

All Saints

Catholic Primary School

NEWS

If your child is showing any symptoms of COVID-19 (cough or flu-like symptoms), please keep them home and get them **tested**, then **inform the school** of their results as soon as possible.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Liz Keogh

Dear Parents and Families,

We are certainly living in interesting times. Although living where we do, we are grateful for many things that others in the world do not enjoy. Education, democracy and the ability to vote, health services, fresh air, plenty of food and access to a peaceful life and environment. All these things, plus many more, we express gratitude for, as we hear of the many issues, natural and human made, prevalent in other places both in Australia and overseas.

COVID

You will be aware that COVID cases have increased across South Australia and many schools have been affected by these rising numbers. So far, we have seen relatively small numbers of infection across our school with only about 5% of the children experiencing illness. In the last week this number has risen slightly.

Where we are currently experiencing some increasing difficulties is amongst the staff. We have had a number of staff become close contacts with family and also a number becoming COVID positive. This has put stress on the current availability of staff. At this stage we have managed this with redeploying staff from specialist classes and support roles into the classrooms. We have also had to split classes. I am aware that this may become increasingly more frequent in the coming weeks. However, we will continue to provide learning for all the children even if we need to be flexible and adaptable going forward. We are continually appreciative of your support and understanding.

Learning Conversations

Given the start to the school year and now the increasing numbers of COVID infections, we will defer our Learning Conversations until Week 2 of Term 2. These conversations are the first point of understanding the children's learning for this school year. At this stage we do not know if they will be online or a face to face conversation – watch this space.

School Closure Days

We were to have a School Closure Day this term. However due to restrictions around staff gathering, which we are still adhering to with staff not accessing the staffroom, we had to postpone this day. We will be taking Monday 2nd May, the first day of Term 2, as a planning day. We have a few new staff members and due to not being able to gather there, has been limited collaborative planning occur across the school.

Many of the staff are undertaking professional learning days during the school break. Before the commencement of school, 4 staff undertook a 4 day course about teaching Writing, 13 staff participated in 2 days learning about the Berry Street strategies with another 2 days during the Term 1 break and 3 staff members undertook a week of training about teaching Reading. In the July break, another 3 staff members will be undertaking a week-long course on Reading Instruction and several staff members will undertake a day of learning about Religious Education. Our staff day from Term 1 has now been planned for Friday June 17th. This is the same week as the Public Holiday Monday. Whilst we know it's not the most convenient day, we were limited by the days available for us. We will ensure that OSHC is available on those days.

Early Collection

We are finding an increasing number of children being collected early for reasons other than illness. This is causing many problems across the school.

On one recent Friday afternoon we had 30 children picked up early from school. This meant 30 phone calls to classrooms, interrupting class learning 30 times, finding children who may have been in other areas of the school than their classroom and in addition finding the space to have children wait, as we no longer have space in the front office. Across the week we are experiencing on average 20 children who leave school early in the afternoon. Not all of these children are sick. Unnecessary early pick-ups cause interruptions to your child's learning and the learning of the whole class. I ask that any early collections are considered in the light of the impact on others and the children themselves.

Leave

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Sherrilie Burton to the role of Assistant Principal replacing Megan Lovering whilst she is on long service leave for the last week of this term and the first 4 weeks of Term 2. Sherrilie is already a leader in our school, currently overseeing the improvements in learning. Her classroom responsibilities will be covered by Kylie Roesler and Heidi Hill. Their classes were notified of these arrangements earlier this week.

I hope all of your families are well and continue to be so in the current COVID environment. We will keep you updated as to our current situation however ask that you are aware of our need to be flexible and agile.

With every best wish,

Liz Keogh
Principal

FROM THE APRIM Stephanie Crowe

*Prayer for
Peace & Justice
in Ukraine*

God of peace and justice,
who change the hardened heart
and break the power of violence,
we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril;
let them know not death but life,
not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all;
we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength
to live that truth in love,
choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



We cannot close our hearts from the important world issue that we face with the conflict in Ukraine. We unite ourselves in prayer for especially for the people in Ukraine. On Friday, March 25, Pope Francis and all of the bishops around the world, we be saying Mass for Russia and Ukraine.

On Monday the 21st of March we celebrated Harmony Day, by beginning our day with a whole school Liturgy ran by our Year 6 leaders.

Harmony Day is celebrated across the world coinciding with the United Nations' International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination.

