



# Lake Wangary School Newsletter



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Child Development

Term 1, Week 1  
Thursday, 1st of February, 2018

## Welcome to our Preschool and Foundation students!



Makani Saxby, Erica Turner & Bailey Mittlestadt



Vihannsinh Rana, Indiah O'Grady & Hunter Symonds



Austin Ellul, Samson Hawke & Dustin French



James Norton

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*Reach  
for the  
stars*  
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Deegan Potter, Jasper Rasussen, Bryce Roach, Somma  
Stott & Darci Sunset



Indi Bradford, Jackson French, Brax Joyce, Addison  
Kemp & Taityn Llewellyn

**Leadership Effort Achieve Respect Nurture**

# Message from the Principal:

Welcome back to the 2018 school year. I trust that you and your children have had an enjoyable break and ready to return to school. This year we have 1 new staff member starting with us, Brigette Siebert. Brigette has stepped into the finance role while Jess Wedd is on maternity leave. We also welcome our Preschool and Foundation students who are starting their new journeys this year. Dean Grocke, our Grounds Person, has decided to retire as of the 23rd of February. Dean has done a wonderful job looking after the grounds and facilities, he has made significant improvements throughout creating engaging outdoor learning spaces. We are currently seeking a Grounds Person if you are interested or you know someone who is please contact the school for further information.

On the 1st of January the Lake Wangary Preschool Centre officially amalgamated with our site. We welcome Nola Puslow and Nell McRostie to our site and we are looking forward to building working relationships with them. The renovations of the Preschool have started, they have begun to construct the storage shed, removed all asbestos and the outer cladding and moved the rain water tank. We are hoping that the construction will be completed by the end of the term.

On the 29th of January our site name changed to Lake Wangary School this was also the day that we launched our new web site: <http://lakewangaryschool.sa.edu.au>, if you have not had an opportunity to check this site out please do.

This week students and teachers have been busy building relationships and unpacking our school values: Leadership, Effort, Achieve, Respect and Nurture. These are crucial elements when establishing a class and it is important that all students have a clear understanding about each one. The values will be then carried through the entire year.

In Kidsmatter this year we are working on Component 3: Working with parents and carers. Over term 1 staff are engaging in training to deepen their understanding in this area and will then to implement the strategies across the school. I will continue to provide information about KidsMatter at the bottom of this page to support your understanding.

On Tuesday the 13th of week 3 we will hold an 'Acquaintance Night'. This is an opportunity for you to meet your child's teacher and for staff to share information to ensure a successful year. On the night we will also hold the Governing Council AGM, elect council members and office bearers. If you are interested in joining Governing Council please come into school or ring and speak with myself. More information about Acquaintance Night will be send home next week.

If you require any information in regards to your child's development or any thing else throughout the year please contact your child's teacher or myself via the diary/communication book, phone or email. I also encourage you to like our facebook page and download the free Skool bag app to keep informed.

Sandra Spencer

**Dates to Remember:**

**Week 2:**  
**Wednesday 7th Feb**  
Pre-School Day

**Week 3:**  
**Monday 12th Feb**  
Port Adelaide  
Football Club visit  
**Tuesday 13th Feb**  
13th Acquaintance  
Night & Governing  
council AGM  
**Thursday 15th &  
Friday 16th**  
Aquatics - Coffin Bay

**Week 4:**  
**Monday 19th Feb**  
Queen's Baton Relay  
**Tuesday 20th Feb**  
Performance

**Week 5:**  
**Tuesday 27th Feb**  
6/7 Basketball



**KidsMatter** Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative  
**Component 3: Working with parents and carers**  
**Parenting support and information**  
**Learning - Scaffolding children's learning**

Helping children with schoolwork is sometimes a challenge for families as well as for children. However, it can also be an opportunity for parents and carers to get to know what children are learning at school and to support their learning. Children learn better when they have opportunities to share and practise at home what they are learning at school.

It is not necessary for parents or carers top have all the answers when children have difficulties with their schoolwork. If adults simply provide children with the answers, children miss out on the chance to learn and think for themselves. Parents and carers can help children by guiding their learning and thinking and

supporting them to try for themselves.

## Helping to build children's learning

In just the same way that scaffolding provides temporary support to a building, parents and carers can also 'scaffold' children's learning. For some things children may need lots of support. This is especially the case when they are learning new things.

