

## Balaklava Primary School newsletter



Our Read \& Grow Book wall is looking very full!

## Important Dates

## NOVEMBER

7th - Children's Uni Graduation - Ade

8th - Rm 6/7 Zoo Visit
9th - Dijeribone Perfor.

- Yr 3 Sleepover

10th - Ber3/4 Excursion
14th - BCCC: School Tour 1pm

- Parent Meeting 2pm

15th - Bus Mtg

- BCCC Trans - till 12pm

16th - BCCC: School Tour 1pm

- Parent Meeting 2pm

17th - Colour Run

- RE

21st - Finance Mtg

- Gov C ounil Mtg
- BCCC Trans-till

1:30pm
23rd - BCCC Transition

- Yr 6 BBQ Disco TBC

24th - Student Free Day
28th - BCCC Trans-All day

Assemblies for Term 4
Week 4,8 and 10 will be held at 2:20pm.
No assembly Week 6 as Student Free Day.

## Assembly Timetable

| Wk | Hosting <br> Class | Presenting Classes |
| :---: | :--- | :--- |
| $\mathbf{4}$ | Rm 18 | Rm 7, Rm 2 \& Rm 14 |
| $\mathbf{8}$ | Ber 2 | Ber 4, Ber 2, Rm 8 |

Government of South Australia
Department for Education


## From the Principal

## World Teachers Day

Last Friday was World Teachers Day. We were very fortunate that Diane and our
 ancillary staff spoilt the teaching staff not only on Friday but for the entire week. We acknowledged our dedicated and passionate teachers who work hard day in and day out to make a difference. Their enthusiasm, dedication and passion is a credit to them. I think you will join me in sending an extra special thank you for the way that our tea chers continue to support our students a nd families with care.


To our amazing educators: Thank you for inspining and educating our children throughout their leaming joumey. We are very fortunate to have you at Balaklava Prima ry School.


## Phone Issues

We are aware that we are having issues with our phone lines. When someone from School phones you, the number displayed on your sc reen shows 8862 1800. If you try to call this number back, the call will fail.


Please dial 88621660 if you need to contact the school.

We hope to have this problem rectified as soon as possible.

## COVID-19 <br> UPDATE

## Covid update

Please ensure you contact us as soon as possible if yourchild testspositive to Covid or are a close contact. There are notification requirements for the Department as well as requirements regarding notifying staff and families.

We do have a Covid Positive Notification form available on Audir for families to provide us with the information we require. Please be reminded that if students are unwell, they must not attend school. Plea se see pages 20-21 for updated information.

## Illness

It is extremely important that we minimise the spread of illness.

The best way to stop the spread is to ensure that your child does not attend school when unwell.
 Students must stay home for 24 hours after their last symptom, however, to ensure you child iscompletely rec overed, we do strongly encourage you to keep your child home for 48 hours after their last symptom. It takes everyone doing the right thing to ensure we can limit the impact for all students a nd staff.

# $\sim 2024 \sim$ 

## Classes:

It is that time of the school year that staff are thinking forward to 2024. It is extremely important that we know your intentions for 2024 in order to have class numbers as accurate as possible. If you know of a nyone moving into the area, please encourage them to book a time to meet with myself. Please send me an email, text or give me a ring if your children will not be attending Balaklava Primary next year. We appreciate yoursupport in helping to make this process as strea mlined as possible.

## 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 a nd structure. We a lso try to ensure we put together groups of students who will work and learn well together.

To do this we consider:

- The lea ming needs of each child.
- A good balance of boys and girls.
- Lea ming 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 leam 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 lea ming or health needs. If you believe that your child has such needs, we will strive to do our very best to take this into consideration when we finalise 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 requests will be considered but are not always possible. We do ask that you do not request specific teachers as staffing for 2024 has not been confirmed.

Please ensure all requests are forwarded in writing via a letter addressed to myself or emailed to dl.0477.info@schools.sa.edu.au Letters of request need to be sent through by no laterthan Friday November 3rd.

## Transition

Kindy
The classroom visits from Kindy children who will be starting at BPS in 2024 will increase this tem. This is an opportunity for the children and their families to build confidence about their approaching time at BPS and for us all to get to know the students a little better.
Kindy Transition Days:

- Tues, November 21st (until 12pm)
- Tues, November 23rd (until 1:30pm)
- Thurs, November 28th (All day)

Kindy parentsrec eived a named Enrolment pack with further information about these visits.

