Beachport Primary & Preschool Newsletter

Principal: Jessica Herrewyn | **Term 4** Week 6 | 20th November 2026
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Diary Dates

2026 Term Dates

Term 4
12th Oct - 11th Dec

Term 4 Key Dates

Week 7
Monday 23rd November
- Yr 6 Day Out

Wednesday 25th November
- KIAS Yr 6 Transition

Thursday 26th November
- KIAS Yr 6 Transition
- Whole School Transition

Friday 27th November
- Pupil Free Day
- KIAS Yr 6 Transition

Week 8
Tuesday 1st December
- Post Office Walk Excursion

Thursday 3rd December
- MHS Yr6 Transitions
- Preschool Graduation

Friday 4th December
- MHS Yr6 Transitions
- Working Bee

Week 9
Tuesday 8th December
- Governing Council

Thursday 10th December
- Concert

Friday 11th December
- 2:15pm Early Dismissal

Dear Families,

Last week I attended the presentation of learning from our Year 3&4 class, who have been exploring the question “how can we help protect the threatended animals of the Limestone Coast?”

The quality of work that these students produced and presented was absolutely incredible! The presentation involved sharing stop motion videos, brochures and artwork of a range of animals. The videos are available on youtube and are being shared via our Facebook page, and the brochures will be available to look through at the Beachport Visitor Information Centre from the end of next week (Friday 27th Nov).

Our transitons have been positive over the past couple of weeks, with many comments from children such as “I’m a school kid now!” and “I’m going to be in this classroom when I’m at school!” which shows me how excited and prepared these children are as they look to the future. It’s always warming to see the connection between our older and younger students as our future preschool children are supported to become familiar with new spaces and other peers from the school and preschool. Thursday 26th November we will hold a Whole School Transition day, where all chlidren will move into their 2027 classes to spend time developing connections and familiarity with the staff and peers that they will be learning with.

Thank you to the families who were able to join us for our parent workshop “Introduction to Student Anxiety” with Michael Hawton. This was an informative evening, with discussions about influences of anxiety, supports that trusted adults can put in place for our children and young people and additional resources available to continue our learning. For any who weren’t able to make the session, please reach out if you would like a copy of the resource “Enhancing and Practicing Executive Function Skills with Children from Infancy to Adolescence” which provides a range of activities that can be used with our young people to build strong foundations that will help them in the future. As always, I am also open to suggestions and ideas for future sessions, so please pass on your opinions or thinking around these if you can! Thank you also to Naracoorte South Primary staff and families, who reached out to join us after seeing our flyer. The community in Naracoorte are also interested in ongoing parent and community sessions, and we are excited as leaders to explore opportunities to work together in 2027.

A reminder that this Friday is our final Pupil Free Day, where staff will be attending professonal development focused on Learning Expeditions and the SA Curriculum. Keep your eyes peeled for information about an upcoming working bee, a casual clothes day, Preschool Graduation and of course Concert! Plenty happening to round out the term!

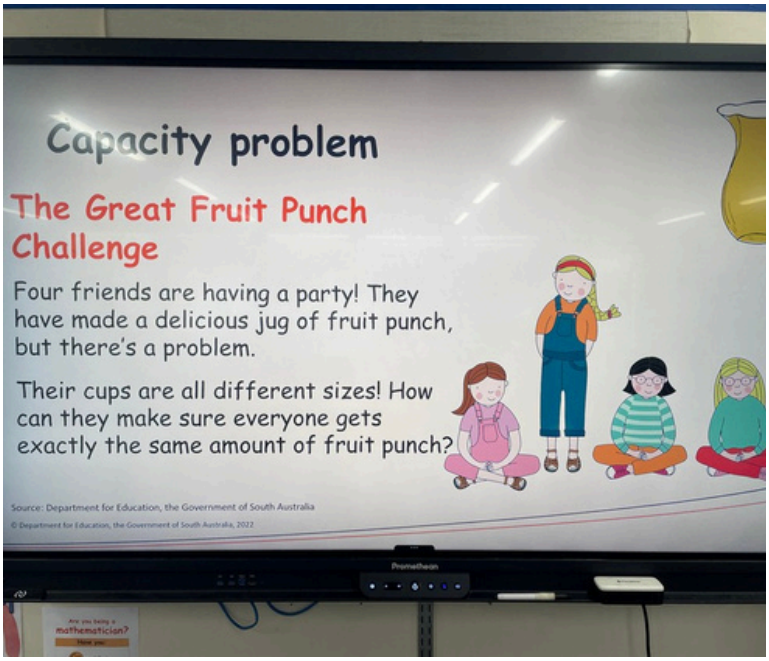
Kind regards,
Jessica Herrewyn
Principal

