



# Newsletter

Term 4 Week 1 No. 16 – 15th October 2020

**Diary  
Dates**



**Friday 30th October**  
(Student Only event)

**Student Free Day**

**Term 4:**

**Monday 2nd November - Student Free**



## From the Principal

### Welcome Back

I trust everyone had a great couple of weeks with your children and managed to spend some quality time together as a family. It was great to see all of the children back at school on Monday sharing stories with each other, and their teachers, about their holidays.

### Sports Day

We will finally be having our Sports Day for 2021, on Friday 30th October, however, it will look significantly different to how it would normally look. Unfortunately, due to the COVID-19 restrictions, we will not be able to have parents onsite during the day.

Whilst we are very aware most parents will be disappointed with this we are also aware most parents will understand why this has to happen and be very supportive of this occurring. In the end we as a staff were unanimous that a sports day without parents attending was still better than no sports day at all.

We would appreciate your cooperation on the day to ensure that we, as a staff (in particular me), do not have to spend time away from the action to remind parents they can't be onsite during the day.

Thank you.

### Class Placement Process for 2021

Our process this year will be similar to that of last year. We will begin discussions about what our class structures will look like on our student free day on Monday 2nd November. Teachers will spend time in year level teams to discuss pairings and separations, individual needs etc. in preparation for us 'creating' the classes. Students will again be asked to nominate three peers who they would like to be with. This will not necessarily be best friends, as we all know sometimes best friends in class is actually detrimental to learning!

Last year when our classes were published to parents I received several (in the teens) emails of concern and requests to change classes. In what will be a slight change from last year's process, I will respond to any request or concern I receive to let you know I have received the email, however, we will only consider these requests at the beginning of Week 5 of Term 1 after students have had four weeks in their class. It has been my experience that after two weeks almost every child has worked through any concern or anxiety, realised their class isn't as bad as they thought, and are quite happy to remain in a class where they have now made new friends! This also allows a suitable timeframe to allow most children to work through their concerns and develop their resilience.

Our process for creating classes is extensive. This doesn't mean it will be perfect for every child in every class but what we are aiming to achieve is the best possible fit for the whole school.

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Department for Education



RESPECT ENDEAVOUR COLLABORATION RESPONSIBILITY  
CREATIVITY

Congratulations to the following students for demonstrating

*School Values :*

Jibby S, Isaac E, Harshant J, Eliot H, Payton R, Abbey T-E, Harrison G, Blake W, Xavier B,  
Tom C, Brighton D, Daniel W, Ridhima B, Lorraine M, Luke B, Emma D, Amaar S

*Learning Achievement Award:*

Keenan S, Natasha J, Herish V, Mitchell McD, Zachary D, Joseph R, Leo N, Austin F,  
Winta J, Ramos S, Mabel S, Brodie C, Terry K, Sam W, Ari W, Lila K G, Joshua F

## Finance News

### Outstanding Fees

All Accounts are now overdue!

Final Notices will be going out this week. Please finalise your account to avoid being referred to a debt collection agency.

If circumstances have changed for families, please check the school card website to see if you are eligible for school card assistance. [sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](http://sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard). If circumstances have changed in the last 12 months you may need to complete the "Form B"

If you are not eligible for assistance and are experiencing financial hardship please contact the finance office to come to some arrangement.

### Commemorative Uniforms

Absolute last day to order and pay for Commemorative uniforms for year 6 and year 7 next year is October 30<sup>th</sup> 9.30am. Please get your orders in now to avoid disappointment.

## OSHC NINJA WARRIOR CHALLENGE



**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**

Activities on the day will include:

- Sushi making
- Obstacle course
- Mind challenges
- Minute to win it challenges
- And Ninja bread men OSHC style

*Cost \$55.00 Less Childcare subsidy*

*7:15am- 6:00pm*

**Book in now to secure your place!**

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# BLACK FOREST PRIMARY

## BFPS Senior School Toilets Upgrade

During the school holidays we had the opportunity to upgrade our Senior School toilets! The upgrade has allowed us to put an epoxy coating on the floor to help with the odour and freshen up the old burgundy tiles, painted the ceilings and walls with a fresh coat, painted the partitions and replaced the old windows to allow a better airflow. The Light fittings have also been replaced to allow more light and make the toilets look a happier place! Thanks to Mr. Greene's year 5/6 class from 2019 for writing to the our local M.P, Nicole Flint to receive the generous grant, as well as all the amazing efforts of our fundraising committee. If you would like to be a part of the committee that were a part of making this happen- don't hesitate to contact Brianna Jordan at school!

### BEFORE



### AFTER



## Room 14 News

Each week as part of Initial Lit (Literacy program), Room 14 have been listening to a storybook.

One of the books was 'All through the Year', written by Jane Godwin.

This story then led us to discuss the sequencing of the 12 months of the year and the special events that happen in each of those months.

