



# East Adelaide School



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*Learning for Life*

Term 1 Week 1

Friday 31 January 2020

## From the Principal

### Welcome to the 2020 School Year

I extend a warm welcome to the new Reception students, other students who have transferred to East Adelaide School, their families, new staff members and everyone returning. With the devastation of the bushfires we need to reflect on the commitments of care and courage we have made to one another as part of our School Vision.

We commence the school year with 92 students who are starting school life for the first time.

Remember to take time to breathe and create the balance and space in our lives that helps build resilience, understanding and care. EAS community is highly regarded for its tenacity in pulling together and working for the greater good of our students.

### Volunteering at EAS

This year, in addition to completing the Responding to Abuse and Neglect (RAN) online training and holding a current WWCC / DCSI clearance, all existing and new volunteers will need to attend a short volunteer induction meeting.

I will be conducting these meetings on Thursday 6 February at 9.00am, Thursday 13 February at 2.30pm and Tuesday 18 February at 6.30pm in the staffroom.

At the meeting all volunteers will receive the school's Volunteer Induction pamphlet and will be required to sign an EAS volunteers' enrolment form. To register your attendance, email [verity.may656@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:verity.may656@schools.sa.edu.au).

### Classroom Parent Representative Meeting

For those parents who become reps for their child's class we have our

support meeting scheduled for Friday 21 February at 9am in the staffroom. Come along, learn about the role and the structures in place to support reps over a cuppa.

### External School Review

We are planning for an external review over a three day period, 23 - 25 March, which will look at how we go about school improvement, focusing on teaching and learning and culture building across the school. We will have 3 reviewers at the school made up of 2 peer Principals and a Department reviewer. The team will interview groups of parents, students and staff to determine how well we are travelling and to identify up to 3 key directions for us to work on, over a three year period. This is a highly valuable process and one we are looking forward to. I will be sharing more information as the time nears.

### Establishing School / Classroom Expectations

As part of establishing routines and expectations teachers are focusing on persistence, resilience, getting along, and developing confidence in assisting students to be ready for learning each day.

Please remind your child not to bring special items or jewellery to school. If these items are damaged or lost the school does not take responsibility.

### Pride in our School

Once again this year we focus our efforts on taking pride in our school, in ourselves, our learning spaces, inside and out, and in our work. You can assist us with this by reminding your children to bring a hat each day, to wear the correct school dress code (no SAPSASA tops or other branded tops or pants) and to practice the key values of respect and responsibility. I encourage you to provide us with

ongoing feedback, both constructive and affirming, as part of your observations as you walk through our school.

Over the holidays, staff has been getting ready for the start of the school year. The next few weeks will see teachers getting to know their students and families and developing positive working environments in order for rigorous learning to occur.

The East Adelaide School motto is 'Learning for Life'; this underpins our belief in nurturing the whole child by attending to their academic, social and emotional wellbeing.

**New staff** not introduced in the final newsletter of 2019 include Brad Martin, teaching a range of non-instruction learning including; science, PE and performing arts. Brad comes highly recommended to us from Gilles Street Primary School and will be here 2 ½ days a week, Tuesday – Thursday.

We are continuously building upon teacher efficacy to ensure that EAS students have the best teachers teaching them. This means we invest heavily in teacher learning. You will see over the first three terms your child's teacher away from the class taking part in the high quality professional learning programs either facilitated by expertise within our own school or by external providers. Your child's teacher will provide you with more information about their commitments to learning either through the Term Overview or at the Acquaintance Night, Tuesday 11 February.

I look forward to an exciting and productive year ahead.

*Vicki Stravinski*

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## Governing Council AGM

Tuesday 11 February at 7.30pm

### WHAT DOES THE GOVERNING COUNCIL DO?

The Governing Council is a decision making body and is responsible, with the Principal, for providing leadership for the good governance of the school.

In particular it:

- ◆ Works collaboratively in the best interests of the site and its community (not personal interests or agendas).
- ◆ Allocates the resources available to the site to support the improvement of learning and wellbeing outcomes for all students as specified in school learning and improvement and strategic plans.
- ◆ Provides a forum for parent, staff and student participation and decision making and ensures that the educational needs of the students are addressed particularly those that are priorities of National, State and site plans.
- ◆ Plans for improvement in learning and wellbeing for all students through setting and monitoring of the vision, purpose, strategic and improvement plans.
- ◆ Monitors learning and wellbeing outcomes and reports annually to the site's community and the Minister through the Annual Reporting process.

