



15<sup>th</sup> February 2018

# Christies Beach Primary School



Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

It was a wonderful sight on Tuesday night to see so many families in attendance at the Acquaintance Night. I enjoyed meeting and talking to so many of you and your children. It was fantastic to see your children taking you on a journey around our school to complete their "Passport to Success" by visiting the classrooms and other parts of our school.

Thank you also to those families who signed up to the Daymap Parent Portal. For those of you who did not get the opportunity to have a free family photo taken by Adam, he will be contacting you over the next few weeks to make another time for this to occur. If you were unable to attend on Tuesday evening, please catch up with Adam at school and he will help you register for our Parent Portal on Daymap.

Sincere thanks to Mr Greg Hollick, our Wellbeing Coordinator who was the main organiser of this event and the other staff at Christies Beach Primary for working together to make our Acquaintance Night the success it was. Thank you also to The FUNdraising Committee for selling drinks on the night and for helping out with the barbeque. It is people like you who make a difference to our school.

On Tuesday night we also held our Governing Council Annual General Meeting. This was once again very well attended by interested parents. I am delighted to announce that Mr Alex Ellis will be Chairperson for 2018, with Vice Chairperson Ms Hanneke Totzenberger, and Ms Monique Garrood as Secretary. Other Governing Council Members are Ms Charmaine Saunders, Carol Wallace, Jenny Power, Kylie Rowe, Adele Revina, Kelly Roe, Jasmine Montgomery, Jodie Davidson and Staff Representative Greg Hollick. I am looking forward to working together with our new Governing Council to help improve our school to ensure your children have the best environment to continue to grow and flourish in their learning.

Coming up in Week 6 on **Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> of March** we will be holding a **Student Free Day** along with other schools in the Beach Road Partnership. This will be a day of training and development for all staff in our partnership in 'The Big Six' components of Literacy.

I look forward to meeting you in the near future, if I haven't already done so.

Kind regards

*Catherine O'Dea*

## CALENDAR

Week	Date	
4	21/2	Harmony Day
4	23/2	Assembly – 9am
6	9/3	Student Free Day
7	12/3	Adelaide Cup Day
8	19/3	Parent / Teacher Interviews
9	30/3	Good Friday
11	13/4	LAST DAY T1

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## UNIFORM

It is fantastic to see so many of our students wearing the correct school uniform. A reminder that grey jumpers are not part of the uniform endorsed by Governing Council. Uniforms are available for purchase at the Finance Office, now located in the Front Office, 8:30am – 9:30am each morning. Secondhand uniforms are also available for a gold coin donation.



## STUDENT INFORMATION UPDATE

The annual **Student Information Update Forms** were sent home recently. Thank you to those families that have already completed and returned their forms to school to enter into the draw to win a school uniform.

If you have not already done this, please complete and return to school as soon as possible. Separate

forms will need to be completed for each of your children.

## COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS 2018

Christies Beach Primary School is once again participating in the Coles for schools reward system. This supportive program, provides an invaluable opportunity for our school to replace our sports equipment and redeem other educational resources. In 2010 we were fortunate to collect over 42,000 points for the Coles for Schools system. Using these points, the upper primary received a set of gel and gator balls for each class, the middle primary collected class sets of vortexes and the junior primary redeemed a number of motor skill resources and a croquet and golf set.

If you shop at Coles please collect these points to help our school to collect some more fantastic resources. You can bring these to the front office and put them in the marked box, or put them in the box at Coles, Christies Beach.

## THANK YOU TO FUNDRAISING

Our FUNdraising Committee, capably led by Charmaine Saunders has commenced 2018 very enthusiastically. After holding a meeting on Tuesday of Week 1, they generously provided pancakes for every class for Pancake Tuesday. It is wonderful to have such generous volunteers such as yourselves working to provide the extra things for our students like pancakes. Thank you! If you would like to join FUNdraising please come along to their next meeting in the Library on Tuesday morning at 9am. Meetings are held each Tuesday in the Library.

## BREAKFAST CLUB

Students are welcome to attend **Breakfast Club from 8am** each morning, however will need to remain in the room until the **yard opens at 8:30am**.

It is wonderful to have some new volunteers helping out in the room. If you have a morning free when you could help out, let us know at the Front Office.

## LATE ARRIVALS OF STUDENTS

The **school day starts at 8:50am** each morning, however if your child arrives after 8:50am and before



9:00am they no longer need to go to the Front Office to receive a late note.

**However students who arrive after 9am will need to go to the Front Office for a late note.**

We appreciate that some mornings can be difficult however it is very important to get your children to school on time so that they are organised and ready for a positive start to their learning.

As a parent of four children I know that getting organised for the school day can be stressful. One of the ways that I help my own children become successful in their own morning routine is by using a **Morning Checklist** that includes the following things:

- ☐ Make Bed
- ☐ Eat Breakfast
- ☐ Brush teeth
- ☐ Wash face
- ☐ Get dressed
- ☐ Put shoes on
- ☐ Put lunch in school bag



For younger children it is a good idea to include pictures and get them to tick off each thing as they do it. Please let us know if you would like assistance with creating a Morning Checklist for your family.

## JUNIOR PRIMARY PICK-UP TIMES

In recent weeks we have been noticing that we have many parents arriving as early as 2:00pm to collect children from classrooms and waiting in the corridors. Our school day finishes at **3:15pm** and whilst it is wonderful that you are there to greet your children at the end of their school day, we ask that you hold off from arriving **before 3:10pm**. Unfortunately your presence and the presence of younger siblings can be very distracting for our children who are still focussing on their learning at this part of the day. Thank you for understanding.

# The Breakfast Club

**Now Open at 8am**



**Volunteers needed  
Enquire at Breakfast Club  
8-8:45am**

## ONKAPARINGA NORTH SAPSASA Facebook Page

If you have received this note, your child attends a school that is a part of the ONKAPARINGA NORTH SAPSASA District. SAPSASA – Primary School Sport, provides students with opportunities to compete in their chosen sport by representing their school, the district or their state.

Students who are in years 6 and 7 have opportunities to compete in all common sports. There are also opportunities for all students born in 2008 and older to compete in Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics events.

All information for the District is distributed to students through school SAPSASA representatives, however this year all SAPSASA information will also be posted on our new Facebook Page. If you would like to keep up to date with all ONKAPARINGA NORTH SAPSASA information, please click on "JOIN GROUP". If you have any questions, please contact us at [onkanorth@gmail.com](mailto:onkanorth@gmail.com)

Scott Trenorden and Michael Best  
Onkaparinga North District Convenors  
Woodcroft Primary School

## Room 5

We went on a walk to the beach with our buddy-class to do some nature play. We dug holes, found water and made sand castles.

