

Newsletter Term 2

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COVID-19 Update in brief from the Department for Education

Attendance

Around 90% of our students are at school – a great achievement!

While we have been supporting parent choice during this pandemic, we now expect all public school students who are well and not considered vulnerable to COVID-19 to attend school or preschool.

Students are required to attend school unless they are:

- Feeling unwell
- Have a chronic medical condition or compromised immune system and are not able to attend school on advice from their medical practitioner
- Live in a household with others that are deemed vulnerable to COVID-19 and are not able to attend school on advice of their medical practitioner
- Have been diagnosed with COVID-19 or have been required to self-isolate by SA Health

Camps and excursions

All school camps and excursions (outside of the school grounds) should continue to be deferred for now. SA Health believe it presents an unnecessary risk due to the transport and logistics involved, the need for extra supervisors/parent involvement and sharing of equipment.

Given the amount of planning and effort that goes into organising each camp and excursion, we suggest cancelling for the remainder of term 2.

Physical distancing at school drop off and pick up

Parents should maintain the 1.5m physical distance between themselves and other adults (parents and teachers) at all times, including school drop off and pick up.

Room 17 Science Investigation



Room 17 students usually do a lot of collaboration with various community groups and investigation out in the community, so we have been adjusting to new ways of operating, recently.

[Read More](#)

Learning more about our SRC



SRC stands for Student Representative Council. SRC includes two students from each class to share their class' opinions and ideas towards our school and community. We hold a meeting every two weeks for updates and reports.

[Read More](#)



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Heads up! Pyjama Day on June 5

Get ready for some fun! Our wonderful **Fundraising team** are organising a day to 'lighten the mood'! More details coming soon. **Tickets available from Monday May 25.**



•• PJ DAY ••

Friday 5th June

\$2 on Qkr! to wear your PJ's to school!



Great prizes for kids!

Raffle tickets can only be purchased on Qkr! for \$2 each until 1pm Friday 5th June. Select your child's profile on Qkr! as you do for canteen orders.

Prizes will be on display in the office from Friday 29th May

Sorry, no cash at the moment due to COVID-19

Dress Code:

Your favourite PJ's....

Growth & Development Family Evening



All going well **if restrictions are lifted**, Seacliff Primary School will be hosting a **Growth & Development Family Evening** on Wednesday 01.07.20. The sessions are conducted by Kidz Biz Education and are designed to be fun, informative and easy to understand. These highly interactive sessions will provide students and their parents / care providers with an introduction to basic personal and social development education; traditionally known as the 'facts of life'. For more details, see the **PDF attached to this email**.

To help us with planning / catering, registration and \$5:00 payment per family must be made via the QKR app.

School Photo Day

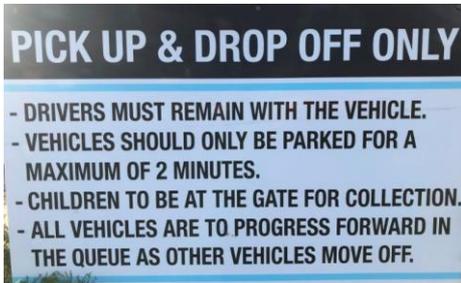
Our School Photo Day has been rescheduled for **'Tuesday 23rd June'**.

Please complete the envelope that was supplied last term and pay via one of the directed methods.

If you returned the envelope last term, thank you, it has been stored safely and will be used on photo day.

If you have misplaced the envelope there are spare photo envelopes available at the Front Office.

Reminder 'Kiss and Drop' Zones



We're fortunate to have two 'Kiss and Drop' options at our school on Barewell Ave. and Pine Tce. Please observe the simple rules on our signage for the convenience of all families and road users.

Registrations now open for all students for the 2020 Oliphant Science Awards.

Students of Seacliff Primary have been entering the Oliphant Science Awards since 2007, when our school won The Advertiser's Award for our volume of entries and for our success rate in the competition. Since then, our awards have been many, including Runner Up South Australian Junior Scientist of the Year.



Most recently, in 2019, four of our students were place-getters in the Science Inquiry category and had their entries subsequently referred to the National BHP Science and Engineering Awards.

All students of the school now have the opportunity to enter the awards, once again.

All students of Room 17 will be supported to complete a Science Inquiry or Multimedia entry at school. Children from all other classes, if interested, will need to work through their entries at home.

Families entering their children in group entries are responsible themselves for organising signatures and payments between collaborating families.

Categories include 1..Computer Programming, Apps and Robotics. 2..Games. 3..Models & Investigations.

4..Multimedia 5..Photography 6..Posters 7..Scientific Inquiry 8..Science Writing

Cost:- Individual Entries:- \$11. Group entries:- \$19, shared between group members.
Age groups:- Yrs R to 2; Yrs 3 & 4; Yrs 5 & 6; Yrs 7 & 8.

