

## Newsletter Term 2

# 27 June, 2024



**QUICK ACCESS TO OUR SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR**

### Important Diary Dates:

**Quiz Night – Saturday 17 August**

**Father's Day Stall – Wednesday 18 and Friday 30 August**

**Book Week Parade – Friday 23 August**

### Pupil Free Days 2024

Term 3 – Monday 22 July (First day of Term 3)

Term 4 – Tuesday 26 November

**School Closure Day – Monday 25 November**



**Early Dismissal  
2:15 pm  
on Friday 5 July**

### From the Principal:

#### Pupil free day reminder

**Our next Pupil Free Day will be on the first day of Term 3 (Monday 22 July).**

We successfully applied to access a series of professional learning workshops through the Department for Education's Self-Regulation Service and the first of these workshops will occur on this Pupil Free Day. The focus will be *Supporting Children's Development of Regulation (Relationship and Emotional Literacy)*.

Future workshops will be facilitated during staff meetings.

#### Staffing update

At the end of this term Marcelle Thompson and Amy Solomon will complete their contracts as teachers will be returning from leave. Marcelle and Amy have been an integral part of our Seacliff staff team and we thank them for their energy and commitment in providing an engaging and relevant learning program for their respective classes. We hope to continue to see their faces at Seacliff Primary School.



#### Growing with gratitude parent session

This year we have introduced the Growing with Gratitude (GwG) whole-school resilience program. This program teaches our students the important skills of gratitude, kindness, positive reflection, empathy, mindfulness and serving others. All classes engage in weekly GwG sessions and have had an initial focus on GRATITUDE.

We are thrilled to invite all parents along to hear more about this program from the founder, Ash Manuel, on Wednesday 3 July from 6 – 7pm.

We encourage you to take up this opportunity to learn more about this program and how it can support your child at home as well as at school.

**Please confirm your attendance at this free Growing with Gratitude Parent Information Session via QKR.**

## Newly introduced family events

The first of our new Parent Education evening sessions took place this week and was presented by Shelley Clarke from Mind, Body, Parenting. Shelley has extensive knowledge in the brain and body and provided an engaging and interactive session on **Separation Anxiety, Big Feelings and Behaviours** to a small group of interested families. Shelley will be presenting another session later in the year, **Help! What's happening with my tween/teen?**

Shelley is also facilitating our new 'meet and greet' morning teas for any parents interested in a chance to connect with other parents in a relaxed and informal setting. If you are interested, please pop into the library after school drop off for a chance to chat, share and connect. Younger children are more than welcome to join.



### Future morning tea dates are:

Monday 5th August

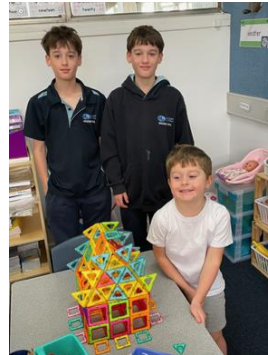
Monday 2nd September

Monday 28th October

Monday 25th November

## Mid-year Reception transition visits

This is the first year that a mid-year intake will occur. We are very pleased to welcome 18 new Reception children who will join our three existing Reception classes at the start of next term. Children have participated in three transition visits with their new classes, and it has been lovely to see our current Reception children warmly welcoming them and proudly showing them their spaces. We have also been very fortunate to have had the support of some Upper Primary students during these transition visits.



They have taken on the role of 'Meeting and Greeting' families and children and spending time in our Reception classrooms being 'Big Buddies', ensuring all felt happy and safe. Thank you, Archie, Mitch, Oliver, Blake, Adele, Sierra, Darcy, Ruby, Tadhg, Evie and Saffron – you did an outstanding job!

## Facilities update

During the past few weeks work has been happening to replace the retaining walls around the Front Office building and beach volleyball court. This project should be completed by 30 June.

## Fundraising committee Fun Run event

Today all students participated in our annual Fun Run event. All money raised from this event will go towards the purchase of additional sound-field systems for our learning spaces.

Students were encouraged to "do their best" and to strive to complete the longest distance they could comfortably do. Each class came dressed in a theme and this certainly added a touch of colour and fun to our day. This year we also introduced new VALUES Ribbons to promote student achievement, motivation and success, and to also actively display the use of the school values outside of the classroom and within the wider community context. Despite the cool weather all students who participated enjoyed an ice block at the completion of their run.

