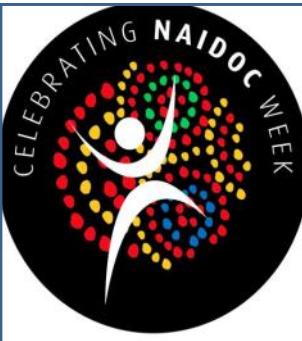




BLACK FOREST PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Newsletter

Term 4 Week 5 No. 18 – 12th November 2020

Diary Dates



Working Bee

Sunday 29th November 9-12 Noon

Xmas in the Forest

Thursday 3rd December
(Information to follow)



From the Principal

Parking & Drop Off

This seems to be an ongoing concern, so my apologies, however this is a little different from previous requests but along the same lines. We have had a few concerns raised with us about parking on South Road, both in the carparks on our side as well as on the parallel park on the other side of South Road. The parallel park in particular is actually a loading zone and not somewhere we should be parking to drop off or pick up. Parking illegally in the carpark or parking where there isn't actually a space is not really helping anyone else enter or exit the park safely (or at all in some circumstances). We have also had some concerns raised about stopping to drop off children at the end of Pleasant Avenue, which leads onto South Road just south of the coffee shop. This has caused some concern for several drivers, as well as pedestrians – given that it is a no standing zone, which means we shouldn't be pulling up and letting children out.

Again, I don't feel like this is something I should be asking responsible adults to do but the road rules and parking conditions are designed to keep people safe, not inconvenience a few. We really would like all drivers to follow these safety rules to ensure all children, and adults, arrive and leave school safely.

Thank you.

Remembrance Day

On Wednesday we recognised Remembrance Day, with recess delayed so we could observe a minute's silence in each class at 11 am.

On the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month, a minutes' silence is observed and dedicated to those soldiers who died fighting to protect the nation.

In Australia and other allied countries, including New Zealand, Canada and the United States, 11 November became known as Armistice Day – a day to remember those who died in World War One. The day continues to be commemorated in allied countries.

After World War Two, the Australian Government agreed to the United Kingdom's proposal that Armistice Day be renamed Remembrance Day to commemorate those who were killed in both World Wars. Today the loss of Australian lives from all wars and conflicts is commemorated on Remembrance Day.

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11 November is universally associated with the remembrance of those who had died in the First World War. This conflict had mobilised over 70 million people and left between nine and 13 million dead and as many as one third of these with no grave. The allied nations chose this day and time for the commemoration of their war dead.

At 11 am on 11 November 1918, the guns on the Western Front fell silent after more than four years of continuous warfare. The allied armies had driven the German invaders back, having inflicted heavy defeats upon them over the preceding four months.

In November, the Germans called for an armistice (suspension of fighting) in order to secure a peace settlement. They accepted the allied terms of unconditional surrender. The 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month attained a special significance in the post-war years and became universally associated with the remembrance of those who had died in the war.

The Last Post

In military tradition, the Last Post is the bugle call that signifies the end of the day's activities. It is also sounded at military funerals to indicate that the soldier has gone to his final rest and at commemorative services such as Anzac Day and Remembrance Day.

The Last Post is one of a number of bugle calls in military tradition that mark the phases of the day. While Reveille signals the start of a soldier's day, the Last Post signals its end.

During the evening, a duty officer moved around his unit's position checking that the sentry posts were manned and sending the off-duty soldiers to their beds. The 'first post' was sounded when the duty officer started his rounds, while a final bugle call indicated the completion of these rounds, when the last post was reached.

Why a Red Poppy?

Canadian Colonel John McCrae first described the Red Poppy, the Flanders' poppy, as the flower of remembrance.

Whilst serving in the First World War, one death in particular affected the then Major McCrae. A young friend and former student, Lieutenant Alexis Helmer of Ottawa, was killed on 2 May. He was buried in the cemetery outside McCrae's dressing station, and McCrae had performed the funeral ceremony in the absence of the chaplain.

