



Term 1 Week 9 ~ 30th March 2023

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# Balaklava Primary School *newsletter*



Students were thrilled to have looked at the Premiership Cups earlier this week



## Important Dates

### MARCH

- 31st - PCC Mtg - 1:30pm
- Pre-Sports Day Events

### APRIL

- 3rd- Parent Teacher Interviews
- 6th - SAPSASA Swimming at Clare
- RE

- 7th - Good Friday Public Holiday

- 10th - Public Holiday Easter Monday

- 12th - SAPSASA Winter hub

- 13th - Festival Theatre Assessment

- 14th - Last Day of Term 1
- 2:10pm Dismissal**

### MAY

- 1st - First Day of Term 2

- 15th - SAPSASA X-Country at Riverton

- 18th - Scott's BMX Trick Bike Show

- 19th - Walk 2 School Day

### 24th - SCHOOL PHOTOS

- National Simultaneous Storytime

- 29th - Student Free Day: **TBC**

### JUNE

- 12th - Public Holiday Monarch's Official Birthday

- 23rd - RE

### JULY

- 5th - School Closure



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## From the Principal

### PARENT - TEACHER INTERVIEWS



#### INTERVIEWS

This term, we return to face to face interviews. These will be held in Week 10, commencing Tuesday 11th April. Students in Year 3-6 are strongly encouraged to attend the interview with parents. This will ensure the interview is a three way interview. (Parent/s, Teacher/s, Student)

Students in R-2 are not encouraged to attend, unless negotiated between parents and teacher.



**Bookings are now open!**



#### Sports Day

Please ensure you read the information on pages 10 - 13 regarding Sports Day. Once again, we are still looking for volunteers to help with events on the day as well as lunch preparation and cupcake / drink sales. Please contact your child's teacher if you can help with events, or the PCC if you can assist with lunch preparation or cupcake, coffee and drink sales.

Please remember that Sports Day is about participation, having fun, good sportsmanship and encouragement. We will be expecting this of the students as well as spectators.



#### INTERVIEWS

Congratulations to Michelle and the Way to Go Committee for organising a very successful Ride to School Day. Please see pages 14 - 15 for photos of the day.

### Our Learning SA

Continued learning between school and home

#### Our Learning SA

Our learning SA has been designed for parents and students to access the Australian Curriculum aligned English, Numeracy and Physical Education lessons for each year level. These lessons are extremely useful when students are unable to be at school but still require learning activities. Each lesson is either a video or PowerPoint presentation and can be completed on any device with internet access.

#### Illness

Please be reminded that we all need to do the right thing and keep children home when they are unwell to ensure we do not spread illnesses throughout the school. Students need to stay home from School for a minimum 24 hours after their last symptom. However, we appeal to you and strongly encourage you to keep your children home for 48 hours after their last symptom to ensure they are completely healthy upon return. If your child comes to school sick, or develops symptoms of illness throughout the day, we will contact you to collect them. Thank you for continuing to follow this SA Health, Department for Education and BPS directive. Students who are absent for 3 days or more require a Doctor Certificate.



### Parking along Wallace Street

Please refrain from parking along the stretch of Wallace Street between the bus road and the crossing (School side) at school pick up and drop off.



### A Pop of Colour

Using pool noodles we have added a pop of colour to the fence within the Room 8 play area.



## STUDENT SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY



*Wallace Street is very busy before and after school*

We need parents to take responsibility in teaching your children to cross the road safely. This means that when parking on the Eastern (Swimming Pool) side of Wallace Street, you must walk your children to the dedicated School Crossing in order to enter the School.

Please DO NOT cross elsewhere along Wallace Street.

Your role modelling of this is important to ensure all students safety.

The extra minute or so it will take to walk through the crossing will save a potential accident from happening.



Thank you for following this important directive - Dianna

## Week 8 Assembly Awards - Badges

At the Week 8 Assembly, the official presentation of badges for School Leaders, House Captains and Music Captains were presented. Also the new 2023 Reception students recieved their 'Welcome to School Book'.