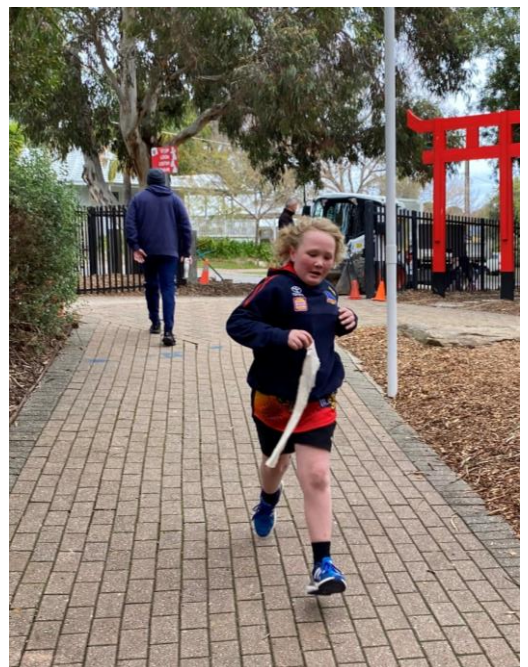
A huge thank you to all family members who braved the weather and came to support our students today!

I hope all families enjoy a safe and enjoyable holiday break and look forward to seeing all students return on Tuesday 23 July.

**Sue Matene**



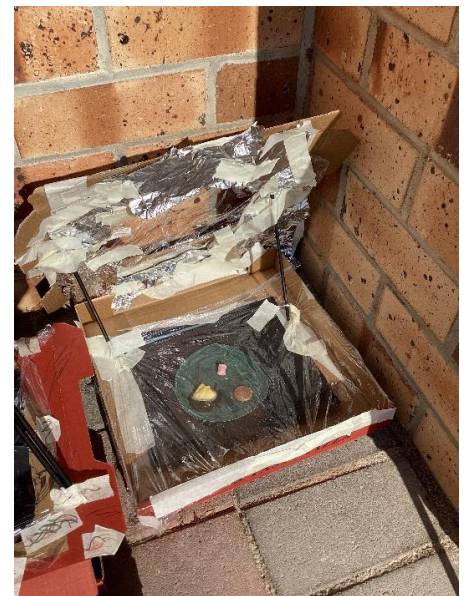
# Fun Run Action!





## Room 18 and 19 - Science

During Science we have been investigating heat and heat transfer. Students worked together in groups to design and build a solar oven. Each group was given the choice of materials that had previously been tested in the sun and needed to select the best ones to create their solar oven. All groups used a pizza box for the base, alfoil to reflect the sunlight into the oven, black paper to attract the heat, cling wrap to act as a window for the sun to shine through and many other creative ideas. All groups tested their solar ovens to melt butter, chocolate and a marshmallow. Each group design was successful and melted each item.





## ICAS Testing

ICAS is a historic academic competition that has been sat by over 10 million school students from 16,000 schools across 41 countries since 1981.

It recognises academic performance in a way similar to sports or the arts, with engaging, fun questions designed by psychometricians, education measurement experts and experienced teachers to test students' higher-order thinking skills.

Seacliff Primary School will again, offer an opportunity for Year 2-6 students to participate in ICAS this year. If you are interested in entering your child, please access the ICAS Parent Portal and use the Seacliff Access Code **LXV733** <https://shop.icasassessments.com/pages/pps>

ICAS  
assessments



*ICAS is super challenging and I like challenging things – Nikola (Year 4)*

*I have been doing ICAS tests since I was in Year 3 and enjoy finding out how much I know about the different subjects it also challenges you so you can get practice at being comfortable with the uncomfortable – Gihana Year 6*



Walter competed in a Chess tournament on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> of June. He played 7 games at Saint Martin De Porres Primary School competing against students ranging from primary school to high school age. Walter won 4 games, drew 1 and lost 2. This placed Walter 1<sup>st</sup> for all primary school aged competitors and 6<sup>th</sup> overall for all ages. Congratulations Walt on a fantastic achievement.

## Book Week Parade

'Reading is Magic' - **Friday 23 August 9:15 am** on the basketball court. Everyone - students, staff, parents and siblings, are invited to come dressed as their favourite book character. Come and watch our interesting array of characters as they parade around the court. Lots of fun and creativity.

This is to give you time, over the holidays to plan and make your costumes. Keep it simple and fun.

Robyn Smans

# Languages Alive!

Experience the delights of other languages and cultures

**JULY 2024**



Languages Alive! is a program of engaging and interactive language and cultural experiences for R-6 students.

Delivered by highly proficient speakers of the relevant language, the program will run during the July school holidays in metropolitan and country locations.

Workshops will explore a range of languages including: Auslan, Chinese, German, Hindi, Japanese, Spanish

**WHO:**

Reception to Year 6 students

**WHERE / WHEN:**

School of Languages: Tues 9 & Wed 10 JULY  
Stirling East Primary School: Thurs 11 JULY

Alberton Primary School: Fri 12 JULY

Belair Primary School: Tue 16 JULY

**COST:**

\$10 per day

**FREE** for School card/Healthcare card holders

Register online by 28 June at:  
[www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive](http://www.ticketebo.com.au/languagesalive)



