



Learning for Life

East Adelaide School



Term 4 Week 9

Thursday 14 December 2017

From the Principal

This is our final newsletter for the 2017 school year. It has been an extremely rewarding year with many highlights.

All our achievements and efforts would not have been possible if it wasn't for the dedication and commitment of the staff and the support and belief of our parent community.

I take this opportunity to thank parents and caregivers, the Governing Council, volunteers, students and staff for a successful 2017; and look forward to what 2018 brings us.

\$599.55 was raised on Monday from casual day. This money will go to our sponsored children overseas.

Class Placements

The process of placing 740 students into classes has been long and challenging. Your child's current teacher, along with specialist teachers and school leadership have all had input to the process.

The process takes into account feedback from parents, friendships as identified on students' Friendship Podium, gender balance and the distribution of student learning dispositions/

needs. We endeavour to have students placed with at least one friend.

I thank you for understanding that **we cannot and do not consider** requests for specific teachers or for students to be placed with specific teachers. Upon you receiving student placement information the decisions are final.

Letters advising class placements for Reception students in 2018 will be sent home in January.

Exemptions

If you know your child will be absent at the beginning of Term 1 next year, you need to complete an exemption form. This form will ensure we continue to have your child enrolled at East Adelaide School. Please email dl.1036.info@schools.sa.edu.au if you need a form.

2017 Staff Farewells

We farewell and thank the following staff who have contributed to the learning programs across the school and at particular year levels:

David Dewar
Jo Waugh
Kim Bassett
Claire Merrett
Rebecca Waddingham
Michelle Roney

Bec Spears
Sue Hall

Sue Hall is retiring after many years of serving our school community. Her unwavering dedication to supporting students is testament to the person she is. All students and staff will treasure the fond memories of learning from and working with her. Have a safe and Happy Christmas.

Vicki Stravinski

Dates to Remember

Monday 29 January 2018

Term 1 commences

Monday 26 and Tuesday 27 February 2018

Pupil Free Days – Australian Curriculum Planning

2018 Term Dates

Term 1 29 January – 13 April

Term 2 30 April – 6 July

Term 3 23 July – 28 September

Term 4 15 October – 14 December

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**Last Day of Term 4 – Friday 15 December 2017
2.30pm early dismissal**

Staff 2018

Principal		Vicki Stravinski	
Deputy Principal		Leonie Robertson	
Assistant Principal		Belinda Robertson	
The Vines			
Room	1	R	Nadia Plawecki / Lisa Groote
	2	R	Vicki Angel / Nadia Plawecki
	3	1	Julie Day
	4 Blue	R	Andrea Vigare
	4 White	R	Hayley Combe
Heysen Building			
Room	5	1	Anita Matern / Caroline Martin
	6	1	Jasmin Gerace T1&2, Jasmin & Adriana Sougleris T3&4
	7	1	Heather Douglas
	8	2	Natalie Diglio
	9	2	Kylie Kelly
	10	1/2	Natalie Marino
Dawson Building (downstairs)			
Room	11	3	Jo Cardone
	12	3	Nathan Collingridge
	13	3/4	Tracey Merchant
	14	3	Lee Hayes
	15	2	Georgina Sarantaugas / Alana Farina
	16	2	Peti Foumakis / Tonia D'Aloia
Dawson Building (upstairs)			
Room	17	6/7	Androulla Vagnoni
	18	6/7	Jonathan Borg
	20	6/7	Adele Giannone
	21	6/7	Matt Jessett
	22	5/6	Belinda Altschwager
	23	5	Wendy Jeffrey
Bannon Building			
Room	24	5	Yiota Seindanis / Ali Kimber
	28	5	Renee Totsikas
Room	25	4	Brad Hoare
	26	4	Mark Vigare
Room	27	3	Tanya Kay
Italian			Tonia D'Aloia / Grace Vottari / Adriana Moretta
Teacher Librarian			Andrea Tuck
P.E.			Catherine Watkins
Performing Arts			Larissa Maher
EALD			Vicki Ford / Deanne Stephanos
Mandarin (FLMD)			Chunghuei Johnson
Punjabi (FLMD)			Terms 3 & 4
Greek (FLMD)			Patrina Andonopoulos

Uniform Shop – School Holidays

The Uniform Shop will be open before school commences on **Monday 22 January 2018 between 8.30am and 1.00pm.**

During school holidays, families may purchase uniforms via the Qkr! App and collect items from the Front Office from Monday 22 to Thursday 25 January between 9.00am and 3.00pm

Uniform Shop – 2018

The Uniform Shop will be open at the following times in 2018:

Tuesday 8.30am – 9.15am and 3.00pm – 3.45pm

Uniform purchases and payment of school fees can be made anytime via Qkr! or the school website. Families may also contact the school during office hours to make payments over the phone.

In 2018, uniforms purchased via Qkr will be delivered to your child's classroom on the nominated day recorded with the order.

