

Aberfoyle

Hub News

R-7 School

2019

TERM 1
Week 2



**Open / Acquaintance
Night / AGM**
Wednesday, February
13th at 6pm (Week 3)



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Pupil Free Days

- * Term 1 — Week 6
Friday, March 8th
- * Term 2 — Week 9
Monday, June 24th
- * Term 3 — **To be advised**
- * Term 4 — Week 3
Friday, November 1st

School Closure Day

Term 3 — Week 6
Friday, August 30th

Sports Day

Term 1: Week 10
Friday, April 5th

**Back-up Sports Day (in the
event of inclement weather)**
Thursday, April 11th

R-5 Swimming

Term 2: Week 6
June 3rd - 7th



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Principal:

Tas Ktenidis

Deputy Principal:

Sarah Magnusson



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From the Principal

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all families and a special welcome to all new families to our school community. I hope the summer break was restful, enjoyable and a time to catch up on things. I would like to welcome new Reception students who are joining us this year. It is a pleasure to see such enthusiastic young students coming to school full of excitement. I am looking forward to seeing their successful learning journeys.

Staff Car Park/Kiss and Drop

In order to ensure that we are protecting our children during morning drop off and afternoon pick-up, Aberfoyle Hub R-7 school has a policy that staff car parks are not to be used. Unless community members have a Disability permit or a medical condition that has been negotiated with the school, or a scheduled meeting, I ask that all community members please refrain from driving onto school grounds. By doing so it will alleviate any possibility of any child being hit by a car.

Outside, in front of the school, we have a designated '**Kiss and Drop**' zone. Please refrain from parking there as the area tends to become a bottle-neck of cars, that at times double park, increasing the risks to children trying to walk amongst cars. Please adhere to the correct road rules.

Correct Time for Drop Off

Just a quick reminder that students are not permitted to be on school grounds before 8:30am as we do not have staff on duty to cover any duty of care. If you have any queries, do not hesitate to ring the school.

Open/Acquaintance Night/AGM

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at

our Open/Acquaintance Night when you will have the opportunity to meet your child's teacher. Staff will be sharing what their program will be for the term/year. Other important business on the night will be our Governing Council AGM. If you wish to contribute to our wonderful school, please consider joining this very important group. Schools continue to build on great successes by having an active and strong Governing Council. (See our flyer on page 4.)

Staff 2019

Room 1:	Lyndall Brown Year 3/4 Class
Room 2:	Angela Thorburn Year 3/4 Class
Room 5:	Tiffany King 3-7 Special Class
Room 6:	Emma Harris R-2 Special Class
Room 9:	Kate Weinmann/Larissa Stella Year 2/3 Class
Room 10:	Kylie Clark/Kate Williams Year 1/2 Class
Room 10A:	Brad Walters, Health and PE
Room 14:	Kate Videon Reception/Year 1 Class
Room 16:	Cherinah Adderton Reception/Year 1 Class
Room 17:	Natarsha Milis Year 4/5 Class
Room 18:	Rachael Hewlett Year 6/7 Class
Room 19:	Brad Edwards/Helen Nicholas Year 4/5 Class
Room 21:	Kate Zampogna Year 6/7 Class
Room 22:	Meghan Otte Year 6/7 Class
Room 23:	Alex Catalan, Spanish
Room 29:	Helen Nicholas, Performing Arts

Deputy Principal: Sarah Magnusson

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Pastoral Care Worker: Di Brinkworth
Business Manager: Chris Godden
Front Office SSO: Jane Summers
Curriculum SSOs: Marlene Scholz, Kate Humphrey, Amanda West, Nathan Hand, Cathrine Currie, Natasha Murray, Troy Martinsen, Sam Tuff, Holly Voitkus, Jacqui Ryan, Marisa Anderson & Bree Elliot
Resource Centre/Curriculum SSOs: Julie Campbell, Debbie Templeton.
ICT: Robyn Langbrandner, Kevin Jesshope
Grounds: Chris Abbott
Canteen: Trish Brewer, Andrea Thain
OSHC Director: Nicola Kuhn

Welcome: New Teaching Staff

A warm welcome to Kate Weinmann (working in Room 9 with Larissa Stella) and to Cherinah Adderton (in Room 16).

