



Blyth Primary School Newsletter 2020



Growing Believing & Achieving

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News from the Principal - Term One Week Three

Hello Everyone,

Officially -Welcome back to the 2020 School Year!

What an excellent start all students and staff have experienced with students very settled and producing some great work already.

We welcome new students to our school this year in Reception- Billy, Jeremy, Annie, and Elsie. They are enthusiastically interacting and enjoying their new class. Thank you to Mrs Spurling and the yr.one and yr. two children for making them feel a valuable part of our school community already.

This year we have three classes being the Reception to Year Two class, the Three/Four/Five class, and the Year Six class. We welcome Mrs Jamieson who is teaching with Mrs Harvey as our Year Six Teacher on Friday each week. As our feedback from 2019 on our "Lesson Swap" was overwhelmingly positive from students, parents and staff, we are again incorporating specialised subject teaching R-6 with-

- Mrs Spurling - Health & P.E.
- Mrs Harvey - Performing Arts & Digital Technologies
- Mrs Pyrke - Science
- Mrs Hastings - Humanities & Social Sciences.
- Mrs Murrie - Japanese.

We have again incorporated some whole school Reading groups with students and staff working together on improving and stretching the Literacy skills of our students. In 2019 our feedback suggested this was a highly valued time also. Our pin-up board in the front office displays our students Reading Goals for the start of the year, and the Success Criteria that we are all striving to achieve.

It was fabulous to see so many families join us for Acquaintance Night last Monday. Thank you to Andrew, Scott, Phillip and Julia for assisting with the BBQ and serving, and Bianca for setting up tables. This was a great opportunity for parents/caregivers to come along and hear what the class teachers Mrs Spurling, Mrs Pyrke, Mrs Harvey and Mrs Jamieson have planned for the year.

Facilities

As you may be aware, during our school holidays work was completed on our Library, and we are now waiting for some new furniture to make this room an excellent Book Place for our students to enjoy and do some reading.

A new wall and door was placed into part of the larger learning space, so that now Mrs Pyrke and Mrs Harvey can have their own class areas, as well as use the larger space in whole school activities.

We are also looking forward to our old Staffroom being removed before June this year too.

Parent Club & AGM Reminders-

Next Monday afternoon at 2.30 pm. we have the first parent Club Meeting for the year and at 7pm. We have our Annual General meeting for the Governing Council.

Have a great weekend everyone,

Lynne Mare Hastings Principal Blyth Primary School

Diary Dates

- 17/02/20 Parent Club 2.30am
- Gov Council AGM 7pm
- 04/03/20 Yr 6 GRIP Leadership
- 06/03/20 Assembly 3pm
- 09/03/20 Public Holiday
- 10/03/20 Pupil Free (to be confirmed)
- 20/03/20 Snapshot reports go home
- 27/03/20 Community Assembly 2.30pm
- 09/04/20 End of term early dismissal 2.30pm
- 10/04/20-26/04/20 School Holidays
- 27/04/20 Term 2 starts

Welcome back to Learning



Welcome to
our new staff
member-
Mrs Jamieson



HAPPY "Significant" BIRTHDAY
MRS HARVEY



Acquaintance Night 2020

On Monday the 10th of February, families were invited to come to school at 5.30pm for a BBQ and to then go to their child's class to hear teachers speak about the routines and work for this year. Thank you to all families who attended.



News from Our Class

Reception to year 2

Mrs Spurling

In Maths, we have been revising numbers and place value. We have been doing number quizzes, games and problem solving.



Literacy activities are well underway in our classroom. We love using the water boards to write our letters and words. The Year two children have been exploring dictionaries and words. We have started whole school Reading Groups and have been talking about fluency and what it means for our reading.



We designed a new emoji to show how we felt about our holidays. They look great!



We are very happy with our new ITV. It looks great when our work is displayed. It is easy to use, looks bright and colourful and is linked to a computer!





Mrs Pyrke's Year 3/4/5 Class



Term 1, Week 3

Welcome everyone to the new school year, and I hope everyone had a safe and enjoyable break. It's lovely to be returning to the same class this year, it has resulted in a very smooth transition back to school for everyone. We have 15 students in the Middle Primary class this year and they have all settled in quickly and happily.



We have been working on our learning goals for the year, as well as taking time to write in our gratitude journals and create mindfulness quotes to put up around the room. We have all written a letter to our 'future selves', completed a section of our class mandala & designed a class logo & motto

Our room has a lovely feel to it, with 3 separate inside learning areas as well as an outside learning area and the tables, all for students to work at. We have our new yellow stools, beanbags and the lounge area. The students all helped with the design layout at the end of last year.



Thank you to all the parents who made it to the Parent Information Evening and BBQ.

Year 6 Class News



Hi Families!

Welcome to the 2020 school year! It has been a lovely smooth start for the Year 6 Ninjas – what an energetic, hardworking and enthusiastic group of students! It's certainly going to be tough selecting our Captains and Vice Captains this year.

This year in our class, we are focussing on Confidence, Getting Along, Leadership, Organisation, Persistence, and Resilience, exploring what that looks like on an individual level as well as in leadership. This ties in beautifully with our school values.