Front Office – School Holidays / 2018

The Front Office will be closed from Monday 18 December 2017 and will reopen from Monday 22 January 2018 at 8.15am to 4.00pm.

The Front Office will open from 8.15am to 4.00pm during term time in 2018.

News from OSHC

Limited spaces are still available for Vacation Care; to book call 8362 6585 or email dl.1036.oshc@schools.sa.edu.au

Cancellation of Vacation Care Bookings will incur a \$10 non-refundable fee.

Please ensure 2017 accounts are finalised before the end of 2017.

Please let OSHC know what bookings you require for 2018 if you haven't already done so.

OSHC wishes the Year 7 graduates all the best for the future, and we wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas break.

Road Crossing Monitors 2018

Week 1	
8.30 - 8.50am	To be advised
3.10 - 3.30pm	

Results of Materials and Services Fee Poll

Thank you to the 134 respondents to our school poll. The vote was for resounding support to increase school fees to \$415 per year, which will be recoverable through debt collection if the need arises.

These funds will go back into supporting the learning needs of students. The \$415 fee amounts to less than \$2.07/day for the education of our students. We all know the quality of the educational provision for our students at East Adelaide is high and will continue to be improved.

2018 School Fees

The Materials and Services Charges for 2018 have been set at \$415. The Excursion Levy for R - Year 7 is \$80

Congratulations Flinders

Congratulations to all students on the excellent efforts made throughout the year to earn points for their house teams. Flinders were declared the winners at this mornings assembly.

Final scores were:	Flinders	2271
	Sturt	2225
	Light	2219
	Stuart	2217

Congratulations to all members of Flinders on winning the House Cup for 2018!

Catherine Watkins (PE Teacher)

School Card

The state government is raising the school card income threshold from next year to help families with the cost of living. This means that families with 1 child and a gross income of \$57,870 in the 2016-17 financial year will be able to apply for a school card. Application forms for 2018 will be available from schools or www.sa.gov.au by the end of the 2017 school year.

Volunteers

Anyone wishing to volunteer at the school must have a valid 'Child Related Employment Screening' clearance from DCSI **and** a current RAN (Responding to Abuse and Neglect) training certificate. DCSI clearance application forms are available from the Front Office.

RAN training will be held at East Adelaide School on the following date in 2018.

Tuesday 20 February from 6.00pm – 8.00pm

Please contact the Front Office to book your attendance.

Training is also available online via <https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/signup.jsf> which takes about 90 minutes and includes an assessment. Upon completion of the training you will need to provide your certificate of completion to the Front Office; staff will provide you with a copy of the EAS Volunteer Agreement and the Information for Volunteers brochure. Please see Front Office staff if you have any questions about the content of the training.

Canteen News

The Canteen is continuing to reduce landfill packaging where possible. Our latest change is wrapping the sandwiches and wraps in paper instead of plastic cling wrap.

Lost Property

Please see Front Office staff if you have lost any of the following items:

- Fidget Spinners
- Key
- Garmin Vivofit
- SKMEI watch
- Garmin watch
- Reading glasses
- Brown leather diary

Bring Your Own Device 2018

At East Adelaide School we are encouraging students in years 4-7 to have their own device.

As of 2018 we are opening up the range of acceptable devices to include new devices bought by families through external retailers with the following minimum specifications:

- Processor: minimum intel i3 processor
 - Memory: at least 4gb of ram
 - OS: Windows 10 Pro
 - Must have wireless built in
 - Hard drive: SATA: 500GB
- Or
- SSD: 128GB

News from Year 7 Graduation Class of 2018

Valedictory Speech by Milla Swain

Good evening special guests, staff, teachers, families and friends, welcome to the Year 7 graduation for 2017. My name is Milla Swain and I am honoured to be one of the 47 year 7 students graduating tonight. It is a privilege to be standing here this evening to talk to you on behalf of my fellow graduates about our journey as a whole, as we reach the end of our time at East Adelaide School.

I'd like to start by thanking all of the parents, caregivers, families and friends who have supported us at school and at home. You are the ones who volunteered to coach us, go on excursions, and be on committees and much, much more. Your support and guidance has been invaluable and much appreciated. But let's not forget our teachers. You have taught us many subjects and life lessons since the first day of school. Our five year old selves wouldn't even be able to comprehend how much was ahead of us. Your hard work and dedication is truly inspirational. So thank you everyone, we are privileged to have you in our lives.

