



Warradale Primary School

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From the principal Thursday 24 March 2022

TERM 1 KEY DATES & REMINDERS

****Pupil Free Day - Friday 25 March (Term 1 Week 8)****

Parent-teacher interviews (telephone contact) - Monday 4 April to Friday 8 April (Week 10)

School photos - Tuesday 5 April (Week 10)

Last day of Term 1 - EARLY DISMISSAL - 2.10pm Thursday 14 April (Week 11)

Pupil Free Day - Monday 2 May (Term 2 Week 1)

COVID-19 update

A number of students in our school have returned positive COVID tests this week. We are doing our best to stay on top of communications and protocols, with staffing and operational adjustments being made on a daily basis, in an effort to keep all students, staff and families safe. We will continue to take direction from SA Health and our Education Department as the situation in our school and the broader community evolves.

Children in classes where positive cases are identified can continue to attend school, as long as they do not exhibit any symptoms (or while awaiting results from a PCR test). Parents will need to collect their child from school if their child develops symptoms or returns a positive result at any stage. Masks continue to be made available to students and daily hand washing and basic hygiene routines are being reinforced by our staff. Please continue to keep your children home from school if they are unwell.

2022 SCHOOL FEES – SCHOOL CARD APPLICATION

Families who believe they are eligible for SCHOOL CARD must apply now, if they haven't already done so for 2022. The online application can be accessed via this link [SA.GOV.AU - School Card Scheme](https://www.sa.gov.au/school-card-scheme).

School card needs to be applied for each year, so even if you were approved in 2021, you still need to submit a new application for 2022. The cut-off date is Friday 1 April 2022. If you need any assistance or have any questions, please contact our Business Manager Marcia on 8296 2678 or email dl.0933_finance@schools.sa.edu.au

Telephone Learning Conferences - Week 10

Instructions will be posted this afternoon regarding the booking process for our Term 1 Telephone Learning Conferences in Week 10. All parents/caregivers will have the opportunity to secure a time to receive a telephone call from teaching staff for each of their children, through our online interview booking system.

Harmony Week

Thank you to all students, staff and families who embraced Harmony week this week and contributed to celebrating the cultural diversity in our school community. Special mentions to Mads Tariza (EALD Teacher), Natalie Scheepers (Specialist Teacher), Fatin Andrawos and Mubarka Janud (BSSOs), Samantha Radomi (Canteen Manager), Mick Kilsby (ACEO), Richard Steer (Volunteer) and a small group of amazing helpers, all of whom were instrumental in pulling together a range of extra-curricular initiatives and activities for students to enjoy across the week. And while we unfortunately had to cancel our whole school assembly and make adjustments to some group activities, our Communication and Technology Ambassadors did a wonderful job organising the Seesaw videos shared with classes and families. With over 40 non-English speaking countries/nationalities represented in our school population, we have every reason to celebrate and promote harmony and inclusivity!

AGM

Thank you to all who attended our Governing Council Annual General Meeting on Monday night. We welcome back a number of continuing members to the council, along with five newly elected members: Sam Broadbent, Nicola Buckle, Sarah Cross, Christoph Gerber and Alex Price. I'm pleased to announce that Carol Douglas will continue in her role as Governing Council Chairperson for another 12 months, with Jody King (Deputy Chair), Kimberley Gestl (Secretary) and Jennifer Brenton (Treasurer) also continuing on the executive. A big thank you to Catherine Seifert, Andrew Stockely, Jackie Potter, Naresh Suneja and Megan Potter who all finish their direct involvement as members.

We are also seeking interested parents/caregivers from beyond our Governing Council to join the following sub-committees:

- ★ Finance / Warradale Urban Camp (WUCS)
- ★ Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)
- ★ Canteen
- ★ Fundraising/events

These committees generally meet once or twice per term and play an important role in the collaborative governance and improvement work at our site. Please email Carol Douglas Carol.Douglas@sa.gov.au and Kimberley Gestl kimberley.gestl@gmail.com if you are interested in joining any of these committees. Generally these committees meet 1-2 times per term.

Staffing update

Anne Flannery and Tony Condous have accepted rejuvenation packages and will officially retire at the end of Term 1 2022. Both of these teachers have made incredible contributions to our students and school community, as well as countless others around the state, over many years of service. We sincerely thank them for their efforts, and with heavy hearts, wish them both well in retirement.



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