McCrae vented his anguish by composing a poem. At the second battle of Ypres in 1915, when in charge of a small first-aid post, he wrote in pencil on a page from his despatch book, a poem that has come to be known as 'Flanders' Field' which described the poppies that marked the graves of soldiers killed fighting for their country. The death of one of his friends in May 1915, buried in the cemetery outside his dressing station, affected him severely and he wrote his poem as a way of expressing his anguish at the loss. He was dissatisfied with the poem when he finished it and threw it away, but one of his fellow officers retrieved it and was so moved that he sent it to the media in London, where it was published by *Punch* on 8 December 1915. Its simple but evocative encapsulation of the horror of the trenches has made it the most famous of the war poems



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Lest We Forget

*In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row,
That mark our place: and in the sky
The larks, still bravely singing, fly
Scarce heard amid the guns below.*

*We are the Dead. Short days ago
We lived, felt dawn, saw sunset glow,
Loved and were loved, and now we lie
In Flanders fields.*

*Take up our quarrel with the foe:
To you from failing hands we throw
The torch; be yours to hold it high.
If ye break faith with us who die
We shall not sleep, though poppies grow
In Flanders fields.*

Source: <https://www.army.gov.au/>

LEST WE FORGET



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Always Was, Always Will Be. recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65,000 years.

We are spiritually and culturally connected to this country.

This country was criss-crossed by generations of brilliant Nations.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people were Australia's first explorers, first navigators, first engineers, first farmers, first botanists, first scientists, first diplomats, first astronomers and first artists.

Australia has the world's oldest oral stories. The First Peoples engraved the world's first maps, made the earliest paintings of ceremony and invented unique technologies. We built and engineered structures - structures on Earth - predating well-known sites such as the Egyptian Pyramids and Stonehenge.

Our adaptation and intimate knowledge of Country enabled us to endure climate change, catastrophic droughts and rising sea levels.

Always Was, Always Will Be. acknowledges that hundreds of Nations and our cultures covered this continent. All were managing the land - the biggest estate on earth - to sustainably provide for their future.

Through ingenious land management systems like fire stick farming we transformed the harshest habitable continent into a land of bounty.

NAIDOC Week 2020 acknowledges and celebrates that our nation's story didn't begin with documented European contact whether in 1770 or 1606 - with the arrival of the Dutch on the western coast of the Cape York Peninsula.

The very first footprints on this continent were those belonging to First Nations peoples.

Our coastal Nations watched and interacted with at least 36 contacts made by Europeans prior to 1770. Many of them resulting in the charting of the northern, western and southern coastlines – of our lands and our waters.

For us, this nation's story began at the dawn of time.

NAIDOC 2020 invites all Australians to embrace the true history of this country – a history which dates back thousands of generations.

It's about seeing, hearing and learning the First Nations' 65,000+ year history of this country - which is Australian history. We want all Australians to celebrate that we have the oldest continuing cultures on the planet and to recognise that our sovereignty was never ceded.

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Congratulations to the following students for demonstrating
School Values :

Alex B, Clark M, Arav R, Jaxon E, Charlie N, Violet S, Clara P, Charlie P, Xavier B, Jimmy E, Gretel K, George P, Sumaya G, Nathaniel P, Grace I, Riley N, Riley O'M, Matilda B

Learning Achievement Award:

Ivy D'S, Arpita SR, Chloe D, Zoe S, Frankie W, Jack W, Luken K, Nikhil N, Owen B, Lily T, Imogen D, Harvey S, Silvie T, Piper S, Orson B



It's Back! Black Forest Working Bee! Sunday 29th of November, 9-12 midday

After a few years hiatus and more recently, a year of not allowing parents on site, we are calling for some parent help to fix, paint, weed, sweep, dig, chop, carry (and a whole lot more!) to help keep our school looking beautiful. We will start to have these moving into next year on a bit more of a regular basis, but now's a better time than ever! We obviously will still need to monitor the amount of people on school grounds due to COVID restrictions, so after expressing your interest on the form link below- we will let everyone know if we reach the maximum number allowed. **So please bring a shovel, broom or anything that could help with the below jobs!**

Registration: <https://forms.gle/6YJVJKDMW8L9c2497>

Jobs Needed Include:

- Weeding/Sweeping courtyards, playgrounds - Painting gutters, downpipes, posts and benches
- Sanding - High pressure hose pavers - Top dressing Kertaweta lawns - Blowing leaves and paths - Sweeping cobwebs - Fixing dividers - Tree pruning - School Garden tidy/fix
- Helping Iain assemble the new seating on the B-ball courts....and Much More!



