. I know that it's not an easy thing to do.

With Christmas right around the corner if you require specific help then please get in touch with me through the front office.

Have a great week!
Mrs G

COMMUNITY GARDEN

This term a steady stream of students have been helping over at the Community Garden. We have 2 plots that we manage as well as helping prepare the compost, spreading mulch, feeding the chooks and collecting the eggs. Recent plantings include cabbage, beans, tomatoes and carrots. Here are some pictures of a few of the helpers this term.



Aliyse, Riley, Alexa and Lexie preparing the beds



Jayden and Ned working at the compost bins



Isabelle and Imogen planting tomato seedlings

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE



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Congratulations to all students who completed the 2021 Premiers Reading Challenge. Students enjoyed their reward last Friday.

PREMIERS
READING
Challenge



PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE REWARD DAY



CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

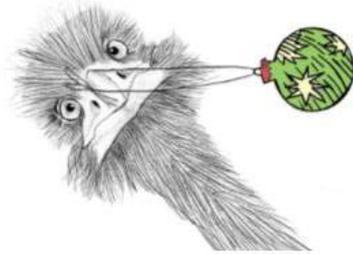


Get your short sleeves

and shorts; thongs, hats and zinc
and meet us at the BCCC at 5:30
ready to walk with the BPS

Christmas Float. This year our

theme is an **Aussie Christmas**. Wear
your most typical Aussie Christmas



Pageant route - from the child care centre at 3.45pm and return to the child care centre after the procession.



**BALAKLAVA
CHRISTMAS
PAGEANT &
MAIN STREET
OPENING**

Fun for the family including:

- DJ
- SANTA
- MAGIC CAVE
- ENTERTAINMENT
- FOOD

**FRIDAY,
DECEMBER 17**
Balaklava Triangle
Official opening: 5pm
Pageant: 5.45pm

This is a COVID Safe event



WAKEFIELD
REGIONAL COUNCIL

Balaklava Primary School End Of Year Celebration

Monday 6 th 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

12 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 6 TH 2021

Donations of :

Christmas decorations, cans and jars of food, sweets, stationery, 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 3rd Dec.



Learn how to restore relationships and encourage positive behaviour through simple changes to daily conversations and actions

- LINKING OUR COMMUNITY -
BCCC GOVERNING COUNCIL
INVITE YOU TO A FREE ONLINE
INTRODUCTION WORKSHOP OF
**RESTORATIVE
PRACTICES WITH
KERRIE SELLEN**

Via ZOOM
Tuesday 30th
November 2021
7pm - 8.30pm



For further information or to register
please contact BCCC by email
dale.gathercole345@schools.sa.edu.au
zara.jarrett@gmail.com
phone 8862 1251 or OWNA



**RESTORATIVE
JOURNEYS**
THE JOURNEY THAT MATTERS

JOLLY SOLES FUNDRAISING

Are you still looking for a donation for the School Raffle or a Stocking filler? Jolly Socks would be a great option.

\$6 per pair



Surfing
2x XS pairs
1 x M pair



Green with dots
1 x XS pair
1 x M pair



Whales
1x XS pair



Orange with dots
1 x M pair



Kiwi Fruit
1 x XS pair



Dancer
1x XS pair



Music
1 x L pair



Skates
2x M pair

Please phone the office if you would like to purchase (NB: No further orders can be taken at this time)



Leaders, Captains, Choir & Band photos

Photos can be viewed and ordered online.

To access photos, please visit:

ios.academyphoto.com.au

You will need to enter an 8 digit Access Key as below – double-click an image to enlarge it:

Captains-Leaders: FRG6A565

Co-Curricular: 7H6X7AUD

Year6-7: SAZ5JCDN

Once logged in, you can change to a different Access Key without losing the orders in your cart by clicking on “Enter another access key”. This will ensure you only pay for postage once and all photos are sent to you at the same time.

Photos will be available online for 6 months.

Please call our office on 1800 816 224 if you require assistance.



	BALAKLAVA NETBALL CLUB	
2022 COACHES		
Balaklava Netball Club invites applications for coaches for all senior & junior grades for the 2022 season.		
Applications to be submitted in writing to balaklavafnc@gmail.com by the 26 th of November, 2021		
Enquiries to Hannah 0429 645 010		

Term 4 Planner 2021

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	11/10	12/10	13/10	14/10	15/10 Newsletter
2	18/10	19/10 Soccer - Ber 1,3, 14a, 14b	20/10 PCC Mtg 1:30pm	21/10	22/10 Online Community Assembly 2:15pm
3	25/10 Student Free Day	26/10 Soccer - Ber 1,3, 14a, 14b Finance Mtg Governing Council Mtg	27/10	28/10 Newsletter	29/10 JAM Band
4	1/11	2/11 Soccer - Ber 1,3, 14a, 14b	3/11	4/11	5/11 Colour Run
5	8/11	9/11 Book Week Performance Transition for 2022 Reception students - until 12pm	10/11	11/11 Transition for 2022 Reception students - until 1:30pm	12/11 Year 3 Sleep Over Newsletter
6	15/11	16/11 Soccer - Ber 1,3, 14a, 14b	17/11	18/11 Transition for 2022 Reception students - all day	19/11 Student Free Day
7	22/11	23/11 Finance Mtg Governing Council Mtg	24/11	25/11	26/11 RE Newsletter
8	29/11 YR 7 Transition @ BHS	30/11 YR 7 Transition @ BHS Room 6/7 Excursion	1/12 Rm 20 Excursion 14a Year 2's, Ber 1 & Ber 3 Excursion.	2/12 YR 6 Transition @ BHS	3/12 YR 6 Transition @ BHS Community Assembly 2:15pm
9	6/12 End of Year Celebration	7/12 Ber 2 Wallaroo Excursion Ber 4 Blyth	8/12 Year 6 Graduation	9/12 Year 7 Graduation Yr 6/7 Excursion Rm 2 Excursion	10/12 Newsletter End of Term - 2:10pm Dismissal

Meetings	SAPSASA	Student Free Days	Excursions
Fundraising	Incursions	Assemblies	