

NEWSLETTER

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Diary Dates

12th February
Governing Council Mtg
7.00pm

15th February
Playgroup Starts
9.00am-11.00am



25th February to 1st March or 4th March to 8th March
Rec. - Yr 5 Swimming



25th & 26th February
Yr 7 Aquatics & Yr 6 Leadership Days

11th March
Adelaide Cup Holiday

19th March
Governing Council AGM
7.00pm

9th April to 13th April
School Interviews

12th April
Last day Term 1
2.10pm Dismissal

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the 2019 school year. We hope everyone enjoyed the holiday break. We have started the year with approximately 792 students in 31 classes. We welcome 111 brand new Receptions who started school for the first time in Acacia and Banksia. We also welcome students and their families who have transferred into Playford Primary School from SA and interstate.

The school year has commenced very smoothly with lessons and programs well underway. All of our classes have been focussing on our "Launching into Learning" Program during Week 1. We personally thank all of the staff for the time and effort they have put into making sure their classroom and resources were ready for the start of the year.

NEW STAFF MEMBERS

We welcome the following new staff to our school:

Mr Jason Sheehy (Principal), Ms Vicky Bitzios (Deputy Principal), Mr Meiles Manser (Assistant Principal), Ms Anabel Pascoe (H06), Miss Amanda Langman (Health/Arts), Miss Eliza Baxter (Science), Mr Grant Pepper (C01/G02), Ms Helena Tilly (E03), Mr Matt Williams (PE), Ms Jennifer Tu (E08), Ms Larina McInerney (A01), Mr Michael Fuller (C02), Rebecca Chittleborough (D01), Miss Zoie Marks (D07), and Ms Kathy Guerrero (SSO). We are fortunate to have everyone working with us in 2019. We are still awaiting the outcome of an additional Assistant Principal and Coordinator who will be joining us soon.



YARD SUPERVISION

Please note that **teacher supervision at school begins at 8.40am. Parents should not send children to school prior to that time, in the interests of their child's safety.** Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) is available each morning if you are unable to supervise your child/ren prior to 8.40am. Please contact OSHC on 8254 4198. If students continue to arrive at school before 8:40am, or continue remain at school after 3.25pm, they will be sent to OSHC and you will be billed for the service. For safety and supervision reasons, both before and after school, students and toddlers are not permitted to play on the equipment, even if they have parent supervision.

SWIMMING AND AQUATICS

All Reception to Year 5 students will be involved in a swimming program during Week 5 (Monday 25th February – Friday 1st March) or Week 6 (Monday 4th March – Friday 8th March.) Students will be travelling by bus to the Elizabeth Aquadome for swimming instruction.

Year 7 students will travel to West Lakes on Monday 25th February and Tuesday 26th February for Aquatics. Year 6 students will participate in a Leadership Program on the same days.

Swimming and water safety lessons are extremely valuable and form part of the normal school program so it is expected that all students will participate. Permission and medical forms will be sent home shortly along with more information and costs.

CAR PARKS

A reminder that both Playford car parks at the front of the school on Adams Road are not drop off or pick up areas for students in the mornings and afternoons. This information is shown on large signs outside both sets of gates. The only people permitted into the front car parks at these times are the people who have a disability parking permit from the government and access rights from the school. There are disability parks at the front and back gates and two parks within the site. Please note also that the driveway adjacent to the Gym is not to be used for either parking and/or drop offs and pick ups. The kiss and drop areas at the front of the school are No Parking areas until after 9.00am. Council regularly patrol these areas.



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Department for Education

SCHOOL FEES

2019 material and services invoice (school fees) was sent home with each child this week.

Payment can be made by cash, cheque, credit card or Direct Debit Instalment Plan (available from the Payment Window).

Final payment is due by the end of Week 6, Friday 8th March. Failing to finalise outstanding amounts by this date may result in the debt being forwarded to the Department for Education's Debt Collector, as per our Debt Collection Policy.

School Card applications can be done online. Please visit:

<https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

If you require a hard copy of the School Card Application Form, or are unsure if you qualify for School Card, please contact the Front Office. Families must apply for School Card annually. **If you are found to be ineligible for School Card then you are liable to pay the Materials & Services Charges.**



UNIFORM ORDERS & PAYMENTS

The Payment Window will be open every day from 8.30am-9.15am for uniform purchases and payments.

Payments and Uniform orders outside the Payment Window times can be placed in our Secure Payment Slot in the Front Office during office hours. Uniform orders and school fees can be paid over the phone by credit card any day between 8.30am-3.15pm. Receipts and Uniform items in stock will be sent to class.

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers for your cooperation in ensuring students are arriving punctually in school uniform ready for the new school year. We believe wearing school uniform shows a positive commitment to our school beliefs and makes everyone feel part of the school community.

MEDICATION

A new medication plan was sent home at the end of last year for families to complete over the holidays. Medication taken during school hours requires a current medication plan signed by the doctor, including Asthma medication. Please ensure your child's Asthma Plans are up to date ready for swimming. Students without a current plan will not be permitted in the water.



LOST PROPERTY

Please check our Lost Property Bins regularly which are located outside Student Services. Please also check your child's school clothes at home to make sure they do not belong to someone else. Jumpers and hats sometimes inadvertently go home with the wrong child.

We look forward to a productive and positive year of learning.

Kind regards,

Jason, Vicky, Matt and Meiles ~ Playford Leadership Team

CANTEEN NEWS

We have a new menu for 2019. Please visit our website at: www.rorys.com.au and click on the school menus tab, then choose Playford Primary. **A reminder that school lunches can be ordered online and must be placed by 8.50am for delivery that day.** Go to our website and choose online canteen for instructions on how to order. Please ensure you use this year's class for your order. Orders can also be placed in your child's class canteen box.

Kind regards, Rory's School Lunches



2019 TERM DATES

TERM 1	Tuesday 29th January - Friday 12th April
TERM 2	Monday 29th April - Friday 5th July
TERM 3	Monday 22nd July - Friday 27th September
TERM 4	Monday 14th October - Friday 13th December