### School Leaders

Halle (VC), Amber (VC), Alana (C) & Grace (C)



### Dalkey House Captains

Amber (C), Bodie (C), Oscar (VC) & Delilah (VC)



### Brightwood House Captains

Ilka (C), Claudia (C), Hudson (VC) & Archer (VC)



### Cameron House Captains

Alana (C), Alexa (C), Imogen (VC) & Lexie (VC)



### Preston House Captains

Halle (C), Mason (C), Elliot (VC) & Chase (VC)



### Music Captains

Caitlin (Vocal) & Logan (Instrumental)

## Week 8 Assembly Awards - Reception Books



### Room 6

Back: Joanna, Jordan, Mahalia and Gus  
Front: Riley, Jyran, Luca, Leo and Hazel



### Room 7

Back: Kaiden, Cj, Dolten, Sam and Aubree  
Front: Savannah, Sebastian, Shayla, Derek, Sophia and Melody

# 2023 PCC AGM

The 2023 Committee for PCC:

<b>Chairperson</b>	<i>Ali Tiller</i>
<b>Secretary</b>	<i>Amy May</i>
<b>Gov Council Rep</b>	<i>Melissa Smith</i>
<b>Hat &amp; Bag Ordering</b>	<i>Nicole Oliver &amp; Lucy Sutton</i>
<b>Second Hand Uniforms</b>	<i>Kim Post</i>
<b>Lost Property</b>	<i>Tammy Nicholls, Joanne Michalanney &amp; Sally Hahsey</i>
<b>Choir</b>	<i>Heidi Zerk</i>
<b>Committee Member</b>	<i>Bronwen Wilkin, Tammy Nicholls &amp; Lucy Sutton</i>

**NEXT MEETING: Friday 31st March - 1:30pm - BPS Staff Room**

We would really love to see you there, these meetings are open to everyone when you have the time to come along, no obligation. If you want to know what is going on at the school, meet new people, provide feedback or if you have any questions about PCC or BPS, please come along. We look forward to seeing you!

## Restorative Practices Class Sessions

On Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th March, Kerrie Sellen spoke to our students and staff about Restorative Practices and repairing relationships. Restorative Practices is an emerging social science that studies how to strengthen relationships between individuals as well as social connections within communities.

### **Restorative Practices:**

- Helps students and adults learn about perspectives.
- Helps to build empathy and understanding.
- Provides people with the opportunity to repair harm by acknowledging their wrongdoing, expressing remorse, and taking action based upon the victim's needs to repair trust.
- Allows victims to share their experience, offer forgiveness, and make amends.

The student session taught them about the compass of shame, affective statements, circles and formal conferences. Providing our students with skills they can use at school, home and in the community when faced with conflict. Our staff at Balaklava Primary School are trained in Restorative Practices and are committed to helping students view conflict in a school setting as an opportunity to foster learning and build better relationships.

Please visit this link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=obyZY4Xzal> to learn more on Restorative Practice. If you have any questions about Restorative Practices please contact your child's classroom teacher.



# Room 8 Gardening in the Community Garden



We enjoy tasting some of the freshly picked fruits and vegetables.

We are growing carrots and broccoli.



Thank you to Kevyna and the Community Garden for supporting us in this wonderful opportunity.



We help with planting, watering and feeding the chickens.



# BOB (Be Our Best) - Confidence

This term BPS introduced **BOB (Be Our Best)** our whole school social and emotional curriculum (Program Achieve: You can do it running alongside the Child Protection Curriculum). Students have begun learning about the five keys to success:



1. Confidence
2. Persistence
3. Organisation
4. Getting Along
5. Resilience.

In Week 7 SIM assembly we focused on Confidence and watched the following Ted Ed Lesson: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l\\_NYrWqUR40](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=l_NYrWqUR40)

Students have learnt that confidence is an important key to carry with them at all times. Most recently our students have shown confidence by completing NAPLAN tests, riding bikes to school showing confidence to ride safely on roads and by successfully mastering athletic skills such as high jump and discus for our upcoming Sports Day.

Everyday our teachers remind our students about the importance of positive self-talk. By using confidence-building thoughts and avoid confidence-destroying thoughts. We can teach ourselves to replace negative thoughts with positive ones such as this: *"I've learned how to do difficult things in the past; if I don't give up, I'll learn how to do this."*

Being confident is a state of mind. Their self-talk can help to strengthen their confidence. 12 More Tips for Raising Confident Kids from Child Mind Institute ([childmind.org](http://childmind.org))

**1. Model confidence yourself** - Even if you're not quite feeling it! Seeing you tackle new tasks with optimism and lots of preparation sets a good example for kids.

**2. Don't get upset about mistakes** - Help kids see that everyone makes mistakes and the important thing is to learn from them, not dwell on them. Confident people don't let fear of failure get in their way—not because they're sure they won't ever fail, but because they know how to take setbacks in stride.

**3. Encourage them to try new things** - Instead of focusing all their energy on what they already excel at, it's good for kids to diversify. Attaining new skills makes kids feel capable

and confident that they can tackle whatever comes their way.

**4. Allow kids to fail** - It's natural to want to protect your child from failure, but trial and error is how kids learn, and falling short on a goal helps kids find out that it's not a big disaster. It can also spur kids to greater effort, which will serve them well as adults.

