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# Newsletter No 1 10th February 2023

# From the Principal's Desk

Welcome back, I hope you all enjoyed some family time during the term break. We have had a really successful start to the year with students settling well in their new classes.

The new transportable classroom is taking shape and our year 4/5 students are looking forward to moving in soon.

We are also having a major upgrade to our ICT capabilities and have workers currently upgrading our systems, this work should be finished nest week.

#### Lunch Orders

We have arranged for lunch orders through SUBWAY to be delivered to school on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Please see your emails and below for instructions on how to set up the QKR app to order and pay for lunches. The menu is in the app, available in 2 sizes (4 inch and 6 inch) for students. The school is not handling money or orders, these all go directly to SUBWAY. Lunch orders will be available starting next week on Monday. All orders need to be entered into the QKR app by 8pm the night before.

#### Acquaintance night

We would like to invite parents and caregivers to attend our 2023 Acquaintance Night on Wednesday 15th of February.

Acquaintance Night is a time for your child's teacher to provide you with information about your child's class, how it operates and the curriculum that will be taught. Teachers will be able to answer questions of a general nature; however, if you need to discuss specific aspects of your child and their learning please request a time to meet with your child's teacher. There will be 3 sessions to allow parents to attend multiple classes.

These sessions will be delivered by your child's teacher in partnership with the other teachers who teach in their team, please meet in their classroom spaces.

To keep numbers reasonable children will not be able to attend these sessions.

#### 5.30 session

- Receptions and R/1 A0, A1, A2 Cindy, Sharni/Meg, Rachel/Deanne
- Year 1-2 classes upstairs ST 10, 11 and 12 Philomena, Danni, Kylie

#### 6.00 session

- Year 2 classes Rooms A3 and A4 Mal and Viv/Stephanie
- Year 3/4 classes Rm 5, 8 and 9 Sarah/Sam, Kavita and Vicki/Suzanne

#### 6.30 session

- Year 4/5 classes T17 and T18 Casey/Sam and Emily meet in library
- Year 5/6 classes T14, T15 and room 7 Anna, Karyn and Patrick

We are looking forward to seeing parents next Wednesday night. Marg Clark

one small positive 30<sup>th</sup> January – 14<sup>th</sup> April Term 1, 2023 15<sup>th</sup> Acquaintance Night February in the morning can 20<sup>th</sup> **Governing Council Meeting** change 1<sup>st</sup> March Year 6 Aquatics 1<sup>st</sup> Governing Council AGM 6.30pm whole day 13<sup>th</sup> Adelaide Cup Public Holiday





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### **Family Information**

It is very important that your family information is kept up to date for communication purposes and in case of an emergency.

If you have moved houses, changed phone numbers or email addresses, or have different emergency contacts, please let Anne know as soon as possible.

### Uniforms

It is an expectation that all students are wearing school uniform.

If the office is busy, parents are welcome to complete an order form found at the front desk and collect the order at a later time.

### Hats

Students are required to wear a hat when playing outside. Children who do not have a hat must be under the shelter shed at playtimes and when lessons are held outside. We encourage



our students to be sun-smart, and we ask parents to assist us by making sure that your child's school hat is always in their schoolbag. Please make sure their name is written on the hat in case it gets lost. Hats can be purchased from the front office throughout the week, before and after school. Bucket hats cost \$7, and wide brim hats are \$8 each.

## School Hours

School starts at 8.55am and finishes at 3.15pm.

Students need to be picked up at 3.15pm as teachers often have meetings and are unavailable to supervise students past this time. If an emergency arises and you will be late collecting your child, please contact the office.





### Communication

If you have any concerns about your child's learning, your first point of call is their teacher. Please speak to them to discuss you issues. Should you need to speak to any of our leadership team, including the Principal, appointments must be made through the front office.

# Early Arrival and Dismissal

Staff are not on duty until 8.30am to supervise children, and for safety reasons we do not allow students in the yard before this time. Children arriving at school prior to 8.30am need to be booked into OSHC. Should you need to pick your child up early, please visit the office for an early dismissal form before taking your child.

### Exemptions

If your child is going to be away from school for an extended period (e.g. travelling overseas) please notify the front office.

DfE require an application requesting an exemption. Forms are available from Anne in the front office.

### Hot Weather

Inside play at recess and lunchtime occurs when the temperature outside is over 35 degrees.



