

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to the 2018 school year. We hope everyone enjoyed the holiday break.

We have started the year with approximately 767 students in 29 classes. We welcome 103 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.



## New Staff Members

We welcome the following new staff to our school:



Ms Phillipa Arbuckle (Deputy Principal), Mr Daniel Thompson (G06), Mr Nathan Duff (H03), Mr Nick Porublev (H04) and Ms Sue Lange (D02). We also welcome back Ms Simone Scaffidi, Ms Amy Muchamore and Ms Keerin Fouten from Maternity Leave. We are fortunate to have these great teachers working with us in 2018.

## Uniform

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 wearing school uniform shows a positive commitment to our school beliefs and makes everyone feel part of the school community.

## Yard Supervision

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.

## Swimming

All Reception to Year 5 students will be involved in a swimming program during Week 5 (Monday 26th February – Friday 2nd March) or Week 6 (Monday 5th March – Friday 9th March.) Students will be travelling by bus to the Elizabeth Aquadome 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 Monday 5th March and Tuesday 6th 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.



## Car Parks

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.

We look forward to a productive and positive year of learning.

Kind Regards, Dean, Phillipa, Lorraine, Michelle and Matt ~ Playford Primary Leadership Team

excellence and empowerment



**PLAYFORD  
PRIMARY  
SCHOOL**

## Diary Dates

### 13th February

Governing Council Mtg  
7.00pm

### 20th February

Acquaintance Night  
6.00pm-7.00pm

### 16th February

Playgroup  
Starts  
9.00am-  
11.00am



### 26th February to 2nd March or 5th March to 9th March

Rec. - Yr 5 Swimming

### 5th March & 6th March

Yr 7 Aquatics & Yr 6  
Leadership Day

### 12th March

Adelaide Cup Holiday

### 27st March

Governing Council AGM  
7.00pm

### 30th March

Good Friday  
Holiday



### 2nd April

Easter Monday Holiday

### 9th April to 13th April

School Interviews

### 13th April

Last day Term 1  
2.10pm Dismissal



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## **CANTEEN NEWS**

We have a new menu for 2018. Please visit our website at: [www.rorys.com.au](http://www.rorys.com.au) and click on the school menus tab. **A reminder that school lunches can be ordered online and must be placed by 8.50am for delivery that day.** Go to our website and choose online canteen for instructions on how to order. Orders can also be placed in your child's class canteen box.

Kind regards, Rory's School Lunches

## **INFORMATION PACKS**

Parent information packs were sent home yesterday. Please take time to read the enclosed information which includes school policies, 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, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday from 8.30am - 9.15am**

Uniform orders can also be placed over the phone any day between 8.30am-3.15pm using your credit card. Items in stock will be sent to class.

Payments and Uniform orders outside the Payment Window times can be placed in our secure Payment Slot in the Front Office during office hours. Receipts and Uniform items in stock 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.

## **2018 TERM DATES**

TERM 1	Monday 29th January - Friday 13th April
TERM 2	Monday 30th April - Friday 6th July
TERM 3	Monday 23rd July - Friday 28th September
TERM 4	Monday 15th October - Friday 14th December