



Beachport Primary & Preschool Newsletter

Beachport Preschool



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DIARY DATES

TERM DATES 2024

TERM 1

29th Jan – 12th April

TERM 2

29th April – 5th July

TERM 3

22nd July – 27th Sep

TERM 4

14th Oct – 13th Dec

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 3

Fri 16th Feb –
Pupil Free Day

Week 5

Tues 27th Feb –
9.00am Coffee and
Chat at Bompas

Week 6

Thurs 7th March –
9.00am Assembly

Week 7

Mon 11th March –
Public Holiday

Week 8

Thurs 21st March –
SAPSASA Athletics

Week 9

Thurs 28th March –
9.00am Coffee and
Chat at Baked at
Beachport
Fri 29th March –
Public Holiday

Week 10

Mon 1st April –
Public Holiday

Week 11

Fri 12th April –
2.15pm Early Dismissal

Dear Families,

It's been great to get back into school life for 2024, and see our school community settling in also. Staff and students have spent their first two weeks setting up routines and environments that are conducive to learning and success. I have heard many conversations about positive mindsets, being resilient in our learning and showing persistence.

In Week 0 our staff team reviewed our Parent Engagement Data from 2023, including identifying strengths and areas that we will focus to improve on in 2024. It was pleasing to read the positive comments that had been included in the survey from our parent community. This data was also discussed at last night's Governing Council AGM, and I was extremely excited to have very similar conversations with our parent representatives that I had with staff! Throughout these conversations our staff team have set goals to increase our conversations about learning and the intentional use of Language for Learning.

This will look like posts on Seesaw that state a Learning Intention or a purpose – something similar to “we are learning to...” or “students learned about...” or “we are exploring...” We invite our families to interact with these posts – ask further questions, comment about the learning or encourage the children. These photos and posts can also be excellent conversation starters at home! Teachers and children can both see comments that are posted to them, and this will support everyone to be involved in conversations about learning.

Last night we held our Beginning Year BBQ, Open Classrooms and Governing Council AGM. Thank you to all families who joined us for the BBQ and Open Classrooms – it was a lovely, casual evening with interactive activities and sharing about learning in our classrooms. Our AGM was held straight after and I'd like to announce our Governing Council for 2024:

- Tim McClelland – Chairperson
- Damien Arthur – Secretary
- Chelsea Betheras – Treasurer
- Members – Libby Hibberd, Amy Haines

As Tim stated last night, we have some exciting plans and initiatives in our sights, and we would love for more members to join us and represent our school community. This year we will be continuing to explore redevelopment options and childcare services, as well as looking at rebranding, marketing and a Community Garden project. We have 5 positions available, so if you are interested in joining or would like to know more, please come and have a chat with myself, Tim or any of our Council members.

There are so many exciting things happening at Beachport this year!

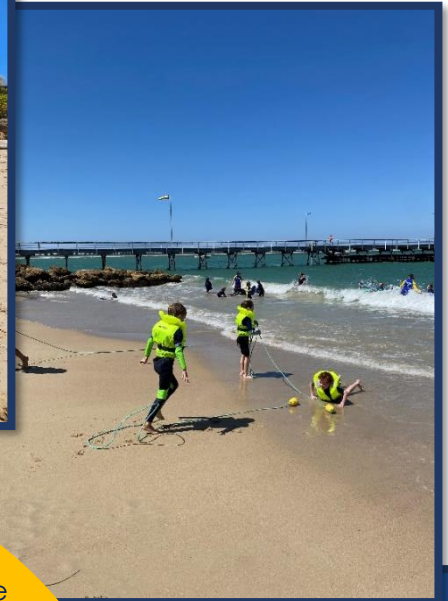
Jess Herrewyn
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Child Development



Swimming Lessons



What a way to start the year! After some very average weather during the holidays, Summer has finally arrived just in time for Swimming Lessons. Over the past two weeks, children have walked to our foreshore with teachers and parents, where they have spent the afternoon with Water Safety instructors learning all about swimming, safety and helping others.

Thank you to our families who have helped with Safety Watch and to our instructors Linda, Nicole, Keeva and Julie for their hard work and care.





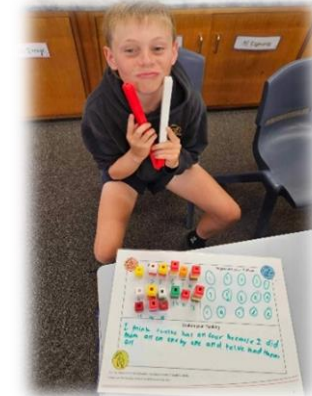
Hello Beachport Primary School and Preschool! My name is Millie Smith, I graduated university at the University of South Australia last year and have recently moved back to the South East after living in Adelaide for 3 years. Some of you might remember me from my placement that I completed here at Beachport Primary in 2022.

I will be teaching Monday and Tuesday in Middle Primary and Thursday and Friday in Junior Primary. I am really looking forward to seeing some familiar faces and getting to know some new ones. I am very excited for my first year of official teaching and look forward to the year ahead!





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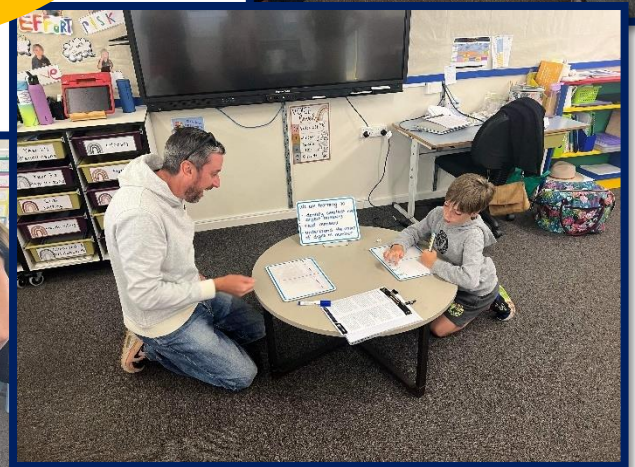
Over the first few weeks we have all been exploring mathematical mindsets and positive attitudes toward learning. Students have explored 'being a mathematician' – everyone is a mathematician!! A strong emphasis has been placed on the importance of making mistakes; everyone makes mistakes and they are important for our learning and growth. The idea of explaining our thinking has also been explored, with students practicing how they can model, represent and explain mathematical thinking to demonstrate and explore and extend their understanding.



Beginning Year Barbecue



On Wednesday night we hosted our annual Beginning Year Barbecue where parents were invited to come along and join their children in learning activities in each classroom. It was a fantastic night and we were so pleased to see everyone having fun and getting involved.





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COASTLINE SPORTS DAY

WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH 2024
RENDELSHAM CRICKET OVAL

REMINDER

9am Tuesday 20th February -
Parent Club meeting at Bompas

Please return all forms and
permission slips so that we
have updated records

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TERM 3 PRESCHOOL ENROLMENTS NOW OPEN

- ✓ Enrolments open for mid year intake
- ✓ Please contact the office for information or a Registration of Interest form

MORE INFORMATION
<https://edi.sa.edu.au/library/document-library/controlled-policies/school-and-preschool-enrolment-policy>
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<https://www.education.sa.gov.au/parents-and-families/enrol-school-or-preschool/find-a-school-zone-or-preschool-catchment-area>