We have begun our curriculum learning now. In Maths we are consolidating mental computation strategies, and manipulating and converting between decimals and fractions. In English, we are revising the parts of speech, looking at verbs and verb tenses, identifying homophones in text, and writing persuasive applications. In Health we are developing strategies to manage worry and anxiety. We are also learning how to search for information effectively as part of our ICT lessons, and in Art we are learning about perspective. We have also begun to read our very exciting class novel.



Until next time, Kate ☺



Pastoral Care Corner T1, Week 3

Greeting everyone,

Welcome to a busy year of striving, thriving and growing in our knowledge. Firstly, I would like to welcome new families and teachers to our school community. May your transition into this site be a positive experience that connects and builds a great foundation for the future.

This year I will be working at school on Monday's and Thursday's till after lunch. Our breakfast program resumed in week 2 on Thursday morning. The STAR Breakfast Team is looking forward to providing our students with a nutritious meal to start the day. Feel free to join us.

My role at school is wellbeing. I help build connections through positive engagement. I work alongside children, teachers and families, focusing on their skills and strengths. I promote great relationships that create good core values, giving hope, meaning and purpose. Basically, I am here for you.

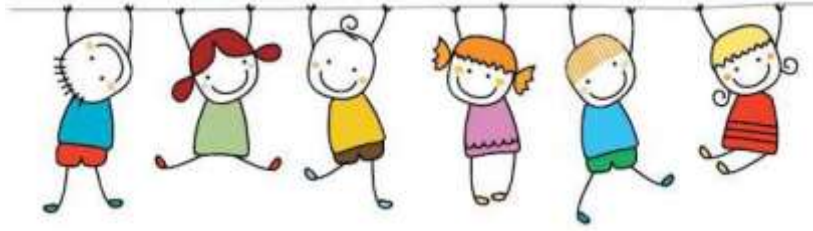
Feel free to contact me through the front office or alternatively on emily.gill394@schools.sa.edu.au if you need to make a time to catch up. I look forward to connecting with you during the term.

Below I have attached photo's of the yarn trees which the children completed in our lunch time program. These are on display in the front of- fice. We also shared in our first STAR breakfast for the year. We enjoyed eating peaches and custard with rice bubbles.

Cheerio, Emily



BLYTH PLAYGROUP



Blyth Playgroup Term 1 2020

9am every Thursday at Blyth Primary
ALL under school age children WELCOME

Co-coordinator

Alycia - 0439581313

Please don't hesitate to contact us for more information

Week 1 (30th Jan) - Masking tape name paintings

Week 2 (6th Feb) - Water Play

Week 3 (13th Feb) - Slime/Sensory Play

Week 4 (20th Feb) - Bird Feeders

Week 5 (27th Feb) - Cupboard Craft

Week 6 (5th Mar) - Wheels Day

Week 7 (12th Mar) – Leo Birthday Party (Hayley)

Week 8 (19th Mar) - Chalk Play/Playground Play

Week 9 (26th Mar) - Teepee building and nature walk

Week 10 (2nd Apr) – Easter Craft

Week 11 (9th Apr) - Eater Egg Hunt



Please bring a piece of fruit for the kids to share. Come for a coffee/tea, catch up and join in with the activities.





Blyth OSHC Term 1 Program



Week 4

Monday

Slime

Scooter Boards

Snack-Raisin toast

Tuesday

Sand art

Pom Pom craft

Snack- Fruit platter

Wednesday

Pop stick craft

Snack- Cheese & crackers

Thursday

Tape painting

Free play

Snack- Fruit platter

Friday

Ice play

Outdoor play

Snack- Custard cups

Week 5

Monday

Nature craft

Construction play

Snack- Fruit platter

Tuesday

Scooter Boards

Sand art

Snack- Fruit muffin

Wednesday

Outdoor sports

Finger puppets

Snack- Custard cups

Thursday

Modelling Clay

Outdoor sports

Snack- Cheese & crackers

Friday

Ceramic Mug

Free play

Snack- Fruit platter

Week 6

Monday

Shell Craft

Free play

Snack- Cheese & crackers

Tuesday

Hamma Beads

Outdoor play

Snack- Raisin toast

Wednesday

Outdoor sports

Comic book making

Snack- Fruit platter

Thursday

Sand art

Sandpit play

Snack- Fruit muffin

Friday

Beading

Basketball

Snack- Custard cups



Program is only a guide and is subject to change due to numbers weather spontaneous choices etc



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BLYTH SNOWTOWN CATS
Junior football & netball

COME N TRY
Thurs, 19th March
5pm @ Blyth

Netball: ages 5-13 yo (14-15yo @ 6pm)
Football: ages 5-17 yo

*** NEW PLAYERS WELCOME ***

The Blyth Snowtown Cats welcome all past and new families to the Cats in 2020.
Come for a look without any pressure to join.
Creche is available Thursday's 6.30-8pm for parents who also play.
Contacts: Football Phillip Bigg 0417 824 600 * Netball: Bernie Altmann 0438 780 206

FREE BBQ * GAMES * PRIZES * MUSIC

SA Dental Service

Keep your kids smiling



Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, preschool and most children under 18 years at School Dental Service clinics.
The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Call us now for an appointment!

Your local clinic is: Clare School Dental Service Clinic.
Phone: 8542 4196
www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/sadental

Please donate your bottles and cans to our school charity Australia Bringing Hope, Next time you're in at the Clare Bottle Depot. We are helping to build a school in Uganda.