



# BLACK FOREST PRIMARY SCHOOL



## Newsletter

Term 1 Week 3 No. 2 – 13th February 2020

### Diary Dates



- **Sushi Day**

Wednesday 25th February

- **Pancake Day**

Wednesday 26th February

- **Year 1/2 Marine Discovery Excursion**

Tuesday 3rd March, Wednesday 4th March

- **ADELAIDE CUP Monday 9th March**

- **Photo Day**

Tuesday 17th March

- **Year 6/7 Surf Education**

Tuesday 24th March - Wednesday 25th March

- **Open Garden Night**

Thursday 26th March

- **Banrock Station Camp**

Saturday 20th June - Sunday 21st June

*FULL LIST OF SCHOOL CLOSURE &  
STUDENT FREE DAYS IN THIS NEWSLETTER*



## From the Principal

### Staffing Update

Mel Milne has been appointed as our Wellbeing Leader for the remainder of 2020. Mel will be released from class on Thursday and Friday to perform that role. In Mel's absence we have appointed Tara Metzger to teach in Room 16 on Thursday and Friday. Tara worked at St Leonard's Primary School last year and comes to us highly recommended. Congratulations to Mel and Tara on their appointments, and welcome Tara.

### Year 6/7 Camp

Last week our Year 6 and 7 students ventured off to El Shaddai for a three day camp. I have heard lots of positive reports about the camp from staff, students and parents. I would like to point out that a school camp for 120+ students at the end of Week 2 is a great idea for the students to get to know each other and their teachers and begin building those working relationships, but, it is a huge task to organise! Thank you to the 6/7 teachers for organising the camp, in particular Liz who did play a lead role. Giving up your time (and the comforts of your own home) for two nights is also a big commitment so thank you to all the adults on the camp for your time and effort.

### Student Free Days

On Tuesday night after AGM our Governing Council approved our Student Free Days and School Closure Day for 2020. We were very keen to book these in at the start of the year, unlike our days last year which were sapped and changed a little at the start of the year.

### Student Free Days:

Term 1 Monday 23 March

Term 2 Friday 29 May

Term 3 Thursday 3 September

Term 4 Monday 2 November

School Closure Day Friday 4 September (first day of Adelaide Show)

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Our Term 2 & 3 dates are combined with other school in the Greenhill South Partnership, who we have moved back with this year, largely due to our zone changes last year. These dates will see staff from across the different primary schools working together in year level teams.

## AGM

Our AGM was held on Tuesday night, thank you to those who attended, or who wanted to be there but were unable to make it. We appointed five new parents to the Governing Council, Guy Hamlyn, Tim Hirth, Michael Sherman, Kate Randell and Jackie Williams. Tamara Agnew was also re-elected to the Governing Council and then re-elected as our Chairperson.

I would like to thank our Governing Council members who are not returning this year, Sam Kelly, Stacey Satchell, Jason Chapman and Chelsea Andrews. Thank you for your contribution over the past two years, at least, many of you have been involved longer than that.

We have positions vacant on many of our sub committees for parents who would like to be involved but not commit to being on the Governing Council. Our committees include: *Education & Wellbeing, Grounds & Facilities, OSHC, Canteen, School Sport, Finance, and Fundraising.* Please contact the front office if you would like to 'express and interest' in being on one or more of those committees. Thank you.



RESPECT ENDEAVOUR COLLABORATION RESPONSIBILITY CREATIVITY

Congratulations to the following students for demonstrating

*School Values* : Buddy R, Lachlan W, Holly M, Darcy D-S,  
Maddison A, Matilda C, Adel H, Poppy K, Eva A, Liliana M, Mia B, Sophie F,  
Sam K, Kara O'M, Harry W, Charlotte W, Sebastian L

*Learning Achievement Award*: Penny R, Charlotte R, Shivam M, Oscar B,  
Beau M, Zachary B, Matilda B, Ridley S, Ella C, Oscar W, Oliver L,  
Beth O'S, Olga H

*Thank you for helping our school to be a safe  
and happy place to work and learn*

## Finance Office News

### Materials & Services 2020

You should have received your Statements and Invoices, along with student information details . All Fees must be finalised by the End of Term 1 2020. Cash & EFTPOS Payments can be made at the Finance Office between 8.30am – 9.30am every morning.