**5. Praise perseverance** - Learning not to give up at the first frustration or bail after one setback is an important life skill. Confidence and self-esteem are not about succeeding at everything all the time, they're about being resilient enough to keep trying, and not being distressed if you're not the best.

**6. Help kids find their passion** - Exploring their own interests can help kids develop a sense of identity, which is essential to building confidence. Of course, seeing their talents grow will also give a huge boost to their self-esteem.

**7. Set goals** - Articulating goals, large and small, and achieving them makes kids feel strong. Help your child turn desires and dreams into actionable goals by encouraging them to make a list of things they would like to accomplish. Then, practice breaking down longer-term goals into realistic benchmarks. You'll be validating their interests and helping them learn the skills they'll need to attain their goals throughout life.

**8. Celebrate effort** - Praising kids for their accomplishments is great, but it's also important to let them know you're proud of their efforts regardless of the outcome. It takes hard work to develop new skills, and results aren't always immediate. Let kids know you value the work they're doing, whether they're toddlers building with blocks or pre-teens teaching themselves to play the guitar.

**9. Expect them to pitch in** - They might complain, but kids feel more connected and valued when they're counted on to do age-appropriate jobs, from picking up toys to doing dishes. Homework and after-school activities are great, but being needed by your family is invaluable.

**10. Embrace imperfection** - As grown-ups we know perfection is unrealistic, and it's important for kids to get that message as early as possible. Help kids see that whether it's on



TV, in a magazine, or on a friend's social media feed, the idea that others are always happy, successful, and perfectly dressed is a fantasy, and a destructive one. Instead, remind them that being less than perfect is human and totally okay.

**11. Set them up for success** - Challenges are good for kids, but they should also have opportunities where they can be sure to find success. Help your child get involved with activities that make him feel comfortable and confident enough to tackle a bigger challenge.

**12. Show your love** - Let your child know you love them no matter what. Win or lose the big game, good grades or bad. Making sure your child knows that you think they're great — and not just when they do great things — will bolster their self-worth even when they're not feeling good about themselves.

## Parent-Teacher Interviews

3/4/23 - 6/4/23

Bookings open 4pm 28/3/23

### Booking Link:

<https://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code/7hhdr>

### Event Code:

7hhdr

### QR Code:



ALL Families MUST make a time to meet with their child's teacher unless you have already met for an interview in the past 3 weeks.

Interviews with Specialist Teachers are held separately to classroom teacher interviews.

If you are unable to meet with your child's teacher during interview week, please make contact with them to find an alternative time.



### R-2 Students

Not required (or encouraged) to attend unless negotiated with the Classroom Teacher prior to the interview



### Year 3 - 6 Students

Strongly encouraged to attend the interview

## PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

FRIDAY 7TH APRIL (WEEK 10)

&

MONDAY 10TH APRIL (WEEK 11)

SCHOOL WILL RETURN TO NORMAL AS TUESDAY 11TH APRIL

HAPPY  
*Easter*



# 2023 SPORTS DAY INFO

## General Information

All students are encouraged to dress in their House Team colours, wear appropriate sun safe clothing, appropriate footwear and have a hat, sunscreen and plenty of water. Please contact the school if you are unaware of your Rec - Yr 6 child's House Team.

All students who participate are given points for their team.... Participation is important as is good sportsmanship.

Students are strongly encouraged to stay for the entire day. As it is a school event.

**The canteen will not be open. Students may bring a packed lunch. The PCC will have cupcakes and coffee for sale on the day. A PCC lunch order form was sent out or you can order via Qkr! Closing date: Monday 3rd April**

Programs will be sent out on Skoolbag and SeeSaw and a hard copy will be sent home.

If you are taking photos and posting on Social Media, please be mindful that you are only posting photos of your children and not others.

The official opening will take place at approximately 8:50am. Junior Primary students may watch but will then return to their classes where they will remain in normal lessons until their scheduled early recess time. (Students to bring recess and fruit as usual) During this time, the JP students will have the opportunity to visit the cupcake stand (with their teacher) to purchase cupcakes.

The JP students will have recess then begin their health hustle followed by the rotation of activities. This will be at approximately 10:50am.

The Year 3-6 students move straight into their events after the opening, continuing through to lunch.

At approximately 12:30pm, staff will collect pre-ordered lunches. After lunch, students participate in sprints on the oval and stay for the relays and presentations. We aim to close the day between 2:45-3pm.

**Please ensure you don't take your child home early if they are in a relay.**

Please note: in case of inclement weather, events may be restructured, removed from the program or shortened. If the weather forecast on Monday evening indicates that it will be too wet or dangerous to run the day it will be moved to Wednesday (12/04). If we can't hold it Wednesday we will fulfill lunch orders but cancel Sports Day.

