

NEWSLETTER

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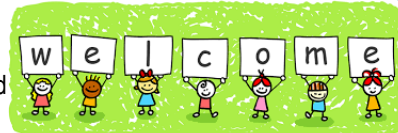
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the 2017 school year. We hope everyone enjoyed the holiday break.



We have started the year with 760 students in 29 classes. We welcome 94 brand new Receptions who started school for the first time in Acacia and Banksia. We also welcome all of the students and their families who have transferred into Playford Primary School from within our state, interstate and overseas.

The school year has commenced very smoothly with lessons and programs well underway. All of our classes have been focussing on our "Launching into Learning" Program. We personally thank all of the staff for the time and effort they have put into making sure their classroom and resources were ready for the start of the year.

We welcome the following staff to our school, some for the first time:



Ms Stacey Leech, Mr Mark Harvey, Mr Kirby Dickinson, Miss Abby Stevens, Mr Richard Oliver and Miss Leanne Lister. We also welcome back Mrs Felicity Booth from Maternity Leave. We are fortunate to have these great teachers working with us in 2017.

Thank you to all the parents and caregivers for your cooperation in ensuring students are arriving punctually in school uniform ready for the new school year. We believe the wearing of school uniform shows a positive commitment to our school beliefs and makes everyone feel part of the school community.

Please note that **teacher supervision at school begins at 8.40am. Parents should not send children to school prior to that time, in the interests of their child's safety.** Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) is available each morning if you are unable to supervise your child/ren prior to 8.40am. Please contact OSHC on 8254 4198. If students continue to arrive at school before 8:30 they will be sent to OSHC and you will be billed for the service.

For safety and supervision reasons, both before and after school, students and toddlers are not permitted to play on the equipment, even if they have parent supervision.

All Reception to Year 5 students will be involved in a swimming program during Week 5 (Tuesday 28th February – Friday 3rd March) or Week 7 (Tuesday 14th March – Friday 17th March.) Students will be travelling by bus to the Elizabeth Aquadome Swimming Centre for swimming instruction. The cost of \$24 for Junior Primary students and \$26 for Year 3-5 students will include transport, pool entry and equipment hire.



Year 7 students will travel to West Lakes on Tuesday 14th March and Monday 20th March for Aquatics. The students will participate in various activities at a cost of \$30. Year 6 students will participate in a Leadership Program on the same days.

Swimming and water safety lessons are extremely valuable and form part of the normal school program so it is expected that all students will participate. Permission and medical forms will be sent home shortly along with more information. Payment can be made at the Payment Office or via our Secure Payment Slot in the Front Office. Please note the dates and the cost of the instruction. Please contact Lorraine Davies if you have any concerns or questions.

A reminder that both Playford car parks at the front of the school on Adams Road are not drop off or pick up areas for students in the mornings and afternoons. This information is shown on large signs outside both sets of gates. The only people permitted into the front car parks at these times are the people who have a disability parking permit from the government and access rights from the school. There are disability parks at the front and back gates and two parks within the site. Please note also that the driveway adjacent the Gym is not to be used for either parking and/or drop offs and pick ups. The kiss and drop areas at the front of the school are No Parking areas until after 9.00am. Council regularly patrol these areas.

Kind Regards, Dean, Betty, Lorraine and Michaela ~ Playford Primary Leadership Team



Diary Dates

14th February

Acquaintance Night
6.00pm-7.00pm

Governing Council Mtg
7.00pm



16th February

Playgroup Starts
9.00am-11.00am

28th February to 3rd March or 14th March to 17th March

Rec. - Yr 5 Swimming

13th March

Adelaide Cup Holiday

14th March

Yr 7 Aquatics & Yr 6 Leadership Day

20th March

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21st March

Governing Council AGM
7.00pm

13th April

Last day Term 1



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CANTEEN NEWS

We have a new menu for 2017. Please visit our website at: www.rorys.com.au and click on the school menus tab. Also new for 2017, school lunches can be ordered on line. Go to our website and choose online canteen for instructions on how to order. A flyer with these details will also be sent home shortly.

Kind regards, Rory's School Lunches

INFORMATION PACKS

Parent information packs will be sent home soon. Please take time to read the enclosed information which includes school policies, canteen on line ordering instructions, material and services invoice (school fees) and a direct debit form for school fees. Also included in the package is a data sheet for each student, which includes your contact details. If you have any changes to the details on the sheet please return the sheet to the front office as soon as possible with your changes clearly marked. It is important that we have accurate up to date contact information in case of an emergency. Thank you for your cooperation.

PAYMENTS & UNIFORM ORDERS

The Payment Window will be open during the following times for payments and uniform purchases.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 8.30am - 9.30am

Uniform orders can also be placed over the phone any day during office hours (8.30am-3.15pm) using your credit card. Items in stock will be sent to class at the end of the day.

Payments and Uniform orders outside the above times can be placed in our secure Payment Slot in the Front Office during office hours. Uniform items in stock, together with your receipt, will be sent to class at the end of the day.



MEDICATION

A new medication plan was sent home at the end of last year for families to complete over the holidays. Medication taken during school hours requires a current medication plan signed by the doctor, including Asthma medication. Please ensure your child's Asthma Plans are up to date ready for swimming. Students without a current plan will not be permitted in the water.



LOST PROPERTY

Please check our Lost Property Bins regularly which are located outside Student Services. Please also check your child's school clothes at home to make sure they do not belong to someone else. Jumpers and hats sometimes inadvertently go home with the wrong child.



Don't forget to **NAME EVERYTHING.**



2017 TERM DATES

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| TERM 1 | Monday 30th January - Thursday 13th April |
| TERM 2 | Monday 1st May - Friday 7th July |
| TERM 3 | Monday 24th July - Friday 29th September |
| TERM 4 | Monday 16th October - Friday 15th December |