*We encourage families to pay online via the QKR APP.*

There is also an option of part payment via **Direct Debit** if you wish to complete a Direct Debit request form, please contact the Finance Office. Part Payment agreements are approved with the understanding that funds must be available for direct payments to be processed and all payments must be completed by the end of Term 3 (25<sup>th</sup> September 2020). We would appreciate your support in ensuring all payments are finalised by this date. Thank you.

The only students exempt from this charge are approved School Card applicants.

**School Card must be applied for each Calendar Year.**

If you think you may be eligible for School Card, please go to the sa.gov.au website <https://www.sa.gov.au> > education & learning > financial support > school card scheme > applications

We thank all the families that promptly pay the Materials & Service Fees each year. The monies received go directly to Materials and Services which enables each student to have access to curriculum resources allowing them the best possible opportunity for learning at Black Forest Primary School.

Thank you for your continued support of our community.

Christine Conway  
Finance Office



## From the Deputies

Recently you would have noticed a lot happening around the school - old school buildings being knocked over, pool being demolished and filled in and even electrical works being done! Iain sent a recent email out to the parent community explaining what we have planned for these areas, and the complexities behind it. As a starting point, some bollards will be put in place to separate the car park to the school area to provide further safety for your kids and the school, and the next steps for what do with these areas is currently being planned for. Watch this space!

### Pool Pavers

When demolishing the pool, a lot of care was taken to try and resurrect/remove some of the old pavers and tiles that were purchased by the school community many years ago. Unfortunately due to the hard nature of the materials and the age, a lot were unable to be salvaged. We do have a number that were able to be taken off/ are in okay condition, so please watch out for an announcement about a pickup day and a list of those that were able to be salvaged. In the meantime we will move these to a safe place in the coming days.

### Toilets at BFPS

Just a friendly reminder that around our school, we have a number of different toilets that are labelled according to the people that need to be using them. We need to be very tight on these guidelines, as these guidelines are put in by the department for child safety purposes.

- o Student Toilets - Only to be used by students, no adults.
- o Staff Toilets - Only to be used by staff of Black Forest PS (located opposite the staff room and in the Kertaweeta building)
- o Public toilet (located next to staff toilets) - To be used by parents and their young children, tradespeople and other visitors to the school.

### Bike Racks

Recently there have been a few incidences where bike-riding students have left school early because they were sick or leaving for appointments, and in turn have left their bikes at school overnight/ over the weekend. Unfortunately, we have had a few bikes or scooters stolen, even when they had locks put in place. (None of the incidents have happened during school time.) The school is currently looking at options to potentially extend the bike racks due to the overwhelming response to the new bike area, and even provide fencing and/or roofing. As this may take time due to funding and availability of time, in the meantime please ensure that your bike goes home with you if these situations occur.

### Staff Car Park

A reminder to all families that the staff car park is for staff only. For safety reasons, students and parents are not to access the school yard via the car park. The car park gates will be closed from 2:45pm. **Thanks, Aaron** [aaron.bayliss906@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:aaron.bayliss906@schools.sa.edu.au)

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### Fundraising Committee

It sounds like 2019 was a BIG year for our wonderful Fundraising Committee. As I wasn't here last year to thank them, I would like to express my gratitude for all of their hard work and commitment that goes into hosting our school events. It is so lovely when our school community can come together for Garden Nights, Quiz Nights, Christmas in the Forest, Mother's Day and Father's Day stalls etc. Most of these events couldn't happen without the wonderful work of the Fundraising Team!

If you are interested in joining our Fundraising Committee, we would love to have you! We meet twice a term for planning, with events happening once a term (approx.). We are looking for new members so please contact me via email or phone the school to express your interest. With Garden Night only a few weeks away we will be having a meeting soon to start planning.

**Thanks, Brianna** [brianna.jordan143@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:brianna.jordan143@schools.sa.edu.au)



## Student Free / School Closure Days 2020

Term 1: Monday 23rd March - Student Free

Term 2: Friday 29th May - Student Free

Term 3: Thursday 3rd September - Student Free

Friday 4th September - School Closure

Term 4: Monday 2nd November - Student Free

### Banrock Station Camp 2020

Since 1998 the children and families of Black Forest Primary School have propagated and planted thousands of trees at the internationally recognised Banrock Station wetlands in South Australia's Riverland.

In Year 3, children and their families have the opportunity to continue this tradition, visiting Banrock Station to plant native seedlings in a weekend camp. In 2020, this camp will be the weekend of **20-21 June**. Typically, approximately 1800 trees, shrubs and grasses are planted annually by the Black Forest school community. We are proud to be associated with this environmental regeneration program that supports the Murray River's fragile ecosystem through an enjoyable weekend shared with the school community.