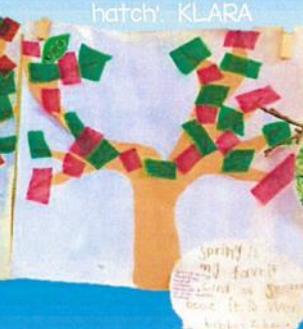
From there we connected the four seasons to the months. We then discussed and shared with each other which is our favourite season and why; each child had fun reasons as to why that particular season was their favourite.

The children then created cute tree collage artwork of their favourite season and independently wrote a sentence about it.

'Summer because it's Christmas'.  
HENRY



'Spring is my favourite kind of season because it is when babies (birds) hatch'.  
KLARA



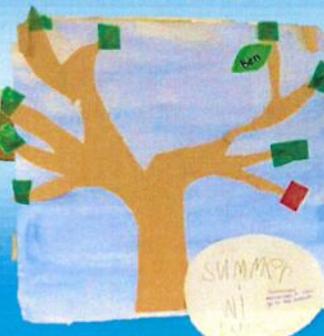
'Spring is my favourite season because it's my birthday'.  
MILLA



'I like autumn because I like jumping in the leaves'.  
IMMY



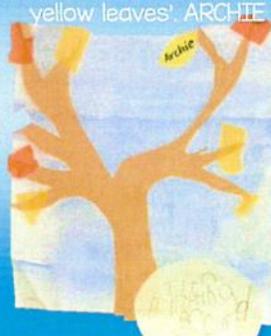
'Summer because I can go to the beach'.  
BEN



'I love summer because we can have ice-blocks'.  
MATILDA



'I like autumn because there's brown, orange and yellow leaves'.  
ARCHIE



'I love spring because we get to ride (our bikes) in the flowers'.  
WINTA



'I love summer because it is hot and I can play and have fun'.  
FRANKIE



'Autumn because I can eat icy-poles'.  
CHARLIE



'I love summer because I love gifts (Christmas)'.  
JACK



'Summer because finally I can go in my pool'.  
WILLIAM

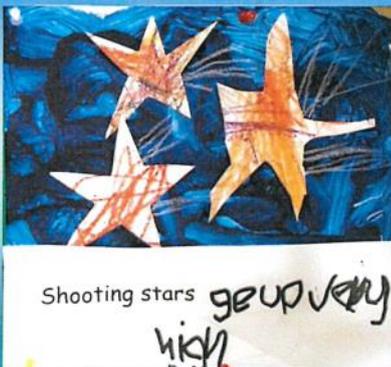


## Room 14 News

Room 14 have also learnt about space. During our space inquiry, the children learnt that shooting stars aren't really stars, they are actually meteors which are small pieces of rocks or dust in space. The meteors move really fast through the atmosphere which causes them to heat up and glow making them appear like shooting stars.

The children then created colourful artwork using mixed media and independently wrote one fact about shooting stars.

CODY



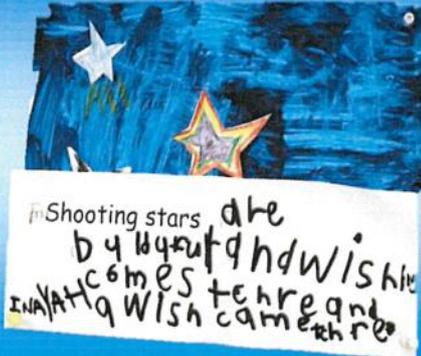
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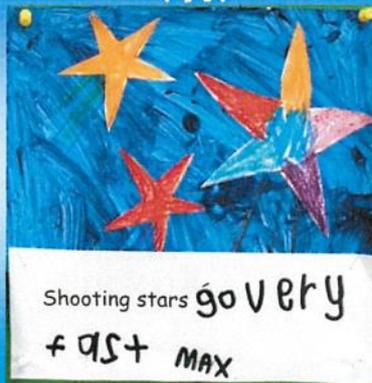
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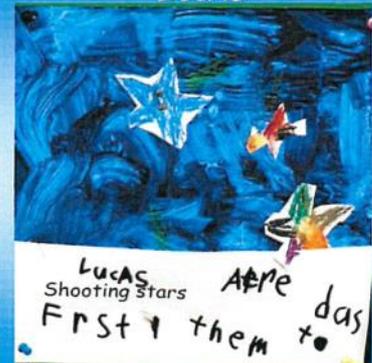
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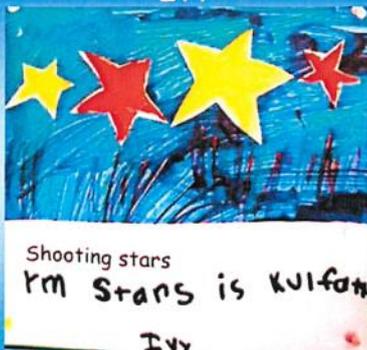
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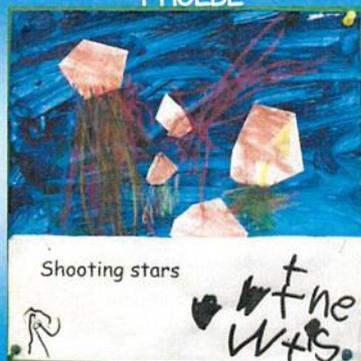
LUCAS



IVY



PHOEBE



BLAKE



## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC AT BLACK FOREST – STRINGS

Our Strings Programme offers tuition in VIOLIN, VIOLA and CELLO to students in Year 3 and above.