## Sports Day Set-up

Many hands make light work... if you are able to come along and help set up for Sports Day at 7:45am on Tuesday morning (11/04) we would greatly appreciate it. Similarly, if you can hang around at the end of the day and help pack up, we would also really appreciate it.

Teachers have made contact with parents as they need two parent helpers per age group. If you are able to help and haven't already offered, please let the classroom teacher know.

## Sports Day Volunteers

Again many hands make light work... if you are able to volunteer any time through out the day to help with events or volunteering for the PCC Coffee and Cupcake stand we would really appreciate it!

This is so we can successfully run the stand throughout the entire event and our volunteers can still watch their children's events.

If you can help out please message the facebook page: *Balaklava Primary School Volunteers*.

Please see page 12 for the roster.



## Information for ALL Spectators and Volunteers

All Spectators / Visitors to the School (including parents, community members and non BPS siblings / children)

### MUST:

- Pre-ordered lunch for non-school student spectators, cupcakes, drinks and coffee will be located outside of the OSU – North of the Bus Road.
- The school canteen is not available for lunch orders on the day, students will need to pre-order a sports day lunch or bring lunch from home.
- Students will stay in their class group when eating.
- JP students are given the opportunity to purchase cupcakes throughout the morning (prior to the start of their sports day). Please feel free to send your child with money for a cupcake and a staff member will assist them.
- Use the Disabled toilet located in the BER building. This is a single toilet. At times, there may be a line up so please be patient. Alternatively, there are public toilets available in Apex Park (near the Skate Park) Visitors are not to use the other toilets located onsite as these are dedicated staff and student toilets.
- The water bubblers will be available for filling up water bottles.
- The playgrounds and equipment must not be used by any non-school children at all throughout the day. If younger siblings are attending Sports Day and are restless, we suggest you take them to Apex Park to play on the fantastic public playground.
- Spectators and volunteers will need to stay on the Eastern (Wallace Street) side of the oval to watch the sprints and relays. Please feel free to BYO chair and / or picnic rug. Only school students and staff are to be sitting near the House Team shades.
- Students are strongly encouraged to stay for the entire day as it is a school event. Many of the students will be required to run in their House Team relays.
- If **students are leaving early**, a parent must speak with the teacher first and then the student must be signed out. The sign out sheets for JP students will be with class teachers and for Year 3-6 students the sign out sheet will be located near the Scorers' tent. First Aid will also be located in the Scorers' tent.

If the weather is going to be warm, we will continually remind students throughout the day to wear their hat, re-apply sunscreen and drink plenty of water.

Looking forward to a great day. We encourage Participation and Good Sportsmanship from competitors and spectators.

Regards, Dianna

# SPORTS DAY VOLUNTEER ROSTER

This is a major fund-raiser for BPS and takes many people to make it run smoothly, we understand everyone is busy and your top priority on the day is to support your child.

## COFFEE/CUPCAKE STAND - 3 PEOPLE PER SHIFT

8:45am - 10:30am	1. Gaynor Tink
	2. Libby Birkmyre
	3. Melissa Smith
10:30am - 12:00pm	1. Alina Lewis
	2. Jess Medley
	3. Joanna Harvey
12:00pm - 1:30pm	1. <b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>
	2. <b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>
	3. <b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>
1:30pm - 3:00pm	1. <b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>
	2. <b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>
	3. <b>VOLUNTEER NEEDED</b>

If we cannot fulfill the volunteer spots required for the Coffee/Cupcake stand, please note we will need to close the stand at **12pm**.

## LUNCH PREP

9:00am - 10:30am	1. Alicia Trench
	2. Tanya Marriott
	3. Lee Bailey
	4. Amy May

## LUNCH PACK

11:30am - 12:30pm	1. Megan Pengilly
	2. Ali Tiller
	3. Tess Would
	4. Melissa Moulds

## BBQ COOKS

11:00am - 12:00pm	1. Shannon Petch
	2. Nick May

Keep an eye out on our Facebook Page (Balaklava Primary School Volunteers), Skoolbag and the Newsletter for more information about the up-coming events over the next few weeks.



**Balaklava Primary School Volunteers**

Private group · 143 members

We are seeking volunteers to assist with the Sports Day Lunch Orders, as it is essential for the provision of the Lunch Orders. If you can help, sign out to the PCC on the BPS Volunteers Facebook Page or Via Messenger. There are 22 shifts to fulfil (lunch prep, packing, bbq cooking, cupcake stand etc), allowing everyone to attend their children's events.

