



Aberfoyle

Hub News

R-7 School

2021
TERM 1
Week 2

Acquaintance Night
Wednesday, February 10th
(Week 3) at 5:30pm
AGM at 7pm



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Pupil Free Days

- * Term 2 — Week 7
Friday, June 11th
- * Term 3 — Week 8
Monday, September 6th
- * Term 4 — Week 4
Friday, November 5th

School Closure Day

Term 3 — Week 7
Friday, September 3rd

Sports Day

Term 1: Week 10
Thursday, April 1st
(Staff and students only)
Back-up Sports Day (in the event of inclement weather)
Thursday, April 8th



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Principal:

Tas Ktenidis

Deputy Principal:

Sarah Magnusson



Government of South Australia
Department for Education

From the Principal

WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to a new school year.

Acquaintance Night/AGM

Our school's Acquaintance Night is next **Wednesday, February 10th**. Flyers have been sent out via Skoolbag and are also displayed around the school. A free sausage sizzle is available from 5:45pm to 6:15pm in the courtyard. Come along, meet the staff and chat to your child's teacher.

Staff 2021

Room 1: Olivia Sully
Year 2/3 Class
Room 2: Natarsha Milis
Year 3/4 Class
Room 5: Maddi Terry
3-7 Special Class
Room 6: Jonathan Legg
R-2 Special Class
Room 9: Larissa Stella
Year 1/2 Class
Room 10: Kylie Clark/Kate Williams
Year 2/3 Class
Room 10A: Brad Walters, Health and PE
Room 14: Kate Videon
Reception/Year 1 Class
Room 16: Kate Weinmann/
Cherinah Adderton
Reception/Year 1 Class
Room 17: Alanna Hayes
Year 4/5 Class
Room 18: Rachael Mitchell
Year 6/7 Class
Room 19: Brad Edwards
Year 6/7 Class
Room 21: Kate Zampogna/TBC
Year 4/5 Class
Room 22: Karen Wissell
Year 6/7 Class
Room 23: Joaquin Giner Correias, Spanish

Room 29: Helen Nicholas, The Arts
Deputy Principal: Sarah Magnusson
Curriculum Coordinator: Kate Zampogna

Pastoral Care Worker: Di Brinkworth
Business Manager: Chris Godden
Front Office SSO: Jane Summers
Curriculum SSOs: Natasha Michelmore,
Marlene Scholz, Amanda West, Cathrine
Currie, Regan Faithow, Troy Martinsen,
Sam Tuff, Adam Lane, Jacqui Ryan, Luke
Bray, Jarred Caddies, Knick Britten, Emily
Pyke, Michael Daly, Bree Elliott, Georgia
Goold, Bodie Sowter
Resource Centre/Curriculum SSOs: Julie
Campbell, Debbie Templeton, Maz Mefail
ICT: Robyn Langbrandner, Kevin Jesshope
Grounds: Chris Abbott
Canteen: Trish Brewer, Andrea Thain
A/OSHC Director: Sam Tuff

Teaching Staff

Welcome back to Natarsha Milis, Maddi
Terry, Jonathan Legg, Larissa Stella, Kate
Weinmann, Kate Williams, Alanna Hayes,
Karen Wissell, Joaquin Giner Correias and
Olivia Sully.

Tas Ktenidis
Principal

OSHC News

Welcome back to all our families. We are
excited to have all our new children and
their families joining our OSHC family.
After a successful, fun Vacation Care it's
now time to ask all families to return a new
2021 registration form with active bookings
included. All parents/caregivers are invited
to join the OSHC Advisory Committee and
attend the first meeting on 9/2/21 at 6:30pm
in the OSHC room (Unit 8).