This year we have had 31 students involved. Unfortunately in this strange year they have not had opportunities to perform to an audience but they remain enthusiastic and committed in their music-making.

Students have weekly lessons with Strings teacher Margie Hopgood. In Term 2 these were taken on-line which presented its own set of interesting challenges!

### INFORMATION & EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR 2021:

**COST:** Lessons are provided free of charge through the Department, but instruments (if not owned or purchased privately) must be hired, either from the school (subject to availability) at a cost of \$180.00 per year, or through a retailer. If hiring through the school, **payment must be completed by Week 5 of Term 1** (students are not permitted to take instruments home until full payment has been made). Parents will be required to sign an agreement to pay for any damage caused to the instrument. There may also be small, ongoing charges for music books.

**COMMITMENT:** Students are expected to commit to a **FULL YEAR** of tuition if they are accepted into the programme (ie from early Term 1 to late Term 4). We also expect a decision from you by mid-Term 4 about whether your child will continue lessons the next year.

Students are required to practise regularly at home (10-20 minutes at least 4-5 times each week; preferably daily).

Students are expected to attend Strings lessons promptly and to be pro-active in catching up for time lost in their regular class.

Early this term in Music lessons I will be asking students currently in Years 2 – 4 if they are interested in applying for the Strings programme in 2020, and will outline the above commitments. Those interested will be given a slip to take home and discuss with you. On return of the signed slip they will be invited to attend a "Come & Try" session with Margie, during which she will assess their suitability.

Last year many students came to the "Come & Try" session, which was wonderful; however Margie only has limited places available. She has a great deal of experience in selecting students to begin Strings, as well as the most suitable instrument for each, and she takes this task very seriously. Sometimes it may be that they are not quite physically ready, but should try again the following year if still interested. We expect parents to accept Margie's professional decision. We will advise all candidates before the end of Term 4, whether or not they have been selected for 2021.

Please feel free to see me for further clarification.

PENNY BAKER (MUSIC R-5/IMS contact at BFPS)

## CURIOUS SCIENTIST CLUB

Come and Wonder, Play, Create

THURSDAYS @ LUNCH TIME

In the Science Room



# BLACK FOREST PRIMARY

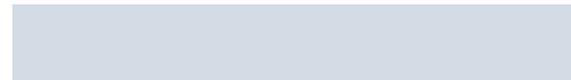
## Black Forest Blues Football 2020

In 2020, an 8 week season of football was held. Many thanks to all the boys and girls who played, their families, and especially the coaches! SANFL changed many things this season, some due to Covid19, some their own processes. This resulted in quite a topsy turvy season in terms of team match ups. However, our players improved each week, and were often complimented on their sportsmanship (sportspersonship?) by the opposition.

School football is all about player development, improving skills and having a bit of fun with your friends. Thankyou to everyone who played, coached, and helped out throughout the season. It is a great community to be a part of.

This year we had a couple of year 7s join school football for the first time, so it is never too late to come and join in. I look forward to 2021, maybe halftime oranges will be back?????

Kathryn Hudson



## Helping Kids Thrive online workshop

Linden Park's Student Learning and Wellbeing Committee would like to invite you to participate in a one hour cyber safety webinar suitable for parents and carers of young people aged 5-12 years old. This webinar will be hosted by 'eSafety' with trainer Greg Gebhart.

This session will cover:

- ideas to start the chat about harmful content, contact with strangers and online bullying
- strategies for addressing common digital parenting challenges
- skills that young people need to protect themselves online
- how to get help if things go wrong

When: Tuesday the 27/10/20 6pm-7pm

FREE COST

Who: Greg Gebhart

Webinar URL:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/778501125646409231>

If you are interested in this event please **RSVP** as soon as possible. For the webinar to go ahead we must ensure the minimum number requirement of 50 attendees is met. For further information visit the [eSafety](https://www.esafety.gov.au) website, [safety.gov.au](https://www.esafety.gov.au)



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### INFORMATION EVENING

for students and parents interested in the  
Aberfoyle Park High School

**Year 7 and 8 IGNITE program from 2022**

IGNITE is a specialist program for students with high intellectual potential. Aberfoyle Park High School is the official Department for Education school for gifted students in the southern metropolitan area of Adelaide.

Come along to our information evening to learn more about the structure and philosophies of the program, characteristics of gifted learners and the selection process.

Register your interest in attending by emailing



[ignite@aphs.sa.edu.au](mailto:ignite@aphs.sa.edu.au) with your child's name, current school, year level. Please also advise of the number of attendees as places are limited.

**12 NOVEMBER 2020 | 6.30 - 7.30 P.M.**

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