*This number does not account for parent involvement necessary for each event.*

**Balaklava Primary School**

**Sports Day**

**Tuesday 11th April 2023**

**LUNCH ORDER FORM**



**MENU**

- SAUSAGE IN BREAD: \$2-
- HAMBURGER WITH CHEESE \$5-
- HAMBURGER, CHEESE & SALAD \$6-
- CHICKEN, LETTUCE & MAYO ROLL \$7-
- FRUIT BOX \$1.50-

\*CUPCAKES and COFFEE available on the day

\*\*SOFT DRINKS available on the day \$2.50ea (Adults only)

\*\*\*QKR ORDERS PREFERRED

Dear parents,

The PCC will once again be providing a BBQ lunch on Sports Day for all students and their families. We will be using a pre-order system to assist with catering. QKR (preferred) or Money and order forms need to be returned to school by Monday 3rd April 2023.

Parent and Caregiver lunches are to be listed separately from student lunches. Student lunches will be delivered to the student class group and parent/caregiver lunches are to be picked up at the PCC cupcake, drink and coffee stand on the day.

We encourage families to participate and have lunch with their children and enjoy a great day out!

Many Thanks,  
BPS PCC

**SPORTS DAY BBQ LUNCH ORDER FORM - By Monday 3rd April 2023**

Family Name..... Parent Name..... I enclose \$.....

*\*\*Please list number of each item required*

	STUDENT	STUDENT	STUDENT	PARENT/EXTRA
NAME →				
CLASS →				
Sausage in Bread \$2ea				
Hamburger w Cheese \$5ea				
Hamburger, cheese & salad \$6ea				
Chicken, lettuce & mayo roll \$7ea				
Fruitbox \$1.50ea				

Please note if you wish to purchase lunch from the BBQ at Sports Day you will be required to have this form completed and back to the front office by the end of the school day on **MONDAY 3RD APRIL (WEEK 10).**

Purchasing lunch straight from the BBQ lunch will not be available on Sports Day.

Any orders placed after this will not be fulfilled.



## Ride 2 School Day



National Ride2School Day is Australia's biggest celebration of active travel and one of the best days on the school calendar. From 8am many of our teachers, SSOs and parents provided support and supervision for many of our students to be able to safely ride to school on Friday 24th March 2023.

The day was full of fun where students discovered the joy of riding their bikes, scooters, rollerblades or skateboards to school. During the school day junior and middle primary students rode around the school bike track and bus road, with some even learning to ride without training wheels. Our older students experienced the thrill of riding on the skate park or dirt bike track at Apex Park.

A big thank you to all our families who helped with supervision and for making sure all students bikes and helmets were in working order. Every student received a sticker for riding to school and we hope they continue to love riding safely on roads and bike tracks.

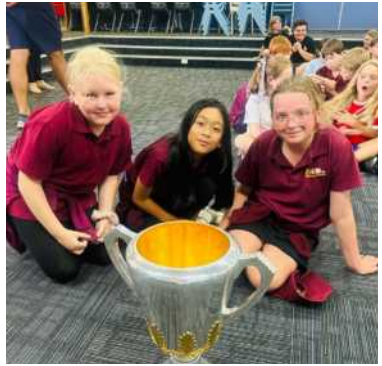
**- Mrs Pudney**





# Premiership Cups

On Monday 27th March we were lucky enough to look and even hold the Premiership Cups as part of the AFL Gather Round. We also supported this in wearing our favourite sports wear or football colours. It was a great experience!





# NAPLAN Report

Week 8 saw our Year 3 and 5 students complete their NAPLAN testing for 2023. Our students are to be commended on their efforts and the way they tackled each test with great confidence. For parents and caregivers, please understand that NAPLAN is a snapshot of their learning on that particular day. As a school we use this data to help set our future directions and to validate some of the initiatives we have been working hard on over the past two years. With results coming out early in 2023 we look forward to sharing our results with you and our whole school results with our school community.

