



# NEWSLETTER

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## DIARY DATES : TERM 4, 2023

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<b>Week 1</b>	16/10 Water Safety Week	17/10	18/10	19/10	20/10
<b>Week 2</b>	23/10	24/10	25/10	26/10	27/10
<b>Week 3</b>	30/10 Class 11,1,3,4 Ensemble performance 	31/10 School Assembly - Room 12 presenting 	1/11	2/11 Beach Volleyball - selected students 	3/11 Class 5 - Greek Olympics 
<b>Week 4</b>	6/11 Tennis Carnival - selected students <b>Class 6 Camp - Kangaroo Island</b> 	7/11 Governing Council  Governing Council	8/11	9/11	10/11
<b>Week 5</b>	13/11	14/11	15/11	16/11	17/11 Colour Run 
<b>Week 6</b>	20/11	21/11 School Assembly - Room 11 presenting 	22/11	23/11	24/11
<b>Week 7</b>	27/11	28/11	29/11	30/11	1/12 <b>SHOWCASE</b>
<b>Week 8</b>	4/12 	5/12 Governing Council  Governing Council	6/12	7/12 Yr 6 high school transition	8/12 Yr 6 high school transition
<b>Week 9</b>	11/12	12/12 <b>Year 6 Graduation</b> School Assembly - Year 6 presenting 	13/12	14/12 Room 7 & 8 Excurison	15/12 Steiner Stream Year 6 rose ceremony <b>Last day of Term 4 - 2.10 dismissal</b>

**School Finishes - Term 4 – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December 2.10pm**



## ...a moment with Ms Miller!



Welcome back to Term 4!

This is always a very busy but fun term filled with lots of exciting class and whole school events. We are looking forward to our Showcase, Year 6 Graduation and all of the camps and excursions that will be happening.

If you have not had a chance to come and see our courtyard and kitchen yet, please do so! We had the amazing **Gen** from "**Gen and Tonic Art**" paint these areas over the holidays and it looks *STUNNING!* It has completely transformed this area into one of colour and beauty. We have had nothing but positive feedback so far and are so grateful to Gen for all the time, effort and care she put into this. She has told me this has been her favourite creation so far! You can check out her other school projects (including ours) on her Instagram page or check out her new website <https://www.genandtonicart.com/>

I also want to thank the Fundraising Committee for making the decision to put the fundraising money towards revamping the courtyard. Soon we will have new tables, chairs, and ping-pong tables to add to the space. I especially want to thank **Fleur Samuel** who has been instrumental in the organisation, planning and communication with the artist and table companies. Without her time and effort, this would have taken so much longer!

We hope to have special breakfast club breakfast to open and celebrate the revamped area in weeks 2 or 3. Look out for the notification on the TeamAPP!



HEALTHY...

WELL-THY

...AND WISE!

## Growth Mindset

*Character strengths - Hope - Gratitude...*

***In Term 4 our students will be learning about growth mindset, character strengths, hope and gratitude during their wellbeing lessons.***

A growth mindset is a learned skill that builds stamina. Often we call this exploding the “I am dumb myth”. Core beliefs inform patterns of student response to challenges and setbacks, and addresses reasons some students thrive in the face of challenges and others do not. Carol Dweck states that a growth mindset concerns how the students perceives the nature of intelligence and the possibilities for growth. While those with a fixed mindset believe that their abilities are “carved in stone”, a growth mindset frames basic beliefs about one’s abilities, efforts, and talents as dynamic and improvable with effort over time. A growth mindset implies that everyone can grow through application and experience. ***Students are explicitly taught how to develop a “growth mindset” in every class.***

*What kind of mindset do you have??*



We are looking forward to many more students receiving a “celebration of values” notice this term. Students may also receive a “strength” card from the classroom or yard play when they are showing wonderful character strengths.



## Classroom News - Room 11

### Steiner Class 2/3

Class 2/3 have been exploring Hebrew legends in term three, we have been listening to, and recording stories about Moses. Our class play this year is called the 'Child of the Nile' and it is a play about how Moses helped his people escape to freedom.

The children have been rehearsing and have memorised their lines. They are excited to present their play to their families and the Steiner classes in week three.



# Class Placement 2024

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

The process of planning for 2024 classes has begun at Sheidow Park School and we seek to give parents the option of providing input into class placement. Please be aware that once classes are finalised, placement changes only take place in the event of unforeseen enrolment variations or staff changes.



As the structure of classes is dependent on the number of enrolments, it is very helpful if we are told about students who may be leaving at the end of the year, as well as any students who want to enrol for 2024. If your children will be leaving the school, please call the front office on 838108911 or email [dl.1537.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.1537.info@schools.sa.edu.au)

Please do not request specific teachers. Parents are also asked not to make specific friendship requests unless you believe your child needs to be separated from others in order to optimise their learning. Students are given the opportunity to list the friends they would like to be with and whilst every attempt to ensure they are with at least 1 friend, they cannot always be with everyone that they choose. Be assured that we invest significant care into this process, and work to secure an outcome best suited to the individual needs of every student.

This information needs to be received at the front office by no later than 9:00am Friday 10 November 2023.

Our aim is to establish balanced classes of students with the flexibility to accept enrolments at each year level. We consider factors such as student numbers, gender balance, social and intellectual development, learning needs, physical development, emotional maturity, chronological age and parent requests. The primary focus of the class placement process is student learning, not friendships. Our teachers are knowledgeable about our students, sensitive to their needs, and make class placement decisions judiciously and professionally.

The proforma can be found on the Team App under the 'Document' tab to print out or you can pick one up from the Front office and then return it to the Front Office by Friday 10th November 9.00am.

We thank you for your input and look forward to an effective placement process.

