

# Newsletter

## A Message From The Principal

### Blakeview 25 Fete

At the recent Fete we turned over \$18,000 and made a profit of \$10,000.

Thanks again for everyone's involvement.

All profits have helped pay to air condition our school gym.



### End of Year Concert

Our Concert is on Thursday 7th of December on the school oval.

The concert begins at 6pm.

A sausage sizzle and drinks will be available for purchase on the night.

### School Reports

Student Reports will be sent home on Thursday 14th of December.

## TERM DATES

### Term 4

16 Oct - 15 Dec

### Reception Transition

22/11 9:00—12:00

29/11 9:00—1:30

### Whole school assembly

24/11 9:15

Rooms 11 and 4 presenting

### Playford Pageant

25/11

### Concert Night

7/12

### Pupil Free Day

8/12

### Year 7 Graduation

13/12



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

## Farewell & Recognition

Tomorrow (Friday) we recognise Rita Kelly at our school assembly for her 40 plus years of service with the Education Department.

Rita has been our teacher librarian for many years and has been on long service leave this year.

We thank Rita for her hard work and dedication.

We wish her all the best in retirement.



## Assembly

Our next assembly is tomorrow, Friday 24th of November at 9:15 am in the gym!

Rooms 11 and 4 will be sharing.

All welcome.

## Pupil Free Day

Our next Pupil Free Day is Friday 8th of December.

The staff will be working on school data during this Pupil Free Day.

OSHC is available if you require it.

Please book through OSHC.

## Year 7 Graduation

Our Year 7's will have a special Graduation Ceremony on Wednesday 13th of December at 6pm at Central Districts Football Club. Families will be able to see students graduate at a special ceremony where every student will give a speech. Following this ceremony students will have a meal and disco with school staff.



## Rock Collection Donation

A huge thank you to one of our local neighbours Dave Edwards who has donated his entire treasures of the earth rock collection to the school. The children will get hours of study and enjoyment from them in the STEM room.



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

## School Magazine

Our Magazine for 2017 is currently being printed and will be distributed by the end of term to all families that have paid their school fees.

Extra copies are available from the Front Office for \$8.00.

Our Year 7's will also receive a copy each as part of their graduation.

Thanks to committee members: Todd, Michelle, Deb, Lucy, Jennifer, Di, Marion and Sharona for their hard work producing this years magazine.

Congrats to Brianna from Rm 18 whose design is our Front Cover and Hayden from Room 12 whose design is our back page.

## Year 7 Transition

Craigmore High School transition is on Thursday 7th of December.

I'm sure our Year 7's are looking forward to this day.

I'm sure they will do well.

## Class Placement 2018

On the 14th of December all families will receive their children's class placement for 2018.

Students will also hopefully visit their new classrooms and teachers for 2018 on the 11/12 for half an hour.

## School Uniform

The school office will be open on two days only during the Christmas holidays for you to purchase school uniforms for 2018. The dates are:

Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th January. These are the same days as Craigmore High School will be open for sales.



## Conclusion- Christmas pageant

Give us a wave if you are at the local pageant on Saturday. We have 40 students participating and a decorated cow. Thanks to the students and staff for volunteering to attend and Miss Sophie for the float preparation and organisation.

Regards,  
Brenton Conradi

Principal  
Blakeview Primary School

# PE NEWS

SAPSASA Summer Carnival and Premiers Be Active Challenge Excursions.

In Week 6 Mr Russell and SSO, Sally took groups of students out for 2 sporting excursions.

Monday the 13th November, on a very hot 36 degree day, Mr Russell's Year 7 P.E class attended The Premiers Be Active - Premiers Reception. Blakeview P.S was nominated as one of the top 50 performing schools in South Australia and received a \$1000 cheque and a framed certificate from the Premier of South Australia as a result.



After receiving the cheque, our students were invited to participate in various sporting activities such as Baseball, Cricket and Dance. Despite the heat, we all had a great time and enjoyed the excursion and the activities.