**- Michelle Pudney**



## RECYCLING FOR TERM 1

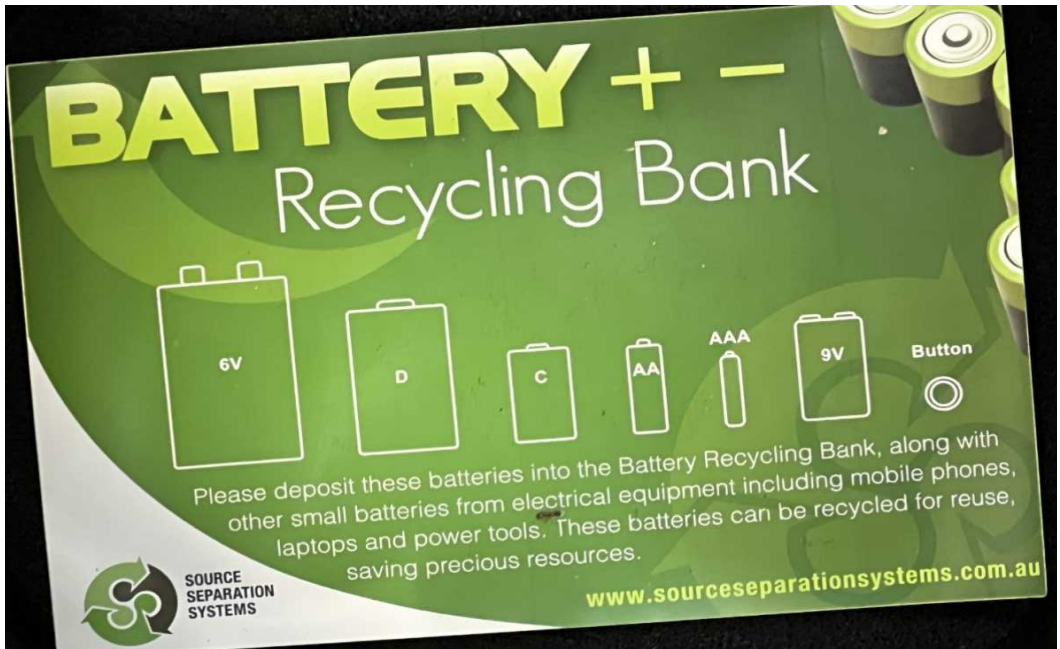


At BPS we love to recycle! This term we are recycling the following:

- Batteries
- Bread Tags
- Bottle Caps

If you have any of the above laying around at home please bring them into the front office and we have special bins to put it all in. We have stopped collecting breadbags for now as we have heaps and heaps and as widely advertised in the news, Australia has not one single soft plastics recycling plant.

Remember you can recycle at home too!



# Science



In science so far this year we have been focusing on gaining skills around inquiry-based learning where we have had an emphasis on learning through experimentation. Some of the exciting things we have done are :

**Room 6 & 7** – Learning about what kinds of things animals and plants need to survive and how we are able to make sure that the needs of animals (including humans) and plants are met. One fun activity we did was to pack a back pack with all the things we would need to survive if we were going to go camping for a few days.

**Ber 1** – We have been learning about all things to do with weather. We have taken a weather walk and tried to identify how we can predict what the weather might be, we have learned about weather symbols on maps and we have made wind catchers.

**Ber 3 & 4** – We have been learning about heat, including how to measure heat, how to insulate against heat and cold and we have learned how to read thermometers while predicting and measuring different temperatures.

**Room 2 & Ber 2** – We have been learning all about forces including contact and non-contact forces. We have discovered when and how forces are used in sport, and other areas of our lives and we have done some exciting experiments testing out various types of forces.

**Rooms 14, 18 & 20** – We have been learning how to compare and classify different changes to materials. We have also explored new terms, such as, solubility, dissolving, reversible and irreversible changes, solvents, and solutes. We have also learned how to write practical reports for the experiments we have been doing.

- Denise Herreen



# Auslan - Animals

## ANIMALS



**Animal**

Clenched fist moved in circle in front of nose.



**Bird**

Bring pinched fingers in front of mouth and open and close, like a bird's beak. Hint:



**Cat**

Stroke the back of flat hand twice. Hint:



**Emu**

Move bunched hand forwards and backwards like a pecking emus beak. Hint:



**Fish**

With fingers spread slightly on both hands rest the wrist of one hand on the wrist of the other so hands are at 90 degrees, palms facing you. Wiggle fingers. Hint:



**Fish**

With hand flat, horizontal and thumb pointing up, start with hand in front of body and move hand across in front of body in and forwards and backwards wavy motion. Thumb may also be down.



**Cat**

With hands (or just one hand) in a flat, pointer finger and thumb extended equal with toes just to the side of mouth, draw hands sideways and close pointer tip to thumb tip. Hint:



**Chicken**

Start with pointer and thumb extended, but apart, near mouth. Move fingers together and downwards and tap on palm of other hand two or three times. Hint:



**Cow**

With fists at temples move hands outwards and upwards in an arc. Hint:



**Fish**

With fingers spread apart and pointing forward, thumb tip touching face just under chin wiggle fingers a few times.



**Horse**

With pointer and middle fingers extended and pointing forward, rest pointer and middle fingers of your other hand on either side of the fingers of first hand. Then move hands, together, forward in an arc.



**Kangaroo**

Bounce downward cupped hands forward in an arch three times.