Warm regards,

*Jo Miller*

Principal

## Forest Installation

**IT'S NEVER TOO LATE!!**  
to get your leaf or picket on our beautiful  
**Forest Art Installation**



**Order forms are available from the  
front office  
or can be found under 'Documents'  
in the Team App**

**Orders close 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023**



## Fundraising News

Get your colour on, Sheidow Park School is hosting a Colour Explosion School Fun Run fundraiser!



The Colour Explosion School Fun Run will be on Friday 17th November from 1:45 to 3:00.

Not only are we hosting an awesome explosion event, students can win up to 15 awesome automated incentive prizes by fundraising via online sponsorship donations. Students have received a sponsorship book with instructions on setting up their cybersafe, online fundraising profile at [www.australianfundraising.com.au](http://www.australianfundraising.com.au).

This is an entirely online fundraiser; all cash donations must be converted to online donations to redeem your prizes.

Extra Incentives to Fundraise! ↔ Online Golden Coins – complete fun online tasks to redeem an extra \$75 towards your prize credit. ↔ Monty the Monstar's Bonus Prizes – achieve milestones to unlock Monty's bonus prizes. ↔ \$10,000 JB HI FI Spending Spree for one organisation's highest fundraising student – it could be you! ↔ Our school will win an extra \$5,000 if we have the highest average fundraised amount per student in 2023. ↔ A PlayStation 5 Gaming Bundle – see your child's sponsorship booklet for more!

For more information, please contact Jo Miller or Jodie Ginn via the front office.

Happy fundraising!

# PE News

Our lunchtime skipping event last Friday of Term 3 was so much fun and it gave students an opportunity to earn house point for taking part! Skipping has been part of our PE program and it was fantastic to see how far they have progressed in their abilities 💪 Shout out to our house captains for supporting and encouraging everyone and handing out house points!



Congratulations to the following students for making the Southern Valley Cricket Team

**Blake N and Zali L**



Congratulations to the following students for making the Southern Valley Tennis Team

**Charlie C**





Hi Families, Welcome back to term 4! We're on the home straight now!

## **Vacation Care**

Thankyou to all of the children and families that supported us through the school holidays with their attendance on various days. We all had so much fun and can't wait to do it again in another 9 weeks!

The program for December/January holidays will be released in week 6 (Early bird fees for the first two weeks, first week is Sheidow families only)

## **Children's absences**

Unfortunately this is an ongoing daily issue with staff searching the school for children who are either absent, have been picked up early or have not told been told to come to OSHC. This then takes either 1 or 2 staff members away from the remaining children, breaking our ratio to ensure we are solving the safety issue of missing child. Please ensure you inform the service via text/phone call or e-mail if your child is absent from school on day's they are booked into OSHC. Please do not leave messages with the front office, they are very busy and are not aware of the daily bookings.

## **Collection of children**

A reminder to all families that the health and safety of your child/ren is paramount to us and as such we need to ensure we follow our policies and procedures. We need to ensure that we are handing your child/ren over to an 'authorised' person which has been named on the enrolment form and entered into our system or we have received written consent from the parent. The person that has arrived to pick them up needs to provide some form of identification to verify themselves as we have not seen them before. We understand this can be frustrating for some people and we thank those that understand and do the right thing but please also understand that we have multiple staff that work at our service, including during the holidays and we DO NOT nor should we have to tolerate abuse from parents that we are doing the right thing and we should know who these people are 😞

## **Pupil Free Day**

Please note there is a Pupil Free Day on Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December (week 8) Please contact Vanessa to book a spot for your child. More details to follow.

## **Payments**

We appreciate the families that continue to support the service by making regular payments for the care of their children. It is the services policy to receive fortnightly payments to accounts. If your account reaches \$100 or more you will be sent a reminder. If you do not contact the service and discuss options/ arrange a payment plan or make a payment, your care will be put on hold and your child/ren will be unable to attend until arrangements have been made. We are here to support families as much as we can, however we are also a business that requires payments to remain open! We thank you for your understanding and support.

## **Casual bookings**

Don't forget you can make casual bookings daily! If you require care in the morning please text or call the service, we open at 7am. If bookings are required for the afternoon session it needs to be booked by 2:30pm (Tuesday's must be done earlier due to early finish).

## **Children's medication**

Please remember that it is a legal requirement that if your child has a diagnosed medical condition paperwork has been supplied to the service with up to date plans and medication. Your child cannot attend if these elements are not in place. Medication must remain on site even if the child is not in attendance.

If you are unsure of expiry dates of these please check in with Vanessa.

# Chessmates



## Sheidow Park Primary School

**TUESDAY**

**2:20 - 3:00**  
**The Library**

**Weekly classes will help improve:**

- Creativity
- Memory
- Concentration
- Planning Skills
- Independent Decision Making
- General Aptitude for Learning
- Problem Solving
- Teamwork



Learning chess has been shown to improve overall performance at school by nearly 20% compared with children who have not

To book online, scan or go to [chessmates.com.au/schools](http://chessmates.com.au/schools)

**INFO@CHESSMATES.COM.AU**  
**1300 CHESS MATES**

## Community News



**Mount Barker  
Waldorf School**

# Spring fair

All welcome

**Saturday  
28 October**

**10am - 4pm**

*Free Entry*

- Live music
- Maypole dance
- Garden Talks
- Puppet shows
- Artisan & food stalls
- Children's games & delights
- EFTPOS facilities available (no cash out)

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# PLAY FOR KICKS

Superkick is next level fun for 8 to 12 year olds who are new to footy, or want to continue to grow their skill levels.

**MORPHETT VALE PS**

**MONDAY NIGHTS 4-5PM**

**30TH OCTOBER - 4TH DECEMBER**

**AFL**

**PLAY**

***Superkick***

