

News Update

Term 1 – Week 9

Dear Families,

First up, I want to thank you all for the care and support you are showing us at school and with each other in the community.

We recognise that the Covid spread is increasingly a cause for anxiety for staff and families. None of us want to get sick. None of us want our children to be unwell. And none of us want to be the cause of someone else getting sick.

Like most schools we have quite a bit of Covid in our community, complicated by other non-Covid viruses impacting the school. We have been fortunate so far in that the majority of positive Covid cases have not been at school during the infectious period (2 days prior to symptoms or their positive result, whichever is earlier). Thank you for your diligence and prompt action. It really is making a difference here. With many schools having to close classrooms and deal with critical staff shortages, we are relieved that we have been able to continue to provide uninterrupted learning.

There have been some changes by DfE in the directions regarding reporting and responding to close contact.

Changes in brief:

- ◆ From now, we will do a single daily notification to families that lists the Studios affected by COVID-19 cases. We will send this to all families, not just the families directly affected.
- ◆ If your child's studio is listed as a potential Classroom Contact, you are no longer required to try and find alternative care arrangements for your child and they can attend OSHC.
- ◆ Quarantine is now 7 days, not 14.

Remaining the same:

- ◆ Children who are Classroom Contacts may still attend school unless they are unwell. If you choose to test them and they test positive (RAT or PCR) you are required to inform the school asap and follow SA Health requirements.
- ◆ All BPS staff wear masks and socially distance when working indoors with each other. Staff meetings are on hold. Staff eat outdoors or separated from colleagues.
- ◆ If your children have even mild symptoms, keep them home until symptoms are gone. Test and notify the school.
- ◆ You may also be recommended to test your child when classroom exposure is high.
- ◆ DfE may temporarily close affected classrooms as a circuit breaker.

We will keep you informed about requirements as they become relevant to your family.

Barb Jenkins, Principal

Our school values apply to all communication in our school; adults and children

Respect ◆ **Integrity** ◆ **Responsibility** ◆ **Thrive**

Some sad news...

Teresa Johnson and Steve Coss worked at Bridgewater Primary School for several years in the past and were valued members of the community. This year they were working at Fregon. Tragically, Steve passed away last night from a heart attack.

I will send our condolences to Teresa and the family from our school community.



* CATCH UP PHOTO DAY - Next Thursday 7th April 2022

Next Thursday is Photo Catch Up day! Many children missed out on having their photo taken on Tuesday, so we expect them to be ready to go next Thursday...

Hair combed, teeth brushed, clean uniform and bright smile!

Some families missed out on having their 'Family' photos taken too. If you missed out, or have since decided you would like family photos, please collect a 'Family Photo Envelope' from the front office asap.

Every child has an individually named photo envelope. If your child has been absent, their envelope will be in their studio tray. If your child's envelope has gone 'missing', please contact the front office.

ALL PHOTO ENVELOPES, EVEN IF YOU'RE NOT PURCHASING ANY, MUST BE RETURNED TO THE FRONT OFFICE BY:

WEDNESDAY, 6TH APRIL 2022

TERM 1 DIARY DATES	
WEEK 10	
Mon 4/4	Oakbank Athletics Day Selected Students
Thur 7/4	Bridgie Kindy Kids Visiting S7 Cancelled ----- PHOTO CATCH UP DAY
WEEK 11	
Mon 11/4	S2 & S9 Ashton Valley Fresh
Wed 13/4	Daggy Day - Whole School Clean-up Day
Thurs 14/4	2:15pm Early Dismissal Last Day of Term
Fri 15/4	PUBLIC HOLIDAY Good Friday

TERM 2 DIARY DATES TO DATE	
WEEK 2	
Thur 10/3	Principal's Tour 9:30am
WEEK 6	
Wed 8/6	S2 & S9 ASO Town Hall
WEEK 7	
Mon 13/6	PUBLIC HOLIDAY Queens Birthday
WEEK 8	
Thur 19/6	Bridgie Kindy visiting ----- Principal's Tour 9:30am
WEEK 10	
Thur 7/7	Daggy Day - Whole School Clean-up Day
Fri 8/7	2:15pm Early Dismissal Last Day of Term





School Holiday Exclusive Deal

From 16th April 2022 to 1st May 2022 with the purchase of an adult or concession ticket 1 child may travel free on any LinkSA route service



- Barossa Valley
- Murraylands
- Fleurieu Peninsula
- Adelaide Hills

Visit linksa.com.au
for service and timetable information

The Hills Environment Centre presents

PROFESSOR FLINT AND DINOSAURS DOWN UNDER



Appearing for one show at the Uraidla Institute Hall!