### **Mobile Phones**

Children who bring mobile phones and smart watches to school must turn them off when entering school grounds. Phones need to be given to their teachers for safe keeping at the start of each day. Should you wish to contact your child during the day, please phone the office on 8344





### Newsletter

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Newsletters are an important means of communication between the school and families.

They are published each fortnight and uploaded to our website.

Parents will receive a notification via SEESAW when a new newsletter is online.

Paper copies are available at the front office if you should require one.

Our school website is

www.prospectnorth.sa.edu.au

We also have a Facebook page that you can follow to keep up to date with news.





## **School Fees**

Invoices for school fees will be been sent home soon. Governing Council has set the fees this year at \$300 per child.

Direct debit payments can be made, using BSB 105-096, Account 364030240. Please use your family ID as the reference number.

If you wish to make instalment payments by direct debit, please speak to the Business Manager.

### **School Card Applications**

Applications for school cards are now processed online. Please follow the steps below if you wish to apply for a school card.

You can access the online forms from any device that gets internet including mobile devices such as tablets and smart phones, as well as laptops and computers.

**Step 1**: visit sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard

**Step 2**: Select the type of school card you would like to apply for.

Step 3: complete all mandatory fields

**Step 4**: Once you have completed a page, click on the NEXT button

**Step 5**: Once you have filled out all pages, click the SUBMIT button

You can save the form and return to complete it at another time by clicking the save button.

*If you are having trouble please come in to get help from Anne* 

# School Safety

Children who need to cross Regency Road to get to school must use the school crossing. We ask parents to cross at the lights with your child and set a good example.

If your child rides a bike or scooter to school, please make sure they wear a helmet.

Bikes are **not** to be ridden in the school yard, and children must walk them through the school. Students are required to have a lock for their bike or scooter. Skateboards or shoes with wheels are not permitted in school grounds.

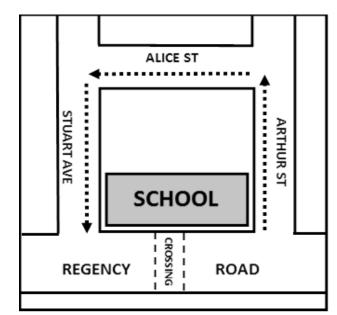
We also ask that you do not park in or walk through the staff car park. Please make sure your child enters the school grounds through the correct gateways.

### Parking

Please make sure that you follow the parking signs around the school. <u>Council has allocated an area in</u> <u>Stuart Road for disabled parking</u>, so please be aware of this restriction.

The City of Prospect Traffic Inspectors have been requested to have a prominent presence before and after school hours to closely monitor traffic and parking. Prospect Council <u>do enforce</u> parking limits, and fine people who park illegally.

Parents who see unsafe practices by motorists around the school streets are encouraged to report their registration number to the Prospect Council. Please make sure that if you are dropping your child off, that you do so on the school side of the road. It is unsafe for children to be running across Stuart Road and Arthur Street, which can be very busy before and after school. Please follow the school loop at busy times so the streets do not become gridlocked.



## **Scholastic Book Club**

We run the Scholastic Book club twice per term. Your child will be given a catalogue, and you are able to purchase items from this.

Orders can be placed directly online using the Scholastic LOOP system, or you can fill in the order form and pay cash or card at the front office.

Please note the final date for each issue, and make sure your orders are in by the due date.

The school receives 15% of sales back, which enables us to purchase more valuable items for the school.



# SPOTLIGHT on a New STAFF MEMBER



# Introducing Tracey Constable-Newly Appointed Student Wellbeing Leader



You may have seen me around the school during these first few weeks of 2023 and wondered who I am.

Let me take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Tracey Constable and I have been appointed to Prospect North Primary School for the next 3 years in the Student Wellbeing Leader role.

I have many years' experience working in schools, both in a teaching and also a wellbeing leader/student counsellor capacity. This leadership role involves me working alongside families, individual and groups of students, staff and whole classes, to support the many wonderful wellbeing initiatives throughout our site.

I am looking forward to getting to know the Prospect North Community; the many families, caregivers, students and staff here at Prospect North.

Please make sure you take the time to introduce yourself if you see me out and about around the school. I am looking forward to meeting you all and getting to know this wonderful community.