## We ask that all kindy children have their enrolment papenwork retumed priorto their first visit.

We welcome Parents to drop their children off outside the gate of Rooms 6 \& 7. Staff will support children to unpack their bag and prepare for the day. Please help us to begin to build independence by not unpacking or packing for your child. Upon pick-up please wait outside of the gate of the fenced area outside the classroom. Thank you for supporting us to help your child become school ready.
School Tour/Parent Meeting Days:

- Tues, November 14th - School Tour 1pm, Parent Meeting 2pm
Thurs, November 16th - School Tour 1pm, Parent Meeting 2pm


## Year6

This tem is an especially exciting one for the Year 6 students. As they look back on their time in Primary School, prepare for graduation and possible changes ahead in friendships and routines, they will need our support and understanding.

We are looking for their best effort and a memorable last term with us.

Simone, Jo and Bec, and Abby and Andrew will continue to communicate with Year 6 families about the transition program for the tem.

> Year6 Transition Days at BHS
> - Thurs, December 7th (All day)
> - Fri, December 8th (All day)

> Year 6 Graduation at BPS
> - Thurs, December 14th

BALAKLAVA PRIMARY SCHOOL
11 Christmas Hampers Raffle
Each class is being asked to prepare a Christmas Hamper to be raffled and drawn at the

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Week 1

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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 appreciate each student donating one item towards their class hamper
\$1 PER TICKET
Win a wonderful surprise just in time for Christmas Celebrations!

Booklets of tickets will be sent home with the Week 3 Newsletter for the students to sell and additional tickets will be available from the front office.

Tickets (sold and unsold) must be returned to the school with any money no later then Friday 8th December, Week 8.

## Chlldren's University



Our Graduation Night is scheduled for 6pm Tuesday 7th November (Week 4), Bonython Ha ll, Adelaide University.

We congratulate our 23,2023 graduating Children's University students. Photos will be included in the next newsletter. If you have got a seat on the bus please be here by $3: 20 \mathrm{pm}$ to leave by $3: 30 \mathrm{pm}$. More information will be in the letter sent home with students this week.

Last week at assembly special badges from Children's Uni were given to the students who went above and beyond taking part in online activities and C.U destinations. Those students were, Caitlin T, Georgia M and Tyler T (from BHS).

- Mrs Cleary

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Aswe are in Novembera lready C hristmas is just a round the comer!

The Balaklava Christmas Pageant is on Friday 22nd December.

BPS normally put in a float, the idea for the float has not been worked out yet. Once a decision has been made we will let you know.

## CASUAL CLOTHES DAY

Wednesday 13th Dec (Week 9)

## 'DRESS LIKE A GARDUER'

As we say goodbye to Geoff \& Kevyna Gardner, our grounds keepers as they start their retirement, we thought what a fun idea it would be to dress up.



## Dijeribone Performance

On Thursday 9th Nov (Week 4), we will be having a Dijeribone performance at BPS.

If you have not already paid your performance fee please do so by
 3pm, Wednesday 8th Nov. You will receive a text message reminderif you have not paid yet.

## PRC Awards

The 2023 Premier's Reading Challenge has come to an end.

A huge congratulations to the studnets who completed the PRC.

Awards Issued:

- Certificates - 34
- Bronze - 30
- Silver- 37
- Gold - 34
- Champion-39
- Legend - 30
- Hall of Fame - 27

Congratulations to all students who partic ipated!


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Emily Behn
Rec / Year 1


Jess Bushnell The Arts



Jo Michalanney
Year5/6


Wendy Richards Year $1 / 2$



Kat Brooke
Disa bility Unit



Eleen Patterson Early C a reer \& NIT


Kim Palka
Year $3 / 4$

## Soccer


to Year 3 students have been enjoying leaming and developing their skills and techniques in Soccer with our professional coach, Michael. The Soccer Clinic is made possible due to Sporting Schools, an Australian Govemment initiative designed to help schools increase children's participation in sport and connect them with community sport opportunities.

Sporting Schools programs are provided free to children to help students build the confidence and capability to be active for life. To help achieve this, the Australian Sports Commission has partnered with more than 35 national sporting organisations (NSOs) and national sporting organisations for people with disability (NSODs). For this we are extremely grateful, that our students at Balaklava Primary School can be involved and experience sport, teamwork and the joy of being active in our community.