**Sam Tuff (Acting Director) & the OSHC
team.**

Relationships • Responsibility • Resilience • Respect

PRE-SERVICE TEACHERS From Flinders Uni

Welcome to Final Year Pre-Service Teachers Cayleigh Davies and Dana Dixon who will spend one day a week this term in Rooms 14, 2 and 19. We also welcome 2nd Year Pre-Service Teachers Abbey Thomson, Neeland Thompson and Danny Morgan who have begun a 3-week placement, predominantly in Rooms 14, 17 and 18. We wish you all the best during your time here.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

SCHOOL HOURS 2021 A Typical School Day

8:50am School Starts

It is important that children are here for the organisational part of the school day e.g. lunch orders, money collection and attendances. (Late arrival is recorded in roll class folders.)

Lesson 1: 8:50am - 9:40am
Lesson 2: 9:40am - 10:30am
Lesson 3: 10:30am - 11:20am

Play is the Way: → 11:30am M/W
Wellbeing: → 11:30am Tu/Th/F
Eat Lunch: 11:30am - 11:40am
Children eat lunch, supervised by teachers.

Lunch Play: 11:40am - 12:10pm
Children are supervised in the yard.

Lesson 4: 12:10pm - 1:00pm
Lesson 5: 1:00pm - 1:50pm

Afternoon Recess: 1:50pm - 2:20pm
Children are supervised in the yard.
Lesson 6: 2:20pm - 3:10pm

3:10 pm School Finishes

Staff are on duty at the front and back gates and in the courtyard from 8:30am each morning. The school will not accept responsibility for children on school premises before that time. School starts at **8:50am**. Up to 4 teachers are on duty, at any one time during recess and lunch time.

Parents/Caregivers are requested to wait outside buildings when picking up their children at **3:10pm**. This eases congestion and encourages children to collect their belongings/pack their own bags, thus becoming more independent. Children should not remain at school beyond 3:10pm, unless for the purpose of supervised sports practice. Emergency care in our Out of School Hours Care Service is available for students registered with OSHC.

COMMUNICATION At Short Notice/Urgent

As education is a partnership between families, teachers and children, communication between parents/caregivers and teachers is of the utmost importance. Any parents/caregivers requiring an immediate/urgent response to communication (directed to class teachers during the school day), should contact Front Office rather than use Class Dojo. Due to teaching commitments/duty of care obligations, teachers are not always able to immediately view/reply to communication via Dojo.

SCHOOL FEES Materials and Service Charge

Tax Invoices for the 2021 Materials and Services Charge will be distributed to families (via class teachers) next week. The package includes an invoice, an information letter and an agreement form for payment by instalments. Payments by instalments form is optional for those who prefer to pay in smaller amounts. Please contact us if you do **not** receive the package from your child or if you'd like to speak to us regarding payment plans/difficulties.

School Card: Online Facility

2021 School Card applications can be submitted online using the link below or paper copies are available from Front Office. School Card information is available at: <http://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>.

Please note:

- A new school card application must be submitted every year.
- Income 'eligibility' limits for school card approval can be found in the 2021 information letter/invoice or via the above link.

Chris Godden
Business Manager

MEDICATION

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

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 App, 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 + password, enabling them to save their Group Subscription settings across devices. Users will be sent an email address to verify their account, however they will not be prevented from logging into the app. Once users login, they'll be able to personalize their group and notification preferences. All recent, unseen notifications can be found by clicking the bell icon in the app's top right corner.



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 or notices or to report student absences use this link:

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

NEWSLETTERS

Class

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

School

Our **school** newsletter is produced fortnightly in even weeks usually on **Thursdays**. School newsletters can be accessed via the Skoolbag app and the school website.



REMINDERS

Student Belongings

Please ensure all belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name (including their **surname**).

Hats

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



Mobile Phones

Mobile phones are required to be handed to teachers at the beginning of the day and collected before leaving to go home. Devices need to be turned off or set onto flight mode to ensure Smart-watches cannot receive data throughout the school day. Once students enter the school grounds mobile phones are not to be used - if students need to contact you they are to come to the Front Office or if you need to contact your child you may call the Front Office and we will get the information to your child.