You can make a time to speak with me face-to-face, email me directly on <u>tracey.constable382@schools.sa.edu.au</u> or contact me via phone on 8344 4604.

I wish you well.

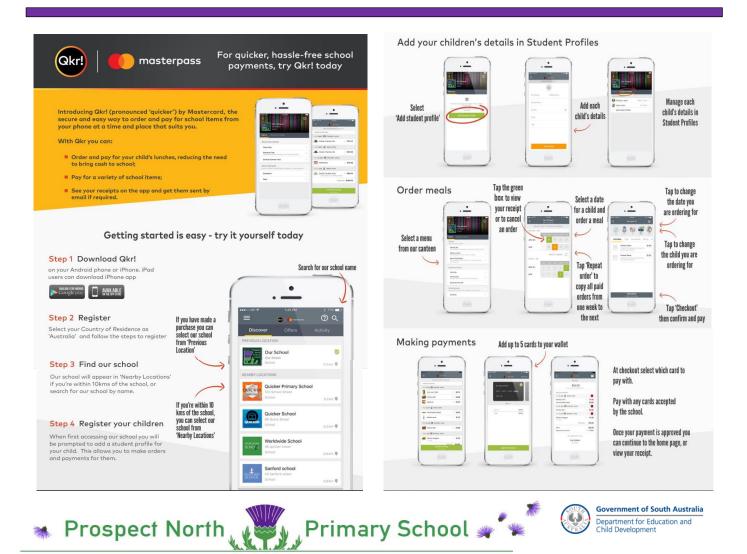
Tracey Constable

Student Wellbeing Leader- Prospect North Primary School

### Student home internet program

The student home internet program can provide internet access to students who do not have reliable home internet, so they can continue to learn and study at home.

Find out more about the program and how parents and carers can apply by visiting the department's website.



A0, A1 and A2 have had an amazing start to school! We are getting used to the routines and are working hard to make new friends. We especially love Investigation time, where we learn about the world around us through play.

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# Welcome to OSHC

A big welcome to Sienna, Mia, Aaron, Audrey, Leke, Parisa, Tashfeen, Manhoor, Casper, Vivaan, Kiyaan, Billy, Michael, Alexis, Chantelle and Azalea who have joined us at OSHC this year.

# **Beginning of the Year Reminders**

OSHC opening & closing hours are: BSC - 7.00 am - 9.00am ASC - 3.00pm - 6.00pm Vacation Care - 7.00am - 6.00pm





Please note during these times educators are busy with supervising and engaging in activities with the children, if you need to speak with staff in regards to enquiry about OSHC we ask that you do this between the hours of 9.00am - 10.30am or 2.00pm - 3.00pm.

If you are late in picking up your child please ring us on 83442818 to let us know so we can let your child/ren know, Young children sometimes can get quite upset when they are the last children left at the centre. If you are running late too pick up your child/ren from OSHC you will incur a late fee charge of \$1.00 per every minute you are late.

# Signing Children in and out of OSHC

It is a requirement under national law for families to sign their child/ren in when arriving at OSHC and signing them out when being picked up from OSHC. Please make sure you sign your child/ren in and out of OSHC. Children need to be walked in to the centre with a responsible adult not dropped off on the footpath to walk in

by themselves

# **Vacation Care Fun**

















# **IGNITE** at The Heights School – **REGISTER NOW**





### IGNITE is a specialist program for students with high intellectual potential.

The Heights School is the official Department for Education school for gifted learners in the northern metropolitan area of Adelaide.

### HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILD IS GIFTED?

The characteristics of gifted learners vary, however, many display some or all of the following traits:

- High levels of curiosity and deep levels of knowledge in one or more areas
- Excellent creative thinking and ability to problem solve
- Strong empathy and sense of social justice
- Highly developed sense of humour

#### HOW ARE STUDENTS SELECTED FOR THIS PROGRAM?

Initial selection for the IGNITE program is based on performance in the Australian Council for Education (ACER) Gifted and Talented Assessment.

#### WHEN DO STUDENTS ENTER THE IGNITE PROGRAM?

Students who wish to be considered for the IGNITE program sit the ACER assessment in Year 6 for entry into the program in Year 7. Entry does **not** occur at other year levels.