It was very good, I lea mt lots of skills quic kly. I enjoyed all the activities Mic hael set up for us' - Kahleah C
'It was really fun, the activities were good a nd it wore us out before retuming to class. Playing as a team was fun and it was even better when we were able to challenge Michael our coach' - Pa trick P
'The best thing about playing soccer was that we could play a whole soccer game a nd I lea mt how to chip the ball, it was really cool' - HarperMcD

I liked playing soccer and the games we played. I would really like to play more soccer at recess a nd lunch' - Danny K


## Graphing in Ber 4

In BER 4 we have used a tally chart to collect data by asking students in the class a question. We have then collated the data and put it into a column graph.

These are now displayed in our classroom! - Miss Durkay


## Governing Council News

## 2024 Materials \& Services Charge

At the last meeting held $31 / 10 / 23$, the $2024 \mathrm{M} \&$ Scharge wasdisc ussed and a pproved to be $\$ 290 /$ student. We will continue to offer a discount if full fees are pa id by end of Wk1 T1 2024.

For those who are eligible for School Card, procedures will remain the same as this year.
2024 a d ditional le vies a nd charges will rema in the same. Swim \$15, Performance \$30 (4 plus) or $\$ 10$ each and IT levy $\$ 10$. Camps and excursions with costs etc will be notified as they occur.

Invoic es will be posted early in J anuary for all students. Registration Days/ Pack pic $k$ ups will be held in WkO Tl as per previous years. More information will be sent out at laterdate.

## 2023 Materials \& Sevvic es Charge/ Debt Collection

We are disappointed to note that there are a few families who have not completed their obligation to make payment to BPS and in some cases making no response at all. The school simply cannot afford to camy overdue accounts and it is unfair on the rest of the school community to ask them to bear more than their fair share of the burden.

At the same above meeting, debtors were put forward with debt collection proceeding recommendations. Goveming Councilisaware of the BPSstepstaken to recoup outstanding feesand in the majority of caseswhere no positive resp onse hasbeen rec eived, these debtors were approved to be moved onto the DfE debt collection department forcommencement of legal proceedings.

BPS requests for payment will be issued for a final time at the 2023 School Card Application close mid November. From this time the matter will handled by DFE.

Balakla va Primary is very lucky to have the vast majority of fa miliesacknowledge and action $\mathrm{M} \& 5$ payments and instalment plans. We are very grateful forthis.


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- The class with the most online profiles will receive

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HEADBAND ORDER - Closes Mex Mex pay



Family Name
Name of eldest
child at BPS
T-Shirts @ \$5 each (indicate quantity next to desired size)
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$\qquad$ $8 \quad 10$ $\qquad$ 12 $\qquad$ 14 $\qquad$ Total \$ $\qquad$

Headbands @ \$3.50 each (One size fits all) Qty $\qquad$ Total \$ $\qquad$

Payment can be made (please indicate):
$\square$ at Front Desk by: Cash, Cheque or Eftpos
$\square$ by EFT to BSB: 065000 Account: 12133346
$\square$ Via QKR
Parent Signature: Date:....../....../2023

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## AusLan

When I go into Auslan I like doing the songs like 'I am Australian'- Ta mika -Room 2
I like playing BINGO and doing the matching cards in Auslan - Levi- Room 2
I really like Sally and Possum- Mahalia-Room 6
I like to watch Sally and Possum and play matching games- Leo - Room 6
I like to watch Sally and Possum and come into a circle ready to do my name- AmahliRoom 7

I like being able to help people who are Deaf- Eli- Room 7
I like it when we watch Sally and Possum- Adam - Room 8
I like all of the songs that we play- Lottie- Room 8
I like Home among the gum trees Leyton- Room 8
I have been getting betterat doing my name- Bodie- Room 14
The Auslan games are good as they help us leam to match words with the signs- LexieRoom 14

I like the Auslan songs we leam- Holly - Room 18
I like finger spelling and I find Auslan easy for me to learn - Charlotte R- Room 18
I have really enjoyed doing Auslan this year, it is really cool- Logan- Room 20
I enjoy Auslan when we watch The Silent Child and Feeling Through short movies about Deaf people. I also like leaming all the new words-Halle- Room 20

I love how we all come in and sit in a circle ready to start the lesson- Nate- BER 1
I love how we can leam to communicate with Deaf people- Madilyn- BER 1
I like doing my name and BINGO games are pretty good fun, Olympic games is cool -Sid- BER 2

