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### Newsletter

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#### From the Principal's Desk

The last week of school for the year is always a very bitter sweet time filled with mixed emotions. It's a time of reflection, celebration and also sadness. Every year we spend the time looking back at all of the incredible things that we have done throughout the year, we celebrate the achievements of our students and staff and we also farewell our graduating students, those moving school and also some staff members who are moving on to other positions.

This week has been no different. It started off with our Year 6 Graduation on Tuesday night, where we were able to celebrate the growth and achievement of our wonderful Year 6 students. Our graduates this year are an amazing group of students and have demonstrated both our school values and also the SECRET Powers in so many ways across their schooling life here at PNPS. I wish them all on the very best for their next exciting stage of their education journey in High School.

We are also farewelling a number of staff who have been with us this year and for some, many more. I would really like to thank Tori, Katie, Alana, Stacey, Nadia, Carissa, Elaine, Suzanne, Steph P-A and Casey for all of their hard work, dedication and commitment throughout their

time here with us at PNPS. Our school could not be what it is without the wonderful teachers and SSOs that we have here.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank all staff, students and families for your support, encouragement and trust that you have all put in me over the past 12 months as I have stepped into the role of Principal. 2025 has been an incredible year filled with many achievements for our school and it comes back to all of you and your commitment to our school community. I am really looking forward to continuing in the role moving into 2026 and am excited at the possibilities that we can all achieve together next year.

As we head into the holiday break, I wish all of you my very best wishes and hope that you all have safe, enjoyable and restful break. We will send out a back-to-school letter/email to all families in January. Our front office will be closed from Friday 19th December and will reopen on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January. School commences for 2026 on Tuesday 27th January.

Russell Barwell Principal

13th October – 12th December Term 4, 2025 27th January - 10th April Term 1, 2026

December: 12th Last Day of School

2.15pm dismissal

27<sup>th</sup> School commences for 2026 January



















## End of Year Concert

The end of year concert, held on 26<sup>th</sup> November, was a great way to end the school year. With perfect weather, students danced to a variety of music while families took the opportunity to relax with a picnic on the oval.

It was a wonderful night full of colour, music, and amazing performances by the students. The evening ended with the choir performing "You're the Voice"























































































## Senior Studio

Design a Christmas Cake



In week 6, the students from the Senior Studio took part in a Christmas Cake Decorating Competition. In teams, they designed their ideal cake, and used Christmas decorations to enhance their designs, before presenting their finished cakes to the judges.





## GRADUATION



Congratulations to the 57 year 6 students who graduated on December 9<sup>th</sup>. The ceremony was a great celebration of their years at Prospect North Primary. Speeches were given by Principal, Russell Barwell, and Governing Council Chairperson, Carlie McLaughlin, who both gave wise words of advise to the graduates.

A special congratulations goes to Alina Verma, who was awarded the Enfield Community Award for her fund-raising efforts to support the Cancer Council.



# Good-bye and Good Luck Year 6 students

This year we farewell 57 year 6 students who will, be attending many different high schools in 2026. We wish them all the very best for the future.



## LACROSSE AT THE LIGHTS - PROSPECT NORTH LACROSSE TEAM

#### REGISTER NOW FOR TERM 1, 2026

Get excited, Prospect North Primary School are entering teams into the iLax indoor Lacrosse season at 'the Lights' (Lightsview Recreation Centre') in Term 1! Lacrosse will be an Olympic Sport at the 2028 LA Games, and it is hoped it will continue through the Brisbane 2032 Olympics and beyond, so now is a great time to get into the sport.

Games are held on Saturday afternoons and go for about an hour, and will run from February to April (6 Weeks). Boys and girls play in mixed teams of 5-6 players. All equipment will be supplied, just wear your summer sports uniform and bring a drink bottle. Coaching will be provided by experienced players from East Torrens Payneham Lacrosse Club.

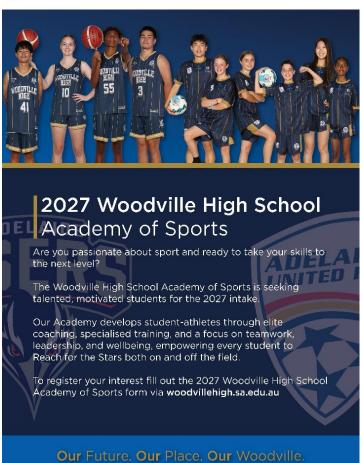
The playing fees for term 1 Lacrosse will be kept as low as possible, to support your child's interest in this sport. Lacrosse is a very affordable sport if you decide to play for a local club in the winter season.

To register your interest, please fill out the form below, or for more information, please contact Simon Gill on 0413898203 or schools@redwingslax.com.