Safer Internet Day

Safer Internet Day is on Tuesday, February 9th and I encourage you to visit their website [here](https://www.saferinternetday.org/). This is a wonderful opportunity for you to start conversations and learn more about keeping safe.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal



VOLUNTEERS

Online Screening Applications

South Australia's screening laws require those working/volunteering with children to have a valid child-related screening clearance. The **Working With Children Check (WWCC)** introduced on July 1st 2019 replaces all other types of child-related screening checks. Checks are done through the Department of Human Services (DHS) in SA. All current, valid DHS/DCSI child-related employment screening clearances will be recognised as WWCCs under the law, **UNTIL THEY EXPIRE** (3 years from their issue date). **Once expired, a new Working With Children Check will be required** (you can apply for a new WWCC up to 6 months before your current screening expires).

Key points:

- Although individuals can apply for their own WWCC, **it is the policy of Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School that volunteers wishing to start an application need to do so through our school**. Contact our Front Office staff 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'll 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 (online) application form. You will then NOT be able to change this information without consulting with the school. **(Please keep the tear-off section at the bottom of the paper starter form for reference.)**

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**.

- A WWCC is valid for **5 years** and is portable across organisations/roles in South Australia.
- The WWCC applies to those **aged 14 and over** (if the applicant is under 18, then once they have completed their application online, the 'Print and Seek' option must be selected and a parent/guardian must also sign the **printed** application which, once the 100 point ID check has been done, will then be mailed or scanned/emailed to DHS).

If you need assistance with the online screening application process, contact the helpful **DHS staff (phone 1300 321 592)**.

Online applications should be completed in a timely fashion. While you are waiting for the DHS screening unit to complete your check and tell you the result, **you are not legally allowed to work or volunteer with children**. (RAN training and a volunteer pack, available at Front Office, must also be completed before you can start volunteering at our site.) Once received, your screening clearance/email should be treated as an important 'document' like a birth certificate/passport and **stored safely**, as the school does not issue copies of lost clearances. The onus is on you as a volunteer to take steps to start a new application **prior** to any existing (DHS) clearance expiring.

If you wish to volunteer at our school and already have a valid/current DHS clearance which has been done through another organisation (e.g. your work place), then this screening clearance/email, must first be sighted by our Front Office staff.

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

Please note: As mentioned in our 27/1/21 Skoolbag communication, 'COVID -19 School Measures Term 1 2021', class teachers are currently only able to nominate **one parent volunteer** in their class during the day.

Tas Ktenidis
Principal

RAN Training

Screening is just one measure used to help keep children safe. As the Department for Education requires those working or volunteering with children to be responsible for child safety (including knowing how to report/recognise inappropriate behaviour), volunteers must do RAN (Responding to Abuse and Neglect) training.

RAN training sessions are no longer held on site, as 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 Front Office **for leadership to sign**. Contact Front Office staff for further information.

We greatly value our volunteers and want to ensure each of you can contribute to our school community.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

CANTEEN News

Canteen Volunteers

We greatly appreciate the help of our wonderful canteen volunteers and are always looking for new volunteers, so if you can spare some time, please let canteen staff know.

Please note: You require a current DHS screening clearance and RAN volunteer training.

Canteen Price List

The 2021 price list has been distributed to families (via classrooms). If you have not received one, notify the canteen.

QkR App

The canteen's QkR app allows parents/caregivers to use a smart phone to pay for their child's lunch order. It is easy to use once you have set your account and linked it to a credit card. Benefits are:

- Make faster, more convenient payments from a secure mobile app anywhere and at any time.
- Website payment alternative for parents and carers without a smartphone or tablet.
- Copy lunch orders from one week to the next to save time.
- Pay direct from a credit or debit card without pre-loading funds to a third party account.
- Track transactions easily with online receipts.

QkR website - <https://www.mastercard.com.au/en-au/about-mastercard/innovations/qkr.html>

Important reminder: Families using QkR **must update the room number their child is in.** The App does not transition a child's new room. Making this change will alleviate any confusion for your child and also prevent their lunch heading to the wrong room.

