Aldinga Beach B-7 School Newsletter

Reception to Year 7
and
Children's Centre

Term 1: 5th February 2015

Diary Dates

FEBRUARY
6 Coffee & Chat
10 Acquaintance Night
11 Yellow Unit (JP) Assembly 2:15pm
       6:30pm Governing Council Mtg
13 STUDENT FREE DAY
16-19 Aquatics (Yrs 5/6—7)

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Facebook
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School Hours
First Bell: 8:40am
Class Begins: 8:50am
Big Lunch: 11:30am—12noon
Little Lunch: 1:40pm—2:00pm
School Finishes: 3:00pm

Finance Office Hours
Mon to Thurs: 8:30am—9:00am &
            3:00pm—3:30pm
Friday - MORNING ONLY 8:30-9am

Uniform Shop Hours
Mon & Wed: 8:30am—9:00am

OSHC - 8556 6503
Canteen - 8556 6018

STUDENT FREE DAY
Friday 13th February

Welcome to all families for 2015

It's been a very smooth start to the new school year with children returning to school refreshed after the long summer holiday and eager to meet their new teacher and class mates, catching up with old friends and excited about the learning opportunities that the new year will bring.

We began the year with 691 children along with 80 children in the kindergarten program, and were very impressed with attendance in the first week with most teachers reporting 100% of children in classes. This is a major focus for our work this year to ensure that every child comes to school everyday unless they are sick or have an appointment.

If the start of the year is an indication of how the term will unfold, we have a lot to look forward to.

Some of our newest children are our 97 Receptions who are showing real courage and bravery in their new environments. It’s been very rewarding to see the older children, often siblings, taking the younger children under their wing during play times showing kindness and including those who may be looking for a friend.

What we want for our children is to be happy at school, to have friends and to be an active learner. The first few weeks of school are about children working in their class groups to build positive relationships, to get to know each other, to learn the class and school routines and most importantly, to identify ways they will work and play together to build a strong, cohesive class community.

All of the classes are using the Play is the Way program to develop the following key concepts. These will form our Aldinga Beach B-7 Code of Behavior (in bold print below).

- If you don’t know why you’re doing something then don’t do it because it’s most likely wrong.

HAVE REASONS FOR THE THINGS YOU SAY AND DO

- We don’t come to school to be better than others. We come to school to better ourselves by being able to work with others.

PURSUE YOUR PERSONAL BEST NO MATTER WHO YOU WORK WITH
• We do the right thing because it's the best thing to do.

  **IT TAKES GREAT STRENGTH TO BE SENSIBLE**

• School is about stepping bravely into the unknown. The unknown is often uncomfortable. The braver you are, the more you learn.

  **BE BRAVE – PARTICIPATE TO PROGRESS**

• If someone is unlike you, seek to understand them.

  **TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO TREAT YOU**

The following SELF-MASTERY checklist is a framework for children to use to reflect on their behavior and to self manage:

• Am I doing the right thing or the wrong thing?
• Am I having a strong moment or a weak moment?
• Am I being my own boss or am I inviting my teacher to be my boss?
• Am I running away from the problem or am I dealing with it?
• Is my teacher trying to help me or hurt me?
• Are my feelings in charge of my actions or is my thinking in charge?

  **BE THE MASTER, NOT THE VICTIM OF YOUR FEELINGS**

Parents can support our work at school by reinforcing these important values at home.

It’s been very reassuring this year to see our strong focus on children’s well-being translate into the positive behavior of our children. Staff are feeling inspired by children’s eagerness and readiness to approach class learning.

With Dave Henty-Smith departing at the end of last term, **our new leadership team comprises:**

  - Lyn Langeluddecke (Principal), Mel Justice (Deputy Principal), David Dewar (Deputy Principal), Kris Mott (Senior Leader), Jane Moore (Director Children’s Centre with leadership across Receptions), Nicky Clark (Counselor) and Fiona Takos (Literacy Coach), Adam Blakely (Positive Education Coach) and Kieran Moors (ICT Coach).

A very warm welcome to our very **new staff joining us and to staff returning**:

• Christian Smith (Year 6/7s)
• Ali Smith (Year 2s)
• Tom Vincent (Year 4s)
• Hannah Galliford (Rec/Yr 1)
• Alida Cowan (Year 2s)
• Kimberly Freer (Reception)
• Julia Johnson (Reception)
• Amanda Deakin (Year 1)
• Belinda Branford (Year 3s)
• Burda Sanders (Ab Ed/NIT)
• Anj Habel-Orrell (NIT/Year 7s)
• Narelle Virgin (SSO)
• Claudia Peoples (Garden Specialist Teacher)

Aldinga Beach B-7 is a busy and exciting school. We have an amazing staff team who embrace the Aldinga community wholeheartedly and adopt a view that every child is competent and capable and entitled to a high quality program, to grow and learn in a safe and caring environment. We are confident that together we will achieve great outcomes for our Aldinga learners this year.

