

Newsletter Term 4

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## REMINDER - School Closure Day – Monday 29 November 2021

### OSHC bookings for School Closure Day – around the world

As the school year comes to an end, OSHC is preparing for our Vacation Care throughout December and January. We will be open up until Christmas Eve, then closed, reopening Wednesday 5 January.

During October Vacation Care we experienced long wait lists for our excursions. Please make sure you have your booking form to us by Friday week 8.

See you all in the holidays for a fun packed program! [OSHC Dec/Jan Holidays bookings](#)

### Emergency Management (Education and Early Childhood Settings Vaccination) COVID-19 – Direction, 2021

Just to clarify information for families shared earlier this week:

On 16 November, the Commissioner of Police, acting in his role as the State Coordinator responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, announced the Emergency Management (Education and Early Childhood Settings Vaccination) (COVID-19) Direction 2021.

Under this Direction, COVID-19 vaccinations will be mandatory for all people who work or volunteer at our school, except those who have a [medical exemption](#) endorsed by the Chief Public Health Officer. This includes:

- All of our staff and contractors
- Anyone who visits our schools/preschool/children's centre for work purposes
- Our Governing Council members
- All volunteers and parent helpers (people who assist with reading, camps, excursions, canteen, fundraising etc).

Under this Direction, all of the above-mentioned people must receive at least 1 dose of a Therapeutic Goods Association (TGA) approved COVID-19 vaccination and a booking to receive a second dose by 11.59pm on 10 December 2021, which is the last day of term.

The Direction does not apply to students, parents dropping off or picking up children, attending parent teacher interviews, events or similar, as long as they are not working or volunteering at the event and COVID safe measures are followed.

More information about the Direction is available on The Department for Education website: [education.sa.gov.au](http://education.sa.gov.au)

Our number one priority is providing a safe environment for our students and for our staff, and this new measure aims to reduce the spread of COVID-19.



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## Keeping everybody safe

As we move closer to borders opening up and restrictions easing, it is very important to remain vigilant about Covid-19. The question of vaccination is proving to be a contentious and divisive issue, but regardless of personal views/beliefs about this matter, there are things we can do as a school community to keep our most vulnerable children safe. So please:

- Keep your child/ren at home if they are unwell
- Inform the school if your family has had a Covid-19 contact (so we can notify vulnerable families)
- Continue to reinforce good hygiene practices e.g frequent handwashing, sanitising

Thank you for your continuing support with all matters Covid.

## Parent volunteers sharing COVID vaccination status

From 10 December, the last school day of the year, parent volunteers in schools will need to show their Covid vaccination status. When parent volunteers come in, they need to sign in through the front office. Showing your vaccination certificate (or digital photo of it) or sharing your vaccination status in your digital wallet, will be the way to go. I understand that the DfE are looking at a way of having parental Covid Vaccination status recorded in a more permanent way in the EDSAS system. This may well be part of the data collection process for families in 2022. We'll have to wait and see!

## Room 5 – Travelling ‘First Class’ around the world



In HASS, this term Room 5 have been focusing on Geography. The class has thoroughly enjoyed exploring their world and places that are significant to them. As part of this unit, we have been going on a class plane to travel around the world. We have a designated student pilot that chooses a country they would like to travel to. The pilot sits at the front of the plane and takes us to their desired country. We have recently flown to Mexico, Netherlands, England, and Australia. To find out more visit: [Room 5 - Travelling first class around the world](#)

## Seacliff shines in maths challenge



On 12 November, 2 teams of students went to St John's Grammar School in Belair to compete in a Maths competition. The Year 7 team consisted of: Harveen, Jaxon, Cooper and Jordan. The Year 6 team was made up of: Minami, Georgie, Liam and Tyler. We were enthusiastic to participate in an academic challenge against other schools. To read more visit:

[Seacliff-shines-in-maths-challenge](#)

## Student Voice in Learning 2021/2022



On Wednesday 3 November, our Student Voice in Learning Leaders attending the final Marion Coast Partnership SVIL Session for 2021. Our school was represented by Penny, Stella, Nicolas, Ava, Harveen and Senna.

### **Stretch-thinking and learning observations**

We began the session by working on a stretch-thinking task where our learning was observed and shared. The observations about what was seen and heard was shared as feedback at the conclusion of the

task. To read more visit: [Student-voice-in-learning-2021-2022](#)

## Class placement notification

I know many students (and parents) will be wondering about 2022 classes and who their teachers will be. I hope that families will receive a letter via email about this on Thursday 25 November. Following this, students will have their whole school orientation morning on Wednesday 1 December with, as far as we can manage, next year's teacher in next year's classroom. Teachers will give out class lists to students during this orientation morning. (NB – Being with next year's teacher isn't always possible when staffing hasn't been finalised.)

## Library thank you

A huge thank you to all those who visited our 2021 book fair and helped to make it such a success. This year we took over \$3000 in sales, which means our commission to the library is in the vicinity of \$900. Thank you once again, and we will look forward to next year's Book Fair in term 4 2022.  
Robyn and Kay

## December School Holiday Programs at Autism SA

Express your interest now for this coming summer holidays!

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### Festive SPOT - new program!

Festive SPOT is a fun, themed, skill building group designed to support young people aged 5-10 years to attend an end of year festive celebration with peers of a similar age.

Facilitated by Autism SA Speech Pathologists and Occupational Therapists, 'Festive SPOT' is a therapeutic school holiday program that aims to develop skills such as:

- Social interactions
- Engaging in games
- Sharing, tolerating new smells and trying new food

The program will run on Friday 17 December for two hours at Autism SA's Northern and Southern Hub locations. To learn more and register your child's interest in attending this coming school holidays, please fill out the form via the button below, or [visit our website](#) for more information.

[Register for Festive SPOT](#)