

Angaston Primary School

Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

Term 1 2020

26th Feb
District Swimming

26th March
State Swimming

8th March
Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

12th March
Special Lunch - Sushi

2021 Pupil Free Days
School Closure Day:

8th March – Public Holiday

2nd April – Good Friday

5th April – Easter Monday



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Dear Families,

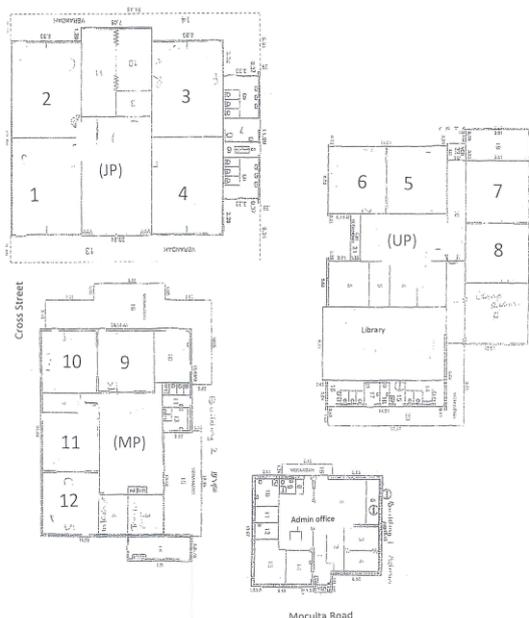
Welcome to the 2021 school year. A special welcome to our newly enrolled R-7 students and their families. We have had a great start to the school year with students settling quickly into their new classes, working hard, and connecting with their peers in a positive manner. Much of our work in the first three weeks has been about establishing a positive classroom/school culture in reference to our motto of Be Safe, Be Kind, Work Hard. Students have been involved in setting class and yard expectations to support wellbeing for learning.

Welcome to our new and returning staff members. Keep reading the newsletter to read about the new staff members and their role. We have started the year with 295 students over 12 classes.

2021 Staff:

1. Jen Irwin/Kirby De Meur: Yr 1/2
2. Del Hearnden/Kirby De Meur: Yr1/2
3. Kim Gniel/Heidi Shields: Rec
4. Sheree Argent/Heidi Shields: Rec
5. Leonie Schultz: Yr 6/7
6. Joy Darmody: Yr 6/7
7. Matt Bradley: Yr 5
8. Kym Taylor: Yr 6/7
9. Michelle Goudie: Yr 4
10. Joshua Norton: Yr 4/5
11. Emma Cheers: Yr 3
12. Sarah Cameron/Cindy Sharrock: Yr 2/3

Library: Nicole Taylor
 Health & PE: Matt Bradley
 German: Natalie Seelander
 Performing Arts: Emily Brown
 Wellbeing Leaders: Zoe Evans
 Deputy Principal: Sandy Evans



We also welcome back our front office team Leanne Wall (Admin) and Kim Oag (Finance), as well as Lou Hadden, Lindy Linke, Megan Podolski who currently work in classrooms as well as in admin support. We also have a number of SSOs working across classrooms to support students; Heidi Roesler, Kate Wohlers, Tilly Hadden, Faye Hale, Lynn Beeson, and Katelyn Menzel.

The school newsletter is distributed to families every three weeks (week 3, 6 & 9) via SkoolBag app and in some cases email or paper copy. The SkoolBag app is available to download from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store (search for and install 'SkoolBag', create an account using an email address, sign up and then search for Angaston Primary School).

School starts at 8.50am with classrooms open from 8.40am for students to unpack their bags and get settled for the day. There is a teacher on duty from 8.20am. Students should NOT arrive at school before this time. Bus students are an exception and know to wait in the bike shelter shed on the asphalt until the 8.20am bell. Students on school grounds at 8.40am or arriving after 8.40am must go straight to class. Students arriving after 8.50am must sign in at the front office.

The end of the day is 3.05pm. Students are expected to leave the school grounds with their parents/caregivers. This makes it easier for staff to supervise bus and OSHC students who remain on site until approximately 3.45pm

The JP playground off Middle St is out of bounds before and after school. Parents/Caregivers may support their child to drop off their bag outside their classroom in the morning but then play on the other JP playground at the front of the JP block, and the top asphalt (not the bottom asphalt/basketball court). This makes supervision much easier for the teacher on morning duty.