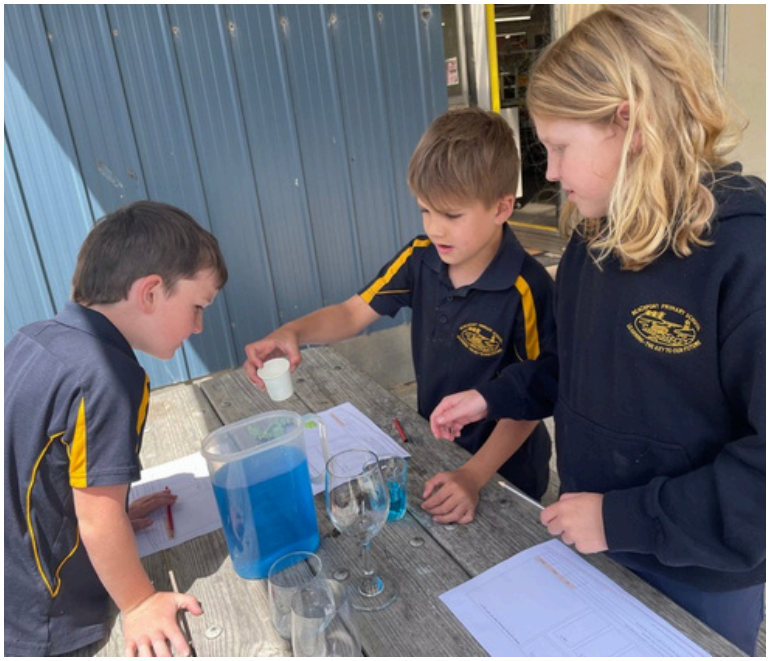
Year 1/2

The Year 1/2 class has been busy this term engaging in a range of exciting learning experiences!

In Writing, students have been exploring persuasive texts, designing their own jumpers and using persuasive language to convince their teacher to make a purchase.

In Maths, students put their understanding of capacity to the test with The Great Fruit Punch Challenge, investigating how to share equal amounts of fruit punch between four friends using different-sized cups.