Tas Ktenidis
Principal

PRE-SERVICE TEACHERS From Flinders Uni

Welcome to our Final Year Pre-Service Teachers, Silia Kantzos and Leah Cocks. They will be spending 1 day per week this term in Rooms 10 and 22 before beginning their final 6-week placement next term. We also welcome 2nd Year Pre-Service Teachers, Lucy Burns, Colbie Frankland, Nick Fox and Liam Thompson who have begun their 3-week placement in Rooms 1, 14, 17 and 18. We wish you all the best during your time here.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

SCHOOL FEES: 2019

Materials and Service Charge

Tax Invoices for the 2019 Materials and Service Charge and Excursion Levy will be distributed to families (via their class teachers) next week. The invoice package included 2 invoices, an information letter and a Payment by Instalment Agreement. Please contact us if you do **not** receive the package from your child.

School Card: Online Facility

School Card information is now available at: <http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>.

School card applications can be submitted online using this link or paper copies for 2019 can be collected from Front Office.

Please note:

- A new school card application form must be submitted every year.
- 2019 income 'eligibility' limits for school card approval have increased significantly (see the above link/Front Office).

Chris Godden
Business Manager

VOLUNTEERS

Relevant History Screening

To volunteer/work with children and young people in SA government educational sites/services you must have a current (child-related) relevant history screening clearance. Clearances need **updating every 3 years**. Relevant History Screening is a process, undertaken by the Department of Human Services (DHS) Screening Unit (formerly DCSI), that involves checking a person's criminal history and any other relevant information that is lawfully available to the Screening Unit.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

ALL volunteers at our site must have a DHS 'child-related employment screening'. Exceptions will only apply **if agreed to by the Principal**.

Please note: People attending a **single** event or activity at a school/preschool, such as a concert, fundraising event or sports day do not need to be screened.

Online Screening Applications

Relevant History Screening Applications are done **online**. Volunteers are unable to start an online DHS screening on their own - an organisation must initiate an application on their behalf. Contact the school's Front Office to initiate an online screening application if you would like to volunteer at our site (and do **not** already have a current DHS clearance). To start your application you will need to provide us with your full name, date of birth and a current email address and indicate where/how you'll volunteer in our school. This information will pre-populate your application form. You will then **NOT** be able to change this information without consulting with the school.

When the school has successfully initiated an application on your behalf, you will receive the first of 2 emails from the DHS Screening Unit advising that an application has been initiated on your behalf. Click on 'Activate My Account' in your email. You'll then receive a second DHS email with your personal account login details, username/password and further information so that you can proceed with your application.

Once you receive your DHS screening **clearance**, bring in the **ORIGINAL** clearance letter to the Front Office so that we can sight it. Clearances are valid for 3 years. Your original clearance letter should be treated as an important document, like a birth certificate or passport and be kept in a safe place, as neither DHS nor the school issue replacements/copies of lost/misplaced letters.

IT News

Skoolbag App

Our school has its own **Skoolbag** iPhone and Android App to facilitate communication with our school community. To install our Skoolbag School App, just search for our school name (Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School) in either the Apple App Store or Google Play Store. For Windows users, search for Skoolbag in the Windows Store and install the app then find our school.

App users will be prompted to register with a username and password, enabling users to save their Group Subscription settings across devices. Users will be sent an email address to verify their account, however you will not be prevented from logging into the app. Once users login, they will be able to personalize their group and notification preferences.

All recent, unseen notifications can be found by clicking the bell icon in the top right corner of the app.