The colour orange is also chosen to represent Harmony Day and Week. Harmony Week is a time to celebrate Australian multiculturalism, and the successful integration of migrants into our community.

The message of Harmony Week is everyone belongs. It is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background, united by a set of core Australian values.



Parish Mass Times

Seaford Christian Churches- 10:45am Sunday
St Luke's- 6pm Saturday, 9am Sunday, 5:30 pm Sunday

Project Compassion

As members of All Saints Catholic Primary School, we are always trying to make the world a better place for a number of communities in need. During Lent through Caritas Australia and Project Compassion we can help communities in Australia and around the world. During the school week children's awareness of the work of Caritas through hearing and viewing different people's stories. Caritas has been set up to help people put into action the Catholic Social Teaching Principles. These are:

- The Dignity of the Human Person
- The Common Good
- Subsidiarity and Participation
- Solidarity
- Preferential Option for the Poor
- Economic Justice
- Stewardship of Creation
- Promotion of Peace

To help raise money for Caritas Australia, we will be running Year Level Discos in the Hall at Recess and Lunch time for a gold coin donation.

Stay tuned for more information!



Sacramental Program

The Sacramental Program is a program designed to prepare school aged children to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation and First Holy Communion. Unfortunately, at this stage due to restrictions we are still unable to gather to start the process. If you are interested in your child joining the program when it begins, please contact me via the Front Office or emailing me at scrowe@allsaints.catholic.edu.au

MUSIC

Daniel Roberts



With the lifting of restrictions in Week 5, we've been able to commence instrumental lessons and extra-curricular ensembles.

Returning in 2022 are instrumental tutors Katie Edwards Maiden, Charlotte Baker-Simpson, Matthew Winter, and Sean Olsder. We also welcome Tom Noonan to the instrumental team as our new woodwinds teacher. Tuition is available in voice, piano, guitar, drums, violin, trumpet, trombone, flute, saxophone and clarinet.

Schedules are filling out fast and some tutors are already at capacity - so please register now to avoid disappointment. There are a limited number of positions still available in

To register for any of our extra-curricular music options, please visit <https://forms.office.com/r/vQMikKVPcZ>.



SPORT

Tom Knauer



Congratulations to all our Swimmers for your outstanding achievements.

On Tuesday 22nd March, 26 children from All Saints competed in Division 2 of the SACPSSA Swimming Championships at Burnside Swimming Centre.

A successful day was had by all with plenty of smiles and some great swimming which saw All Saints finish in second place.

Special mentions need to go to Liam, Imogen and Taliyah, who won the Age Champion Medals for their age division.



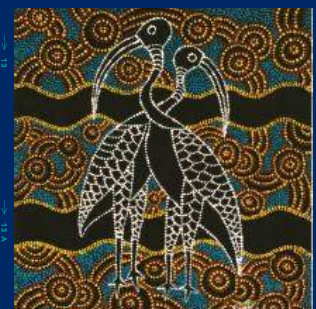
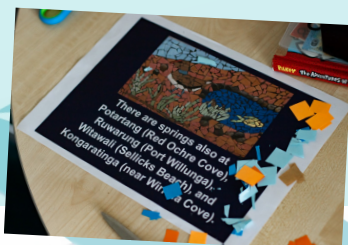
DRAWING ON THE PAST...

In Humanities and Social Sciences (HASS) this term Year 3 Dillon have been looking at a local Indigenous Australian dreaming called Tjilbruke.

We learned all about the journey of Tjilbruke and how it relates to our local community and to our school. Did you know that the mosaics in the school's courtyard (near the Reception classrooms) is the story of Tjilbruke? We also have a totem pole by the adventure playground representing stories from different Kurna dreaming. We had to discover, using the pictures as clues which one represented Tjilbruke (the fire and the ibis gave it away).

We have read and investigated the story and its relevance to us today. We discovered how rules and laws have changed since the time of Tjilbruke. We have completed detailed readings and watched different versions of the Tjilbruke stories so we can compare them. We have learnt about some of the different Aboriginal symbols, especially those that connect with our story. We have used these different symbols to draw the Tjilbruke dreaming from beginning to end.

We are currently using the mosaics as inspiration to create our own. It will look amazing when we have our mosaics done. We each have our own section of the Tjilbruke story so when it is done, we will have a complete mosaic story for us to display in our classroom.