**Cow**

With little finger and thumb extended from flat on both hands, thumb tip touching head at temples and little fingers pointing downwards. Simultaneously move both hands up and outwards in an arc. Hint:



**Deer**

Hold up hands each side of head with fingers apart, like antlers, and move outwards. Hint:



**Dog**

Flat open leg with flat hand two or three times. Hint:



**Koala**

Cross arms and hold arms with open like hands.



**Possum**

Extend the pointer fingers on both hands and hang one on the other, raising the top hand back and forth. Hint:



**Rabbit**

With pointer and middle fingers of both hands extended and pointing upwards, thumbs extended and touching temples, bend fingers forward twice quickly. Hint:



**Animal**

With pointer and little finger pointing up and thumb touching other fingers, move hand forward.



**Bear**

Start with palm facing nose and fingers bent backwards (almost straight and apart) around nose. The cross hands at wrist in front of chest with hands in a fist.



**Crocodile**

With arms and hands out in front of you, fingers curved towards each other like teeth, move hands apart and together like jaws. Hint:



**Sheep**

With both thumb and little finger extended from flat, stroke little finger downwards on cheek twice. Hint:



**Snake**

From closed hand in front of mouth (facing out), wriggle pointer and middle fingers and move away from face. Like striking fangs. Hint:



**Tortoise**

Place hands on top of each other, palms down and thumbs extended. Form circles with thumbs, like swimming limbs of the turtle. Hint:



**Duck**

With hand in front of mouth, pointer and middle fingers extended forward and upwards, thumb extended downwards, tap thumb and fingers together twice. Hint:



**Echidna**

Place a spread open hand, palm forward and fingers pointing slightly towards elbow, behind and against the flat of other hand and spread fingers forward and up slightly.



**Elephant**

Starting with fist, thumb towards nose, draw hand down and outwards in an 'S' shape. Hint:



**Wombat**

With ring, middle and pointer fingers extended downwards in front of body, move hands alternately forward in small slow arcs.



**Kookaburra**

With thumb, pointer and middle fingers extended and apart, pointing forward, place thumb near corner of mouth and move hand forward in a two small arcs. Hint:



**Lizard**

Start with fist in front of mouth, off to one side slightly, with palm forward and thumb in front of fingers. Place pointer finger out of fist so that it points upwards once or twice. Hint:



**Emu**

Move bunched hand forwards and backwards like a pecking emus beak. Hint:



**Fox**

Place hand in front of nose with fingers bent towards you and thumb extended, move hand away while closing fingers towards thumb. Like tracing the mouth. Hint:



**Frog**

Tap underside of chin with the back of bent fingers of hand, twice. Hint:



**Pig**

Move fist, with thumb towards nose, in a small circle around nose. Hint:



**Spider**

Walk spread fingers up the back of your forearm.



**Toad**

Hold one hand and arm flat in front of body. Curve fingers and thumb downwards on other hand and bounce slightly arm to touch thumb on the body side of your arm.

# ASSEMBLY AWARD WINNERS - WEEK 8



**Rm 6**  
Luca, Zayne & Jyran



**Rm 7**  
Hattie & Jed



**Rm 8**  
Leyton



**Rm 2**  
Annabelle & Rhea



**Ber 1**  
Kaleah & Nate



**Ber 2**  
Casey



**Ber 3**  
Chloe & Tim



**Ber 4**  
Lacey



**Rm 14a**  
Ava & Lexie



**Rm 18**  
Zander



**Rm 20**  
Delilah & Ryan

## PRC AWARDS



## LEXILE AWARDS

### **BLUE**



### **RED**



### **BRONZE**





# Autumn HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2023

## CRAFT ACTIVITIES

**Anzac Day Poppies**

April 15th to 22nd

**Mother's Day Craft**

April 24th to 29th

### Events

Bush Buddies @ the  
Library **FULLY BOOKED**



### Library CLOSURE

25th April 2023

Library staff would like to  
wish you a  
Happy Easter

### SCHOOL HOLIDAY OPENING HOURS

Mon - Fri 9:00AM -  
4:30 PM

(closed for lunch 1 - 2PM)  
Saturday 9AM - 12PM



## EVERYDAY NINTENDO FUN

You can now book in to use our Nintendo  
Switch Lites to play Minecraft, Animal  
Crossing, Pokemon and more.



## NEW TO THE LIBRARY

Big Games 4 IN A ROW,  
STACK 'N' FALL, WILD PINES  
TRAINSET



## ANIMAL FOAM MOSAICS

These Animal Foam Mosaics make cute  
magnets for your fridge! Simply peel and  
stick the included foam pieces to complete  
your design! Includes. All holidays. While  
stock lasts



## EVERYDAY HOLIDAY FUN

Join us each day during opening hours to build and  
create with Lego and our Magnetic Tiles. Practice  
your balancing skills with our nutty balance. Learn  
the flags of the world in our memory game and more.