I enjoy Auslan bec ause it is quiet and it is easy for me- Laura- BER 2
I like leaming my name and other words and the BINGO game- Lucy- BER 3

I like BINGO in Auslan - Fred- BER 3
I like learning more signs each week - J ett- BER 4
I like leaming the signs so that when I am older I can help people who are deaf- Indianna-BER 4


## Community Garden Visit



Some of our BPS green thumbs helped out in the Wakefield Community Garden Balaklava. We had so much fun helping a nd maintaining the garden beds,

After all our hard work, we were able to taste freshly picked, delic ious stra wbemies.


## BALAKLAVA PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

## END OF VER GELEBATION

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## SAPSASA BASkETBALL



6am people woke up and got ready to drive to the SBC sta dium. At 9:30am the Balakla va girls were already playing their first game versing Port Augusta Park, they lost sadly. Then at 10:14am the boys played their first game against SJS Renmark and we lost by 10 points. And we were rusty as.

10:36am the Balaklava girls sec ond game a gainst Crossways Lutheran they won by 2 points. Then at 10:58am the Balaklava boysplayed against Port Augusta West and we tied aftera very intense game.

11:42am Balaklava girls played against Redeemer and lost sadly. 12:04pm Balaklava boys versed Cowell and won by 5 points. FINALS the gins lost when they versed a team from the other pool. Then the boys won against a team from the other pool.

The girls lost their last game which was another final. The boys won their game to place 5th over the whole toumament. Then some people got some merchandise and went home.

By Mason \& Chase



To enable us to continue offering great food and service, we need volunteers (mums, dads, grandparents, etc)

You can help once a term or whatever suits you. Generally, the hours are from 9.30am to 12.30 pm , or anywhere in between.

To show our appreciation for your time, you will be offered a free lunch, endless tea/coffee and great company with a few laughs along the way.


To find out more and to meet one of our Canteen Managers, come along to one of our information sessions below.

## WHEN:



Monday 4th December at 9.30am in the Community Library OR
Repeat session on Tuesday 5th December at 5pm in the Community Library

For further information please contact Peta on 88620600.
We look forward to seeing you there!

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 - avoid shared spaces and maintain physical distance.





STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO:

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& \text { period following exposure } \star \wedge
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with another adult who has tested positive for you spend a cumulative period of 4 hours indoors,
in close physical proximity and not wearing a mask
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CONTACT DEFINITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS


## Close contact information

If you have had close contact with someone who has COVID-19, you are at an increased risk of getting COVID-19. Close contact includes living with or having spent a lot of time indoors with someone with COVID-19.

People with COVID-19 are considered infectious two days before their symptoms started, or two days before their positive COVID-19 test was taken if they have no noticeable symptoms.

If you are a close contact, there are important things you can do to reduce the risk to others:

- Monitor for symptoms. If you get sick you should get tested and stay at home until you are well.
- Don't visit people at high risk of severe illness, or anyone in a hospital, or an aged or disability care facility. If you have to visit, do a rapid antigen test before you go.
- Wear a mask when in indoor places and on public transport.
- Frequent rapid antigen testing to help identify an infection early. This is particularly important if you are in contact with people at high risk of severe illness.
- Notify your employer, school or childcare setting that you are a close contact.

Following these close contact guidelines for at least 7 days will help to protect our community, in particular people at risk or with health vulnerabilities, while you are potentially infectious.


Wallace Street is very busy before and after school
We need parents to take responsibility in teaching yourchildren to cross the road safely. This means that when parking on the Eastem (Swimming Pool) side of Wa llace Street, you must walk yourc hildren to the dedic ated School Crossing in order to enter the School.

Please DO NOTcross 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.


Tha nk you for following this importa nt directive - Dianna

# 2023 TRANSITION 

SCHOOL VISTHS
Tuesday 21st Nov - until 12pm
Thursday 23 rd Nov - until 1:30 pm Tuesday 28 th Nov - all day

PARENT MEACTINGES Tuesday 14th Nov or Thursday 16th Nov $2 p m$, meet at Front Office


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School tour:
TUESDAY 14TH Nov - IPM THURSDAY 16TH Nov - IPM

Please phone the front office on (08) 88621660 to book.
Please disregard what was in the Newsletter regarding a
tour at the conclusion of the parent meeting.

