



Warooka Schools Newsletter

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Term 1 Week 3 2018

Week commencing:

Monday 12 February 2018

DIARY DATES

February Tuesday 13 – Friday 16 Wednesday 14 – Friday 16 March Tuesday 6 Monday 12 Tuesday 13	R – 5 swimming 6/7 aquatics Sports Day Adelaide Cup public holiday Governing Council meeting 6:00 for 6:30pm at Tavern on Turton	March Thursday 15 Friday 30 April Monday 2 Tuesday 3 Thursday 5 Friday 6 Friday 13	Assembly 2:45pm Good Friday public holiday Easter Monday public holiday Student Free Day Interschool Sports Day at Maitland Back-up day for Interschool Sports Day Last day of term – early dismissal (2:25pm)
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From the Principal

Partnerships

Partnerships are vital for the success of our school, which is all about the learning of our students and children. A partnership which we value highly is that between the school and families. This important link provides continual communication and ongoing support for learners to achieve. We also encourage and appreciate partnerships in the wider community, with various businesses and groups supporting our endeavours while we aim to support our community.

The DECD Partnership to which we belong is the Southern Yorke Partnership. It includes all government preschools and schools on the Southern Yorke Peninsula as far north as Maitland. We work together as an education community with leaders and other educators from across sites meeting and learning together.

We look forward to building and strengthening our partnerships into the future.

Photography and filming of children

We understand that some parents/caregivers may wish to photograph or film their children's participation in school events.

In order to ensure the privacy of all students, please be aware that any vision or photographs taken must be for personal use only. Images taken of students other than your child should not be placed on public forums such as Facebook or YouTube.

If you attend swimming or aquatics lessons please do not take photos at all except of your own children. We appreciate your respect and co-operation in this matter.

Parents & Friends

This small group (currently 5 people) does an amazing job of organising events and raising money to support our students. But they would love to see some new members! If you would like to join the group or volunteer to help with a particular event then please contact the school and we will pass on your name.

Governing Council News

Thank you to everyone who attended our AGM on Tuesday night. During the meeting, I presented our school's annual report for 2017. This will soon be available on our website but if you would like a hard copy then please contact me and I can send one to you.

Members of our Governing Council this year are:

Josh Harkin (Chairperson)

James Sheppard (Deputy Chairperson & Secretary)

Chris Hayes (Treasurer)

Andy Bennett (Grounds)

Dale Hobbs

Jamie Murdoch

Jasmine Swales

Jo Rowe

Tanya Launer / Paula Hart (Parents & Friends)

Staff member (rotation)

Kerry-Ann Pointon (Principal)



Government of South Australia

Department for Education and
Child Development

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered to be part of this group. We especially welcome our newest members, Jo and Andy.

Meetings will be held on Tuesday evenings, usually in the 3rd and 8th weeks of the school term (please note there may be some exceptions).

Student Free Days have been approved for 3 April, 28 May, and either 10 or 17 September (this date to be confirmed). These days will support our educators in their continued learning together, and with others from across our Partnership.

Kerry-Ann

Visitors , excursions & special events

Acquaintance Night

Thank you to everyone who came to our barbecue last week. It was pleasing to see many families enjoying the evening, and spending time with staff members and other families. Special thanks to our cooks (Andy Bennett and Josh Harkin), BBQ supplier (Anthony Hart), everyone who brought a salad, and all the helpers before and on the night.

Port Adelaide Football Club community visit



Many students (and some staff members) were excited to welcome visitors yesterday from the Port Adelaide Football Club. Kelly Hean accompanied players, Darcy Byrne-Jones and Jarrod Lienert, who spoke with us about healthy lifestyles, joined the students in some activities and provided posters and autographs.

Swimming lessons

Students from Reception to Year 5 are enjoying their lessons at Point Turton this week, with near-perfect conditions greeting the groups on their first day. Our preschool children also joined in with a beach visit on Tuesday. Thank you to Port Vincent Aquatic Centre, especially our instructors, Felicity and Julie, for providing these sessions. We also thank the Point Turton Progress Association for their efforts in ensuring changes were made to provide better access to the water for this year's lessons. Special thanks also go to Mr Willy for driving the bus to and from Point Turton many times each day!

Aquatics camp

This morning saw excited Year 6 and 7 students (with Mrs Povey and Mr Satanek) head off to Port Vincent for aquatics lessons. Thank you to the parents who volunteered to transport students to and from the campsite, and to support the camp in other ways. We again appreciate the work of the Port Vincent Aquatic Centre and its excellent instructors for providing expert instruction.