### Governing Council Membership

As an active Governing Councillor, or someone thinking about stepping forward on to Governing Council, you can be a part of the efforts to improve the education and care of students in our school.

#### **Benefits of being on Governing Council include:**

- Share your thoughts and opinions
- Hear what other people think
- Become informed on the happenings in our school
- Meet other parents
- Learn how the school works
- Learn how things "fit together" at school

When the entire school community works together to support learning, students succeed, not just in school, but throughout their lives. Your participation in this process through your governance role is crucial.

**East Adelaide School's Governing Council AGM is to be held on Tuesday 11 February at 7.30pm in the Resource Centre.** The meeting will be followed by a short Council meeting to appoint office bearers and accept nominations for subcommittee membership.

If you are interested in joining the Council, please complete the nomination form included in this newsletter and return to the school Front Office by Friday 7 February.

Alternatively, you may email your expression of interest to Linda in the Front Office [linda.fehlandt511@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:linda.fehlandt511@schools.sa.edu.au)

We are looking forward to seeing you at the AGM.

**Governing Council meetings are held twice a term generally on Tuesday evenings from 7.00pm - 9.00pm in Weeks 4 and 8.**

### Governing Council Sub-Committees

The sub-committees of Governing Council include:

- ◆ OSHC
- ◆ Canteen
- ◆ Assets and Landscaping/LEOS
- ◆ Finance Advisory
- ◆ Education
- ◆ After School Sports
- ◆ Parents and Friends

Sub-committees are convened by a Governing Council member; however, **parents and interested community members are welcome to join a sub-committee without being on the Governing Council.**

Sub-committees report to Governing Council and recommendations from sub-committees are discussed and decided upon at Governing Council.

The current council is keen for parents who have previously not been involved in council or parents who have younger children in the school, to think about joining. That said, we would certainly welcome back current or past Governing Council members.

These committees meet twice a term prior to Governing Council meetings. If you would like to become a member of one of our sub-committees and need some information, please make contact with me. **You do not need to be a member of Governing Council to have membership of sub-committees.**

**Meeting times of each sub-committee will be emailed to those who express an interest to join.**

*Vicki Stravinski*

## Acquaintance Night Tuesday 11 February 2020

This year our school Acquaintance Night will be held on **Tuesday 11 February** at the following times:

- ◆ 5.00 - 5.45pm      Years 3 – 4
- ◆ 5.50 - 6.35pm      Years 5 – 7
- ◆ 6.40 - 7.25pm      Reception – Year 2

Further information regarding the format of the evening will be sent home with students in Week 2.

Families will receive term overviews in week 2. These outline the intended teaching and learning program for the term.

***Please note:***

***Students are not expected to be at school during Acquaintance Meetings or the AGM. Staff are unavailable to supervise students due to preparations, setting up for the evening or meeting with parents.***

During Acquaintance Night teachers will request nominations from parents who are willing to undertake the role of Class Parent Representative for 2020.

An induction meeting of Class Representatives will be held on Friday 21 February at 9am in the staffroom. The Class Parent Rep has an important role that is highly valued at our school.

Class Parent Reps have a range of responsibilities including:

- ◆ Welcoming new families to their child's class and the school.
- ◆ Organising class social events e.g. class picnic/parent coffee morning.
- ◆ Assisting the Parents and Friends Committee.
- ◆ Collecting and distributing contact numbers of families in each class as agreed to formally by families.

Supporting the work of Parents and Friends as needed.

### EAST ADELAIDE SCHOOL GOVERNING COUNCIL 2020 NOMINATION FORM

I \_\_\_\_\_

wish to nominate for East Adelaide School Governing Council.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Room No: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please return nomination form to the Front Office  
by 9.00am Friday 7 February 2020***

## Library News

Welcome back to the New Year! The **Premier's Reading Challenge** has started. Everything you need to know about, including booklists and recording sheets are available to download here:

<http://www.premiersreadingchallenge.sa.edu.au/prc/pages/home>

**Knitting pouches for joeys** orphaned in the fires is happening during lunchtimes in the library and all are welcome.

We welcome volunteers who would like to come and help with **book covering** at anytime. This helps us get books out onto the shelves ready for students to borrow much faster.