Date: Tuesday 26th April, 11am - 12.30pm
Venue: Uraidla Institute Hall
1197 Greenhill Road, Uraidla
Cost: \$5 per child

Suitable for children aged 3-12. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

To book, email coordinator@hecinc.org.au with adult name, child's name(s) and email address.

Registration is essential. Covid restrictions and regulations will be followed.

  This event is supported by the Hills & Fleurieu and Northern & Yorke Landscape Boards with funding from S.A. Government's Landscape Priorities Fund and Green Adelaide.

Kaurna Bush Foods & Sustainability

with Clem Newchurch

The 'Grow It Local' platform provides online resources about food gardening, as well as access to workshops to help set up your own garden, along with live ask-an-expert online sessions. It also allows you to create an online profile for your garden (referred to as 'mapping your patch') to enable easy sharing, swapping and selling of your delicious homegrown goodies. It's like Gumtree for homegrown food.

Their next online workshop is Kaurna Bush Foods and Sustainability with Clem Newchurch.

Clem has a passion for native plants of South Australia. In this free session he will share his knowledge of South Australian bush foods and other traditional plant uses. He will discuss his thoughts on sustainability and how the native environment can contribute to better climate change outcomes if Aboriginal knowledge is embraced. Clem will provide recommendations for what people can do at home if they wish to explore planting natives in their backyards and he will discuss some of the many benefits in doing this.

Clem will also talk about basket weaving and weaving nets for fishing. Clem began weaving after learning the Ngarrindjeri weaving style from Ngarrindjeri Elders at Camp Coorong many years ago. He continued weaving at home on Kaurna Country, sourcing materials from his local area, and in doing so, found the appropriate native plants to make string.

Date: Saturday 2 April

Time: 2.30 pm

Location: online

Get tickets and find out more here at [Grow It Local Kaurna Bush Foods and Sustainability with Clem Newchurch](#)

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Adventure Plus! Holiday Program @ Mylor Adventure Camp



This holiday program is all about discovering Treasures.

The treasure in you, the treasure in nature and the treasure in others as you trust and explore together.

- **Dates:** Tue 26 April – Fri 29 April
- **Time:** 8:30am- 5:30pm
- **Location:** Mylor Adventure Camp



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For more details and registration see:

<https://baptistcaresa.org.au/adventure-plus-holiday-program>

@MylorAdventureCamp



2022 Adventure Plus! Holiday Program

Tuesday
26 April 2022



TREASURE YOURSELF

Activities include: Flying Fox, Archery, Bouldering and Pool Games.

Day One is all about discovering new strengths and making new friends.

Launch yourself from the Flying Fox, have a go at Archery and end the day climbing on our bouldering wall. **Whilst doing activities pick up clues along the way and discover the treasure in you!**

Wednesday
27 April 2022



TREASURE TOGETHER

Activities Include: Bridge Building, Flying Possum, Pool time and our upgraded Challenge Course.

Day Two is all about seeing the valuable treasure in others and coming together to achieve great things!

Trust your mates to get through our upgraded Challenge Course and put your teamwork to test. **Go home with the next lot of clues, beautiful memories and the treasure of finding you - together!**

Thursday
28 April 2022



TREASURE BEYOND

Activities include: Giant Swing, Low Ropes Course, problem-solving team challenges and Pool Time.

What if some of the most valuable treasures you could ever discover were right in front of you and all you had to do was believe to see it's power. **Treasure Beyond is about exploring ideas of faith whilst enjoying our amazing activities.**

Swing super high on our Giant Swing and test your problem-solving skills during our team challenges!

Friday
29 April 2022



TREASURE NATURE

Activities include: Canoeing, Building Shelters, Nature Scavenger Hunt and Pool Time.

Day Four is all about discovering some of nature's treasures.

Feel one with nature whilst canoeing or during our Nature Scavenger Hunt...and to finish the week, we need your detective skills one more time. Use the clues collected throughout the week and locate the secret treasure at Mylor! **Together, we can find any treasure.**