As we strive to build independence for our students and particularly those in Junior Primary, we would appreciate parents/carers dropping children inside the gate or at their classroom doors and saying goodbye. This will allow students to practice the morning routine independently, and help those that are already feeling anxious, by reducing the number of adults at the classroom door and inside the classroom.

A resident of the Barossa Village on Schilling Street has contacted the school. Concerns have been raised about children riding their scooters down resident's driveways and through the village, and the potential risk of children being hit by cars when residents pull out of their driveway. The children appear to be unsupervised and range in age from approximately 7-12 yrs. If your children walk or ride to school near the Barossa Village please have a general conversation about the route they take to school, respecting others property, and keeping themselves safe. We don't know who the children are but a general conversation will also take place at school.

COVID update: We start the year where we left off at the end of 2020 in terms of safe practices/protocols (social distancing and hygiene practices etc). Parents/caregivers are allowed on site for drop off and pick up but are discouraged from entering classrooms. You are also not required to sign in. Parents/caregivers and other visitors (other than normal drop off and pick up time) need to sign in at the front office.

Last week a number of permission notes were sent home to families. New additions to the General Consent note included the Cyber Use Agreement R-4, Cyber Use Agreement Yr 5-7 and Consent Form Chief Executive Approved Early Dismissal. Please take the time to read the Cyber Use agreement with your child before they sign and return to school. The agreement will be filed and for the duration of your child's enrolment at Angaston Primary School. R-4 students will not need to sign another form until they start year 5. The Early Dismissal Form is new for all schools in SA. Once signed, the school will keep a record of who will finish early and who will remain at school with supervision until 3.05pm. Generally, there will only be early dismissals on the last day of each term.

In this newsletter is information for families regarding The School Card scheme. The scheme offers financial assistance for families with school fees (materials and services charge). Parents/carers generally apply on line. All parents not eligible for school card, are encouraged to complete a Direct Debit payment plan form or negotiate a payment plan. Please contact Kim Oag (Finance Officer) or myself at the school if you have any queries. Parent information regarding payment of school fees is confidential.

We are hoping to use our school pool for recreational purposes before the end of term 1. Class teachers will be sending home permission notes with their classes' pool time next week. They will also be asking volunteers to help with supervision ratios. You are not required to get in the pool. We would really appreciate your support with the supervision. The students are keen to access the pool again and Richard Geyer (Groundsperson) has the pool looking very inviting. Let's hope we get some lovely warm days over the next few weeks.

Thank you to the parents/carers who attended our first assembly in week 2. It was nice to have an audience again. As mentioned in a SkoolBag notice earlier this term, whole school assemblies will now move to odd weeks, with our next one being on Friday 25th February at 9am in the hall. Parents of the host classes (Schultz and Cheers) will be invited to attend. Congratulations to the following students who received Encouragement Awards at the last assembly:

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| ❖ Shelby Browning | ❖ Edie Bolton | ❖ Samia Strugnell |
| ❖ Kye Grant | ❖ Riley Parham | ❖ Braxton Irvine |
| ❖ Lara Rogers | ❖ Alice Jungfer | ❖ Kobi Browning |
| ❖ Callum Sedgewick | ❖ Oliver Forbes | ❖ Briana Trowel |
| ❖ Orson French | ❖ Inge Fiegert | ❖ Jackson Yeend |
| ❖ Baillin Gibson | ❖ Zahyne Claridge | ❖ Tyrone McNickle |
| ❖ Holly Trappman | ❖ Douglas Kearon | ❖ Tyson Betts |
| ❖ Emily Leak | ❖ Flynn Gerhardy | ❖ Archie McDonohue |

Congratulations to our new Receptions who received their Welcome Certificates at a special assembly last Friday. Reception parents were able to attend, and there was plenty of smiles when the students received their certificates, as well as for photos with families afterwards.

