

# Nicolson

## AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Week 1

2 February 2023

Term 1: 2023  
30/1/23– 14/4/23

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

Welcome to the 2023 school year and a special warm welcome to all of our new Reception students and those students who have chosen Nicolson to be their school and joined us from other schools. I trust that everybody had a safe and happy holiday and is sufficiently rested to take on the challenges that 2023 will bring. I have to say that I have had the best week so far catching up with so many of our amazing students, old and new, and hearing all about their holiday adventures.

**Staff Changes** We have several staff changes to announce this year and we are very grateful to all that have chosen to join our amazing team at Nicolson. The new faces you will see are:

Miss Courtney Scholz who is teaching Year 1 in Room 4.

Mr Oliver Miller who is teaching Year 2 in Room 3.

Mrs Nicole Higgins who is teaching Year 3 in Room 22.

Mr Timothy Howie who is teaching Year 4/5/6 Science and Technology in Room 26 and Primary STEM Room.

Mrs Jordyn Labuschagne who is teaching Special Options Year 3 – 6 in Room 15.

Mrs Kylie Murphy who is teaching PE R – 6.

Mr Bryan Rotherham who will be our Aboriginal Education Teacher for Term 1.

We wish them all the best for the year and know they will be made to feel very welcome by all members of our school community during their time at Nicolson.

**Student Attendance** It is a continuing priority for us to address issues of attendance amongst our students. If students miss the basic skills early in their schooling they often experience difficulties later. Six days absence per term from Junior Primary to the end of Year 6 equals one year of schooling missed. Half an hour late each day equals five days absence per term.

Under the Education Act of South Australia, **parents and/or caregivers are held responsible for the regular attendance of all children in their care.** All children aged between 6 and 16 years of age must be enrolled, attend and fully participate in the education program of a school. To assist us to keep accurate records:

\* If your child is away, please phone or text the school to let us know, as the reason for all absences must be recorded by the school.

Call Administration on 8645 8685

Message teacher on classroom app

Drop into your child's classroom or Admin

Text Administration on 0437 146 299

Email school on [dl.0677.info@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.0677.info@schools.sa.edu.au)

Send a note into school with a sibling

\* If your child is late arriving to school please sign in through the Administration Office so the arrival time is recorded.

\* Wherever possible, try to make dental and medical appointments outside of school hours.

**School Assemblies** This year our school assemblies will be fortnightly beginning Week 2 (next Friday) and we welcome parents to join us for these events. Classroom teachers will inform you through their communication app when they are showcasing some of the learning that they have been doing. We will continue to present class awards to acknowledge our students who are demonstrating our school values and we will endeavour to notify you via text message the night before if your child is receiving an award.

*Pam Peters*

**RESPECT**

**TEAMWORK**

**INTEGRITY**

**RESILIENCE**

**RESPONSIBILITY**

Telephone 08 8645 8685 Office Hours 8.00am to 4.00pm

Principal: Mrs Pam Peters

Deputy Principal: Christel Koch

Senior Leader: Sally Rowe

Student Wellbeing Leader: Lisa Phillips

Business Manager: Phillip Datson

Secretary: Catherine Worby

Admin Assistant: Penne Redjepi

### Diary Dates

9/3/23

13/3/23

7/4/23

10/4/23

14/4/23

14/4/23

1/5/23

School Photo Day

Public Holiday – Adelaide Cup Day

Public Holiday – Good Friday

Public Holiday – Easter Monday

Last day of Term 1

Early finish 2.10pm – last day of Term 1

First day of Term 2



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# 2023

## Teaching Staff

<i>Leadership</i>		Room No
Principal	Pam Peters	
Deputy Principal	Christel Koch	
Senior Leader	Sally Rowe	
Wellbeing Leader	Lisa Phillips	
<b><i>Classroom Teachers</i></b>		
Reception	Cindy Francis	Unit 1
Reception	Sarah Filkin	Unit 2
Special Options Junior Primary	Jacob Castle	1
Yr 1	Courtney Scholz	4
Yr 1	Zoe Geihlich	6
Yr 2	Jaimee Walden	2
Yr 2	Oliver Miller	3
Yr 3	Nicole Higgins	22
Yr 3	Ange Harvey	23
Yr 4	Lesley Dutch	25
Yr 4	Sarah Alomes	24
Yr 5	Rebecca Scharber	17
Yr 5	Ali Wills	16
Yr 6	Jemma Brooks	20
Yr 6	Jayden Forrester	18
Special Options Primary	Jordyn Labuschagne	15
<b><i>Specialist Teachers</i></b>		
Science and Technology 4 - 6	Tim Howie	26
Science and Technology Rec - 1	Sam Dunne	11
Technology and HASS 1 - 3	Jodie Murphy	12
Science, Technology and HASS 1 - 3	Jane McLean	JP STEM
Physical Education R - 6	Kylie Murphy	Gym
AET	Bryan Rotherham	21

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## Administration and Support Staff

Business Manager	Phil Datson
Secretary	Catherine Worby
Admin Assistant	Penne Redjepi
IT Administrator	Ricki Cook
Speech SSO	Sandi Burk
ACEO	Peta Sutton
Librarian	Treann Clarke
Classroom Support	Jayne Acton
	Cheryll Burke
	Emily Byfieldt
	Mardi Hage
	Tanya Hughes
	Mel Jackson
	Wenda Johnston
	Janolla Jones
	Sheree Murray
	Anna Papamanos
	Mel Poshkens
	David Robinson
	Caroline Rigg
	Carissa Schroeder
	Karen Shooter
	Clair Stringer
Shooting Stars	Amelia Grindell
SSO Trainees	Emma Cox
	Jazmyn Storr

# Student Wellbeing Leader News

## Free home internet access

Free internet access is available to students who don't have reliable internet at home. This is through the 'student home internet program'.