Parent and Friends AGM

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday, 6 February.

The P and F for 2018 is :

President: Tanya Launer

Vice President: Paula Hart

Secretary : Bec Baker

Tuckday: Kirsty

Treasurer : Michelle Hobbs

Fundraising: everyone

Hot Choc: Paula Hart

Governing Council Rep : Tanya and Paula

Congratulations to our new committee.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday 9 March at the school starting at 1:00 pm.

Bec Baker

Sports days

Our sports day will be held on Tuesday 6 March at the Warooka town oval. We will soon send home a request for volunteers to help on the day. We are grateful that many parents / caregivers and others have helped make this day a great success in the past.

Interschool Sports Day will be held at Central Yorke School (Maitland) on Thursday 5 April, with the back-up date the following day (in case we need to postpone e.g. inclement weather).

Book Club News

Scholastic Book Club Orders

Book Club order forms for Issue 1, 2018 Week 1 will be sent home with our newsletter today. Orders and payment are due back at school by **Friday**

23 February. We are unable to accept any late orders so we ask that if you are planning on using the online payment system please **finalise your order before Friday 23 February**. We appreciate your support in working with this time limit. If you are paying by cheque, please make cheques payable to **Warooka Primary School**. Please note that this is our **only** Scholastic Book Club order for the term.



Jo Piller



Finance News

“School Fees”

Governing Council has approved the “school fees” for 2018 as:

- ❖ SBP – \$180.00 per child (\$45 per term)
- ❖ R-7 - \$220.00 per student

We are happy for parents to negotiate payment by instalments. If you wish to take up this option please contact either Carmen or Kerry-Ann as soon as possible and come in and sign a payment agreement.

Please note also that an EFTPOS facility is available here at school.

School Card Scheme

The 2018 School Card Scheme provides financial assistance towards the cost of educational expenses for school students of low-income families. It is administered by the Department for Education and Child Development.

Parents of dependent students from 4 years of age receiving full-time schooling at a government or non-government school can apply for School Card. Applicants wishing to be considered for School Card assistance must apply each year.

School Card application forms are available from the Front Office at school or online at www.sa.gov.au.

Eligibility for School Card assistance is dependent upon the combined family gross income for the 2016/2017 financial year being within the following School Card income limits:

No of your Dependent Children	2016/2017 Gross Annual School Card Income Limit	2016/2017 Gross Weekly School Card Income Limit
1	\$57 870	\$1 113
2	\$58 903	\$1 133
3	\$59 936	\$1 153
4	\$60 969	\$1 173
5	\$62 002	\$1 193
Each additional dependent child	Add \$1 033 for each dependent child	Add \$20 for each dependent child

Eligibility is not dependent on any member of the family receiving any Centrelink benefits or Family Tax Benefits but a Centrelink requirement for 2018 is that the applicant’s partner’s name and CRN must be included on the application forms if applicable.

Parents/Caregivers who are eligible for School Card assistance will need to come into the school as soon as possible and complete a School Card Application form.

Families experiencing financial difficulties can apply for School Card under the categories of self-employment or hardship by completing a 2018 School Card Application Form.

Please note that School Card assistance is not available for preschool children.

If you require more information regarding the School Card Scheme, please contact the **School Card Section** on a free call **1800 672 758**.

Community Notices

Footlight Dance

Footlight Dance is in Warooka!!!

Monday nights at the School gymnasium.

Classes from 2yrs-12yrs old

Further information contact Kelly on 0431 335 057

Southern Eagles Football

Training for the Under 14’s and Under 17s

will start on Monday 19 February at 4:00pm at the Yorketown Football oval.

Darren Hart

Southern Eagles
Football & Netball Club

Do you want to play?
NETBALL

2018 Registrations Now Open!

Register your interest to play for the **Southern Eagles Netball Club!**
Players for **ALL GRADES** welcome
Interested in Coaching or Umpiring, or want to learn to Umpire?

Registration Day: Saturday, 24th March 2018
10am - 12pm (Yorketown Football Clubrooms)

Training begins: Thursday, 1st March 2018
Juniors - 4pm Seniors - 5.45pm
(Yorketown Area School courts)

Contact:
Tarina Warren 0417 828 722 (Juniors)
Lynlee Hancock 0448 521 844 (Seniors)

