



**BLANCHETOWN  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# Blanchetown Primary School Newsletter

25<sup>th</sup> November 2020 Term 4 Week 7



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## Important Dates

### Term 4

Kindy Transition dates- Week 7  
Thursday

Year 7 Transition  
27/11/20

Governing Council  
Meeting – 30<sup>th</sup> November

Badminton 2<sup>nd</sup> December

## Principal's Report

Respect

Resilience

Responsibility

Excellence

Honesty

Welcome to week 7.

What a messy week we had but everyone has 'pulled together' to ensure safety and good health for all. With the present restrictions parents, volunteers and non-essential workers are not able to come on school grounds.

Children who are attending school for **transition visits** tomorrow (8.45-3.20) and next Wednesday afternoon 12-3.20pm (2nd Nov) can be left in the care of staff at the front office. They will be fortunate to meet their new teacher Mr DeCourcy. The Upper Primary students will also meet their new teacher, Caitlyn Farrugia, tomorrow.

Mrs Giles is not at school for the rest of the week and we are fortunate to have Mr Jarvis stand in. Welcome Mr Jarvis to Blanchetown Primary School.

Please ensure that children have hats, water bottles, fruit for fruit time, lunch and recess food. The school encourages healthy foods such as sandwiches, salads, fruit and raw vegetables. We also wish to minimise the waste from processed and packaged foods so your help in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

All schools in the state will receive a **Maintenance Grant** next year to have repairs or replacements made on projects in our school. Staff have compiled a list in priority order and hopefully we will get lots of value out of \$30 000.

At present, it appears that students will be able to participate in some end of year activities and others are waiting for further direction from SA Health and the department.

Next Wednesday students will hone their Badminton skills with another session at the Blanchetown Hall. JP students' session 9.30-10.45 and UP 11.05-12.45. Students and supervising staff will walk the students to and from the Hall. Please complete the attached consent form and return by Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov.

### **Our Vision**

*At Blanchetown Primary School,  
we want all learners to be part of  
a caring, inclusive, success-  
orientated, quality-learning  
environment, which empowers  
everyone to continue lifelong  
learning with confidence.*

Powerful Learner

Curious

Motivated

Risk-Taking

In week 9 all students will have recreational swimming sessions at Swan Reach Area School on Wednesday and Thursday (9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Dec). They will travel by school bus and cars, leaving at 10.30 and returning about 1.30. Students will need swim wear, hats, food, water bottles, sunscreen and sandals or thongs around the pool area. We are very lucky that Swan Reach is allowing us to enjoy the water and swimming activities.

The last day of term (Friday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec) the students will be enjoying a Pizza and Donut lunch kindly organised by Jolie.

## Mrs Gosse's News

We have had some very busy Fridays so far this term! Our Arts focus has been drama which we have explored using our bodies and facial expressions to convey messages and stories. In week 5, we spent our Friday exploring and celebrating World Kindness Day and NAIDOC week. This year's NAIDOC theme was *Always was, always will be...* recognising that Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years. We had a number of fun activities to work through while further developing our understanding of Aboriginal culture.