## 'Tell us about your child' Questionnaire

This questionnaire has been sent home with students and is designed to provide teachers with information about your child. It will give us a better understanding of your child and will assist teachers to develop caring, supportive and productive relationships. Please complete the form and return it to your child's classroom teacher by Friday 7 February.

Marryatville High School  
**Special Interest Music Centre**  
 INFORMATION EVENING  
 Thursday 19 March 2020  
 6.00 - 7.00pm



**The Stables Music Centre**  
 Marryatville High School  
 170 Kensington Road  
 MARRYATVILLE

Information about the Special Interest Music Centre, course structures, curriculum and selection process.

For information about the event call 8304 8431  
*No Bookings Necessary*

## Pastoral Care



Welcome to EAS 2020. For those who don't know me, my name is Kate. I am the Pastoral Care Worker. I attend school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. During this time I work closely with the Wellbeing team to support students and families by building community links with local groups, and by providing resources to parents and opportunities for students to connect with each other. This week I have been visiting all reception classes, reading them a funny story while getting to meet our new students. It's been an exciting yet settled start to 2020. I look forward to seeing what this year will bring. Please feel free to contact me via my email [kate.argue192@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:kate.argue192@schools.sa.edu.au), if you have questions or concerns. I'm here to serve the school community.



## Road Crossing Monitors

Week 2				
8.30 - 8.50am	Alice	Holly	Lily	Vasiliki
3.10 - 3.30pm	Tam	Leo	Dylan	Sahara
Week 3				
8.30 - 8.50am	Daniel	Alexandra	Alyssa	Josh
3.10 - 3.30pm	Jesse	Taj	Alexandra	Mariam

## Car Parking

Car parking is challenging; please observe the parking time limits around the perimeter of the school. Areas are clearly marked as 2 minute drop off and pick up zone ONLY. They are not standing or parking zones. Also, please be mindful of residents' homes and do not park across driveways.

## Parent Calendar

The parent calendar will be disturbed with our term 1 week 3 newsletter.

## OSHC News

Dear Families,

I welcome you all back for another exciting year of OSHC at East Adelaide and hope the school holiday period was restful and relaxing for you and your children. For those who have attended the Vacation Care program across the past six weeks I thank you for your patience and flexibility with having to change the program due to the excessive heat.

It's been fantastic to meet so many new families who are beginning their time with the service in 2020 and we are looking forward to working with you all across the school year.

With a new school year beginning, I ask our families to take note of the following:

### After School Care Bookings

- Demand for the service is currently at an all time high and we are not accepting any more permanent bookings for Tuesday and Wednesday after school care sessions. We ask our families to advise the service if they are not requiring a particular session so that we can accommodate families who are on a waiting list. We are trying very hard to assist all families at the moment and it is vital families are organised with their OSHC Bookings for 2020.

### Mobile Phones

Mobile Phones are not permitted by children whilst attending the service. Older children who are using these will be asked to lock these away in the OSHC office during the session.

### After School Activities

We ask all our families to advise the service if your child has any After School activities across the term (Sport, Music, Road Crossing) to assist us in locating children after school.

### Child Care Subsidy

Please contact me immediately if you notice your Child Care Subsidy is not working. New families will need to access My Gov online to confirm enrolment at the service to enable this to commence. Contact me if you are having any issues.

### Advisory Committee

We run a OSHC Advisory Committee as a sub-committee of Governing Council and this assists in our planning and decision making for the service. If you would like further information about being involved, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,

Benjamin Goudie, *OSHC Director*

## Kids Pantry / Canteen News

Welcome back to school. A reminder to please change your child's profile on Qkr! to the correct room number for 2020.

The Kids Pantry has a few changes this year.

Our opening hours are 8.50am - 1.30pm.

For families who miss the 9.00am cut off for Qkr! orders and phone the order through to Kids Pantry will need to make payment on the Qkr! app under money owed to Canteen before we can process the order. We are notified by Qkr! once payment has been received. If payment is not received the student will be given a Vegemite or Cheese sandwich and an invoice will be sent home. We will not accept any phone orders after 11.00am. Unfortunately we have had to implement these changes due to non payment of phone orders.

