



Newsletter

Term 1 Week 7 No. 3 – 11th March 2021

Diary Dates



Pupil Free Day

Friday 26th March
Monday 1st November

Photo Day

Tuesday 30th March

Parent Teacher Interviews

Weeks 9 & 10



From the Principal

Carpark Closure

From Friday 19th March the carpark on South Road (behind our Gymnasium) will be closed because the North-South Corridor project will be drilling soil samples as part of their ongoing planning for the tunnel and South Road improvement. The *Department for Infrastructure and Transport* expect this will take a week, so we expect the carpark to be unavailable probably until the week starting 29th March.

Student Free Day

The following Friday, 26th March, is a student free day. Our staff will be involved in their second day of professional development in the Berry Street Education Model.

The Berry Street Education Model (BSEM) is a practical approach to teaching and learning that enables teachers to increase engagement with students with complex, unmet learning needs and successfully improve all students' self-regulation, growth and academic achievement. The pedagogical strategies incorporate evidence-based trauma-aware teaching, positive education, and wellbeing practices.

<https://learning.berrystreet.org.au/>

Parent Teacher Interviews

If you haven't already, I strongly encourage you to book a time with your child's teacher(s) to discuss their progress so far this year. Given the year we had last year, I think most parents are very keen to come in and speak face-to-face with their teachers, which is great. Aside from the distancing parents felt last year, parent teacher interviews are a great way for teachers and parents to build a relationship between home and the classroom and better understand each other. This understanding can only help to improve student learning outcomes.

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Finance News

Thank you to all the families who have promptly returned their consent forms and student detail forms with amendments. These were sent out with the invoices earlier this term.

Many families have already paid their fees. Thank you for being so organised!

Please remember that the Materials and Service Fees are due 9th April 2021. The only exception to this is school card applicants that have already submitted their applications online for 2021 and families that have entered into part payment agreements with the finance office. School card applications must be applied for each *Calendar Year*. If you think you may be eligible for School Card, please check the website at www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard for full details and applications. Below is an extract from the website listing eligibility income limits:

Income limits

The tables below list the income limits for applications lodged in 2021 – based on the family's gross income in 2019/2020. To qualify for School Card, your family's gross income must be below a certain limit. This limit depends on how many dependent children you have and whether your child attends a government, independent, or Catholic school. You will need to provide proof of income – such as payslips or Centrelink information.

Eligibility income limits for a student attending a government school

Number of dependent children	Gross annual income limit	Gross weekly income limit
1 child	\$60,867	\$1,171
2 children	\$61,954	\$1,192
3 children	\$63,041	\$1,213
4 children	\$64,128	\$1,234

If you are not eligible for School Card and are experiencing difficulty in making payments please contact the Finance Office before the due date to discuss a payment arrangement.

Payments can be made via the QKR app for school fees, uniforms, excursions, sports fees and canteen orders. QKR is free to download and no charge to the user. QKR is the school's preferred payment method and provides an instant receipt for any purchases. It also provides teachers with a quick and easy reference on outstanding excursion payments and avoids 'lost' monies when sent via cash envelopes. Permission forms will still need to be completed and returned to the class teacher. Please ensure payments for excursions are paid by the cut-off date to avoid students missing out on participating. If you are having difficulty paying for excursions, please contact the finance office.

Please ensure the correct room numbers and year levels are entered on QKR in the student profile to avoid confusion with order deliveries, especially canteen orders. We have some students that have been accidentally entered as staff or outside organisations which does cause some confusion when producing lists for orders or outstanding payments to teachers. QKR uniform orders are delivered to the classroom the next day if ordered before 5pm the previous day. If ordered after 5pm they will be delivered in 48 hours.

EFTPOS is available between 8.30am and 9.30am for any last minute purchases.

ROOM 4 NEWS

In Room 4 this year we have been doing lots of fun and interesting activities to get to know our classmates.

Walk and Talks

One of the activities Room 4 has done at the start of the year was the 'Walk and Talk' strategy to get to know everyone. The aim of this activity was to get to find out as much information as everyone could about our partner. Being in a classroom is not about seeing the same people for the rest of the year, it is about working together and being a team, to accomplish that goal, the whole class must learn about each other.

'All About Me' Posters

Another activity was to design a poster about ourselves. Room 4 had an A3 piece of paper and had to write as much information describing ourselves. We had to have a clear and detailed description and make sure everything was colourful and neat. Room 4 had to make the poster look interesting and still have a lot of information.

School Values Videos

In Room 4 we learn lots of things about the School Values, Responsibility, Creativity, Collaboration, Endeavour and mainly Respect. We had to make videos to show the school what the Values actually were. The aim of that activity was to be a role model for everyone in the school and show them the meaning of the school values.

Value Comic

In Room 4 we had to create a comic on a particular value and then use Pixton to make it. Then we had to show the meaning of the value and make sure it was easy to understand.