Bringing hope to those in need this Christmas

Let's help the Unley Salvo's make Christmas Hampers! Your gifts can change a life!

Starting Monday Week 4, please bring any non-perishable goods, foods or toiletries to add to our donation bins around school

Final collection date: Friday, Week 7 (November 27th)

Room 11 News Term 4 Week 5



This week at Black Forest we celebrate NAIDOC week.

In Room 11 we have been reading dream time stories such as Tiddilick the Frog. We created a collaborative pastel art piece of Tiddilick where each student contributed a piece of the puzzle.



We have also been studying mini-beasts as part of our inquiry topic for Term 4.

Here is some of our art work and maths ladybugs.



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Soccer News

This season we had three teams for soccer at Black Forest Primary, which played in terms 2 and 3. The under 9s, coached by Michael, under 10s coached by Harry and seniors coached by Luke.

All teams took part in carnival night which was held at Bowker Reserve, Brighton and it was a fun night with several games, a BBQ and a bit of rain.

Thanks so much to the three coaches as well as those who regularly take on the roles of referee and lines person for the home games. It's not possible to play without parents taking on these roles.

Well done to all the students who played, your hard work was evident at every game.

Kate

BFPS Under 9 Soccer report for 2020

What a (shortened) year! We may only have played half the season due to COVID-19 but we were lucky to get that in with many other competitions not going ahead all.

2020 was a steep learning curve for the U9s as most players had never played any organised sport before. We worked hard on our basic skills like throw ins and doing big kicks and in some ways our unique defensive set up (i.e. swarm the ball with all players!) confused many other teams strikers.

Highlight include the 2-2 draw in round two (what a goal by Marley W!) No one was more surprised than Marley when I hit the back of the net) and two further draws in the Southern Districts modified rules tournament at Brighton on Monday 31 August 2020. The lads really started to come together as a team that night and everyone had a heap of fun.....and a heap of hot chips.

While there were a few blowouts the score card didn't do justice to just how far the team came in just eight weeks. More than half the team are in Year 2 (7 years old) so hopefully we can keep a lot of the team together for next year and maybe even win a few!

Special thanks have to go to Ale P (Obie P's Dad) who helped out at every training and umpired our home games, could not have done it without you mate. A big thanks also Kate W who did all the admin for BFPS soccer this year and to Evan and Henry from Plympton Primary who bolstered our numbers

Cheers

Michael M

(Coach)



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Have you played softball at school? Love playing it but can't play on a Saturday? Then this is for you. Softball SA is proud to announce it is hosting a MIXED Under 14 softball competition. Softball is a game for everyone and we want to encourage both girls and boys to come and play. No experience necessary, you'll learn as you play. This is the best way to try softball and to get a taste of the fun waiting for you in the future. Details are below.

If you are U14 male or female then this competition is for you

Dates: Friday Nights

- 20th Nov
- 27th Nov
- 4th Dec
- 11th Dec

Game Time: 5.30pm

Location: Softball SA, West Beach

Cost: \$10 per person per game

- If participants are not a Softball SA member, there will be an additional cost of \$20 for insurance.

Who can participate:

- U14 Age group, boys and girls
- All abilities
- Enter as teams or individuals
 - Individuals will be placed in teams

Link to register https://forms.zohopublic.com/softballsa/form/FullyLoadedCompetition/formperma/DhNqGeTU2zL8fJbDzvqgJOvPINaICK6oYui_5cZ7mrE

If you have any further questions please contact Ben Lucas via pdo@softballsa.com.au

Adolescent females diagnosed with polycystic ovary syndrome (PCOS) needed for a research study looking at whether meditation improve quality of life in adolescents with PCOS

If you are a female **aged 12-22 years** and **diagnosed with PCOS**, you can help us with this study in Adelaide evaluating a simple strategy to improve quality of life in adolescents with PCOS.

This study has been approved by the Women's and Children's Health Network Human Research Ethics Committee (HREC/18/WCHN/168), Adelaide, South Australia.

If you are interested in finding out more information about this research, please contact Dr Alexia Peña (paediatric endocrinologist) on 8161 8134 or via email alexia.pena@adelaide.edu.au.

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