# Languages Alive!

**JULY 2024 PROGRAM**



WHEN	WHERE	LANGUAGES OFFERED
<b>TUESDAY</b> 9 JULY 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm	SCHOOL OF LANGUAGES 255 Torrens Road WEST CROYDON SA 5008	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GERMAN</li> <li>• HINDI</li> <li>• SPANISH</li> </ul>
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 10 JULY 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AUSLAN</li> <li>• JAPANESE</li> <li>• TBA</li> </ul>
<b>THURSDAY</b> 11 JULY 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm	STIRLING EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL 51 Braeside Road CRAFERS SA 5152	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GERMAN</li> <li>• HINDI</li> <li>• JAPANESE</li> </ul>
<b>FRIDAY</b> 12 JULY 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm	ALBERTON PRIMARY SCHOOL 14 Broad Street QUEENSTOWN SA 5014	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• CHINESE</li> <li>• HINDI</li> <li>• JAPANESE</li> </ul>
<b>TUESDAY</b> 16 JULY 2024 9:30am (registration) 9:45am – 3:15pm	BELAIR PRIMARY SCHOOL 45-83 Main Road BELAIR SA 5052	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GERMAN</li> <li>• JAPANESE</li> <li>• SPANISH</li> </ul>



## Rotary Youth Photographic Exhibition

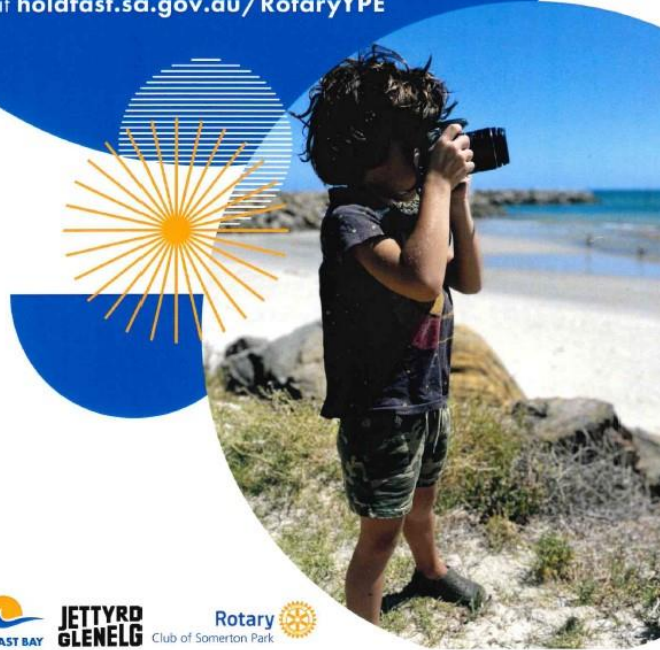
You could win!

1st \$200 • 2nd \$100 • 3rd \$60

Entries open from 2 June – 2 August 2024

Entries open to young people in Reception to Year 6 who have a connection to Holdfast Bay.

Visit [holdfast.sa.gov.au/RotaryYPE](http://holdfast.sa.gov.au/RotaryYPE)



## SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

# PLAY AT THE BAY

For more information or to book visit [holdfast.sa.gov.au/playatthebay](http://holdfast.sa.gov.au/playatthebay) or scan the QR code.

**Bookings required for ALL sessions**





# AusBike

AGES 5 - 12



A new national program, designed by Australia's peak cycling body, AusCycling, is running at Sam Willoughby International BMX Facility.

AusBike gives kids the essential skills to experience the freedom, fun and adventure of life on a bike.

AusBikers are safe & active kids! Our accredited coaches will help build your child's competence and confidence on two wheels...and who knows where their love of riding will take them?!

SPORTS VOUCHERS accepted. Contact [ausbike@auscycling.org.au](mailto:ausbike@auscycling.org.au)



REGISTER NOW

The AusBike program has been developed with the support of the Australian Government through the Australian Sports Commission.



# Seacliff Primary OSHC

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE

**WHY CHOOSE US?**

- Before School Care \$17\*
- After School Care \$25\*
- Pupil Free Day/ Vac Care \$60\*
- Excursions \$66\*

\* Families eligible for Child Care Subsidy receive a minimum 50% off!



**FACILITY**

Our OSHC is a warm and welcoming recreational environment. We have an enthusiastic team of educators who strive to support the wellbeing of all children. Children's agency is valued and we program around children's current interests and feedback. OSHC is a non-profit organisation where any surplus is reinvested into improving OSHC facilities and programs.

**Bookings Available**

"OSHC is your kids' home away from home"

0414 293 860  
[seacliff.oshc966@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:seacliff.oshc966@schools.sa.edu.au)



# FUNDRAISING EVENTS 2024

- JUN 28 FUNRUN DAY**  
Friday 28th June 2024
- QUIZ NIGHT**  
Saturday 17th August 2024
- AUG 28, 30 FATHER'S DAY**  
Wednesday 28th & Friday 30th August 2024
- DISCO NIGHT**  
Friday 1st November 2024
- NOV 22 CELEBRATION NIGHT**  
Friday 22nd November 2024