



Beachport Primary & Preschool Newsletter

Beachport Preschool



Principal Jess Herrewyn | Term 4 Week 6 | 24th November 2023

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DIARY DATES

TERM DATES 2023

TERM 1

2nd Feb—14th April

TERM 2

2nd May—8th July

TERM 3

25th July—30th Sep

TERM 4

17th Oct—16th Dec

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week 7

Mon 27th Nov –

PUPIL FREE DAY

Wed 29th Nov –

Year 6 Transition KIAS

Thurs 30th Nov –

Songroom Excursion

Year 6 Transition KIAS

Fri 1st Dec –

Preschool &

Foundation Transition

Year 6 Transition KIAS

Week 8

Mon 4th Dec –

Year 6 Day Out

Thurs 7th Dec –

Preschool Graduation

Year 6 Transition MHS

Friday 8th Dec –

Year 6 Transition MHS

Week 9

Mon 11th Dec –

Wulanda Swimming

Lessons

Thursday 16th Dec –

Christmas Concert

Friday 17th Dec –

Last day of Term,

2:15pm dismissal

I absolutely love this time of year!

I love the excitement of term 4 – the preparation for Christmas and our end of year concert, the exciting transitions as we prepare our learners and young people for upcoming changes (both big and small) and the ongoing events and experiences that we are all involved in.

Of course, this can also be a stressful time that causes anxiety and worry – not all people look forward to transitions and changes, and that's okay! Next week on Friday morning, we will be having a "Whole School Transition". This will involve all of our children and students beginning the day in their 2024 classes and spaces. This transition helps our young people to visualise and prepare for putting their bags in a new place, preparing for learning in a different space, greeting a different teacher and potentially learning new routines and forging new relationships. Our Whole School Transition will run from 8:55am – 10:55am (recess), after which students will return to their normal classes. If you feel that your child would like additional support or time for transition, please feel free to come and see myself or one of our staff, as we are always happy to help!

Preparations are underway for our end of year Christmas Concert, which is scheduled for Thursday 14th December at 6:30pm. Classes have been sent information regarding costumes via Seesaw, so please ensure you double check these and seek clarification if needed.

Our Parent Club are also very busy organising our final fundraiser for the year – the Christmas Raffle. Thank you to families who have already donated goods for this. Please continue to drop your donations in to the front office. Keep your eyes peeled for raffle books which will be sent home to families soon.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank some of our local businesses for their involvement and support for the Beachport Primary School and Preschool children. Firstly, a "THANK YOU" to Fosters Foodland for their support with discounting goods for our camp. Secondly, "THANK YOU" to Pierina at the Beachport Post Office, who treated our children to a bag of goodies this week when they walked down the street to post their Santa letters. We are extremely fortunate to have the support and involvement of so many members of our community – something we are extremely grateful for.

There is still plenty to look forward to before the end of term: Year 6 transitions, a whole school excursion to Wulanda for swimming, Year 6 Big Day Out and Preschool Graduation.

Our last newsletter for the year will be in Week 9, and in this newsletter I will announce final staffing for 2024.

Take care and kind regards,

Jess Herrewyn





Millicent Show Prizes

We are so proud of our students that entered their arts and crafts creations at the Millicent Show. Bonnie McKenzie received 1st place for her painting and 1st place for her craft item which was Halloween themed hen eggs. Ivy McClelland received 2nd place for her drawing. Indi Haines received 1st place for her drawing, 1st place for her painting and 2nd place for her craft item which was handmade jewellery. Bonnie and Indi were both awarded with sashes at Assembly for winning first place in the categories that they entered.





Lego League Excursion

During Week 5 the Upper Primary class travelled to the Glenburnie Race Course to attend the 'FIRST' Mount Gambier regional Lego League Tournament. Lego League is a hands-on approach to 'STEM' Learning. This year's season was called MasterPiece with an emphasis on the arts and technology. This was reinforced by the theme Lights, Camera, STEAM! Throughout the last term and a half, students collaborated in teams to code the EV3 Robots to complete missions on the table mat, and completed an innovation project. All students had a great time learning new skills and presenting on the day.





LEGO League Excursion





Gymnastics Excursion

On Thursday of Week 5, Junior Primary, Middle Primary and Upper Primary students travelled to the Millicent Gymnastics Hall where they participated in various gym sports with a gymnast coach. They also visited the Millicent Library and playground for part of the day and enjoyed reading, playing and relaxing.





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'Dear Santa...'

On Thursday of Week 6, Preschool, Junior Primary and Middle Primary students visited the Post Office to send off their annual Christmas letters to Santa. They also stopped by the playground on the way back to school and enjoyed playing in the sunshine together.





'Dear Santa...'



Assembly

In Week 4 we celebrated our last Assembly and awards students of the year.