The Banrock Station Family Camp is not a traditional school camp. It is an optional activity for the whole family (including siblings) to participate. The school organises with Banrock Station the date and timing of the planting, but the rest of the weekend is up to families to arrange their own accommodation, transport and catering. Some staff members may also attend, and in the lead-up, your child's class teacher will make connections between the history, landscape and ecology of the Murray River in your child's classroom learning. The planting occurs on Saturday morning, with plenty of time for socialising over the weekend. At all times parents are responsible for and expected to supervise their own children.

It is recommended to book accommodation as soon as possible. Many people choose to stay in a cabin at the Lake Bonney Caravan Park phone (08) 8588 2234 [http://www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au/sa/barmera\\_riverland/lake\\_bonney](http://www.discoveryholidayparks.com.au/sa/barmera_riverland/lake_bonney).

Other nearby options include: Kingston-on-Murray Caravan Park (Ph: 8583 0209) or Cobdogla Caravan Park (Ph: 85887 2164). You are also welcome to make your own alternative accommodation arrangements.

An information session and further information will be coming later in the term, so watch this space, but for now, lock it away in your diaries!

Aaron Bayliss



# El Shaddai Camp



# BLACK FOREST PRIMARY



Marryatville High School  
Special Interest Music Centre  
INFORMATION EVENING  
Thursday 19 March 2020  
6.00 - 7.00pm



**The Stables Music Centre**  
Marryatville High School  
170 Kensington Road  
MARRYATVILLE

Information about the Special Interest Music Centre, course structures, curriculum and selection process.

For information about the event call 8304 8431

*No Bookings Necessary*



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## CODE LIKE A GIRL

PRESENTS

### STEMTacular

Saturday 29 February 9am, 1:30pm

Crazy about technology? Interested in coding?

Want to play with some cool gizmos?

STEMTacular will allow you to learn, play,

laugh, and have fun as you interact with

the CLG team and members of the

ASMS community.



TICKETS & MORE INFORMATION

**FringeTIX** [adelaidefringe.com.au](http://adelaidefringe.com.au)  
1300 621 255



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## Parent Information Evenings

### Thinking of enrolling your daughter in an all girls' school?

Mitcham Girls High School is an outstanding unzoned public school.

We welcome interested families to join us at any of the following locations, to hear more about our wonderful school.

**Tuesday 18th February** | Mount Barker Town Hall, 34-38 Gawler Street, Mount Barker | 6:00-7:00pm

**Tuesday 25th February** | Marion Bowling Club, 262 Sturt Road, Marion | 6:00-7:00pm

**Tuesday 3rd March** | Payneham Community Centre, 374 Payneham Road, Payneham | 6:00-7:00pm

## Open Day

For prospective students

**Wednesday 1st April 2020 | 9:00-11:00am and 5:00-7:00pm**

We specialise in:

Girls' Education | Gifted and Talented Program (GifT) Academic  
Gifted and Talented Program (GifT) Dance | STEM Collaborative Inquiry

**A girls' school | A public school | An unzoned school | Achieving Academic Excellence**

Kyre Avenue, Kingswood, South Australia 5062 | [www.mitchamgirlshs.sa.edu.au](http://www.mitchamgirlshs.sa.edu.au)

Phone: +61 8 8272 8233 | Email: [dl.0903.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0903.info@schools.sa.edu.au)



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**MITCHAM GIRLS**  
HIGH SCHOOL

## Gift Dance Auditions

Auditions will be held for our highly regarded Gift Dance Program on the following dates:

**Year 7 intake 2021:** Friday 1 May, 2:00pm  
Friday 26 June, 2:00pm

**Year 8 intake 2021:** Thursday 14 May, 11:15am  
Thursday 18 June, 11:15am

The first step to audition for the Gift Dance program is to complete the *Registration of Interest Form*, available on the home page of the Mitcham Girls High School website  
<http://www.mitchamgirls.hs.sa.edu.au/gifted-and-talented/dance/>.

Complete the form with as much information as possible so we have a clear picture of your previous dance experience. Having submitted the *Registration of Interest Form* you will then be contacted by the school, with your audition date and time. You will also be required to supply a headshot for the audition.

**What to Wear for the Audition** – Wear a plain black sleeveless leotard, with either plain black footless tights or convertible pink ballet tights. Dance shorts may be worn over the tights. Hair should be tied back neatly either in a pony-tail or bun. Shoes are not required.