Notices sent to the whole school via Content Categories will still appear in the 'Home' section. However, information published to Content Groups will appear in the Groups Tab.



Users can modify their Group Subscriptions at any time.

To receive newsletters/notices or to report student absences use this link:

<https://skoolbag.com.au/webplugin/?schoolid=2415>

See 'Stay Informed with the Skoolbag App' on the last page of this newsletter.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

CANTEEN News

Volunteers

Welcome back to all of our wonderful 'Hub Grub' Canteen volunteers. We very much appreciate the time you give us. We are always looking for new volunteers, so if anyone has some spare time and would like to come and help, please let canteen staff know.

Please note: You require a current DHS (formerly DCSI) screening clearance and RAN volunteer training.

Canteen Price List

The 2019 price list has been distributed to families (via classroom teachers). If your family has not received one, please call into the canteen to collect a copy.

**Trish Brewer &
Andrea Thain**
Canteen Managers

SCHOOL BANKING

Commonwealth Bank

A '2019 School Banking Program' flyer has been sent home (with each child) containing information for families who may be interested in opening a school banking account for their child/children. It is all done online, even if families are not CBA customers, which makes it so much easier!

This year's theme is 'Polar Savers' - the prizes look amazing. The emphasis is on developing regular savings habits rather than on the amount deposited, so 20 cents per week is absolutely fine, as is \$2 or \$20.

Last year school banking raised over \$500 for the school (through commissions received).



Please note:
WEDNESDAY is School Banking day.

RAN Training

Screening is just one measure used to help keep children safe. The Department for Education requires all those working/volunteering with children to be responsible for child safety, including knowing how to report/recognise inappropriate behaviour. All volunteers at our site must have RAN (Responding to Abuse and Neglect) training.



On-site RAN training sessions will be held this term in our Resource Centre on:

- Thursday, March 14th 7-9pm (Week 7)
- Friday, March 22nd 9-11am (Week 8)

If you would like to attend one of these sessions, please make a booking through the Front Office by Thursday, March 7th.



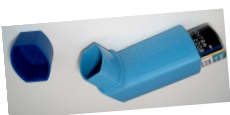
Alternatively, if you are unable to attend a session at school, online training is available on the Department for Education Plink Website www.plink.sa.edu.au Non Department sign-up. Once online training is completed, a certificate can be printed and brought into the Front Office **for leadership to sign**. Contact Front Office staff for any further clarification. Please ensure that you complete a training session to avoid the disappointment of not being able to volunteer at the Hub. We greatly value our volunteers and want to ensure each of you can contribute to our school community.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

HEALTH News

Medication

It is a Department for Education requirement that all student medical conditions be documented using the relevant medical forms/care plans. (If these are not signed by the child's doctor and parent/caregiver, this does not meet legal requirements.) If your child needs medication during school time, we will supervise them taking their medication. Medication will not be given without a **signed** consent form (available from the Front Office) having been returned with the medication in its original, **chemist-labelled** container (including the child's name and dosage required). It may also be necessary for a Care Plan to be completed by the child's doctor. Front Office staff will ensure that medication is stored safely. Medication must NOT be kept in classrooms or school bags.



MUSIC News

Performing Arts Program 2019



I would like to take this opportunity to formally introduce myself as the **Performing Arts** teacher at the school this year. Although my role at Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School has been predominantly involved with special education

for the last 7 years, I am also an experienced Arts teacher and singer.

The aims of performing arts lessons are to engage students to achieve at their highest possible level and to ensure that each child is provided with an enjoyable, challenging and rewarding education in the performing arts curriculum.

The Performing Arts curriculum this year will provide a wide range of experiences across the spectrum of performing arts, with many opportunities for performance throughout the year. Students will be provided with opportunities to develop their skills and knowledge in music, dance, drama and media, whilst experiencing contemporary teaching and learning methodologies that are inclusive of the diversity of the learning needs of all students.