Acquaintance Afternoon was well attended by families. The sun was shining, the Wi-Fi was working in the hall, students enjoyed playing on the oval, and families had a chance to catch up with classroom teachers, meet new staff and generally be acquainted with the school. There was plenty of demand for signatures/stickers on the passport and we had many completed passports in the box by 5pm. Alas, there can only be one winner of the prize. Congratulations Stephanie Semple from Room 10. Your prize is waiting for collection from the office.

“No one can ever take your memories from you – each day is a new beginning, make good memories every day.” –Catherine Pulsifer

Lynda Fitzpatrick-Brown

School Day Times

Monday – Friday 8:50am - 3:05pm

8:20am	Teacher on Duty
8:40am	All Classrooms open
8:50am	Start of School
10:40am- 11:05am	Recess play
12:55pm – 1:25pm	Lunch Play
3:05pm	End of school day

Bus and OSHC students to report to shelter shed.

New Staff Members

Zoe Evans – Wellbeing Leader

Hi Families, I am excited to be working as the Wellbeing Leader at Angaston Primary School this year. I have already received a warm welcome from the staff, students and families I have met. I have been a Wellbeing Leader for 11 years, my role at Angaston PS will be “Wellbeing for Learning”.

I will be working in consultation with the Teachers and SSOs to create a whole school, consistent approach to wellbeing. As we progress, I will be working with groups of students to roll out specific wellbeing programs to help with anxiety, resilience and social/emotional learning.

My working days are Monday-Wednesday; you will find me in the front office.



If you see me in the yard, please come and say hi! I am looking forward to getting to know you all. Zoe

New Staff Members

Josh Norton Year 4/5



My name is Mr. Josh Norton and I am delighted to be teaching the year 4/5's at Angaston Primary School in 2021. The students may also remember me from the Library where I completed a 5-week block to cover Ms. Nicole Taylor in 2020. I am now in my second year of teaching and can't wait to work with your child this year. When I am not teaching, I enjoy watching the local and AFL Football. I love eating out, spending time at the beach and listening to music.

Natalie Seelander – German

I am happy to be back working on a part time basis - 2 and half days a week teaching German and Cultural Studies. I am looking forward to getting to know the children more and teaching here at Angaston Primary.

When I am not teaching, you will find me spending time with my 2 children and running around the netball court umpiring for Angaston Netball Club.



New Staff Members

Kirby Coyne De Meur Year 1/2

Kirby moved to the Barossa Valley in February 2020, originally from Jurien Bay in Western Australia. She had never been to SA before, so has really enjoyed the past year exploring the state. Kirby has taught a range of age groups over the last six years and is very excited to be joining Angaston PS for 2021.

She will be working in Mrs Hearnden class on a Friday and Mrs Irwins class on a Thursday.



Emily Brown – Performing Arts

Hello, my name is Miss Brown and I am teaching performing arts this year. I am super excited about this role as it is something a little bit out of my comfort zone but I am always ready to take on a challenge.

In my very short time at Angaston Primary school I have already felt so welcomed and supported by both staff and students, and I am looking forward to the year ahead.

When I am not teaching I enjoy baking, taking my dog Obi to the beach and relaxing with a good book.



New Staff Members

Heidi Shields – Reception

After working Term 4 last year for the Camels Yr 3/4 Class, I am happy to be back, working Wednesday in Argent's and Friday in Gneil's reception classes this year. I look forward to getting to know you all better.



Cindy Sharrock – Year 2/3

Hi, I feel very welcomed here at Angaston Primary and am happy to be working Fridays in the year 2/3 class with Mrs Cameron. Last year I worked as a relief teacher in several schools, including Angaston and I look forward to getting to know you all better.



Chris Yeend – Percussion

Chris Yeend has been teaching drums and percussion in the Barossa region for the past 20 years. This year he is joining the Instrumental Music (IM) team of Sonia Samain and Jacob Staehr to add Percussion to the Brass and Woodwind program. We have 12 keen students who are excited to explore making music by hitting things including drums, buckets, glockenspiels and whatever else they can find. When he is not playing drums in bands, Chris can often be found at one of the local skate parks with his skateboard.