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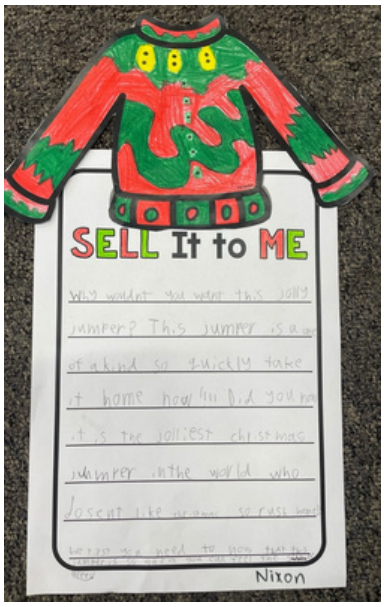
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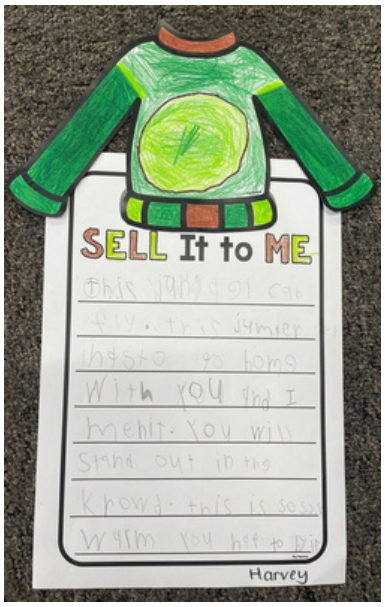
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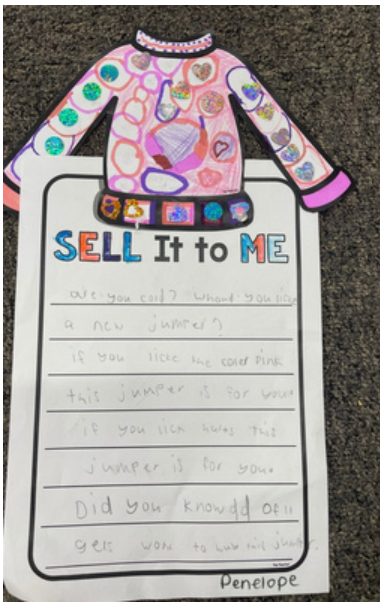
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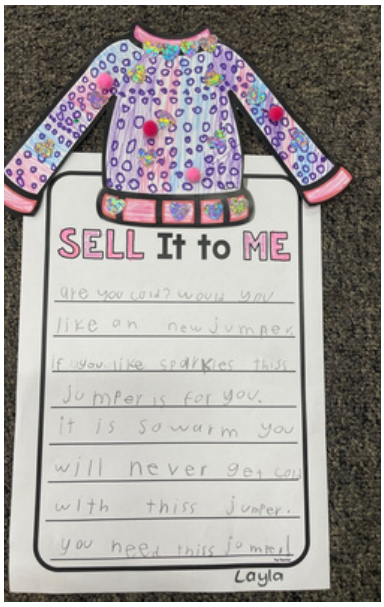
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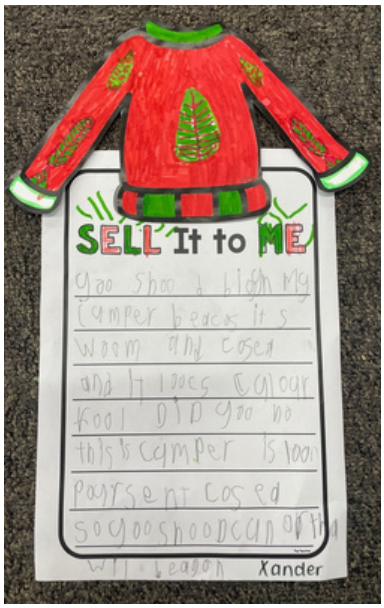