These include:

- Weekly classroom arts program
- Instrumental music lessons
- The Senior Choir
- Junior Primary Choir

Junior Choir

I am particularly excited about introducing a Junior Primary Choir this year, which will be composed of Years 3 and 4 students. They will be performing in assemblies, whole-school events and within the wider community. In addition to having fun and having the opportunity to make friends, students will learn a variety of songs, vocal warm-ups and singing skills. There will also be opportunities for students to sing solo, along with unison and in parts. Many of the songs in the Junior Choir will be accompanied by choreography or dramatised. The aim is for students to experience the joy of being part of a large ensemble and begin to learn about audience manners, performance skills and basic choral techniques. Students will showcase their learning to each other and they will be performing at our school assemblies during the year.

Helen Nicholas
Performing
Arts Teacher



OPEN / ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT: Followed by AGM

Our school's Open / Acquaintance Night is next **Wednesday, February 13th**. Flyers (like the one below) are displayed around the school. A sausage sizzle will be available and the Canteen will be providing coffee, tea and cake. Come along, meet the staff, chat to your child's teacher, have a tour of the school with your child and enjoy tea with the family at the same time.

Prior booking is essential for Principal Tours, at 6:15pm and 6:30pm, for families looking to move to the Hub in the future.

NEWSLETTERS Class

Families will receive a **class** newsletter a minimum of once a term.

School

Our **school** newsletter is produced fortnightly in even weeks, on **Thursdays**. The first school newsletter for 2019 goes home as a hard (paper) copy to all families (via the **eldest** child in the family).



OSHC News

Welcome back to all of our students and their families. If you have not already done so, please see Nicola to confirm your bookings in Before/After School Care. This is essential so that we can ensure that all students who are supposed to be attending are safe in OSHC and to ensure you are not charged for a booking you are no longer using.

Advisory Committee Members Needed

We are currently seeking new members for the OSHC Advisory Committee which meets twice a term in the evenings to discuss all aspects of the running of the service and to send recommendations to the Governing Council. Please see **Nicola** for more information, or if you are interested in joining our team.

Nicola Kuhn
OSHC Director



Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School

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Acquaintance Night and AGM

Wednesday 13th February 2019

If you're a current or prospective student or parent/caregiver, come along to see our specialist and classroom programs.

- 5:30 - 6:30pm BBQ / Coffee / Tea / Cake available
- 5:45 - 6:00pm Meet in Courtyard Area
- 6:00 - 6:30pm R-2 Junior Primary Talks
- 6:30 - 7:00pm 3-5 Middle Primary Talks
- 7:00 - 7:30pm 6-7 Upper Primary Talks
- 7:30 - 8:30pm Annual General Meeting - Staff Room

Book Principal Tours 6:00pm + 6:30pm
Please ring to register your interest



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Website: www.ahs.sa.edu.au
Phone: 8270 5055 Fax: 8370 5763



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REMINDERS

Student Belongings

Please ensure that all belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name (and **surname**). We often send to charity large amounts of unclaimed, unlabelled clothing. Please regularly check the lost property bin (in Unit 1 corridor) and general use areas in the school for lost items.

Hats

It is compulsory for students to wear school hats when outside this term.

Resource Centre News

Book Club ONLINE Ordering/Payment Procedure

Orders and payment for the Scholastic Book Club are now only done via 'Book Club LOOP for Parents', an online system which enables parents to order and pay online. ****PLEASE DO NOT SEND ORDERS OR PAYMENT TO SCHOOL**.**

Should you need any help with the online process or registering, contact Scholastic's friendly customer service staff by phoning 1800 021 233.

The latest catalogue (Issue 1) has been sent home via classes (Note: catalogues are for reference only - orders should not be written on them).