Trish Brewer & Andrea Thain
Canteen Managers

How to use QkR™ for Your Canteen or School Orders

It's easy to get started!

- Step 1 Download QkR by MasterCard**
on your Android phone or iPhone
iPad users can install the iPhone app
- Step 2 Register**
Select your Country of Residence as 'Australia' and follow the steps to register
- Step 3 Find your school**
Scan QR code given to you by your school
Type text label given to you by your school
If within 4 kms of your school, you can select from "Locations Nearby"
- Step 4 Add information on your children**
When first accessing your school menu, you will be prompted to provide important detail on your children

Now you're ready to order and pay for meals and other items!

How to....

- order meals**
tap on the day to see the menu and place your order
- purchase school items**
- remove items from your shopping cart prior to payment**
In this example, removing lasagne is a simple as tapping on "Lasagne" on the checkout screen and then selecting "Remove" from the popup.
tap to remove item
- cancel canteen orders that have already been paid for**
To reduce school costs, orders that you cancel are not refunded to your card but converted to a credit note that is automatically applied to your next QkR™ canteen order.
For example, if you order Chicken Salad for \$3 and then cancel this order, the \$3 will be discounted from your next QkR™ canteen order.
tap to delete item on digital receipt

How to use QkR™ for Your Canteen or School Orders

How to....

- buy again**
tap your school in recent locations
tap to copy all paid orders from last week
- manage your children's details**
tap to show Manage Children option
tap to add children
tap the student card to edit details on that child
- add multiple payment cards**
QkR™ will accept payment using any scheme credit, debit or prepaid card brand accepted by your school.
You can add up to five different cards to your QkR™ account.
Tapping the Payment option near the top of the checkout screen allows a parent to easily change the funding source for that payment.
QkR™ remembers your most recently used card and defaults to that option for your next payment.
- KEEPING YOUR DETAILS SAFE**
Your card details are not stored on the device but in the highly secure MasterCard network.
You're automatically logged out after 10 minutes of inactivity.
You can also actively sign out.
logged out after 10 mins of inactivity
tap to sign out



Psychological and Wellbeing Service at the Hub

Grow Wellbeing is a team of health professionals passionate about improving the health and wellbeing of young people and mental health. They support students and families in managing a variety of issues such as anxiety, grief and loss, peer relationships, ADHD, family conflict, depression and other mental wellbeing issues. The service is offered on site and is bulkbilled through Medicare. A mental health care plan from your GP and consent form is required to access the service. Grow Wellbeing also works with students under the NDIS at school.

Please contact the school or the service on 8234 2562 for either consent forms or further information.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

MUSIC News

Instrumental Music Lesson Tuition 2021

Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School gives Year 3-7 students an opportunity to learn a musical instrument, taught on a weekly basis during class time, either through Instrumental Music (IMS) or private providers. Our team of private providers for Keyboard, Guitar and Drums charge an excellent rate and payments are made directly to them. Parents/Caregivers will need to arrange instrument hire and purchase of music, with advice from the music tutor. The school does not arrange or take responsibility for private hiring for independent providers.

Forms will be forwarded to the appropriate tutor, who will liaise directly with students, usually during Weeks 2 and 3 of Term 1. New student enrolment forms need to be returned by February 8th to the Front Office. Additional Music Tuition forms are available at the Front Office. Continuing students will be advised of lesson times and the location where instruction will take place by their tutor.

Lessons for violin, viola and cello with an IMS teacher are free of charge. All lessons require an instrument at home to practise on. Instruments are available for hire for \$180 (no GST included), cellos \$200 (no GST included) for the year, on a first come first paid basis. This includes most servicing and repairs. Once Chris Godden our Finance Officer has been given a receipt, Resource Centre staff will then be able to issue a string instrument. Should a student wish to discontinue lessons in the first 4 weeks, \$160 will be refunded.



EXPECTATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- It is an expectation that when taking up an instrument, students will continue lessons for at least one year, to judge progress and enjoyment.
- Participation will not cease without prior consultation with the instrumental music teacher and the school.
- Students are expected to practise at home 3-6 times a week (15-30 mins each) and keep a record in their music diary. Students are expected to perform an item at our end-of-year MUSIC SHOWCASE in November. Dates will be advised at the beginning of Term 4.

Should you wish to contact any of the private providers regarding options for instrumental lessons, they are happy to answer your queries.

Keyboard & Drums: Sam Liguoro 0409 692 944
Guitar: Alison Hansen 0419 825 517
Violin, Viola & Cello: Kirsty Friebe 0413 136 235



Helen Nicholas
Performing Arts Teacher

Endorsed by Tas Ktenidis
Principal

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.**

Basketball

Training expecting to begin next week. Invoices to be sent home as soon as all teams have coaches. Games will commence as soon as payment is received.

Queries to: Basketball Coordinator, Sue Ann Woodwiss (Mobile: 0412 846 196).



Cricket

Training has begun on Tuesdays after school. Season to start when payment is received. Invoices to be sent home soon.

Queries to: Cricket Coordinator, Ian Jeffries (Mobile: 0412 187 502).



Pedal Prix

A meeting was held on Wednesday, February 3rd at 5:30pm in the Resource Centre. More information to be sent home later. **Queries to: Brad Walters (School Staff).**



Coaches/Coordinator Wanted

Coaches are required for Year 5, 6, 7 Basketball. Both Coordinators and Coaches are required for Netball and Soccer. A Sports Canteen Coordinator may also be required. Please contact Sarah Magnusson, Deputy Principal, if you can help. **No coaches = no teams.**

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal



DIARY DATES: February



9/2	OSHC Meeting 6:30pm (Staff Room)
10/2	Acquaintance Night / AGM
12/2	Year 7, Room 5 Aquatics
16/2	Finance Committee Meeting 5:30pm (Staff Room);
17/2	Governing Council Meeting 6:45pm (Staff Room)
19/2	Year 6 Aquatics
26/2	Grounds & Facilities Meeting 8am (Admin)

Term Dates 2021

Term 1	27 th	January	-	9 th	April	(11 weeks)
Term 2	27 th	April	-	2 nd	July	(10 weeks)
Term 3	19 th	July	-	24 th	September	(10 weeks)
Term 4	11 th	October	-	10 th	December	(9 weeks)



STUDENT ABSENCES: SMS Method of Notification

Parents/Caregivers can advise the school of student absences at any time via the following
SMS Number: **0428 910 895**.

Please save this number into your phone. The school will also send an SMS to you if your child is marked absent or late with no reason given. A quick reply to the message with your child's name, room number and reason of either **F** (Family) or **I** (Illness) is all that is required.

Of Interest



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 for 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 and 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 6 students are eligible to sit the test for a place in the Year 7 IGNITE program in 2022.
Year 7 students are eligible to sit the test for a place in the Year 8 IGNITE program in 2022.

IGNITE SELECTION TEST

YEAR 6 TEST: SATURDAY 20 FEB 2021

YEAR 7 TEST: SATURDAY 27 FEB 2021

9AM - 1PM

ABERFOYLE PARK HIGH SCHOOL, STEM CENTRE

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

A registration fee of \$125 applies for non-school card holders. Registrations close Monday 15 February 2021.

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



REGISTRATION DAY

It's that time of year Vikings! We are ready for you.

Come on down to the Valley Vikings for a fun day! We have lots planned for you with Player registrations, games and activities for the kids such as jumping castles for young kids and one for the adults, Fox and Hen coffee van, food trucks, strawberries galore, live music from 12:30pm to 2:30pm, Beer Garden for the adults and much more!

The club will be opening at 11am for our family fun day, where all players can register for the new season 2021.

We hope to see you there.
Go Vikings!

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