#### Government of South Australia Department for Education and Child Development

#### PROSPECT NORTH VACATION CARE DEC/JAN 2025 - 2026

| MONDAY   | TUESDAY  | WEDNESDAY  | THURSDAY   | FRIDAY   |
|--|--|--|--|--|
| 15/12/25   | 16/12/25   | 17/12/25   | 18/12/25   | 19/12/25   |
|  | <b>EXCURSION</b>   | It's Christmas Time  | <b>EXCURSION</b>   | It's Christmas Time  |
| WATER FUN DAY  Summer Fun in the Sun  bring along your water pistols bathers & towel for some summer | Cherry Orchard 111 Angus Creek Road, Birdwood 10.30am -3.30pm  | CHRISTMAS COOKING  Rocky Road  Apricot Balls  Biscoff Truffles  Cherry & Coconut Bliss  Balls  CHRISTMAS GAMES                               | Hoyts Cinema<br>Arndale<br>ZOOTOPIA 2<br>9.00am – 1.00pm                       | Christmas carol sing along  ART/CRAFT Christmas Cards Snow Globes  COOKING Italian Christmas             |
| fun playing water games on the oval  | Come along and pick your own cherries Every child will get their own cherries to take home  AFTERNOON MOVIE In the gym  ZOOTOPIA | Candy Cane Fishing Candy Cane Challenge Pin the nose on Rudolph Hook the Reindeer Antler  ART/CRAFT Pipe Cleaner Snowflakes Paper Cup Angels | ART/CRAFT Egg carton Ornaments  COOKING Pizza Scrolls Cheese & Spinach Scrolls | Cookies Christmas Brownies CHRISTMAS MOVIE ON THE BIG SCREEN Diary of a Wimpy Kid Christmas: Cabin Fever |
| Snack: Sandwiches  | Snack: Tin Fruit &   | Snack: Crackers' Salad   | Snack: Fruit Platter   | Snack: Crackers  |
| MONDAY 22/12/25  | Yoghurt  | Platter  | THURCDAY 25 /42 /25  | Salad Platter  |
| MONDAY 22/12/25  | TUESDAY 23/12/25   | WEDNESDAY 24/12/25   | THURSDAY 25/12/25  | FRIDAY 26/12/25  |
| CLOSED   | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | CLOSED   |
| MONDAY 29/12/25  | TUESDAY 30/12/25   | WEDNESDAY 31/1/25  | THURSDAY 1/1/26  | FRIDAY 2/1/26  |
| CLOSED   | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | CLOSED   | CLOSED   |

# VACATION CARE WILL CLOSE AT 6.00pm ON FRIDAY 19th DECEMBER AND WILL REOPEN ON MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> JANUARY AT 7.00am

WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OUR FAMILIES A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR. WE HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAY AND LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL IN THE NEW YEAR







WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY** MONDAY **TUESDAY FRIDAY** 5/1/26 6/1/26 7/1/26 8/1/26 9/1/26 **GAMES & GOLF DAY EXCURSION** MAD HATTERS DAY **EXCURSION FESTIVAL FRIDAY ZONE BOWLING Hoyts Cinema** A day of Mini golf COOKING **PAINT & SIP** WOODVILLE Arndale Mini Quiches large Games and an Paint a plaster piece, 12.00pm - 3.30pm PETS ON A TRAIN Obstacle course and Cheese & Spinach scrolls sip on a juice Ten pin bowling & in the gym Sausage Rolls smoothie **Laser Tag** Tea cup biscuits Giant Kerplunk ART/CRAFT Giant noughts & ART/CRAFT **Paper Lanterns** crosses Wonderland flowers Flower headband **Giant Twister** Mad Hatter Hats wreath Cow pat Toss **GROUP GAMES** Paper tea cups In the Gym COOKING **Group Balloon Games KAHOOT QUIZZ** Churros ART/CRAFT Alice in Wonderland **HENNA TATTOOS Musical Chairs Animal Train PARACHUTE GAMES** COOKING Hanging Bird Feeders Snack: Crackers' Snack: Tin Fruit & Snack: Sandwiches Snack: Fruit Platter Snack: Crackers' Salad Platter Salad Platter Custard **MONDAY TUESDAY** WEDNESDAY **THURSDAY FRIDAY** 12/1/26 13/1/26 14/1/26 15/1/26 16/1/26 PNPS OSHC TALENT **EXCURSION EXCURSION WATER FUN DAY BIKE SA SHOW** Gorge Wildlife **ULTIMATE WHEELS DAY Hoyts Cinema** Summer Fun in the Arndale It's time to shine Sun Improve your bike THE SPONGE BOB Share with us your bring along your riding skills, learn about MOVIE THE SEARCH FOR hidden talents water pistols safer cycling & bike **SQUARE PANTS** Sing, Dance, Act bathers & towel maintenance with 9.00am - 1.00pm Show us some Magic for some summer qualified instructors Play an instrument fun playing from Bike SA 9.00am - 4.00pm Tell us a joke water games 9.30am - 4.00pm From Meerkats to on the oval Lemurs, Land Tortoises **Bring along your** to Reptiles - get up pushbike & Helmet COOKING close and personal with some of the parks most Pineapple up side Bike SA will provide popular wildlife COOKING cake some pushbikes **Blueberry Muffins NO SCOOTERS** ART/CRAFT NO HELMET = NO RIDE **MUSICAL GAMES** SpongeBob face In the Gym changer Snack: Fruit Platter Snack: Sandwiches Snack: Crackers' Snack: Tin Fruit & Jelly Snack: Crackers' Salad Platter Salad Platter

PLEASE READ ALL IMPORTANT NOTES TO ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD HAS WHAT THEY NEED EVERYDAY







## BOOKINGS CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY 3rd DECEMBER, BOOK IN EARLY SO YOU DON'T MISS OUT

DUE TO UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES BEYOND OUR CONTROL THE PROGRAM MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

For Bookings Please Phone 83442818

Tuesday 27th January 2026