We look forward to working in partnership with our parent community and to meeting with you next Tuesday evening at the Acquaintance night. This is an important event in your child’s future learning at school as we pass on valuable information about the learning program and introduce the staff that will be working with your child this year. We aim for every parent to meet with the class teacher throughout the term.

Have a great year everyone!  

…from the leadership team, Lyn, Mel, Jane, David, Kris and Nicky
STAFF 2015

Middle Years Team (Purple Unit): Cheryl Klocke (Yr 7), Sue Kopp & Anj Habel-Orrell (Yr 7), Chris Burns (Yrs 6/7); Christian Smith (Yrs 6/7); Mark Tuckfield (Yr 6); Ian Reed (Yrs 5/6); Elise Klocke (Yr 5) & Kylie Brennan (Yr 5)

Primary Years Team (Blue Unit): Sue Wevill (Yr 4); Alex Catalan (Yr 4), Kieran Moors & Tom Vincent (Yr 4); Airlie Cheesman (Yr 3); Liz Crowe (Yr 3); Belinda Branford (Yr 3); Jodie Meyer (Yrs 2/3) & Kylie Van Laarhoven (Yrs 2/3).

Early Years Team (Yellow Unit): Alida Cowan & Ali Smith (Yr 2); Liz Pearce & Lee Adams (Yr 2); Karen Lehmann & Ali Smith (Yr 2); Sarah Pilmore & Amanda Deakin (Yr 1); Fiona Takos & Hannah Galliford (Yr 1); Lyn Bell & Alison Arthurson (Yr 1); Helen Skinner & Amanda Deakin (Yr 1); Julia Johnson & Kimberly Freer (Reception); Prue Gobbett & Rosie Bradshaw (Reception); Jane Osborne (Reception); Kym Cooper (Reception).

Specialist Teachers: Rosie Bradshaw (JP Special Ed), Jill Harvie (Primary Special Ed), Adam Blakely (PE/Health); Jess Vincent (Japanese/Cultural Studies), Lee Adams (Performing Arts), Julie Cox (HASS/Japanese/Cultural Studies), Chris Packer (Librarian), Burda Sanders (Ab Ed), Anj Habel-Orrell (Performing Arts).

SSOs: Sharon Penna, Tania Smitheram Libby Thompson, Kathryn Moule, Gillian Whiting, Mick Fishlock, Ashley Lawrie, Kerry Mundy, Natalie Bentley, Anika Bradshaw, Kerryn Coventry, Tina Hards, Joanna Jenkins, Pip Lovett, Mary Angel, Tamara George, Claudia Peoples, Russell Milera, Angie Gawen, Shane Scott, Narelle Virgin, Jamie Wells, Tania Billingsley and Rinus Haze.
DEPUTY NEWS
Hello and welcome to a new school year at Aldinga B-7 School. For those of you who don’t know me my name is Mel Justice and this year I have taken on the Deputy Principal’s role at our school for terms 1 and 2. Whilst this is a new role, I joined our Aldinga school community last year as Senior Leader- Middle Years and my focus was with the year 5-7 students. This year I will continue to work closely with our 5-7 learning community but am excited about the opportunity the Deputy role brings me to work with all our learners, parents/carers and staff.

This year my portfolio focus continues to be Literacy and we will continue to work towards our whole school approach to the structure of our Literacy teaching using the Daily 5 structure and the teaching of reading using CAFÉ to set individual goals for reading improvement for every learner. You will hear more about are literacy focus at our acquaintance night meetings On Tuesday 10th March. We are also planning to run parent workshops later in term 1. So come along and learn more about how we teach reading and how we organise our Literacy structure at Aldinga.

2015 will be full of exciting and powerful learning experiences for all our learners and I am proud to be part of such a positive learning environment. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you want to learn more about my role or if I can support you and your child in any way towards being as successful as possible.

I look forward to working with you all in 2015 to make learning powerful for every learner at our school.

Mel Justice (Deputy Principal)

BREAKFAST CLUB 2015
The Breakfast Club for Aldinga Beach B7 School started Monday 2nd February 2015.

REGISTRATION FORMS available from Student Services.
(Existing breakfast members MUST sign a new registration form for 2015)

Monday, Wednesday and Friday MORNINGS
8:00am—8:30am
In the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen
Parents and extra helpers welcome.