New Reception Classes

Mrs Gneil - Reception



Top left to right: Byron M, Hunter V, Liam P, Ava T
Next row: Zahyne C, Louis M
Next row: Ivy M, Lola R
Standing Left : Isla S, **Right:** Ivy W
Sitting row: Oliver G, Xavier T
Bottom row: Ezra L, Harper B, Inge F, Ameila Z
Absent: Toby and Indianna B

New Reception Classes

Mrs Argent - Reception



Top row Left to Right:

Connor M, Lylah G, Zoe G

2nd top step L-R

Oliver H, Finlayson W-P

3rd to top step L-R

Nachi E, Arthur H

4th step-L-R

Hannah F, Alice J

Sitting L-R

Oliver F, Chantelle M, Alannah G

Standing Left

Hunter H-H,

Standing Right-Liam H

Absent:

Jayden W, Lucie J

Welcome to our new students



B - Flynn G Flynn E Ford H Archie D Felix H

F - Niamh E Shelby B Sonny D Alejandro P Dominic B-C

Insert – Kobi B

Special Lunch: SUSHI by Jo

Served Week 7 – Friday 12th March

ONE ORDER FORM PER CHILD

Student Name _____

Class Teacher _____

Tuna & Avocado roll (GF) \$3.00

Teriyaki Chicken roll (Not GF) \$3.00

Smoked Salmon roll (GF) \$3.00

Fruit Box \$1.50

Cucumber & Avocado roll (Veg & GF) \$3.00

Soy sauce (contains Gluten) will be included with the rolls.

Total Amount enclosed: \$_____ Please enclose CORRECT MONEY as we cannot give change.

Please return orders by Week 6, Thursday 4th March, 3pm

LATE ORDERS CAN NOT BE ACCEPTED

*We welcome any feedback or volunteers whom would like to help with Special Lunch. Please contact Leanne at the Front Office ☺ *

Mrs Irwin & Ms Taylor Buddy Class

This year our classes have teamed up for Buddies. The year 6/7's organised a series of activities for the first buddy class on Friday 29th January.

Here are some photos.



Assembly News!

Last Friday we had our first whole school assembly. We are still required to follow COVID 19 protocols in relation to physical distancing which means we are unable to have many families attend. However, this year until restrictions are lifted, we are going to invite the parents of the two classes hosting each assembly to attend. This ensures that throughout the year, parents will have the opportunity to attend at least one assembly where their child plays an active role.

Parents will be required to sign in/QR code near the hall and once students are seated, parents will be invited to sit/stand in the hall.

Assemblies will now move to odd weeks, with our next assembly being on Friday week 5. **Assembly host classes are listed on our term calendar.**

We look forward to seeing you there.

Front Office Money Collection

Please Note: Payments and monies can only be received

Monday to Friday

8:30am -9:30am

2:30pm – 3:30pm

Credit card payments by phone only during these times.

No payments, monies or lunch envelopes can be received and/processed at the Front Office outside of these times.

All class areas have money collection boxes and we recommend these be utilised for all money collection. Thank you.

UNIFORM SHOP

The Uniform Shop is run by our wonderful volunteers. The shop is open during the below times, if unattended, please come to the Front Office.

Monday & Tuesday

8:30am to 9:15am

Thursday

2:30pm to 3:15pm

Purchasing of uniforms outside of these times is not available

Order forms are also available from the Front Office.

MEDICATION MANAGEMENT FOR SCHOOLS

DECD policies state that all medication should be:

- ✓ Prescribed by a doctor, this includes analgesics and other medication that can be bought over the counter.
- ✓ Only sent if needed, medication that has to be taken three times a day, can be taken before and after school, and before bedtime, and not come to school at all.
- ✓ Provided as a daily dose
- ✓ Delivered in the original container, with the label from the pharmacy. You can ask your pharmacist for a second, labelled container to keep the extra medication in at home.
- ✓ Within the use by date
- ✓ Come with a **Medication Authority/Health Care Plan** obtained from your GP



SCHOOL CARD 2021

The School Card scheme offers financial assistance with school fees (materials and services charges) for students attending government schools in each year.