On Friday 17th of November, Blakeview students went to the SAPSASA Summer Carnival to compete in Netball and Tee Ball. Unfortunately the Summer weather forgot to show up and we were left cold and wet as it rained all day until finally it was called off. Only one or two games were attempted in the rain which made it very difficult to show all our sporting skills.



Alannah E with Crows

Womens AFL captain Chelsea Randle



Well done to all those students who attended both excursions.

## WHAT'S ON IN ONKAPARINGA

The year, as always, has been extremely busy and full of engaging items for students. The year 6/7's have completed their Hand Heart Mind expos in term 3 and have now moved onto a business venture. Students are now working through a Mind Your Own Business (MYOB) design. This allows students to have a say in what they will be doing as well as being mindful about costs associated with their ideas. At this point in time students should be well through their design ready for the Mind Your Own Business Expo in week 7. Invitations will be going out shortly so keep an eye out and come have a look and feel free to purchase any items students have created. This money earned by the students is all for a good cause and will be donated to charity.

Rooms 17, 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22 participated in a Bunnings workshop on Wednesday in week 6 to create vertical gardens using pallets. These will be located around the orchard area, near student services outside of Onkaparinga. Room 18 has been extremely busy painting the pallets ready for the workshop.

Onkaparinga has also been busy practising for the upcoming concert. It has been a joy to see students step out of their comfort zones and join in with their class. The night is very exciting for students and we look forward to seeing family members there to support all the effort, not only from Onkaparinga but from the whole school.

As the end of the year is approaching rooms 17, 18, 19 and 20 are heading out for an hour of fun and celebration at Flip Out. This has been arranged to help celebrate the past year and the growth and effort of all the students involved.



# WHAT'S ON IN GAWLER

This term in Science, Room 12 have been learning all about water.

First we discussed and recorded what we already knew about water, which included using the 5 senses, who uses water and where water comes from. Next we walked around the school looking for different places where we can find water. We found sprinklers, pipes, hoses, drains, taps, toilets, gutters, fire hydrants, and watering cans.



We learnt about where rain comes from and how the water cycle works. We made some water cycle wheels and water collages showing different water scenes such as beaches, swimming pools and rainy weather.

We tested what happens when water or rain lands on different surfaces by pouring water onto grass, bark, metal, pavers, soil and plastic. We had to describe what was happening to the water such as it spreads out, soaks in, pools, dries up or runs down.



We also made some water story chains with a partner about the process rainwater goes through. We

learnt that when it rains, the rainwater is collected in rivers or dams, then it gets cleaned in the water treatment plant to get rid of the dirt and bacteria, then it moves through the water pipes before it comes out of the taps in our homes.



Student comments...

Lucas said "I enjoyed walking around the school to see what things have water in them"

Masooma said "I liked making the water cycle wheel and watching the water move around"

## WHAT'S ON IN TORRENS BLOCK

Earlier this Term, Room 6 and our buddy class Room 21, along with Rooms 2 and 22 went on an excursion to Monarto Zoo. We were excited to do the African Safari bus tour, where we saw a variety of animals including giraffes, zebras, rhinos, hyenas, cheetahs and lions. During our buddy lessons, we have been looking at these African animals and are in the process of designing and making habitats for these amazing creatures using dioramas. We can't wait to see the finished products. The excursion to Monarto was a fantastic opportunity to see these animals in their natural environment. Here are some of our favourite memories from the excursion.

I liked looking at the chimpanzees. By Jacob



I liked the giraffes long necks. One giraffe had a kink in her neck. By Naite

I liked eating recess and lunch at the zoo. By Samuel

I liked the zebras and giraffes. By Lisa



I liked it when we went to see the meerkats with our buddies. By Brooke

Challenge Question:

What is this statue depicting?