FINANCE NEWS
Material and Services Fees - Invoices for $219 per student have been sent home with your child this week. Final date for payment is Friday, 10th April, which is the last day of term 1. Payment can be cash/cheque/credit card (inc EFTPOS) or direct debit.

Direct Debit - If you wish to pay using internet banking please contact the Finance Office and you will be given the details you require.

School Card – A School Card application form was attached to the back of your fees invoice. If you believe you are eligible and meet the financial criteria please fill in the form and send it back to the finance office asap. Information on the financial criteria is available on the back of the form.

Credit Card Direct Debit - If you would like to set up a direct debt by credit card please contact the finance office.

Finance Window – The window is open from 8.30–9.30 am Monday to Friday and 3.00–3.30 pm Monday to Thursday. Please Note there is NO WINDOW ON FRIDAY AFTER SCHOOL. No payments will be accepted outside of these hours.

Sharon Penna (Business Manager)

READING WITH FRIENDS
The school library is open each morning at 8:30am.

This year we are welcoming students and families to come and read in the library each morning. Come in and join us.

Kris Mott (Senior Leader)
Aldinga Beach B-7
PARENT NETWORK
Coffee & Chat

When: Friday Mornings
8:45am—9:30am
Where: OSHC

Everyone is welcome to come for a relaxed and informal cuppa and chat.

IS YOUR CHILD IN UNIFORM?

We want all of our children to be proud to be an Aldinga student.

The wearing of a uniform unites children and signifies that they are part of a community.

Our Governing Council deem it important that all children be in school uniform every day. This includes a bucket hat, enclosed footwear and school colours (maroon/green tops with black bottoms).

School clothing can be purchased from local stores at a very cheap price and from our uniform shop. We are always willing to assist and if you need our help, please come and talk to us.

Lyn Langeluddecke (Principal)

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A PARENT NETWORK MEMBER IN YOUR CHILD’S CLASS FOR 2015

PARENT NETWORK GUIDELINES

- Parent network reps are selected by the class teacher.
- Reps meet twice termly, week 4 and 8 on Thursdays from 2-3pm in the boardroom.
- Meetings provide opportunities to share ideas and issues relating to the role and school and to plan for school activities.
- Network parents help with fundraising events.
- The group elects a parent convener and secretary.
- Meetings are convened by the parent convener and supported by the Principals.
- Parent reps work under the direction of school staff at all times.
- Reps need to have undertaken the school’s volunteer training program and adhere to child protection principles, confidentiality clauses and have a current police check through the Education Department.
- Information is shared in Week 3 (Tuesday 10th February 2015) at Acquaintance night by a parent representative.

Lyn Langeluddecke (Principal)

SCHOOL UNIFORM SHOP HOURS

Monday's: 8:30am—9am
Wednesday's: 3pm—3:30pm
Friday's: 8:30am—9am
Welcome to 2015 in the school library.

It promises to be another big year with Bookweek in term 3 (this year’s theme is Books light up our world) and the Premier’s Reading Challenge (PRC), which has begun already.

To complete the PRC the children need to read 12 books between now and late third term. Eight of those must be PRC titles and four are free choice. All children were given a head start in library lessons during week 1 and the teachers have been busy getting forms printed off and processes organised to support the children in achieving this goal.

Awards start out with a certificate, move on to a series of medals and then go back to certificates for Reader for Life awards.

Reception and Year 1 children complete the challenge as a whole class, most Year 2 children read with a buddy and, from Year 3 on, the children are given increasing levels of responsibility for completing the PRC themselves.

We know that reading is an important and basic skill that we all need and this is the reason behind programmes like Daily Five and CAFÉ (programmes which our school has committed to for at least 3 years) where reading every day provides a vital foundation. Interestingly, the latest research shows that 11 year olds who have a love of reading are almost inevitably successful in life as 30 year olds.

The PRC awards are just one of the many ways children are encouraged to read at our school. The new version of the Lexile reading programme (Literacy Pro) is now up and running and, hopefully, many of our children who are currently on Lexile will be working their way through new tests over the next few weeks.

For those parents who have been able to supply internet access at home so their child/ren can do online quizzes, we will send home access information in a newsletter later this term. We are just waiting to sort any bugs out of the system.

Chris Packer & Gillian Whiting (Library staff)

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In 2015 the Young Leaders Program will continue. The Young Leaders is our student voice forum. This group is an important part of building a strong school culture of student voice and choice at Aldinga B-7 school. This year Young Leaders will continue to fundraise to support local and broader based charities such as sponsoring a child from the Smith family.

