



BLANCHETOWN
PRIMARY SCHOOL

Together We Achieve

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Newsletter



NARNU **FARM**

HINDMARSH ISLAND

School Camp-Narnu Farm

This year's camp will be at Narnu Farm near Hindmarsh Island. The departure date is Wednesday the 22nd of November and we will return on Friday the 24th. The total cost is **\$90** per child. Please arrange payment with Ros at the front desk as soon as possible. If your child is unable to attend, please let the school know.

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Principal's Report...

2018 Principal Position

At the end of last term, the panel met to consider applications for the 2018 Principal Position at Blanchetown Primary School. After completing the process, the panel decided not to recommend a nominee for this vacancy. This means that the position is yet to be filled, and the process to fill this position will continue.

2018 Pastoral Care Worker(PCW)Position

Unfortunately, there was no nomination for the PCW position at Blanchetown Primary, therefore, we will not have a PCW this term. The PCW position has been re-advertised. More information about how to apply is attached to this newsletter.

Governing Council

The next Governing Council meeting is scheduled for **Monday the 30th of October at 9am.**

Student Free Day

Friday the 10th of November is a Student Free Day. On this day, staff will participate in Maths Assessment and moderation at Waikerie Primary School.

Student Awards



Achievement Award

Emma Zadow	For achieving high academic success in all areas of school
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Reg Gosse	For being a superstar reader
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School Values Award

Sammy Barrell	For being a loyal friend and supporting those around her
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Mia Gibson	For pushing herself in all areas of her learning and taking risks with her writing.
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Welcome

A big welcome to Madeline, Makayla and their family to our school. Makayla is in year 1 and Madeline is in year 4. They have been wonderful additions to the school. Both have settled into their class really well, by making many friends and learning the classroom routines.



Fun4YOUth

On Tuesday, The Mid Murray Council's Fun4YOUth team visited our school to run activities with our students. Sports included netball, soccer and the sumo suits.



Tree Removal

A recent audit, by an arborist, of the school's vegetation concluded that a number of trees required removal, to ensure the school is prepared for the upcoming bushfire season. The removal of trees is occurring today and tomorrow.

Bat Boxes

On Friday, Mid-Murray Landcare and community volunteers installed 29 bat boxes, put together by students of BPS, at the school and near the river. The bat boxes are great homes for Microbats, which roost in them during the day. At night the bats can consume up to half their bodyweight in insects!



Parents and Friends

Healthy Lunch

This term, our Parents and Friends Committee are providing a 'Healthy Lunch' option for all students. The service is available at lunchtime every Thursday, with salad rolls in the even weeks and a Parent provided healthy lunch in the odd weeks.

The next Parents and Friends healthy lunch will be on Thursday the 2nd of November, Liam will be serving Sushi.

Fresh healthy salad rolls are available every Thursday for lunch, in the even weeks.



Parents and Friends End of Year Lunch

Parents/Children and Community Members are invited to attend the end of year lunch at Caudo Vineyard on Saturday the 2nd of December at 12:00.

The purpose of the lunch is to celebrate the year and to farewell departing staff. The cost of food is \$15 per adult and children eat free.

Please return the form if you are able to attend

Parents & Friends End of Year Lunch Return Form

Family Name.....

We are able / unable to attend the lunch at Caudo Vineyard on Saturday 2nd December at 12. 12.00pm.
There will be adults and children

Playgroup News

Hi, my name is Janice and I am the Chairperson for the Blanchetown Playgroup. We are now able to take toys that you may have and would like to donate to us. Please drop in to the Playgroup on a Wednesday between 9am – 12noon.

Fundraiser: Blanchetown Playgroup is doing a Krispy Kreme Doughnut Fundraiser. We are hoping to make enough to be able to purchase all Playgroup children a Christmas present.

Please dig deep and order lots. All orders to be in to Ros at the front desk by 8th November and paid in full. Delivery date will be 22nd November and will be delivered to the school where you will need to pick up asap.

All orders will be greatly appreciated and will help us to achieve our goal. Hmm a yummy doughnut with your next morning tea!

Kind regards
Janice



Vacswim

Summer is almost here, and with that, days spent by the pool, at the beach or in the river are drawing nearer. However, the risk of accidents around the water follows suit.

Ensure your children are safe this summer by enrolling them in south Australia's longest running water program, SA Water VACSWIM. Held during December and January at over 130 locations, it's the ideal way to protect your children's safety and give you peace of mind as they make a splash.

For more information go to vacswimsa.com.au and enrol today.

Please find attached:

1. 30 ways to boost child's confidence brochure
2. Playgroup Krispy Kreme Doughnuts fundraising order form
3. Pastoral Care Worker Position Vacant Advertisement