# CONGRATULATIONS



Congratulations to the following students from room 19 that have reached Z level in reading. Gemma B, Taliah P Hunter S,



Congratulations also to the following students from room 17 who have reached Z level in reading. Alicia T, Georgia L, Jaime M, Amara T, Akishia G, Coleson T, Jake H.

# INVITATION

Dear Families and Students,

You are invited to attend the annual year 6/7 Mind Your Own Business Expo!

**When:** Tuesday 28th November 11 am- 12.30pm

**Where:** In Onkaparinga Block

Stalls include: games, food, slime, drinks, art works and much more.

Prices will range from 50 cents to \$2

Hope to see you there!!!

Lucy Jennings

Blakeview Primary School

Onkaparinga Block

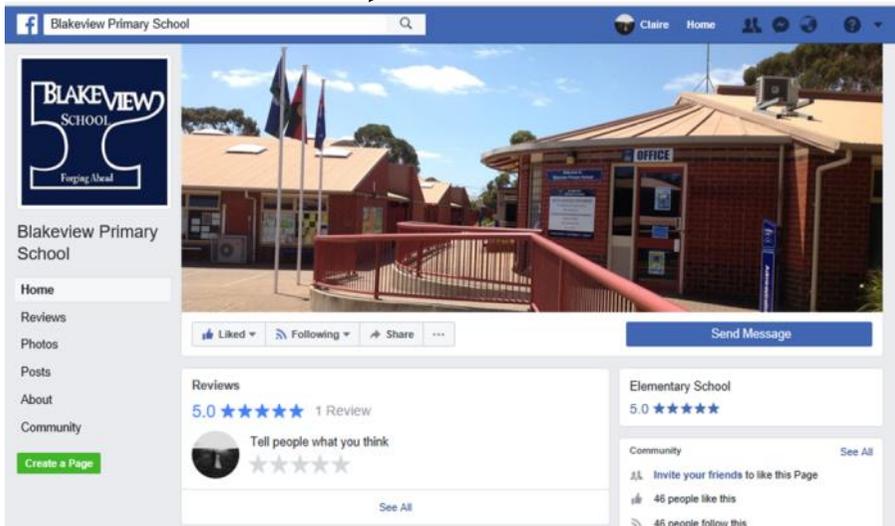


# KIDS MATTER

The Kids Matter team are excited to announce the launch of our Blakeview Primary School Facebook page.

The Blakeview Primary School Facebook page allows us to share exciting activities happening within our school community, as well as upcoming events and information with our families.

To join our page simply type Blakeview Primary School into the search bar and hit like once you reach our page!



We can't wait to see lots of Blakeview families joining our page.

The Kids Matter team



# END OF YEAR CONCERT

End of Year Concert 2017

The 2017 'End of Year Celebration Concert' will be held on Thursday the 7th of December beginning at 6 p.m.

Classes were given a 'Class item suggestion sheet' in Week 8 last term so that all children had the opportunity to suggest an item for their performance. The classes then voted on their suggestions by the end of Week 2. All items have been finalised and some students have begun practising them with their class.



Class teachers will send home a flyer to each family with details of their classes item and costume or item requirements closer to the event.

On the evening students will need to be taken by a parent /caregiver to their classroom at 5:30 p.m. to be signed into the concert. All classes will remain with their teacher and classmates during the concert and for safety reasons are to be signed out by their parent / caregiver at the conclusion of the evening. Keep an eye out for more details to follow. Thanks for your support, Concert Committee

## LIBRARY

As part of our Premier's Reading Challenge commitment and focus on improving student's literacy skills and knowledge, Blakeview Primary students had the opportunity to attend a free whole school excursion to the Stretton Centre, which is the new site of the Playford Library. All students received e-book ipad training, visited the library resource centre and explored the adventure playground.



# DEPUTY DOWNLOAD

So many things to include in this weeks Deputy Download. We have images of our amazing year 7's soaking in all the camp experiences, staff having way too much fun while training, fete openings, hard working gardeners and proud students.



# NOTICEBOARD



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