Young Leaders Executive is the Middle Years leadership body within Young Leaders and this group provides leadership for all Young Leaders and the school community. They conduct meetings, assemblies, can be asked to represent the students at leadership, staff and Governing Council Meetings and also assist to organise and run events such as school discos and Bandana Day.

Colby Jones and Zac Dean will continue as Young Leader Executives in 2015. We are looking for 4 new members to join our executive, 2 girls and 2 boys. The election will be held in week 3 of term 1. This year we are asking the student, their parents and teacher to sign a commitment to a leadership agreement when they nominate. Once this has been received they will then present a speech to the Purple Unit students and staff and a ballot will be held straight afterwards.

This is an exciting opportunity for an aspiring young leader to take so please have a chat to your child and encourage their participation.

Mel Justice (Deputy Principal)

Each year Aldinga B-7 send a group of Years 5-7 students to Festival Theatre to participate in the festival of music.

If your child is interested in being part of this activity this year, an information session/sing-along will be held on Wednesday 11th February at 2pm in the Music Room (WE16).

Parents are welcome to also attend this session. If you have further queries please ring the school on 8556 5060 and ask for myself.

Lee Adams (Music Teacher)
Kate and Tamara have been harvesting lots of goodies in the holidays, 11kg of tomatoes were sold at Maxwell's Organic Grocery and our freezer is full of produce.

Welcome back Claudia, already hard at work harvesting while taming the garden. Kitchen Garden will be in full swing in week 3, with much to grow, harvest, prepare and share.

We welcome new volunteers and love to see our regular helpers return. If anyone has any extra fruit, lemons etc we will always accept with open arms.

HELP!!!!!! with all our produce we are in great need of jars with lids, preferably the label soaked off then we can bottle straight away. Feel free to drop them into the kitchen any time.

More information and photos can be viewed on Aldinga Beach R-7 School Kitchen Garden Facebook page.

All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend the School Dental Service. Dental care is FREE for most children.

SA Dental Service participates in the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. A small fee may apply for children who are not eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule.

All dental care provided is FREE for preschool children.

The local School Dental Clinic is 2 Alexander Kelly Drive, Noarlunga Centre. Phone: 8384 9244. Or for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, please visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au

Text Messages
When sending a text message please ensure your child’s name, date & reason for absence is included.

A Monster Truck visits Aldinga Beach Students Tuesday 3rd February

Choir to Years 1-4 on Tuesdays BIG LUNCH. Everyone welcome. Come along and sing. Held in the music room (WE16)
SCHOOL BELL TIMES 2015

Please ensure that your child is at school by 8:40am each day

8:40am  Classroom open
8:50am  Class Administration
8:50am - 9:40am  Lesson Block 1
9:40am - 10:30am  Lesson Block 2
10:30am - 11:20am  Lesson Block 3
11:20am  Big Lunch Eating - Supervised
11:30am - 12noon  Big Lunch Play Time
12:00pm - 12:50pm  Lesson Block 4
12:50pm - 1:40pm  Lesson Block 5
1:40pm - 2:00pm  Little Lunch Play Time
2:00pm  Lesson Block 6
3:00pm  Home Time

STUDENT SERVICES OFFICE

The office is located in the courtyard next to the finance window and is used for ALL student enquiries; first aid, parent enquiries, handing in of notices, extra copies of notices, excursion information etc.

If students are late, need early departure or are to be collected, parents and students MUST COME to the window to be signed in or out electronically.

PHONE MESSAGES

Any messages that need to be relayed to children, please ring the office BEFORE 2:15pm so there is time to get the message to your child/ren.

Libby Thompson (Student Services)

Friday 13th February
“Student Free Day”

The school is closed for a staff professional learning in mathematics.

Come and join us!

THE JAY SCHOOL OF DANCE HAVE CLASSES IN THE CECCHETTI METHOD OF BALLET, HIP HOP AND CSTD JAZZ AND TAP. CLASSES HELD FOR AGES 3 YEARS TO ADULTS AT MASLIN BEACH, OLD NOARLUNGA AND REYNELLA. PLEASE CONTACT KAREN JOHNSTON ON 0410166990

ALDINGA NETBALL CLUB

TRIAL DAYS

SUNDAY 8th and SUNDAY 15th FEBRUARY

U 11’S 9am / U 13’s 10:30am / INTERS 12:30pm / SENIORS 2pm

Enquiries can be made to Natasha Dyer 0405 326 400 or aldinganc@gmail.com

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From Governing Council Chair

Well the school term has well and truly started. I am looking forward to my duties as Governing Council Chairperson and it is an honour to represent the parents. If I haven’t met you before you will find me around the school most days or in the canteen on Fridays. Please come and say hi.