REMINDER:

Orders for this issue are due by:

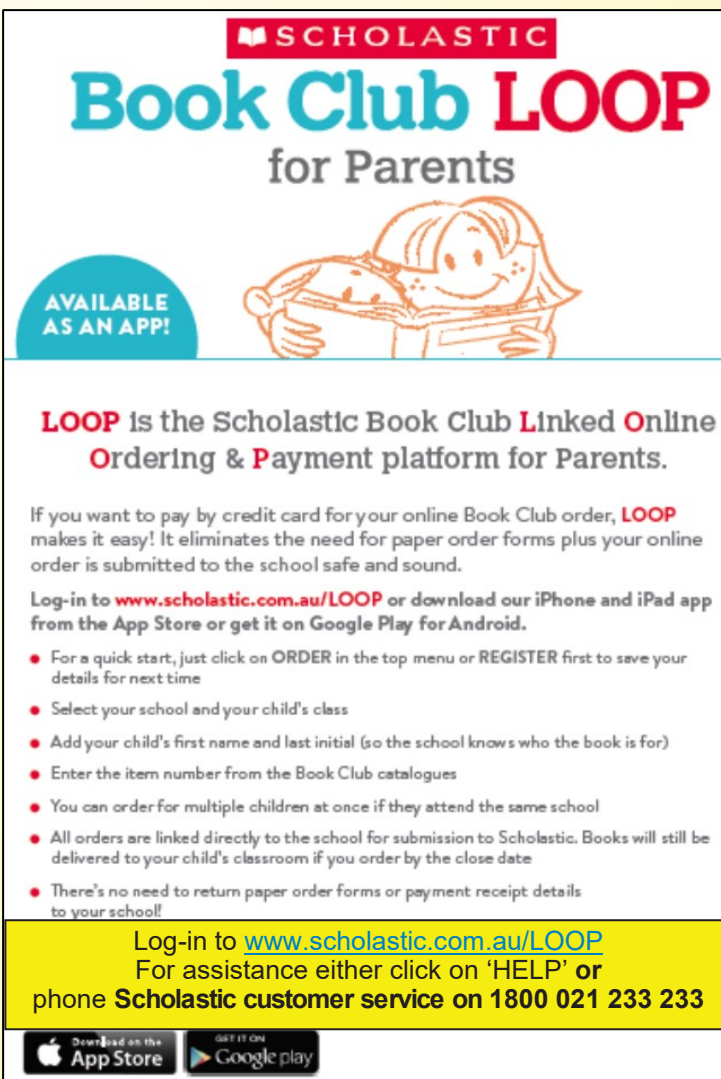
**THURSDAY,
February 14th**

via the **online** process.

Book Club books will be distributed to students via their class teachers.

Scholastic Book Club orders are done **once a term** (by our school).

Reminders about Book Club catalogue issues/orders are provided in our school newsletters.



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Book Club LOOP
for Parents

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LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club **Linked Online** Ordering & Payment platform for Parents.

If you want to pay by credit card for your online Book Club order, **LOOP** makes it easy! It eliminates the need for paper order forms plus your online order is submitted to the school safe and sound.

Log-in to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP or download our iPhone and iPad app from the App Store or get it on Google Play for Android.

- For a quick start, just click on ORDER in the top menu or REGISTER first to save your details for next time
- Select your school and your child's class
- Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for)
- Enter the item number from the Book Club catalogues
- You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date
- There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school!

Log-in to www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP
For assistance either click on 'HELP' or
phone **Scholastic customer service on 1800 021 233 233**

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Premier's Reading Challenge

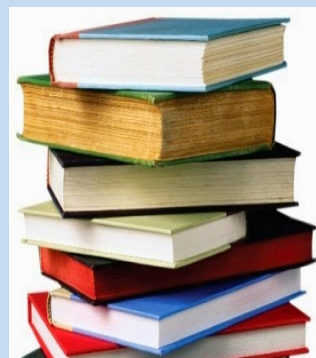
We would like to try to aim for 100% participation in the challenge this year. We will be encouraging children to get an early start on reading the 8 books from the Challenge Book List (and 4 of their own choice).