Interview Comics

Room 4 was instructed to create a comic with Pixton about a classmate that we did not know much about. The comic had to show the two of us discussing with each other and finding out information about one another. The comics would then be hung up in the class so the whole class could learn about each other.

Interview Posters

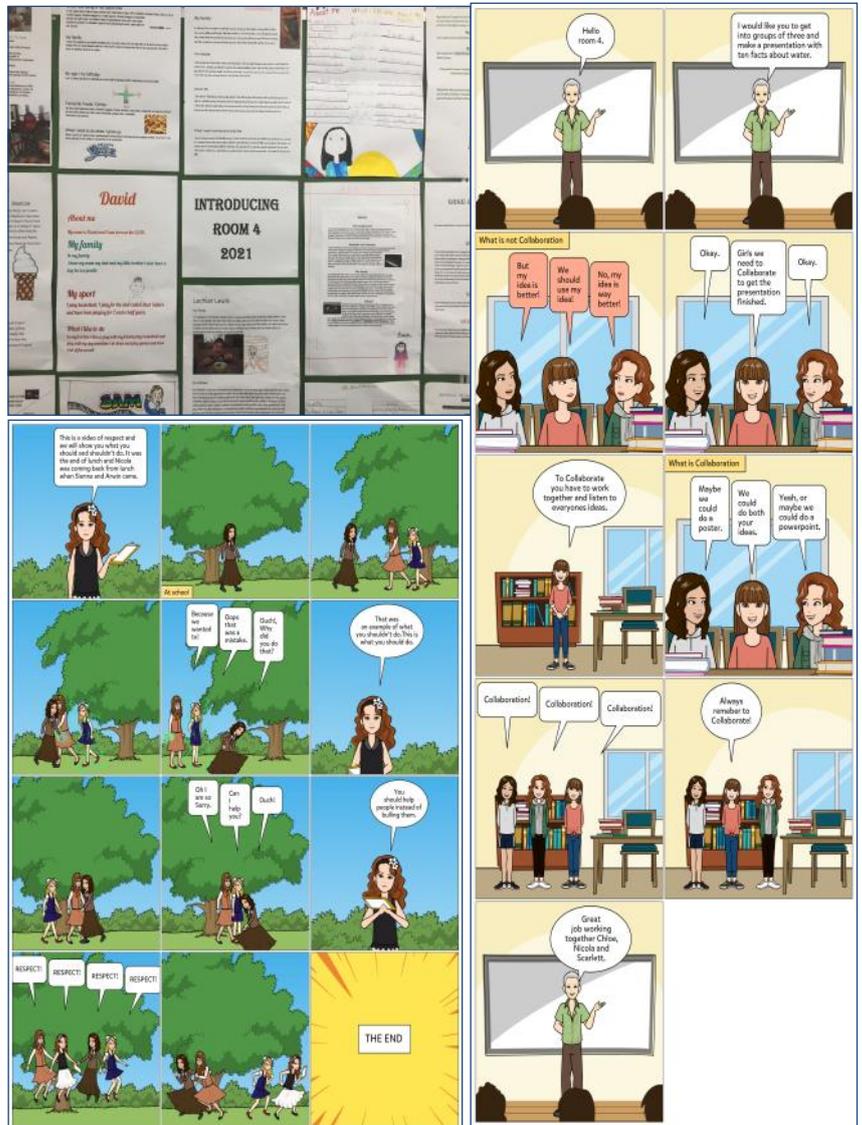
In our notebooks, Room 4 was asked to pair up and interview a friend or someone you don't know much about. We had to write questions that would help us to get to know them. After that, we had to use our knowledge about our partner and turn the dot points into sentences. The sentences would have to be written on Google Documents and put in paragraphs. These would also be hung up inside the classroom for our classmates to see.

Oral Presentations

Room 4 gets to create oral presentations every two weeks to present to the class. Room 4 gets to vote on topics to do it on and then on your week, you have to present it. The topics so far have been a free choice, a procedure, research an animal and research a famous person. By doing this every two weeks everyone gets to develop their confidence, their presentation skills and their research skills.

Thank you for taking the time to read this article about the amazing children in Room 4.

By Aania, Scarlett and Chloe.



Sports News

Changes to registration and permissions for 2021

As we sent out the email letting all the parents know that QKR was open for registrations, communications were sent out to all school explaining that any online permissions/details created by schools (even ones run by governing council) should not be accepted, and that a paper form must be collected and stored at school for records. (An Educational Management System is being created and rolled out as we speak to some schools where online forms are allowed, but until all schools have this in place we need to meet departmental guidelines.) Therefore, the usual process of paying on QKR and filling out permissions online is now changing to:

1. Paying on QKR, then (once registration period has closed)
2. Your child will bring home a consent form for departmental records, AND a QR code which will take you to a registration on Google Forms.