With so many things to be done we are looking for parents who want a more active role and voice in our school community.

Our sub committees are: Fundraising, Sport, Community, OSHC and Education.

If you would like to have a say and be involved in the process of getting things done please complete the nomination form below and return to the front office before Tuesday 10th February.

Thank you

Jess Sweet
Governing Council Chair

Please return to the front office before Tuesday 10th February.

Aldinga Beach 2015

Sub Committee Nomination Form

I wish to nominate (print name) ____________________________
________________________________________________________
for election on the school sub committees.
(child’s name) ____________________________
(child’s room no.) ____________________________
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Signature_______________________________________
Contact Phone No.: ____________________________

I would like to join this working party: (please tick)
☐ Fundraising
☐ Sport
☐ Community & Grounds
☐ OSHC
☐ Education

VOLUNTEER TRAINING & MANDATORY NOTIFICATION (RAN)

Tuesday 24 February

If you are a regular volunteer you need to undertake the Volunteer Training Program (if not already done in the last two years), the next training session will be held on Tuesday 24th February from 9:00am to 10:00am in the boardroom.

It is also a DECD requirement all volunteers must complete a Mandatory Notification Training (RAN). Nicky Clark (School Counsellor) will present this presentation as part of the training from 10:00am to 11:30am. If you wish to attend these training sessions please return the slip below.

Lyn Langeluddecke (Principal)

Please return via your class tray

VOLUNTEER & RAN TRAINING: Tues 24th February

Parent’s Name: ____________________________
Child’s Name: ____________________________
Child’s Class Teacher: ____________________________
Contact day time phone number: ____________________________
☐ I will be attending the volunteer training session from 9:00-10:00am.
☐ I will be attending the Mandatory Notification (RAN) session from 10:00-11:30am.

ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT

Tuesday 10th February 2015

A reminder to all parents, you have been invited to join us and your child’s teacher in Week 3 on Tuesday evening, 10th February 2015. This is an opportunity for you to visit your child’s classroom, meet the teacher and other families in the class and to find out information about the class program, routines and class activities etc. Times as follows:

Junior Primary (Reception—Year 2)
Meet in yellow unit centre at 5:30pm

Primary Years (Years 2/3—4)
Meet in blue unit centre at 6:00pm

Middle Years (Years 5—7)
Meet in the purple unit centre at 6:30pm

There will be a free sausage sizzle held in the courtyard at 5pm. Looking forward to seeing you at the Acquaintance Night.

Leadership Team
A few upcoming FREE programs and activities:

**Dad and Me, Circle of Security Parenting Program**
Wednesday 6—8pm 11th Feb—1st April
Tea, Coffee and Supper provided, please register

**Grandparent and Kinship Carer Support Group**
Starting 9th of Feb and then fortnightly
9.30—11.30 am
Tea, Coffee and nibbles provided, please register

**Autism SA—Early Days Workshop**
9th of Feb 9.30—12.30 and 1.00—3.00
Lunch provided, please register

**Family, Fun and Feast**
23rd February 3.15—4pm
Join us for a yummy snack, great activities and information all free at the double gates at School.

A few reminders:

- Please remember to supervise children near the swinging fish at the front of the Children’s Centre. The four lowest fish will be raised to help with safety. Please report any accidents to Centre staff.

- We have lots of great Literacy Kits for families to borrow for free for children 0-6. Reading and playing together supports children’s growth and development.

- All our community programs are free and some include a free crèche.

### Competition Time:

On the 10th of April from 7.30—10.30pm at Aldinga Recreation Centre we will hosting be a free lock in disco for children 10-16 years of age.

Piano an aerosol artist will be doing a graffiti demonstration. Piano has just got back from Europe where he has been painting murals.

We need a poster to advertise the event, the child/young person who designs the chosen poster will receive a $50 voucher.

Drop off the poster at the Aldinga Beach Children’s Centre or The Volt. Competition closes: 27th Feb

This is a partnership between The Volt and Aldinga Beach Children’s Centre and supported by the City of Onkaparinga.

We would like to welcome:
Jamie Wells and Sue Morton as our new Early Childhood Workers in the Kindergarten.
Josh Wells as our new Crèche Worker

Immunisations Clinic—Thursday mornings
Financial Counselling, Salvation Army— Tuesday and Friday

All our new Kindergarten and Occasional Care families

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