**BALAKLAVA FOOTBALL  
& NETBALL CLUB**  
SINCE 1903

## AUSKICK & NET SET REGISTRATIONS

# OPEN



[www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/dac6e8](http://www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/dac6e8)



[www.playhq.com/afl/register/85a011](http://www.playhq.com/afl/register/85a011)

The 10 week program begins in Week 1 of Term 2, on 4th of May, and will run on Thursday nights 4:00pm-5:00pm unless otherwise specified.

We are still looking for coaches for NET and SET, if this is something you think you can do please get in contact with our Junior Coordinator Ashleigh Leonello on 0427 759 955

If you have any other questions please contact Hannah Hoepner on 0429 643 010

**NET**  
For children 5-6 years.

Net is all about picking up basic movement skills. Get ready to run, catch, and play a lot of ball games.

**SET**  
For children aged 7-8 years

Set is a bit more netball focussed. You'll play practice matches, learn positions and work on those lightning passes.

**Tyson & Alisha Senior** are coaching and coordinating the program again this year. Please contact Alisha for any further details 0417 875 269

Auskick offers super fun game-based activities that kids absolutely love. Tailored for different ages and skill levels, and non-contact

**Begins Thursday 4th May for 10 weeks during Term 2 4:00PM - 5:00PM**

All children born 2017 & 2018

**SPORTS VOUCHERS**

**NETBALL:** Go to the Sports Voucher website, fill in the form and send it to [baloknetball@gmail.com](mailto:baloknetball@gmail.com) for reimbursement

**FOOTBALL:** Enter your 11-digit code (your child's Medicare number + their reference number) on the payment screen and the price will reset to \$0 if using a government sports voucher




register now at [mygolf.org.au](http://mygolf.org.au)

Come and join us for a beginner MyGolf Come & Try clinic at 9am at Balaklava Golf Club prior to the Mid North Junior Golf event.

**Balaklava Golf Club**  
Join us on Sunday 7 May  
9am-10am for a fun beginner  
Come & Try Clinic



Free to attend  
Must register at [mygolf.org.au](http://mygolf.org.au)  
No equipment needed

The session will introduce kids to golf in a safe and friendly environment. Participants will learn new skills, make new friends and most importantly, HAVE FUN!




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THE MORE THINGS YOU WILL  
KNOW. THE MORE THAT YOU  
LEARN, THE MORE PLACES  
YOU'LL GO.

— DR. DEBSS

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Community



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Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>1</b>	30/1 Term 1 Begins	31/1	1/2	2/2 Newsletter	3/2
<b>2</b>	6/2	7/2	8/2	9/2	10/2 Assembly 2:20pm
<b>3</b>	13/2	14/2 Welcome Night	15/2	16/2 Newsletter	17/2
<b>4</b> Swimming Lessons	20/2 Yr 6 Aquatics Camp	21/2	22/2	23/2	24/2 New student photos Assembly 2:20pm
<b>5</b> Swimming Lessons	27/2	28/2 SAPSASA Summer Hub Carnival NAPLAN Practice Test	1/3 Swimming Carnival Bus Mtg	2/3 Newsletter	3/3
<b>6</b>	6/3	7/3	8/3 Road Crossing Training	9/3	10/3 Assembly 2:20pm
<b>7</b>	13/3 Public Holiday Adelaide Cup	14/3 Gov Council AGM	15/3 NAPLAN	16/3 Newsletter NAPLAN	17/3 PCC AGM NAPLAN
<b>8</b>	20/3 NAPLAN	21/3 Harmony Day NAPLAN	22/3 Jon Maddin Performance NAPLAN	23/3 Jon Maddin Performance NAPLAN	24/2 Ride 2 School Day Assembly 2pm NAPLAN
<b>9</b>	27/3 SAPSASA Swimming Clare	28/3	29/3	30/3 Newsletter	31/3 PCC Mtg 1:30pm Pre-Sports Day Events
<b>10</b>	3/4 Parent Teacher Interviews	4/4	5/4	6/4 SAPSASA Girls Football - Riverton RE	7/4 Public Holiday Good Friday
<b>11</b>	10/2 Public Holiday Easter Monday	11/4 Sports Day	12/4 SAPSASA Winter Hub	13/4 Newsletter Festival Theatre Assesment	14/4 Last Day of Term 1 2:10pm Dismissal

Meetings	SAPSASA	Student Free Days	Excursions
Fundraising	Incursions	Assemblies	