Reliable internet access supports online study at home, for the purpose of extended learning. It also allows teachers to design more learning experiences that use digital technology. Open to all SA government school students who don't have adequate home internet access. Students must only use the internet access for learning and study at home.

Families of eligible students can request internet access by contacting Lisa Phillips (Wellbeing Leader). Terms and conditions apply.

## Breakfast Club

Thanks to our friends at Foodbank, Breakfast Club is open daily to all students. From 8:30am, students can come along to the Primary STEM room for some toast, cereal and milk. Please feel free to come and say hello any time.

We also work closely with Foodbank and offer vouchers to families to shop at the Whyalla warehouse. If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Lisa Phillips (Wellbeing Leader).



**Lisa Phillips**  
**Student Wellbeing Leader**

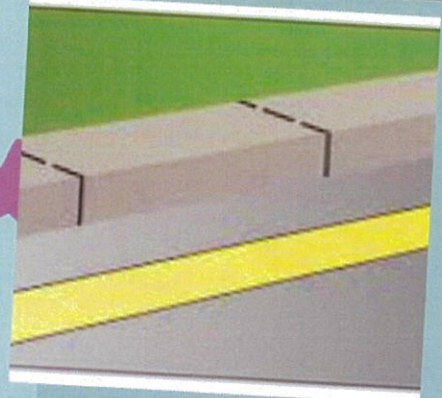
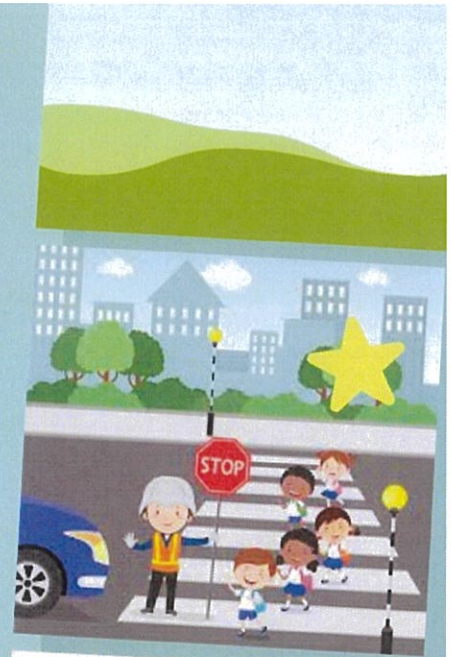
# PARKING AROUND SCHOOLS

POOR AND INCONSIDERATE PARKING CLOSE TO SCHOOLS PLACE CHILDREN AT RISK

MOST ACCIDENTS INVOLVING CHILDREN OUTSIDE SCHOOLS OCCUR WHEN A CHILD HAS THEIR SIGHT OBSCURED BY PARKED CARS

## KEEPING KIDS SAFE

- Do not park on zig zag lines or KEEP CLEAR markings.
- Do not park across driveways.
- Do not park on footpaths or verges.
- do not drop kids off in the centre of the road.
- do not park where there is a no stopping sign or continuous yellow line.
- adhere to the speed limit of 25kph while children are present.



## Update your Contact Details for 2023

If you have changed your email address, home address, mobile numbers or emergency contact details, please inform the Administration team so we can make the changes.

We use your mobile numbers to send text messages when necessary.

Our newsletter and other school information are emailed to keep you informed.

Emergency contacts are important so please keep these updated.

Consider liking our Facebook page.

Thank you for keeping us up to date with all your details.

### School Fees:

Invoices for the 2023 school year have been emailed or posted if no email account is linked to your account.

When you receive your invoice you will be able to pay using cash or credit card at the Administration Office.

Instalments can also be set up for payment of school fees.

Direct Deposit details are:

BSB: 065-519  
Account No: 10015501  
Reference: Quote Family Billing  
ID and Invoice  
number

Remittance: [phillip.datson172@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:phillip.datson172@schools.sa.edu.au)

### School Card Applications:

If you are eligible for school card, please collect a form from the Administration Office or you can apply on line by visiting:

[www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](http://www.sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard)

**School card must be applied for at the beginning of each school year.**

Any question, please contact Phillip Datson.

### Update QKR Canteen Information for 2023:

Do you use the QKR app to order your child's lunch through our canteen?

**If so, please remember to set up your child's profile into their new class for 2023.**

This year, the cut off time to order will be 8.30am, this will give the canteen time to receive the orders and start preparing them for your child.

Remember to check the date of order if you are ordering close to 8.30am, otherwise your order may be placed on the next available date.

To set up online orders visit the QKR app to register and check out more tips:

<https://qkr.mastercard.com/store/#/home>