In 2023 Year 6 students are eligible to sit the test for a place in the Year 7 IGNITE program in 2024. The date and location of the test are:

DATE: SATURDAY 25 February 2023 9AM - 1PM

LOCATION: THE HEIGHTS SCHOOL, BRUNEL DRIVE, MODBURY HEIGHTS, 5092

### HOW DO I REGISTER MY CHILD FOR THE IGNITE ENTRY TEST?

Register your child to sit the test at: https://www.theheights.sa.edu.au/index.php/programs/ignite/

A registration fee of \$135 applies for non-school card holders. Registrations close on Friday, 17 February 2023.

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Government of South Australia Department for Education and Child Development

# Prospect Library 2023 Children's Writing competition

# The Theme READGROW Inspire

### The competition

Submit an entry based on the 2023 Children's Book Week theme "Read, Grow, Inspire"

- There are three categories Reception–Year 2 : up to 100 words
   Years 3–4 : up to 250 words
   Years 5–6 : up to 500 words
- Entries can be individual or a class entry
- Email entry to <u>admin@prospect.sa.gov.au</u>, or post to Prospect Library Writing Competition PO Box 171 PROSPECT SA 5082
- Please refer to the guidelines below and phone the Library on 8269 5355 with and enquiries.

### The Prizes

- First prize (in each category) receives a \$100 book voucher
   An honourable mention (in each category) receives a \$50 book voucher
- First prize in the Years 5-6 category will be presented with the perpetual Jenni Cotton Memorial Trophy

### The guidelines

- Only one entry per child or class but a child may submit a class entry and an individual entry.
  Entries to be neatly hand-written or typed.
- Illustrations may accompany the submissions but entries will be judged only on the merits as per the criteria below.
- Entries must be in by Sunday 23 July 2023 entries will not be accepted after this date.
- Entries must be the original work of the author/s.

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- Full name, school, grade and contact phone numb of author must be **clearly printed at the top of** the entry
- Each entry must relate to the theme "Read, Grow, Inspire".
- Entries will be judged on the criteria of:
- Engagement with the theme Originality
   Style, plot and characterisation Grammar & spelling
- All entries become the property of City of Prospect and may be reproduced by Council for promotional, archival or publicity purposes in either printed or electronic format.
- A prize-giving ceremony will be held on the evening of **Thursday 24 August 2023** (winners will be
- Children of employees of City of Prospect are welcome to participate.

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### Get your school involved & ready for the 2023 NWJSA Primary School Soccer Program

#### **MIXED PROGRAM / COMPETITION RECEPTION TO 6**

Saturdays Game Times Vary between 8:30 and 1:00pm Venues Jubilee Reserve, West Lakes

St Clair Oval

Dates Term 2 & 3 Coaches Rego & Info 6th May Games Commence 13th May

\*Excluding June Long Weekend & July School Holidays

Mobile App

#### END OF SEASON CARNIVAL 16<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER @ Jubilee Reserve

#### Price Includes

- Venues, set up and competition management
- Competition administration through NWJSA MySportApp
- Referees, Game Leaders, before game Clinics for U6 & U7 Fair Play Shield
- Winners of the Fair Play Award to be presented at AGM Player Insurance - \$5 per player +gst
- \*Schools who do not have equal or greater insurance than NWJSA provide, will be charged insurance.

#### **Key Dates**

- Information Night 27<sup>th</sup> Feb Findon Community Centre 7:15pm Overview of schools program, how to register, schools involvement
- Team Nominations CLOSE 3rd April Player Registrations CLOSE – 3rd April
- Enquiries please contact info@nwjsa.org.au

\*Schools will be invoiced for the number of players registered



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### SCAN HERE TO REGISTER NOW

For more information visit play.afl/auskick

#### **FREE with the ORSR Sports Voucher**

Adelaide Junior Bulldogs **Auskick Centre** @ Adelaide Lutheran Sports Club Thursday Afternoons from 5pm to 6pm Starting 23rd of February!



### JOIN OUR SCHOOLS BEACH FESTIVAL

THE BIGGEST BEACH VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT FOR SCHOOL STUDENTS IN SA ENTER TEAMS ACROSS A WIDE RANGE OF DIVISIONS AND AGE GROUPS BEGIN PLAYING IN A FUN. SAFE, EXCITING AND COMPETITIVE ENVIRONMENT

> GLENELG BEACH 6TH - 10TH MARCH



9AM - 3PM

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