Eligibility

School Card is available to:

- families with children aged four years and over who attend a school full time
- independent full-time year students studying year 10, 11 or 12
- adult re-entry students undertaking subjects to complete their SACE

Eligibility income limits for a student attending a government school

Number of dependent children	Gross annual income limit	Gross weekly income limit
1 child	\$60,867	\$1,171
2 children	\$61,954	\$1,192
3 children	\$63,041	\$1,213
4 children	\$64,128	\$1,234
5 children	\$65,215	\$1,255
More than 5 children	Add \$1,087 for each dependent child	Add \$21 for each dependent child

School Card A

This is the most commonly used school card application. Use this form if you are liable for your child's school fees and you're not:

- self-employed
- an independent youth
- an adult re-entry student
- a migrant who arrived in Australia after 1 July 2019
- receiving Veteran's Affairs benefits
- applying for a foster child in your care.

[School Card A – apply online](#)

School Card S (adult re-entry student)

Use this if you're an adult re-entry student – over 18, returning to study and have not achieved your SACE.

[School Card S – apply online](#)

School Card B (hardship, change of circumstances or self-employed)

For use where:

- your income for 2019/20 is over the School Card limits but you experienced hardship in the 2019/2020 financial year
- you have had a change of financial circumstances during the 2019/2020 financial year up to and including 28 February 2021
- you are self-employed.

[School Card B – apply online](#)

School Card V (veteran's affairs)

Use if you receive of Veteran's Affairs benefits.

[School Card V – apply online](#)

School Card F (informal and formal care agreement)

For use where one or more students:

- are under an informal care agreement (informal foster arrangement) or
- have come into your care through a court order (formal foster arrangement) as at 28 February 2021 or
- where the child or children are being cared for by a grandparent(s) or other family members and caregivers as at 28 February 2021.

[School Card F \(foster care government school\) – apply online](#)

[School Card F \(foster care non-government school\) – apply online](#)

2020 school year applications

School Card applications for the 2020 school year have already closed.

Link: sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard

What's on?

Do you love reading and
chatting about books?



Barossa Libraries will be
starting a child and teen book
club in 2021

Contact us with your name, age and email address
to register your interest and be among the first to
know when we get started.

Email library@barossa.sa.gov.au, call 8563 8440 or
chat to our friendly library staff.



www.barossa.sa.gov.au



Barossa Strikers Girls Cricket League February / March 2021

The South Australian Cricket Association (SACA) would like to invite all girls aged 10-16 to participate in the Barossa Strikers Girls Cricket League, a 4-week program designed to get girls playing cricket with and against other girls! The emphasis is on fun and development while making new friends. Shortened games with smaller team sizes and modified rules make it perfect for being involved in the game while not taking overly long to complete! While the age range is indicative please feel free to get in contact if you have someone that may be slightly younger but think they could participate with little issue. Please fill out a registration form for each individual wanting to participate.

Who: Girls aged 10-16

When: Starting Monday 15 February, running for 4 weeks

Where: Nuriootpa Centennial Park (Oval No. 2)

Time: 5:00pm start Equipment can be provided, but if possible can girls bring their own kits!

If you have any questions please contact Zak Pretlove (SACA Club Officer) on 0413 536 820 or zpretlove@saca.com.au

Term 1 Calendar 2021

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	25/1 Public Holiday	26	27 Start of Term 1	28	29
Week 2	1 /2	2	3	4	5 Assembly Cameron/Darmody
Week 3	8	9 Acquaintance Afternoon 3:20- 5pm Gov. Council – 7pm	10	11	12
Week 4	15	16	17	18	19
Week 5	22	23 SAPOL Cyber Safety Talk	24	25	26 Assembly Schultz/Cheers
Week 6	1 /3	2	3	4	5
Week 7	8 Public Holiday Adelaide Cup	9	10	11	12 Special Lunch Sushi SRC Assembly
Week 8	15 Harmony Day Carly Ryan Foundation 6/7's	16	17	18	19
Week 9	22	23	24	25	26 Assembly Taylor/Irwin
Week 10	29	30 Parent/ Teacher Interviews	31 -----	1/ 4 Parent/ Teacher Interviews	2/4 Good Friday Holiday
Week 11	5 Easter Monday Holiday	6	7	8	9 Assembly Burne/Hearndon Early dismissal 2:05pm

Please note: Only Parents/Caregivers of the 2 classes hosting are invited to the assembly due to Covid restrictions. Thank you.