If your child is interested in entering, please read and complete the payment information on the QKR App and complete the 2020 Oliphant Science Registration and Risk Assessment forms and return to the front office. For further details, go to [Student Information](#)

The Oliphant Science Information Booklet can be found at [OSA Participant Booklet](#)

Helping Children Learn Positive Friendship Skills

Importance of children's friendships: 'At any age, having friends provides support and promotes mental health and wellbeing. Children's friendships are also very important for the social and emotional development. Through friendships children learn how to relate with others. They develop social skills as they teach each other how to be good friends.' (Kidsmatter information sheet for families no.2)

Here are some excellent resources and information around 'helping children learn positive friendship skills' for parents and families.

www.cyh.com (child and youth health website) an extensive resource for child & youth social, emotional, physical health topics including 'friendships'

www.kidsmatter.edu.com helping children learn positive friendship skills

www.calmkidcentral.com (psychological support) Helping kids to get along. (Registration required)

Ruth Cameron
Coordinator Student Voice & Wellbeing

Netball Registrations Re-open

School netball registrations have re-opened once again with the aim of starting a season before the end of term 2. At this point we are intending to have games in weeks 8 and week 9 this term and games from weeks 1-9 in term three. Several students have already completed a registration through QKR, but we currently do not have enough players to form teams. Year 3 and 4 students play on Thursdays after school. Year 5-7 teams play on Wednesdays after school. Coaches and scorers/ timers are needed for all teams. The registration cost is \$40, payable when completing the nomination. Training nights will be organised once coaches have been finalised for each team.

(Don't miss out!) - REGISTRATIONS CLOSE AT THE END OF WEEK 4 (Friday 22nd May). If you have any questions, please speak to Scott Francis or Emily Mooney-Doe at school.

Soccer Registrations Re-open

School soccer registrations have re-opened once again with the aim of running a season throughout term 3. At this point we are intending commence matches on Saturday July 25th and run a slightly shortened season until September 19th. Several students have already completed a registration through QKR but we currently do not have enough players to form teams. Coaches and scorers/ timers are needed for all teams. The registration cost is \$60, payable when completing the nomination. Training nights will be organised once coaches have been finalised for each team. Children must be at least 7 years of age in 2020 to be eligible to play.

REGISTRATIONS CLOSE AT THE END OF WEEK 8 (Friday 19th June). If you have any questions, please speak to Scott Francis or Emily Mooney-Doe at school.

From the Governing Council

We had our GC meeting on May 11 using a different format that many people would be finding more familiar these days. Approximately half of the Governing Council met in the library while the rest met (in the comfort of their own homes 😊) via Teams. Reviewing the school's and the broader school community's response to COVID-19 was one discussion point. Luke Sandery, our new Chair of the Governing Council, wrote to staff acknowledging work done under challenging circumstances. To read this open letter, click on the link: [Open letter](#)

To meet the GC members go to: [Your Governing Council Members](#)

Dental for Schools

In December last year many families accepted the opportunity to have free dental check-ups through Dental for Schools. They will again, be at Seacliff PS from Wednesday June 10th to do 6 month checks. Consent forms will be sent home this week and they need to be returned by Thursday May 28th, ready for collection on June 1st. If you have any questions please contact Dental for Schools on 72258142 or check their website: www.dentalforschools.com.au

Notice to Parents

We seem to be donating and recycling a large amount of unnamed and unclaimed uniform. Please name all items and check lost property often if your child has lost an item of uniform.

LANGUAGES ALIVE!

As part of the government's Languages in Schools initiative, the School of Languages has expanded the across-sector R-7 **Languages Alive!** program. The July 2020 program will provide students with interactive language learning opportunities in a range of languages, including Auslan, German, Hindi, Indonesian, Korean, Ngarrindjeri and Spanish.

WHEN? Tuesday 7, Wednesday 8, Thursday 9, Tuesday 14 and Wednesday 15 July 2020

HOW MUCH?

\$10 per student per day; School Card/Health Care Card Holders: FREE

For tickets go to: <https://www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive/>

LET'S TALK

South Australian students enrolled in a Stage 1 or Stage 2 Continuers language pathway for Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese or Spanish are invited to register for the School of Languages **Let's Talk!** holiday program at: <https://www.ticketebo.com.au/letstalk>

WHEN? Thursday 16 July 2020 and Friday 17 July 2020 from 10.00am-3.30pm

WHERE? School of Languages, 255 Torrens Road, West Croydon

HOW MUCH? \$10 per student per day; School Card/Health Care Card Holders: FREE

The program will offer engaging and highly interactive language/cultural experiences with the aim of improving students' proficiency in Chinese, French, German, Indonesian, Italian, Japanese or Spanish. Given that the focus of all sessions will be on the oral use of the target language, groups will be capped at 12 students per class. Students will be able to register for either 1 or 2 days as the program for each day will be different.