FILM NEGATIVE

BULLYING. NO WAY! *day*

On Friday March 18th All Saints acknowledged National Day of Action Against Violence and Bullying. The theme for this day is 'Kindness Culture'.

Children along with the teachers across the school engaged with the day by identifying what bullying is, what to do if you are bullied, being a bystander or an upstander and the importance of being kind in words and actions. Each child and staff member signed a no-bullying pledge. Children and Staff wore a splash of orange. Traditionally, orange signifies social communication and meaningful conversations.



All Saints Stars



Congratulations (right to left, back to front) Zach, Isabelle, Lewis, Zac, Jack, Jess, (Liz Keogh), Cole, Aurora, Elsie-May, Allira and Zach.



Congratulations (right to left, back to front) Charli, Azalea, Jazmin, Mackenzie, Krystal, Ashton, Daisy, Mason, Lacey & Noah



I was delighted to be able to share a milkshake and a chat with our All Saints Stars this week. Our first for the year. It's my favourite time along with my visits to classes. I hear some wonderful stories and so enjoy the children's delight in so many different things, particularly their learning. We have many wonderful children at our school - 543 of them!

~ Liz Keogh

YOUTH MINISTER Simone Freeborn

Hello everyone,

As you may know, our school is taking part in a 'Less to Landfill Challenge'. The aim of this challenge is to "reduce the material that a class sends to landfill each day to one mini wheelie bin (300ml) or less".

After Week 1 of this challenge, we have tallied up all the Classes Tally sheets and found five winners; all only having to empty their mini bin one time in the whole week! A big congratulations to the following classes: 1 Doolette, 1 Yeates, 1 Parker, 4 Bevans and 6 Graff. This is an excellent effort made by these classes. Keep up the good work.

Pictured CRC Students: 6G Larissa, 1Y Ava, 1D Charli, 1P Azalea, and 4B Madison.





ANIMAL CAPERS!

On Monday this week, our Reception classes had some very special visitors! They were lucky enough to meet a snake, a crocodile, a rabbit, a lizard, a tawny frogmouth and the cutest little sugar gliders. What a wonderful experience!





Enrolments are now open for siblings starting in 2023. For more information and an enrolment pack, please contact info@allsaints.catholic.edu.au



PLAY GROUP

This week at 'Little Saints' Playgroup...



is for Out of this World!

Reach for the moon and stars with our Rocket Man Out of Space theme: Dress as aliens or astronauts and decorate your very own rocket to take home. All your regular activities and experiences will be available for you to enjoy.



Mon–Thurs, 9:00–10:45am



PLAY GROUP

'Little Saints'

All Saints Catholic Primary School

MON-THURS
9-10:45AM

COME & join us



Have fun
~
Learn & develop new skills
~
Listen to music & stories
~
Explore through games, arts and crafts and outdoor activities
~
Make new friends

PLEASE BRING A HAT, DRINK & HEALTHY SNACK FOR YOUR CHILD

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A few things to remember...

Welcome to our All Saints Playgroup!

Opening hours are Mon - Thurs, 9.00am-10.45am

Please bring a hat, healthy snack for your child to eat, and a drink.

Please enter Playgroup by the small gate located next to the Hall.
This Gate is locked at 9.30am.

Parking is available in the school grounds adjacent to Playgroup, however, this gate closes at approximately 9.10am.

If you need to leave early please advise the Playgroup Coordinator.

Please note you are on school grounds and need to remain within the playgroup area.

Please wear a mask at all times, and use the sanitizer provided.

Please wipe down toys and equipment when your child is finished playing with them.

Please social distance at all times.

Enjoy and have fun!

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Do parents attending play groups need to be vaccinated?

A. No. However, parents attending playgroups need to be aware that if there is a COVID positive case at playgroup, the community close contact settings will apply to the parent, that is they will be required to quarantine.



Parent and carer webinars

2022

2022 schedule

eSafety's free webinars provide parents and carers with the knowledge, skills and tools to support children to have safe, positive online experiences.

Our live webinars for parents and carers attracted record attendance numbers in 2021. To meet the growing demand, our education and training team is expanding the program in 2022 to include more dates and topics to support school communities.

Each month, we will present either a new webinar topic or a video with simple tips to keep young people safe online.