Now as I look at the people sitting beside me I can reflect on the experiences we have all had together. All the successes and failures, learning opportunities and moments we have all had together; the school camps, the sports days, assemblies and the community services, these are the moments that have made our primary years into memories we will carry with us forever. But when it comes to the group of people graduating tonight, I see students on a path. This path has started and changed as we have grown up. Many of us started in reception, age 5, 2010. We didn't know what to expect, we felt grown up and scared and nervous. So many feelings. I remember meeting year 7's during that first week of school and thinking that they were big kids who knew everything and turns out we do know everything (or so we think we do). Our confidence has grown as each day, week and year has passed. Our feelings and views have changed. We have grown and matured from the 5 year old children who walked across the school yard 8 years ago to the Year 7 graduates we are tonight. The new path on which we will embark upon next year will be bigger and will challenge us in ways we didn't think were possible. Just remember that success belongs to those who dare to achieve it. As long as we have a growth mind set and take on challenges, we can change the world, we can make a difference and we can look back at these moments and remember our primary school days as the first path we took to becoming global citizens of the world.

I'd like to end by congratulating my fellow graduates and wishing them all the best in their future endeavours. I am going to miss you so much. I am so thankful for having you in my life. East Adelaide and all the people behind me are like my home away from home. You are the people who have made my primary years so memorable. Have a great night everyone and good luck Year 7 graduates, stay on your path. Thankyou!!!

As published in the Cancer Council – Council Bytes December Newsletter

Tajveer attends East Adelaide School which is a SunSmart school. In Term 4, he received his list of topics to share for the term. He was excited to see Sun Safety on the list and felt confident in sharing the information he had learnt from Tamara. Tamara kindly gave Tajveer a number of resources to show and share with his class. Thanks to Mariam and Tamara for all the support and resources. As a family, we take a proactive approach in reducing the risk of cancer through awareness building and screening for early detection.



After School Sport News

Thanks

A huge congratulations to everyone who participated in After School Sports in 2017! It has been an extremely busy and successful year for After School Sports here at East Adelaide School. We have completed over 1400 sporting placements in 2017, with an increase of over 200 additional placements from 2016. We included new sports in 2017, including Basketball Skills, Volleyball and Kelly Sports. We adjusted our Skills Programmes to cater for children over 2 terms instead of 1, which gave more consistency and an increased opportunity for the junior primary children to develop skills over a longer period of time. Our team sports continue to grow as children move through into the primary years and we continue to see East Adelaide School well represented in many sports across various age groups in local competitions around Adelaide.

The greatest asset to After School Sports is our parents. Thanks to all the fantastic parents who have coached all our sporting teams this year. Thanks also to those parents who have volunteered to be assistant coaches, team managers, lines people, scorers, goal umpires, time keepers, orange and lolly suppliers, plus many other tasks. Without the support of parents After School Sports does not exist, so thank you all for your continued support of After School Sports.

Cricket

Congratulations to all our cricket teams who finished their season last weekend. East Adelaide was represented by 3 Kanga teams and 2 senior teams in Term 4. It was great to be able to view most of the teams playing and see their skills improving from Term 1. It was also very exciting to see our Kanga Red team that is full of children new to cricket enjoying their participation. It was also very fitting to be able to present the trophies to 2 of the Kanga teams in the clubrooms where the great Sir Donald Bradman played. Cricket commences again in Week 3 of Term 1, therefore registration forms will be available early in Term 1 next year. There is some great cricket to watch over the summer, so be sure to get to some games and pick up some tips for next year!

Volleyball

Congratulations to our East Adelaide School Volleyball teams, who participated in Volleyball for the first time! It was great to introduce a new sport to our list and we are hoping that we will have even more children involved in Volleyball next year.

Sports being offered in 2018

Sports being offered in Term 1 2018 will include Cricket and Volleyball. Registration forms for these sports will be available early in Term 1. Winter sports registrations (Basketball, Football, Netball, Soccer and Skills Programmes) will be available early in Term 1 also, ready to commence in Term 2.

Claire Merrett, After School Sports Coordinator
claire.merrett595@schools.sa.edu.au

Independent Music Private Tutors

Students interested in starting private music lessons with Michael Beare at EAS in **Term 1 2018** are invited to enquire/enrol now in order to secure a place. Lessons are offered during and after school for piano, keyboard, clarinet & saxophone. The IMT yellow information/enrolment brochures are available at the Front Office, or alternatively please contact Michael on 0403 004 733 or email michaelbeare@adam.com.au for more information.

Learning Through Music provides fun and educational instrumental music lessons which are during school hours at the school, once a week.



Instruments offered: Piano / Keyboard, Voice and Guitar, Instrument hire is also available.

To join in 2018 complete an enrolment form (at front office) and return to Learning Through Music via post or email.

Phone the office on 0401 398 120 or email info@ltmusic.com.au for more information.

School of Languages

Interested in your child learning a language after school.

The School of Languages offer a variety of languages and are taking 2018 enrolments.

For further information on enrolling visit their website www.schooloflanguages.sa.edu.au

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Christmas story...*



**Carols
in the
Amphitheatre**



**Ingle Farm Salvation Army Brass Band
and
Children's Nativity**

Sunday 17th December 7:30pm
Dunstone Grove, Stepney
(opposite The Avenues Shopping Centre)

Free sausage sizzle

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