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## Thursday 11 April 2024

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

What an amazing first term we have had. This term our students have had the opportunity to participate in many different learning experiences. Some of these have included a Westpac Rescue Helicopter visit, a visit to Parliament House and visits by a First Nations author.

This year, one of our school improvement goals is for all students to demonstrate individual growth in their reading. One of our whole school strategies to help students' reading is by focussing on students' oral reading fluency. All classes are explicitly teaching oral reading and encouraging reading practise each day for at least 15 minutes.

As a family, it is also important for you to read with your child each day. Students will bring home a reader and a library book each week. Please listen to your child read each day and also read to them. It is important for students to develop their oral reading fluency through repeated reading in order to increase their reading rate. This will mean that students will not swap their reader over each day.

There will also be a whole school focus on the purpose and use of our Library and public libraries to improve access to reading materials for students. Think about a visit to our local Noarlunga Library in the holidays. Finally, we as adults need to model reading and talk about the importance of reading with our children so that they can recognise the purpose or reading. When we read we have access to a whole other world.

*The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." -- Dr. Seuss.*

Thank you for all of your support this term. We appreciate all of the extra ways that families help out in our school community.

I hope that you have an enjoyable holiday with your children.

Kind regards

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### DIARY DATES

12 April 2:15pm  
Finish today

10 May District  
Cross Country

22 May Parent  
Workshop

26 May National  
Sorry Day

27 May- 2 June  
National  
Reconciliation  
Week

10 June Kings  
Birthday Public  
Holiday

12, 13, 14 June  
Yr5/6 Camp

27 June  
School Photos

NAIDOC Week 3  
July-10 July

1 July- 5 July  
Rec-Yr4  
Swimming Week

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## MOTHER'S DAY

**Mother's Day** is fast approaching on **Sunday 12th May!**

With the help and coordination of our wonderful FuNraising Committee, we will once again be offering the opportunity for students to purchase a gift for their mum or grandmother. Mystery gift bags are available for students to order at a cost of \$10 via Qkr or cash.

## ONLINE SAFETY

The school is currently addressing a growing number of student issues, on an almost DAILY BASIS stemming from student use of social media and their electronic devices OUTSIDE of school.

Unfortunately these incidences outside of our school are interrupting our core business of teaching and learning. This means that on some days it is difficult to provide our students with the best learning experiences possible.

This is a timely reminder for each and every parent and carer in our school community. If you are choosing to allow your child to access online, mobile and gaming devices, it is your responsibility to actively, authentically and regularly monitor your children's usage and to make sure they are behaving safely, respectfully and age appropriately.

## We Rock the Spectrum Gym

The students in Room 9 will be participating in a carefully thought out sensory play space experience. It encourages learning and exploration for kids and their neurotypical development. This purpose-built space includes OT designed equipment where they can build confidence and independence in a productive and safe environment.

Students have been invited prior to the opening of We Rock the Spectrum Gym on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> April.

## Parent Teacher Interviews

It was wonderful to see so many families making connections with the teacher for the Parent Teacher Interviews if you happened to have miss this and would like to make a time please contact your child's teacher to make a time.

## Huddle Awards

### End of Term 1 PBL Superstar Student Awards

6	Madoc	For always aiming high, embracing challenges and being a responsible member of his class.
5	Anastasia	For always following the class agreement, giving all learning tasks a go with a positive attitude and showing persistence when blending her CVC words.
4	Annalise	For aiming high by always being focused, listening attentively to instructions and giving all of her learning a go.
3	Layla	For consistently trying her best in class and for being respectful not only to her peers, but also the wider community.
9	Russell	For always trying his best and for being kind to others.
11	Nakeetah	For consistently demonstrating all three of our school universals and for always being a positive role model for others.
12	Eleanor	For always being so willing to help others and for being a leader in class.
17	Lacey Heller	For consistently embracing challenges, trying her best and for demonstrating our three universal expectations.
14	Nancy	For consistently showing kindness and a willingness to help others, but also for demonstrating our three school universal expectations.

## LOST PROPERTY

Items in Lost Property are once again overflowing. If your child is missing any items, particularly jumpers, please have them check the lost property area in the chair outside Front Office. Parents are also encouraged to come in and check the lost property.

## Starting High School 2025

The starting Secondary School in 2025 process will begin in Term 2. The first step in this process is to please make sure we have your most current details on file such as any change of residential address and/or email addresses for one or both parents.

Please advise any changes of your family details to the school by contacting the front office on 83821511 or via email at [dl.0921.staff@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0921.staff@schools.sa.edu.au) or via the Seesaw app.

More information regarding the high school transition process will be emailed to parents/carers early next term.



## Parliament House Visit



On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April the Upper Primary students visited Parliament House. They caught the train in to the city, some students for the first time! We were given a tour of both the house of assembly and the legislative council and also the old Parliament House. It was all very fancy. They told us how everything is run at Parliament House and we even heard the alarm calling all MPs to the house of assembly. We were also lucky enough to watch Katrine Hildyard give an address from the viewing platform. Katrine and Chris Picton then came to say hello and ask if we had any suggestions for improving our local community. Before heading home we dropped in to the food court to buy lunch. Many students fell asleep on the train home meaning it must have been a good day.



