



**BLANCHETOWN  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# Blanchetown Primary School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 4

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## Principal's Report

**Respect**

**Resilience**

**Responsibility**

**Excellence**

**Honesty**

Welcome to week 4.

We have a focus this term of **KINDNESS**. We are asking everyone to notice when students are saying and doing kind things to others. The teachers are keeping a tally each day to see if we can increase the positive talk. Adults at school are modelling these kindness behaviours too. Praise your children when you notice them being kind at home.

Congratulations to Emma, Leah and Shae for stepping into the positions of senior leaders for 2021. I have every confidence that they will fulfill the duties of this position well. This week their senior year tops arrived and they are wearing them with pride.

Nomination forms for **School Governing Council** are attached. The AGM and SGC meetings have had to be re-scheduled for Monday 1<sup>st</sup> March. Please considering being part of this advisory group. Please return this form by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February.

Next week students will be participating in their annual swimming lessons. These are part of the school curriculum. To transport the students we will use our school bus and Waikerie Primary School bus. Two teachers will drive the buses and supervise the students at Swan Reach pool.

times	MON 22/2	TUES 23/2	WED 24/2	times	THURS 25/2	FRI 26/2
9-10	5/6	3/4	5/6	9.00-9.45	JP 1	JP 2
10-11	3/4	5/6	3/4	9.45-10.30	JP 2	JP 1
11-12	5/6	3/4	5/6	10.30-11.15	JP 1	JP 2
12.30-1.30	3/4	5/6	3/4	11.15-12.00	JP 2	JP 1

Attached is the excursion form that needs to be signed and returned by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> Feb.

We are finding the three groups on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays are working well, allowing for more intensive learning. More learning spaces in the school are being utilized.

Be aware that work on the restoration of the old pool area is underway and has been fenced off.

**Powerful Learner**

**Curious**

**Motivated**

**Risk-Taking**

## Important Dates

Swimming week 5 at Swan Reach Area School pool

Student - Parent/Carer - Teacher interviews week 7

AGM/SGC meeting 01/03/2021 at 4pm in the library

### 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.

## PASTORAL CARE WORKER REVIEW

Jolie, our Pastoral Care Worker, is having her annual review at the beginning of March. We need documentation of the kinds of activities and programs she runs, her working with children skills and openness to students and families. Attached to the newsletter is a survey form that you can complete and return to school. To ensure the continuation of the Pastoral Care funding and Jolie's position in this role we need your feedback.

Please return this survey form by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February.



In the upper primary class, we are fortunate to have three year 6 school leaders for 2021. Emma, Leah and Shae are all very excited about being the school leaders for this year and have been showing outstanding leadership qualities in the school, both inside and outside of the classroom. They have been helpful, kind, caring and supportive and encouraging of the younger students. The girls are role models for all of the younger students at the school demonstrating the school values and modelling rules and expectations.

Emma, Leah and Shae, we hope your final year at Blanchetown Primary School is your best one yet!

### Shae

Hi, my name is Shae and I'm one of the school leaders this year. I believe that one part to being a leader is to be someone that students can trust and be there when they need a person to talk to. I've had all my years of schooling so far at Blanchetown, and one thing I have found about being in a small school is that you know everyone. I can't believe that next year I'll be going to high school! I will definitely be sad to leave Blanchetown, but that's still a year away and I'm going to enjoy every moment until then!

### Emma

Hello, my name is Emma, I am a school leader this year, and I really want to be someone that younger children can look up to and trust. I started school at Blanchetown in reception and have continued to learn here right up to year six. I hope everyone has the best year yet!

### Leah

Hi, I am Leah. I have mixed emotions about going to high school but I think it will be fun. I think one of the many responsibilities of being a school leader is helping my peers in the classroom and at playtime. It is a pleasure to be a leader of BPS and I will try my best to be a great school leader.