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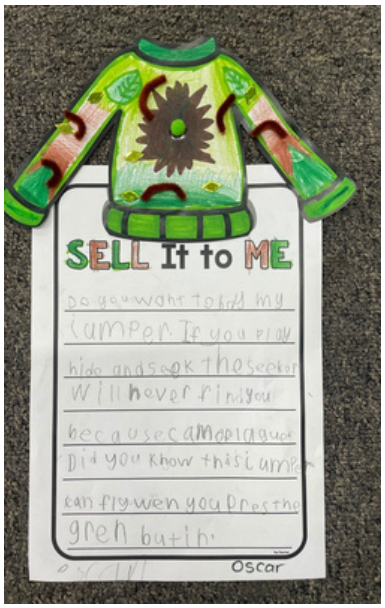
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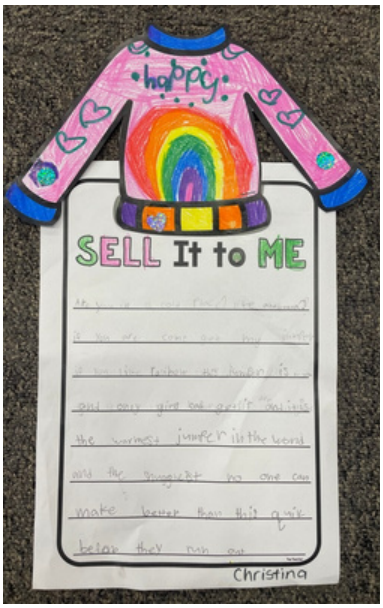
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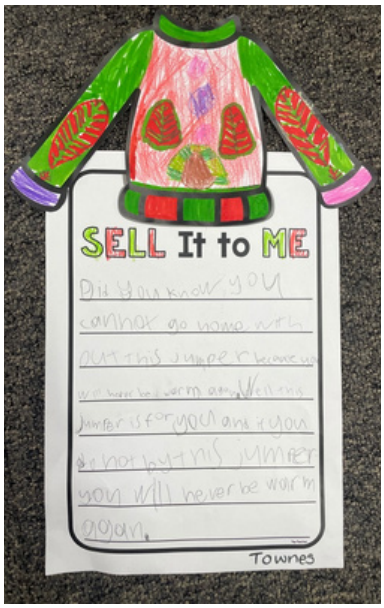
Christina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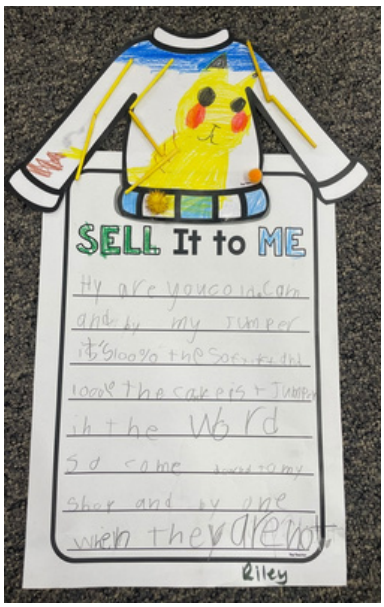
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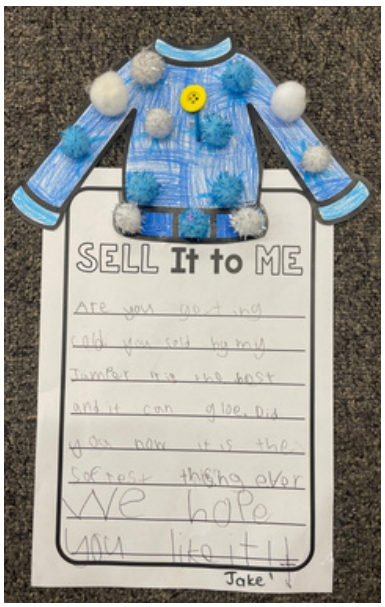