As children's abilities develop, they gradually become more independent in their learning and parents and carers can start to reduce their 'scaffolding'.

For more information go to: [www.kidsmatter.edu.au](http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au)



1800 55 1800



## SCHOOL REMINDERS

### Water Bottles

Please ensure that your child/ren have their water bottles filled up each day.

### No Hat, No Play

In Term 1 and 4, our No Hat, No Play policy is put in place. Please ensure that your child has a broad brimmed hat with no cords with them every day.

We have hats available to purchase from the front office for \$7.50.

### Breakfast Programme

There is breakfast available at the school on **Tuesday mornings** from 8.30am. Fruit, toast, cereal and orange juice are on the menu.

### Student Absences

Please remember to contact the school if your child is absent. You can use the skoolbag app, text the school's mobile number or ring the front office.

### Lunch Orders

Lunch order day is Wednesday's. Please remind your child to hand in their lunch orders to their teachers. Students can also bring food from home in a microwavable container that can be heated up at school. Please also bring spoons/forks.

### Technical Devices

We don't encourage students to bring electronic devices to school. However if they do need to, they are to pass them onto their teacher or the front office for safe keeping during the day.

**The school takes no responsibility for these devices.**

### Notes

Please remember to check your child's bag/communication book/diary/blue reader bag, each night for important notes home. While we have our Facebook page, SMS messages, and the Skoolbag App, notes being sent home are still a huge part of our communication.

### Student Sign In/Out Book

Please note all students arriving late or leaving early must come through the front office and be signed in or out.

### Uniforms

Please name all uniform items. As soon as the uniforms arrive with our new school logo we will let you know.

**Please contact the school if you have any queries.**

## ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT

Week 3 Tuesday 13th February 2018 5.30pm

You are invited to meet your child's teachers for 2018.

Governing Council AGM at 6.00pm in the gym

Everyone Welcome

## Student Information Forms

Student Information forms have been sent home for parents to verify. These forms include parent phone numbers, place of work, work phone numbers, medical conditions and emergency contact person's numbers. This information is extremely important in the event of accident, illness and emergency, especially during the bush fire season. Please make any necessary changes and return the forms to school as soon as possible.

Permission notes have been sent and need to be returned asap. You are also need to indicate if you would like to receive the newsletter by email, access it on skoolbag or receive a copy.

## NEWSLETTERS

If you would like the newsletter emailed to you please let Dan know.

Send Dan an email -

**danielle.morgan134@schools.sa.edu**

to be added to the list.

The newsletter is also on the Skoolbag app along with every note that is sent home with students



## POSITION VACANT

Grounds Person - Lake Wangary School

Grounds and Facilities Maintenance

8 hours per week

Applications close 11/2/18

Please contact Sandra for more information


To download the Skoolbag App search for 'Lake Wangary School' in the App Store or Google Play



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# TERM 1, 2018 PLANNER



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
<b>Week 1</b>	29 Jan	30	31	1 FEB  Preschool Newsletter	2	3	4
<b>Week 2</b>	5	6  Preschool	7  Preschool	8  Preschool	9	10	11
<b>Week 3</b>	12 Port Adel Football Club Visit	13 Acquaintance Night  Preschool	14	15 5/6/7 Aquatics  Preschool Newsletter	16 5/6/7 Aquatics	17	18
<b>Week 4</b>	19 Queen's Baton Relay - Coffin Bay	20 Performance  Preschool	21	22  Preschool	23	24	25
<b>Week 5</b>	26	27 6/7 Basketball SAPSASA Tumby Bay Preschool	28	1 MARCH Preschool 5/6/7 Assembly Newsletter	2	3	4
<b>Week 6</b>	5	6  Preschool	7  Preschool	8  Preschool	9	10	11
<b>Week 7</b>	12 ADELAIDE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY	13  Preschool	14	15  Preschool Newsletter	16	17	18
<b>Week 8</b>	19 Parent Interviews	20  Preschool	21	22  Preschool	23	24	25
<b>Week 9</b>	26	27  Preschool	28	29 Pre-School 2/3/4 Assembly Newsletter	30 GOOD FRIDAY	31	1 APRIL 
<b>Week 10</b>	2 EASTER MONDAY	3  Preschool	4	5 SPORTS DAY  Preschool	6	7	8
<b>Week 11</b>	9	10  Preschool	11	12 Preschool Newsletter	13 LAST DAY OF TERM 2.10 DISMISSAL	14	15