# MARK LE MESSURIER

Educator, counsellor, parent and teacher coach  
Author of 'Teaching Values of Being Human,' 'What's the Buzz?' and many more



## THE BEAUTY and WONDER of NEURODIVERSITY Identification of Autism and its breathtaking effect on parents and families

What a wonderful opportunity to have this **FREE** workshop offered to our families on  
**22<sup>nd</sup> May 6pm – 8pm**

In this workshop you will learn some facts about Autism. My goal is personal. It is to introduce you to others who have had a lived experience with Autism, in the hope you will be touched in a way, that facts alone can never touch people. I do have 2 facts for you to take home.

1. Our neurodivergent kids are not broken, not less, not disordered, and do not need to be fixed up. They walk to the beat of another drum.
2. They always will walk to the beat of that different drum. They will grow up to be adults with Autism.

Let's value Autism so our kids can grow into it with pride.

Let's learn together and gain strength, will and resources from each other. This is a practical workshop set in the context of hope, optimism and being real.





## Department for Education Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) Launch Event

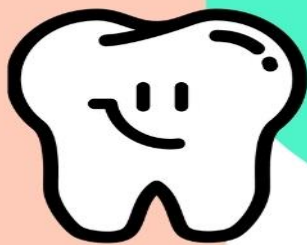
We are pleased to announce that the Department for Education's RAP will be launched at Christies Beach Primary School on Tuesday, 1st August. We will be joined by Chief Executive Professor Martin Westwell and members of the RAP working group.

Location: Gym

9:45 am-10:30 am: Launch

10:30 - 11:00 am: Morning tea (guests/community)

Please join us to celebrate our commitment to Reconciliation as a school and community.



# Smile Friendly

Australian  
Dental  
Foundation

## Healthy smile tip #3

### The right tools

Choose a soft toothbrush and an  
appropriate toothpaste

up to 550mg/g fluoride for under 6s

1000-1500 mg/g fluoride for over 6s and adults.

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**School:**

CHRISTIES BEACH P.S

**Start Date:**

WEEK 3 - THURSDAY

**Finish Date:**

WEEK 10 - THURSDAY

**Time:**

3:30 - 4:30

**Contact:**

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**CHRISTIES BEACH**  
**VACATION CARE PROGRAM**  
AUTUMN 2024

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**CHRISTIES BEACH**  
**VACATION CARE PROGRAM - AUTUMN 2024**

<p><b>MONDAY APRIL 15</b></p> <p><b>In day</b> <b>Italian Carnivale</b></p> <p>Arrive By Return By</p> <p>Italian day involves cooking traditional Italian meals, crafts, and learning about Italian culture.</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY APRIL 16</b></p> <p><b>In day</b> <b>Carnival Day</b></p> <p>Arrive By Return By</p> <p>Carnival day with circus crafts, face painting, cooking, and games.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY APRIL 17</b></p> <p><b>Excursion</b> <b>Wallis Cinemas Noarlunga</b></p> <p>Arrive By 12:00pm Return By 4:00pm</p> <p>Relax in comfort at the Cinemas as we watch Kung Fu Panda 4. Pack some snacks!</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY APRIL 18</b></p> <p><b>In day</b> <b>Happy Haven Has Talent</b></p> <p>Arrive By Return By</p> <p>Practise your talent ready to perform to all your friends in our very own talent show!</p>	<p><b>FRIDAY APRIL 19</b></p> <p><b>Christies Beach</b> <b>Tutti Fruity</b></p> <p>Arrive By Return By</p> <p>Fruity fun day with craft, cooking, and fruity science experiments.</p>
<p><b>MONDAY APRIL 22</b></p> <p><b>In day</b> <b>Construction and Digital World</b></p> <p>Arrive By Return By</p> <p>Design and construction challenges with various activities.</p>	<p><b>TUESDAY APRIL 23</b></p> <p><b>In day</b> <b>Disney Day</b></p> <p>Arrive By Return By</p> <p>Disney Day involves arts, crafts, Disney movies, and dressing up as favorite Disney characters.</p>	<p><b>WEDNESDAY APRIL 24</b></p> <p><b>Excursion</b> <b>National Railway Museum</b></p> <p>Arrive By 11:00am Return By 4:00pm</p> <p>Visit the National Railway Museum to explore old trains.</p>	<p><b>THURSDAY APRIL 25</b></p> <p><b>Public Holiday</b> <b>ANZAC DAY</b></p> <p>At the going down of the sun and in the morning <b>WE SHALL REMEMBER THEM</b></p>	<p><b>FRIDAY APRIL 26</b></p> <p><b>In day</b> <b>ANZAC Day</b></p> <p>Arrive By Return By</p> <p>Honoring Australian and New Zealand Troops with crafts, medals, and ANZAC biscuits.</p>