You will participate in a group class. The class will focus on jazz dance technique, with some elements of basic ballet technique. Previous experience in classical ballet is not a pre-requisite. You are not required to pre-prepare a dance sequence of your own.

There is no charge to audition.

### Questions

Forward your enquiries to [judy.swan833@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:judy.swan833@schools.sa.edu.au).

*Jazz Dance*

*Classical Ballet*

*Contemporary  
Dance*

*Musical Theatre*

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*Many  
performance  
opportunities*

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*Technique*

*Composition*

*Choreography*

*Theoretical  
Studies*

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*Performance  
Teams*

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*Enjoy being part of  
a team*

# STARTING SECONDARY SCHOOL

IN 2021



The registration of interest for secondary school form allows parents of public school students starting secondary school in 2021 to advise of their preferred secondary school.

The registration of interest for secondary school form will be **available online**.

You can access the online form from a computer, tablet or mobile phone, as long as you can connect to the internet. It replaces the old paper form referred to by schools as an ED176.

The form has a unique URL for your child and applying online is easy.

Simply follow the steps below.

**STEP 1** From **Term 2** you will receive an email or letter with the unique URL for the registration of interest for secondary school form for your child.

**STEP 2** Complete all mandatory fields.

**STEP 3** Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.

**STEP 4** Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.

Paper forms will be available from your public primary school if you cannot access the internet. Parents of private school students wishing to attend a public secondary school in 2021 should email [education.startingsecondaryschool@sa.gov.au](mailto:education.startingsecondaryschool@sa.gov.au) for a form.

## What do I need to do now?

Make sure my child's primary school has my current email address and my child's correct residential address.



For further information please go to:  
[https://www.education.sa.gov.au/  
parenting-and-child-care/your-childs-enrolment](https://www.education.sa.gov.au/parenting-and-child-care/your-childs-enrolment)



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## 2020 FREE PARENTING SEMINARS

- **Monday 30 March—*Everyday ideas to put 'perseverance' in place.*** Why? Your child's independence and success in the future is more dependent on perseverance than anything else! presented by Mark Le Messurier
- **Monday 25 May—*Supporting Young People to Regulate their Emotions.*** Handling feelings peacefully and constructively is often a challenge for children and their parents. Join Madhavi Nawana Parker, author and Director of Positive Minds Australia to learn practical ways you can support young people to be calmer, more confident and resilient.
- **Monday 29 June—*A Window into the Adolescent Brain.*** The must know neurological factors influencing behaviour, emotion, relationships and learning in teens and pre-teens. presented by Mark Le Messurier
- **Monday 24 August—*Growing self-awareness and identity in your children.*** This workshop presents a host of take-home ideas to guide kids of all ages grow a better idea of their present and future identities. Our role is to stimulate this potentially life-satisfying intelligence in our kids, so they can evolve towards an optimistic future. presented by Mark Le Messurier
- **Monday 21 September—*Raising Confident Children.*** Madhavi Nawana Parker will explain the relationship between a child's emotional state and how they think about themselves and others. Learn practical tools from Madhavi's latest book (*The Confident Minds Curriculum: Creating a culture of personal growth and social awareness*) that improve young people's thinking style, building their confidence and wellbeing.
- **Monday 26 October—*Friendships*** - How important are my child's friendships? Is it true that the quality of a child's friendships will seriously determine their behaviour, self-esteem and mental health? What should I be doing? presented by Mark Le Messurier

**7-8.30pm**

Fullarton Park Community Centre (Use Rear Foyer Entrance)

Bookings essential as places are limited: phone 8372 5180

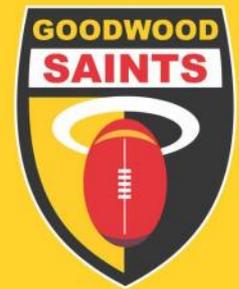
or email: [pdale@unley.sa.gov.au](mailto:pdale@unley.sa.gov.au)

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# GIRLS!



**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING AUSSIE RULES FOOTY FOR A LOCAL CLUB?**

The Goodwood Saints Football Club is seeking players for under 10, 12, 14, 16 & 18's and women's senior football



**Season commences 4th April**

For further details contact  
Fabian Muller  
Female Football Director  
[gsfc@goodwoodsaints.com.au](mailto:gsfc@goodwoodsaints.com.au)