We would appreciate parent's help to encourage children to read and to complete their forms. Please **sign off** the books completed on their PRC Student Reading Record and ensure that **all of the details at the top of the form are entered accurately**. Forms will be distributed soon via class teachers.

Reading for the 2019 Challenge finishes on Friday, September 6th.

PRC awards are given out in Term 4.

Happy reading!



2019

Welcome back to a new year of challenges and adventures. We are asking this year not to borrow any books under your child's name. We are happy to allocate you a borrowers card, this will enable you to borrow up to 10 books. We do have a small parent library section.

Debbie & Julie
Resource Centre Staff



SPORT News

Player Membership forms for Out of School Sports (Basketball, Cricket, Netball, Soccer and Pedal Prix) have been distributed to interested, eligible students and should now have been returned to Front Office.

Pedal Prix: Meeting next **Wednesday February 13th, 5:00-5:30pm in the Resource Centre**. Information sent home this week. Contact **Brad Walters** at school for further information.

Basketball: Season will commence as soon as payment is received. Invoices to be sent home soon.

Queries: Contact Basketball Coordinator, Sue Ann Woodwiss - Mobile: 0412 846 196.

Cricket: Come'n'Try on Saturday, February 9th; Season to start February 16th. Invoices to be sent home soon.

Queries: Contact Cricket Coordinator, Ian Jeffries - Mobile: 0412 187 502.

URGENTLY REQUIRED: Coordinators for Soccer, Sports Canteen and Uniform - contact Mrs Magnusson.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal



DIARY DATES: February / March



12/2	OSHC Meeting 6:30pm (Staff Room)
13/2	Open / Acquaintance Night / AGM (see flyer in this newsletter)
15/2	4 - 7 Assembly 10:50am (Hall); Year 7 Aquatics
19/2	Finance Committee Meeting 5:30pm (Staff Room)
20/2	Governing Council Meeting 7:00pm (Staff Room)
22/2	R - 3 Assembly 10:50am (Hall); Year 6 Aquatics
1/3	Grounds & Facilities Meeting 8am (Admin); R - 7 Assembly 10:50am (Hall)

Term Dates 2019

Term 1	29 th	January	-	12 th	April	(11 weeks)
Term 2	29 th	April	-	5 th	July	(10 weeks)
Term 3	22 nd	July	-	27 th	September	(10 weeks)
Term 4	14 th	October	-	13 th	December	(9 weeks)



Of Interest

Stay informed with the SkoolBag App



The SkoolBag app is the easiest way to stay up-to-date with school events, last minutes notices, newsletters and all school communications.



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Download the app

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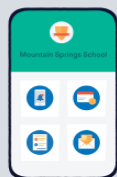
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SkoolBag



REGISTER NOW

IGNITE at Aberfoyle Park High School

IGNITE is a specialist program for students with high intellectual potential. Aberfoyle Park High School is the official Department of Education school for gifted students in the southern metropolitan area of Adelaide.



HOW DO I KNOW IF MY CHILD IS GIFTED?

The characteristics of gifted children vary; however, many display some or all of the following traits:

- High levels of curiosity and deep levels of knowledge in one or more area
- Excellent creative thinking and ability to problem solve
- Strong empathy for social justice
- Highly developed sense of humour



Initial selection is based on performance in the Australian Council for Education (ACER) Gifted and Talented Assessment.

Year 7 students in 2019 are eligible to sit the test for a place in the IGNITE program for 2020.

IGNITE TEST
SATURDAY 23 FEBRUARY 2019
9 AM - 1 PM
ABERFOYLE PARK HIGH SCHOOL

REGISTER YOUR CHILD TO SIT THE TEST AT: www.aphs.sa.edu.au

A registration fee of \$120 applies for non-school card holders. Registrations close Friday 15 February 2019.

For further information visit our website or contact ignite@aphs.sa.edu.au

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