2022 Parent and carer education topic schedule

<p>January</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Cyberbullying and online drama. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>February</p> <p>Webinar: Helping kids thrive online (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 5 to 12 years old).</p> <p>8th February – Safer Internet Day 2022 #SID22</p>	<p>March</p> <p>Webinar: Cyberbullying and online drama (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 11 to 18 years old).</p>
<p>April</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>May</p> <p>Webinar: Parental controls (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>June</p> <p>Webinar: Online gaming (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>
<p>July</p> <p>Can't make it to a webinar? You can watch this short video on Parental controls. (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 4 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>August</p> <p>Webinar: Popular apps (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>September</p> <p>Webinar: Online sexual harassment and image-based abuse (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 13 to 18 years old).</p> <p>National Child Protection Week #NCPW22</p>
<p>October</p> <p>Webinar: Digital technologies and mental health (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 10 to 18 years old).</p>	<p>November</p> <p>Webinar: Guide to the holidays (Suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 8 to 13 years old).</p>	<p>December</p> <p>It's December! You can check out our annual Gift Guide here.</p>

Subscribe to [eSafetyNews](#) for dates and registration details or visit esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars.

Thoughtful Parenting (Online)



- Do you want to better understand your children's needs?**
- Do you want to help your child thrive in their development?**
- Do you want to build on your enjoyment of your child?**

Overview

Thoughtful Parenting is an introduction to the learning explored in the Bringing Up Great Kids training. The training offers a friendly and safe environment for parents to learn from each other as they continue their parenting journey.

Thoughtful Parenting is a reflective, mindful, respectful program that provides parents with an opportunity to reflect on their parenting journey. The program is aimed towards parents with children aged 0-3 years of age.

Program Content

The Thoughtful Parenting program supports parents and carers to:

- reflect on parenting today and your own parenting story;
- learn more about brain development in children and its influence on their thoughts, feelings and behaviour;
- identify ways to tune in to your child and balance your expectations with their needs;
- explore differences between siblings and how they influence parenting;
- find ways to enjoy your child.

Dates: | Wednesday

23rd March

30th March

6th April |

RSVP due: 16th March

Time: | 1-2:30pm |

Where: | Online via Webex |

Contact:

Name: | Alicia Marzahn |

alicia.marzahn@sa.gov.au

or phone 8381 8005 and register your expression of interest.

This course will be run online via Webex. Technical support will be provided to utilise Webex, as needed.

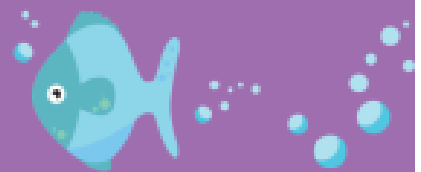
If you haven't already, now is the time to visit the Noarlunga Centre COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic to get your 5-11 year old vaccinated against COVID-19. You can book your appointment online here bit.ly/3rsoJQ6 or if it's easier, you can walk in at a time that suits you during opening hours!

Children receive two doses of the Paediatric Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine, 8 weeks apart. This vaccine is a third of a dose compared to the vaccine for people aged 12 and over. Noarlunga Centre COVID-19 Vaccination Clinic also provides vaccinations for all eligible people aged 12 years and over.

Thank you to you and your family for rolling up your sleeves to help protect the community.



**BOOK 5-11
VACCINATIONS AT
NOARLUNGA CENTRE
COVID-19
VACCINATION CLINIC**



DATES TO REMEMBER

Term 1: 31st January - 14th April

Friday 15th April - Good Friday

2022 SCHOOL CLOSURE DATES

Monday 2nd May - Planning Day

Friday 17th June - Staff Day

Monday 25th July - Staff Day

Friday 16th December - School Handover Day

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ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

Your child's safety is our primary concern.

Until further notice, we must ask that parents **DO NOT** enter school grounds. We remind you that during drop off and collection of your child/ren you maintain a 1.5m physical distance from other adults and only remain at school for a short period of time.



Morning Supervision begins at 8.30am



The southern gates will remain closed until 8:30am. Entry will be via the Front Office prior to this time. Only children with an accompanying adult are permitted on school grounds prior to 8:30am. Children attending before school training must report to Mr Knauer at the designated area.

Afternoon Supervision ends at 3.30pm



All gates will be opened from 3:00pm. If collecting from the Loop, parents must join the queue, remain in their vehicles, and move forward as pickups occur at the Hall/OSHC end of the Loop spaces.



OSHC should be used if you need to drop your child/ren off prior to 8:30am or pick up later than 3:30pm

Please avoid early arrival when collecting your child/ren and consider others in our community when approaching the school.