BEACHPORT PRIMARY SCHOOL AND PRESCHOOL

Christmas CONCERT

THURSDAY

DECEMBER | 14 | 6:30pm

Beachport Recreation Hall

Please arrive by 6:15pm for a prompt start

Parent Club Christmas Raffle tickets available and drawn on the night



CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DONATIONS



Once again we are asking parents to help with contributions towards our end of year Christmas raffle. Based around the usual theme of...



Ideas could include beach bags, beach ball/toys, hats, towels, sunscreen, wines, wine coolers, beer, glasses, magazines, fishing gear, BBQ items, gardening gear (seeds, gloves, plants) or even something to keep the mozzies & flies away! Christmas ideas such as decorations and food are also welcome.

All donations will be much appreciated and can be placed in the box in the front office.

Raffle tickets will be made available at the end of November, so if you are able to donate please ensure your contributions are included by **Friday 8th December**.

RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN ON THE 14TH OF DECEMBER AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL CONCERT



Fun Summer Music Lessons!

At the Beachport Cinema with Tashi Freer



For those who don't know me, I'm a past student of BPS / KIAS, and I have been studying music at Adelaide Uni for four years. I'm going to be running some casual music lessons from December to March.

- Piano lessons
- Vocal lessons
- Songwriting workshops

\$20 per half-hour session. Any skill/age level welcome.

Come and learn to play a song you like!

Send me a text - 0473 936 943



Beachport Preschool



Notices

CHANGE OF VENUE CLUB HOUSE

Official Opening
Come with your family or friends and help us celebrate.

See details below





SATURDAY 25TH NOVEMBER

-  **4pm-5pm** Official opening at Clubhouse
-  **5-9pm** Beachport Golf club for Dinner

DRINKS - available at Bar prices no BYO

-  **Online bookings** Essential for catering purposes

BOOK NOW
[CLICK HERE FOR BOOKINGS](#)

 **Baked@Beachport**

CATERING BY MEANFEEDZ' SPIT ROAST

- Adults 2 course meal** Includes; choice of smoked pulled pork or lamb rolls. Potato bake and 2 salads **\$46**
- Children U/17** As above with chicken option **\$31**
- Children U/12** As above with chicken option **\$16**

Desert options
Choice of either; chocolate mouse or lemon cheese cake & celebration cake from [BAKED@BEACHPORT](#)





Growing up Online

An educational & empowering session for Parents and carers, Susan's unparalleled knowledge leaves audiences shocked at the reality of the online world. It is a wake up call to even the most switched on parent and is delivered with Susan's famous 'no nonsense' approach. The session will cover the positive benefits of technology as well as what parents need to be aware of:

- ❖ **Reality & Risk.** The reality of the online world. It's not a matter of if – rather than when.
- ❖ **What are kids doing online.** Learn the latests apps and platforms your kids are either on, want to be on or are being told about at school. TikTok, Omegle, Discord, Yolo, Wink & more.
- ❖ **Online Grooming.** What is it and when/how does it occur? Preventative measures. What are the warning signs & what to do if you suspect this is happening to your child.
- ❖ **Cyberbullying.** What it is, where it happens, what it looks like, how to prevent and what to do if it occurs. Also the legal consequences and the possible criminal charges.
- ❖ **Sharing Nudes.** The taking and sending of explicit images. The social and emotional consequences as well as the Law and the serious issue of Sextortion..
- ❖ **Problematic Gaming.** How to manage digital devices in your home to avoid problems and what to do if/when they arise.
- ❖ **Exposure to damaging content.** Including online pornography & site that encourage suicide, self harm & eating disorders.
- ❖ **Top Tips**– how to assist the children in your care to stay safe online with rules, parental controls and restriction passcodes.
- ❖ **The session will conclude with time for questions.**

What Susan doesn't know about Cybersafety is not worth knowing! She is absolutely brilliant and her presentations are dynamic and entertaining. She has the unique ability to connect with each audience from young people to adults.

(Dr Michael Carr-Gregg Adolescent Psychologist)

The best cybersafety talk I have ever seen! This is why I only choose to have Susan present. Our community deserves the best.

(Principal)



Susan McLean is Australia's foremost expert in the area of Cybersafety and young people. She was the first Victorian Police Officer appointed to a position involving Cybersafety and young people. Susan took her first report of cyberbullying in 1994 and since then she has conducted extensive research and has completed advanced training & tertiary studies in both the USA and UK and is a sought after presenter and advisor to Schools, elite sporting bodies such as the AFL, GP's, and both State and Federal Governments.

She has authored resources for the Victorian DET, writes and reviews school Policy, provides crisis management/advice to schools & national & international companies. A sought after media commentator for television, print and radio, she recently co-authored the NSW Govt. review into mobile phones in schools.

She is the most highly qualified & experienced presenter in Australia & is internationally renowned. Susan is a proud ambassador for Collective Shout. A published author, her book 'Sext's Texts & Selfies', is the definitive guide for parents, teachers and carers to help children stay safe online.