Payments for all winter sports are currently open and available until next Friday, the 18th of March (Week 8). If you have already paid, all you need to do is wait for the registration & permission form to come through after week

Registrations for Winter School Sports 2021 are now open!

School sports are a great way to get your child involved in activity, meet new friends and represent BFPS.

The sports offered in Terms 2 and 3 are:

AFL Football (Girls and Boys Years 2-7, \$95**/Terms 2 and 3) Training: TBC, possibly Wednesday at Glandore Oval, Games held Saturday mornings at central venue (likely to be Waite or West Beach). Season May 8 - Aug 28.

Soccer (Years 2-7 Boys/Girls \$50 for Terms 2 and 3) Training: Thursday after school. Games held Saturday mornings at various venues.

Netball (Years 2-7, \$60 for Terms 2 and 3) Trainings: TBC on the day, but most are straight after school. Games for year 2 and most year 3s are held at 10am Saturday mornings. Older students will play Saturdays at 9am with the potential for after school games on a Friday for year 6/7's, depending on the draws.

AFL Girls Football (Girls only, Years 2-7, \$95**/Term 2 and 3) Training: TBC. Games held Tuesday after school at Springbank College. Season begins May 4 and finishes Aug 24.

QKR is our preferred payment method for registering your interest and paying for Sport in Terms 2 and 3 in 2021 You can register and pay through Qkr now.

PAYMENTS need to be completed and in by the end of Week 8 (19th March) Please make sure registrations are in by this date to ensure your child can take their place in a team.

**NOTE that school football (mixed and girls) you are eligible to use your school sports voucher to cover \$90 of the cost.

(Usually school sports are not covered, but SANFL have been given an exemption) You will register via the school Qkr! process and pay \$5 to the school, then in April you'll be sent a registration link via SANFL to complete your registration and pay the remaining \$90 or activate your sports voucher. Sports vouchers can only be used once per calendar year per primary school aged child.

https://www.sportsvouchers.sa.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0016/30742/2021Voucher.pdf

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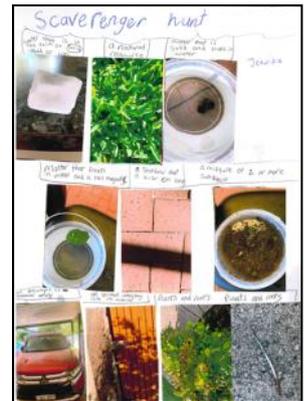
Science News

Jeevika from Room 17 has been enjoying her science learning this term. She visits STEM Club every week and participates in different challenges. Last week she built the tallest tower using clay and pop sticks!!! Congratulations on your persistence and trouble-shooting!

Jeevika also asked for science activities to do at home. This scavenger hunt allowed her to put on her science goggles and search the world around her looking for items using topics of Biology, Chemistry, and Physics. What excellent finds.

Well done Jeevika. Stay Curious!!!

Monica Hayes



Year 6 & 7 Student High School Transition Process

We would encourage families to visit their local (zoned) secondary school before deciding on their final nominated secondary school/s. Information on open days, principal tours and/or information evenings is available on the secondary school's website. Alternatively, families can contact the school/s directly.

There are several key messages families should know:

- This year, families of both year 6 and year 7 students will be applying to start secondary school in 2022.
- Priority enrolment is generally given to those who live in the secondary school zone.
- Secondary schools with a [capacity management plan](#) are under significant enrolment pressure, and therefore can only consider applications from prospective students that meet their enrolment criteria.
- Families will be sent a letter or email with their child's URL to access their online registration of interest form in week 1, term 2. Instructions on how to use the online registration form will be available on the department's website.
- Families should ensure their contact email address/es and their child's residential address are accurate and current with the school, to limit issues during the process.
- Families should complete and return their child's online form by the due date, to ensure their nominated secondary school/s is considered.
- While families are able to nominate to attend any secondary school, the increase in enrolment demand from in-zone students may mean there is limited space available. It is recommended that families consider alternative secondary schools.
- Families should be encouraged to read their parent brochure when distributed, or the [register your child's interest for starting high school](#) page on the department's website.

School Photos Tuesday 30th March

Yes it's that time of year again! To make things easy for everyone, all ordering is online.

Use the access key below and once you have ordered you will receive an invoice and receipt for the order by email — no need to remember to return forms or money.

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

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To order your school photos you need to log onto
www.eventphoto.com.au
And enter your special unique access key.

INDIVIDUAL ACCESS KEY: 4PB4WJ7Y

Family photographs must be ordered before 4pm
the night before photo day. Please ensure your
orders are placed before this time.



YEAR 7 TO HIGH SCHOOL



Parent Update Week 5, Term 1 – 2021

Preparing for year 7 in high school in 2022

This year marks the start of a new phase for our education system, as we finalise our preparations to welcome your year 6 or year 7 child to high school in 2022.