SELL It to ME
Jake



Transitions

Our 2027 3yo, Preschool and Reception students have completed part of their transitions over the last few weeks! It has been a pleasure to support them as they enjoy their new learning spaces and we look forward to watching their journeys unfold in the new year.



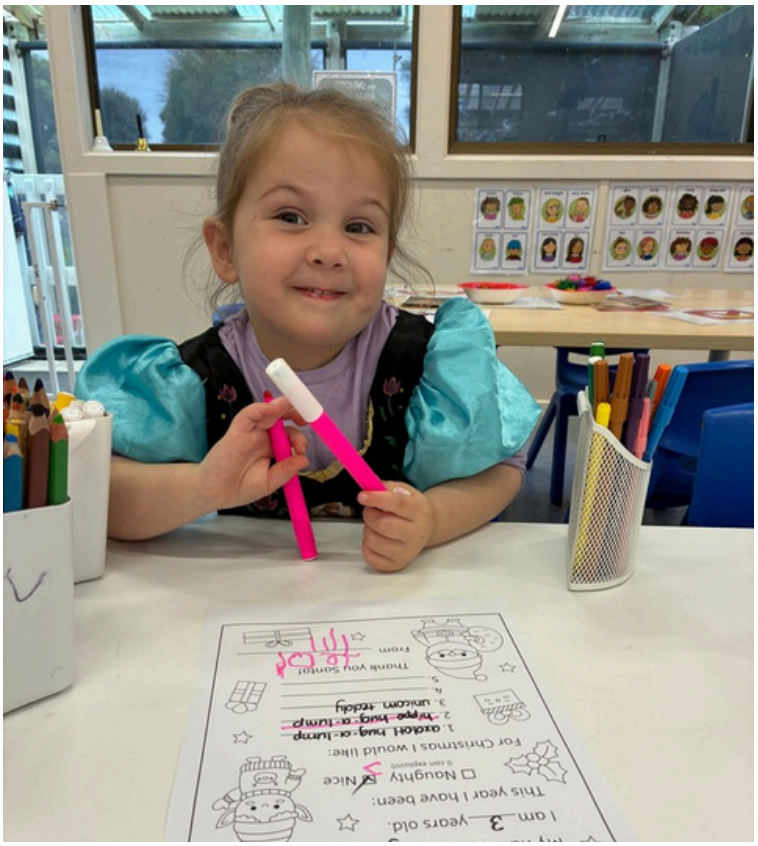








Transitions











Transitions









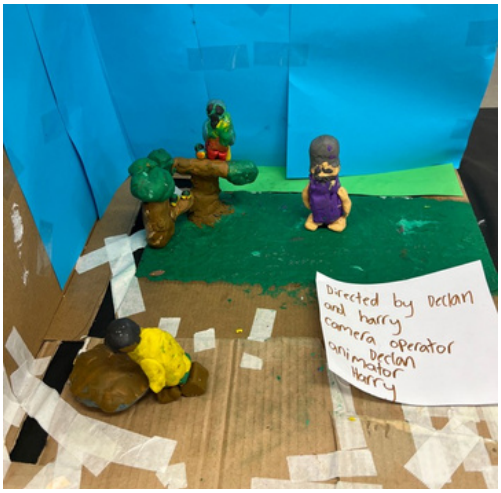


Year 3/4 LE Presentation

On Wednesday, our Year 3/4 students presented their Learning Expedition to parents and families. 'Our learning expedition question was: How can we help protect the threatened animals of the Limestone Coast? Our purpose was to learn about local animal species and understand what actions we can take to reduce the threats they face. We also wanted to teach others about how to care for the environment. Throughout our learning expedition, we researched local wildlife and worked with community experts. These experiences helped us understand what is and what needs to be done to help animals. We worked hard to create brochures, artworks and stop motion animations to share about our animals and actions!'



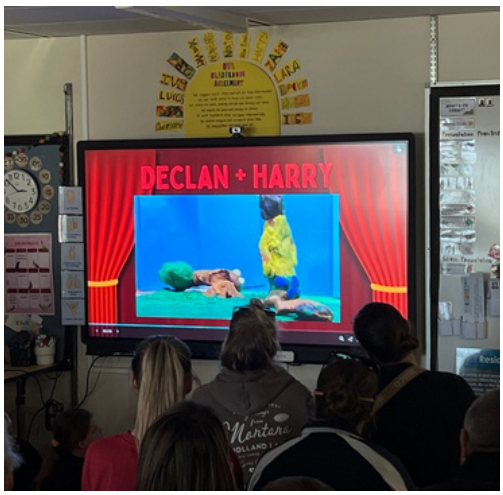




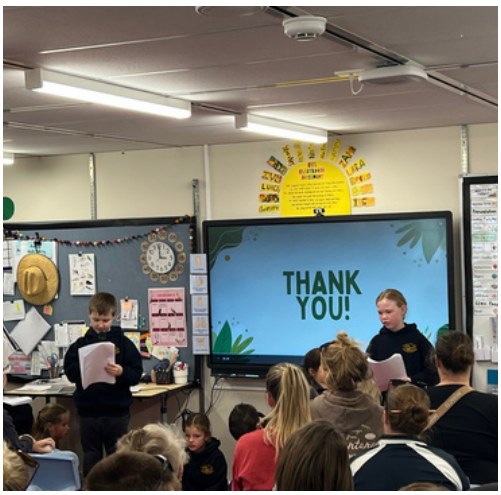












GEM Chat

When you're experiencing an uncomfortable emotion, what do you do to shift your mood?

GEM CHAT

MINDFULNESS



- I play some music and then come back to what I was doing.
- I go in a corner and take deep breaths or I go outside and get fresh air and let my emotions out.
- Go on the couch and have 3 minutes then come back.

EMPATHY



- Climb a tree.
- I let myself feel my emotions and take a deep breath.
- Go be by myself. When it's quiet it helps me.
- I tell one of the adults and they help me figure it out.
- Read a book or go and sit in my room for a minute.
- Stay in a corner and play with fidgets.

GRATITUDE



THE RESILIENCE PROJECT.

Government of South Australia
Department for Education

GEM Chat

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GEM Chats Emotional Literacy

CREATING WELLBEING HABITS & CONNECTION

GEM Chats help families practice The Resilience Project's principles, offering a simple wellbeing check-in while **building stronger connections through daily conversations.**

HOW TO USE GEM CHATS

Make GEM Chats a part of your dinner routine to reflect, check in, and practice emotional literacy.

Try these prompts:

- What **emotion** do you feel right now and why?
- What are **some emotions** you have felt today/this week? How did you **identify** them?
- Describe a moment from your day when you **felt excited**.
- What emotions have you noticed today in your **friends**, **teachers** or **family members**? How did you recognise these emotions?
- What could you do today/tomorrow to **experience a positive emotion**?