## Assembly Awards - Week 2




Penelope \& Kaiden



Blue

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 Red

## Bronze



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## 25 Nights



## 50 Nights



## 75 Nights



## 100 Nights



## 100 Nights



## 125 Nights



## 175 Nights



## 200 Nights



## 250 Nights



## CROSSING MONITOR ROSTER

TERM 42023

| times | MONDAY | tuesday | WEDNESDAY | thursoay | friday |
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| TEACHER | MRS PUDNEY | MRS PUDNEY | MRS JARMAN | MRS JARMAN | MRS JARMAN |
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| TEACHER | MRS JaRMAN | MRS JARMAN | MRS PUDNEY | MRS PUDNEY | MRS JARMAN |

If YOU ARE UNABLE TO DO YOUR CROSSING DUTY PLEASE SWAP WITH SOMEONE ELSE OR ASK A RESERVE. PLEASE LET THE TEACHER ON DUTY KNOW iF YOU HAVE SWAPPED. ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE ASK MRS PUDNEY

## Community News

## The Metropolitan Male Choir of South Australia present

Saturday
9 December 7.30pm
*Elder Hall Adelaide \$30 Children under 12 admitted free!


Tickets:
QR Codes (atove) or call 0401 204 634 er visit www.mmesa.org

## A Celebration of Christmas

## Give Yourself the Gift of Music!

*This concert is supported by a grant from the Adelaide City Council's Arts and Culture Program


Term 4 Planner 2023

| Week | Monday | Tuesday | Wed nesday | Thursday | Friday |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | 16/10 | 17/10 | 18/10 | 19/10 <br> Newsletter | 20/10 <br> Principal Tour <br> 11am |
| 2 | 23/10 | 24/10 <br> Principal Tour <br> 1:30pm | 25/10 | 26/10 | 27/10 |
| 3 | 30/10 | 31/10 <br> Finance Mtg Gov Council Mtg | 1/11 <br> Dental Therapist Rm 6/7 | $\text { \| } 2 / 11$ <br> Newsletter <br> -Yr4/5 Camp | $3 / 11$ |
| 4 | 6/11 | 7/11 <br> Childrens Uni Graduation | $8 / 11$ <br> Rm 6/7 Zoo Visit | 9/11 <br> Dijeribone <br> Performance <br> Year3 <br> Sleepover | 10/11 <br> Ber 3/4 Excursion TBC <br> Rememberance Day (Sat 11/ 11) |
| 5 | 13/11 | 14/11 <br> BCCC: School <br> Tour-1pm BCCC: Parent Meeting 2pm | 15/11 <br> Bus Mtg | 16/11 <br> BCCC: School <br> Tour-1pm BCCC: Parent Meeting 2pm Newsletter | $17 / 11$ <br> COLOUR RUN RE |
| 6 | 20/11 | 21/11 <br> BCCC Transition <br> till 12pm <br> Finance Mtg <br> Gov Council <br> Mtg | 22/11 | 23/11 <br> BCCC <br> Transition till 1:30pm <br> Yr 6 BBQ Disco <br> TBC | 24/11 <br> Student Free Day |
| 7 | 27/11 | $\begin{array}{\|l} \hline \text { 28/11 } \\ \text { BCCC Transition } \\ \text { all day } \end{array}$ | 29/11 | $30 / 11$ <br> Newsletter | $\begin{aligned} & 1 / 12 \\ & \text { Pool Day - PRC } \end{aligned}$ |
| 8 | 4/12 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 5/12 } \\ & \text { Yr 5/6 Bounce } \end{aligned}$ | $6 / 12$ <br> Rm 2 Wallaroo | 7/12 <br> Ber 1 Blyth Cinema BHS Tra nsition | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { 8/12 } \\ & \text { JAM Band } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 9 | $11 / 12$ <br> EOY Concert | 12/12 | 13/12 <br> Reports go home 2024 C lass Visits | 14/12 <br> Newsletter <br> Yr 6 <br> Graduation | $15 / 12$ <br> Last Day of Term 4 2:10pm Early Dismissal |


| Meetings |  | SAPSASA |  | Student Free Days |  |
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| Exc ursions |  |  |  |  |  |
| Fundraising | Inc ursions |  | Assemblies |  |  |


[^0]:    Reading for the Challenge finishes on 8 September 2023