We are always looking for more volunteers, so please contact Lisa or Diane on 8362 5221 if you and / or a grandparent can help. Our shifts are flexible to accommodate the time you can spare. No experience necessary. It is a great way to meet other parents / grandparents at the school and your children get excited to see you in the canteen.

Congratulations to Anna Giordano who will be joining the canteen team this year as a paid employee.

Anna is a grandparent in our school community, has volunteered in the canteen and comes to us with much experience, great people skills and a love of cooking. We look forward to having Anna on board for 2020.

## Nut and Food Allergies

We have students at East Adelaide who have been diagnosed with severe nut and food allergies. This condition results in anaphylaxis and can be life threatening. Please be aware that nuts and some foods can be highly dangerous.

Our Kids Pantry / Canteen does not sell nut products and we seek your cooperation in avoiding nuts and nut products such as peanuts, almonds, pistachios, hazelnut, walnuts, nut muesli bars or peanut paste sandwiches when packing recess, lunch and party food. We ask all parents to be sensitive and to check with their child's class teacher before providing food to be shared.

If you have any further questions, please talk with your child's class teacher or contact the Front Office.

## 2020 School Fees

The East Adelaide School Governing Council has set the fee for 2020 at \$440.

*Invoices for the 2020 Materials and Services fees, Excursion Levy, and the tax deductible Library and School Building Fund donations have been sent by Australia Post earlier this month.*

### Payment Options

The following payment options are available;

- **QKR App**

Download the free app to make school payments such as school fees and the excursion levy.

- **Via School Website**

Direct debit or credit card payments can be completed online via the school website.

- **Direct Debit Payments by Instalments**

Payments by instalments via direct debit is available, allowing you to set how much you wish to pay each week/fortnight/month, until the school fees are paid in full. Please submit completed Student Instalment Agreement to the Front Office or the payment box located at the Cashier by Friday 13 March 2020.

- **Payment at East Adelaide School**

Payments can be made in person at the Cashier, Monday 8.30am – 9.15am. Credit card and cheque payments can also be lodged in the payment box, located at the Cashier/Uniform Shop.

- **Payment by Post**

You may wish to send a cheque or credit card details with the invoice attached. Cheques are to be made payable to East Adelaide School.

**All fees are payable in full by 13 March 2020**, unless a Student Instalment Agreement has been submitted to Finance.

Further information regarding school fees is available from Cleo Colangelo, Business Manager, via email at [cleo.colangelo85@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:cleo.colangelo85@schools.sa.edu.au)

### Applying for the School Card Scheme

Visit the following website [www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](http://www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard) to apply online for the 2020 School Card Scheme. Application forms can also be collected from the Community Notice board located at the Front Office.

For further information, please call the School Card free call number 1800672758.

### Late School Fees

Parents/Caregivers who are unable to pay school fees by Friday 13 March 2020 will need to submit a Payment by Instalment agreement or meet with the



All types of School Card applications will be available online from **13 January 2020**

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.

Applying online is easy! Simply follow the steps below.

- STEP 1** From 13 January visit [sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](http://sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard)
- STEP 2** Select the type of School Card you would like to apply for (for example 'Type A') and follow the prompts.
- STEP 3** Complete all mandatory fields.  
*Please note: you cannot proceed to the next page unless all mandatory fields are complete*
- 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.  
*Please note: if you exit the form without clicking 'SUBMIT' your details will be lost*

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



[sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](http://sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard)



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Finance Officer to discuss a payment plan. A payment plan form must be completed and submitted to the finance office or fees and levies will be considered overdue.

### Payment Plans

Payment plans will require the final payment to be made by Friday 3 July 2020. The scheduled payment plan must be adhered to and if any payment becomes overdue **the debt collection policy will be implemented.**

Where school fees remain overdue or a payment plan is not adhered to the debt will be referred **to the DfE Central Debt Collection Department for collection.**



Resolution Procedure for Students at EAS

**Step 1**



Talk to the person and tell them to stop.



**I'm OK**

All is cool I'm happy



**Step 2**



Talk to the teacher.



**I'm OK**

All is cool I'm happy



**Step 3**



Talk to a member of leadership.



**I'm OK**

All is cool I'm happy



**Step 4**



Talk to your parents so they can talk to your teacher.



**I'm OK**

All is cool I'm happy



**Step 5**



Parents talk to the leadership team.



**I'm OK**

All is cool I'm happy