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE RESILIENCE PROJECT, HEAD TO:

@theresilienceproject_ | The Resilience Project | The Resilience Project | theresilienceproject.com.au

Notices


Beachport District Development Association
EMERGENCY AGM MEETING
Wednesday, 25th November 2026
7.00pm
Venue: Beachport Lions Clubrooms
The Future of our Events is in Grave Danger!
On Wednesday October 28th, 2026 the BDDA endeavoured to conduct there Annual General Meeting. Unfortunately, due to the lack of numbers, the executive positions were unable to be filled.
We desperately need to fill the executive positions of the Chairperson and Treasurer to secure the ongoing future of the BDDA.
In the past, the BDDA has proudly supported our community by:
Liaising with the community and Wattle Range Council
Raising funds via the January, Easter and October events and the Duck Race
Putting funds back into community projects
Providing the much-loved New Years Eve Fireworks
All of these valued events and projects are now at risk of disappearing!
We desperately need your involvement and ideas to help secure the future of the long standing BDDA and the family fun events that have been enjoyed in Beachport for many years, by locals and visitors alike.
All Welcome, We Hope to See You There!

Notices

Australian Government | eSafetyCommissioner

Supporting your child online

- Online safety basics
- Parental controls
- Gaming guide for families
- Privacy and your child
- Are they old enough?
- Screen time

Vist the website: https://www.esafety.gov.au/parents

I-DAY IS COMING

DECEMBER 2026

THURS 3 DEC 2026

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

When: Thursday 3 December, 12:30pm - 5:00pm
Where: City Hall and the Cave Gardens

CELEBRATE INCLUSION

LOCAL ARTISTS

Celebrate disability inclusion and awareness
All day local art exhibition, The Blue Lake Trio from 12:30pm, Gather Dance from 1:30pm, The Mount Gambier Choral Society from 2:30pm and Whacky Mac at 4:00pm!

FAMILY FRIENDLY FUN

FUN ALL DAY LONG!

Come and see the therapy dogs from the Blue Lake Dog Obedience Club, speak to the local CFS, chair-based sports, boccia, hand soccer, photobooth, cornhole, bracelet making, face painting, rock painting, balloon animals, cotton candy, glitter tattoos, interactive activities, games, sausage sizzle (gold coin donation), Coast Coffee Van, $5 specials at Chapter Seventy Two, music, dancing, stalls and more!!

WATTLE RANGE COUNCIL

FREE BUS!

BEACHPORT
RENDELSHAM
MILLICENT
TANTANOOLA

GET PICKED UP AND DROPPED OFF TO YOUR HOME TOWN

Register your interest by scanning the QR code and we will get in contact.

BROUGHT TO YOU BY:

MORE INFO: E: RUBYG@PURPLEORANGE.ORG.AU P: 08 8373 8356

Notices


2027
Enrolments
Now Open!
Please contact our front office for Registration of Interest forms (Universal 3 year old and Preschool programs), Enrolment Information (Reception) or to organise a school tour
8735 8124
dl.0519.info@schools.sa.edu.au
Register now:
UNIVERSAL 3 YEAR OLD PRESCHOOL (Registrations of Interest available)
TERM 1 PRESCHOOL Children turning 4 before 1st May
TERM 3 PRESCHOOL Children turning 4 between 1st May & 31st Oct
TERM 1 & TERM 3 RECEPTION ENROLMENTS


BEACHPORT SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB
10 YEARS
2016 2026
ONE CLUB
OUR COMMUNITY
BRIGHTER
TOMORROWS
BEACHPORT SLSC
10TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION
SATURDAY 28 NOVEMBER 2026
FROM 4PM
FAMILY FUN & BEACH GAMES
Games & activities for all ages!
CATERING BY
Roosters Rotisseries
Delicious food for the whole family!
ENTERTAINMENT & ACTIVITIES
Music, fun and more throughout the evening!
ALL WELCOME
Members, past members, families, friends and the wider community are invited to join us!
TICKETS
ADULTS $35 PER PERSON
CHILDREN $15 PER CHILD
BOOK YOUR TICKETS VIA TRYBOOKING
https://www.trybooking.com/DQTPO
FREE BUS TO & FROM THE EVENT
Lions Club bus departuings from Beachport Hotel and Muggleton.
ENJOY THE NIGHT AND LEAVE THE DRIVING TO US!

Notices

AAM TIMBER

Blue Lake FunRun

Join The Fun Don't Miss Out!

29th November 2026

3.2km | 6.8km | 10.4km | Half Marathon

Prizes also for Fancy Dress | Team who achieve the most kms | Best dressed team

Under 12yo FREE

Register here →

Mount Gambier Lakes Rotary Club