Schools are working incredibly hard to ensure they are prepared for the move of year 7 to high school. As a department, we are making sure that your school has all the support they need to make this transition smooth and successful for you and your child.

This is a special year for students

It is a unique year, as year 6 and year 7 students will for the first and only time end their primary school journey together.

We want your child to have a positive experience in their final year of primary school. We understand the importance of rites of passage, such as graduation ceremonies, and our primary schools will do their very best to make this a memorable occasion for both year 6 and year 7 students.

Enrolling in high school for 2022

This year, families of year 6 and year 7 students will both be applying for and enrolling in high school through the department's statewide transition process.

You will receive details from your primary school early this year about how to apply for and enrol in your local public high school, so I encourage you to keep an eye out for this key information.

If you are unsure of which high school zone you live in, you can use the 'Find a school' tool on the department's website at www.education.sa.gov.au

Engaging with your new school

There may be opportunities for you to connect with your child's new high school before next year.

Schools will generally have open days, information sessions or principal tours for prospective families to learn about the unique programs, systems and offerings of the high school.

As the situation with COVID-19 continues to change, schools will operate in line with the latest SA Health advice, which may mean alternate and innovative ways to engage. This might include activities such as virtual tours and online webinars. I encourage you to explore how to engage with your local high school by visiting their website or social media pages, or contacting the school directly.

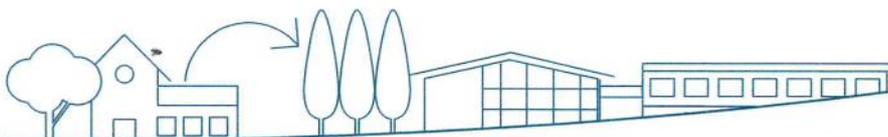
We are working together

The move of year 7 to high school is a big change for you and your child. 2021 is going to be a busy year of preparation by our public education system and schools across the state. As a parent, you can feel confident in knowing that we are working together at every level to make the move a success.

Where to find out more

Stay informed through your school and the Department for Education's website: www.education.sa.gov.au/7toHS

Or share your feedback with the project team by emailing: Year7toHS@sa.gov.au





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BRIGHTON SECONDARY SCHOOL 2021 VOLLEYBALL TRIALS

OUT OF ZONE TRIALS - The initial Out of Zone trial for a position in the Brighton Secondary School Volleyball Program for current Year 6 and Year 7 students will be held on:

- Current Year 6 - Tuesday 30 March - Boys at 11am & Girls at 1pm
- Current Year 7 - Wednesday 31 March - Boys at 9 am & Girls at 11am

Students who meet the required standards at the first out of zone trial for years 6 and 7 will be invited to attend the final trial on Thursday 29 April at an advised time.

IN ZONE TRIALS - The In Zone trial for a position in the Brighton Secondary School Volleyball Program for current year 6 and Year 7 students will be held on:

- Current Year 6 - Monday 10 March - Time TBA
- Current Year 7 - Monday 17 March - Time TBA

Online applications for trials open 1 March 2021 & close 19 March 2021 via brightonss.sa.edu.au. For more info call 8375 8207



HAMILTON SECONDARY COLLEGE

Open Day

17 March 2021

Open Day Principal Tours by appointment:
Prospective Year 7 students - 9:30am to 10:30 am
Prospective Year 8 students - 11:30 am to 12:30pm

Open Evening College Tours by appointment at:
4:30pm, 5:30pm and 6:30pm

For more information and to book a tour, please call 8275 8300

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Open Day

Wednesday 24 March 2021
4.00pm-5.00pm
and
6.00pm-7.30pm

267 Daws Road, Pasadena SA 5042
Please phone 8152 6800 or email dl.0975.info@schools.sa.edu.au
to register your interest

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Principal's Tours 9.00am-10.00am

~~Wednesday 31 March 2021~~ (*Booked out*)
Monday 3 May 2021
Friday 21 May 2021
Wednesday 9 June 2021



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What a better way to spend a PFD than at

the Beach House

Friday 26th March

Book into OSHC and join us for a 2 hour session of mega fun....

**includes Water Slides, Dodgem Cars, Bumper Boats, Mini Golf, Carousel, Train, Play Castle and Arcade Games (excludes prize/ticket games) Height restrictions apply for children under 1.2 metres (Slide, Bumper boats & Dodgem cars)*

Cost is \$55.00 (less CCS)

We are travelling to and from the Beach House via Adelaide Metro Trams.

Children need to arrive at the service by **9:30am** and we will return 2pm

Bring bathers and towel plus normal recess, lunch, drink and hat! Kids need socks too...

Book online at <https://blackforestoshc.fullybookedccms.com.au/family>

