

Nicolson

AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Week 1

27/7/2023

Term 3: 2023

24/7/23 – 29/9/23

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

Welcome back to Term 3 and welcome aboard to any families that are new to Nicolson. I hope that all families had a relaxing and restful break and hopefully managed to get away a bit to do something different for a short time. Once again we are set for a busy term with many events planned including Sports Carnivals, Book Week, Choir Performances and our Sports Day. Also this term we have a Student Free Day on Friday August 11th when the staff will be continuing with the Berry Street Education Model training and finally another date to be aware of is Friday September 8th, which is the Whyalla Wide School Closure.

Parent Survey

The 2023 Parent Survey is an annual voluntary survey that gathers feedback from parents and carers of school-aged children and young people. All parents and carers will be invited to participate via email or SMS. The survey will help us know what is important to you and how we can improve what we do. The survey occurs annually in term 3 of the school year. The 2023 survey is open from Tuesday 1st August to Sunday 28th August.

NAPLAN Results

If your child is in Year 3 or Year 5 they will be bringing home their NAPLAN results this Friday. This year new standards were introduced to NAPLAN reporting. This reporting replaces the previous numerical NAPLAN reporting bands and national minimum standards.

There are now 4 proficiency levels:

- Exceeding: The student's result exceeds expectations at the time of testing.
- Strong: The student's result meets challenging but reasonable expectations at the time of testing.
- Developing: The student's result indicates that they are working towards expectations at the time of testing.
- Needs additional support: The student's result indicates that they are not achieving the learning outcomes expected at the time of testing. They are likely to need additional support to progress satisfactorily.

A fact sheet with more information regarding this will be included with your child's results.

Reception Tours

Please see attached the dates that all primary schools will be holding information tours for families of children starting school in Reception next year. I encourage any parents with children that will be in reception 2024 that are not familiar with our school to register to attend one of these sessions. If you have younger siblings of children already at our school that will be starting in Reception next year could you please make an appointment to complete the enrolment forms as soon as possible to support our planning for classes for 2024. If you know of any families that are not yet involved in the schooling system could you please pass on this information.



Book Week

A quick heads up to notify you that Book Week is coming up this term and will be held in Week 5. The theme this year is Read, Grow, Inspire. Throughout the week our students will partake in many activities to enjoy children's books culminating with our usual Book Week Parade. As it gets closer to the week you will be provided with information about the activities the children will be involved in.

Attendance

Students need to maximise attendance at school to gain optimum benefit from education. Parents and caregivers are responsible for the regular attendance of all children in their care. Regular attendance and participation in schooling is an important factor in educational and life success. Students who miss school are at risk of alienation from education that can lead to decreased options for future pathways. We understand that students are sometimes unwell or that pressing issues arise; on these occasions it is important to advise the school of the reason for the absence. If you could assist us with this, it would be greatly appreciated.



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

Basketball Carnival	28/7/23
Student Free Day	11/8/23
Book Week	21/8/23 – 25/8/23
School Closure Day	8/9/23
Sports Day	29/9/23
Last day of Term 3	29/9/23



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Wellbeing News

Breakfast Club was full of excitement today. We were lucky enough to have three members of our local Police visit and help serve breakfast. The chatter and the excitement that filled the room was wonderful to experience. The Police also handed out pencils, bookmarks and stickers and happily answered the many questions students asked.



Contacts & Emergency

Contact Details

Let's start this term with all of your child's information details correct.

Have you changed any of your contact details such as phone number, address or emergency contact information?

If you have moved, please pop into the Administration office with your new address details so that our system can be updated.

We need current up to date phone numbers for all of our families in the event of emergencies.

Please also think about who you may have as emergency contacts and change, add or update numbers of these people.

We use email, text messaging and remind app to keep in touch with our families, so it is important that this information is current and updated at all times.

Thanks for keeping your information accurate.

Let's aim for full attendance this term.

If your child is unable to attend school for any reason we ask that you please advise us so we can keep your child's attendance updated correctly.



Smith Family Information

The Smith Family are bringing back the Learning Club to our site this term.

Check out the information page attached



'Let's learn together' for details and contact Alicia Keilty to register your child in this amazing program.

everyone's family
learning club are STEM, arts & crafts, wellbeing, literacy, numeracy and more....

Activities that students can participate in during

New Canteen Pricelist



Our canteen has a new pricelist this term.

This is the first price rise we have had in 2 years, so you can appreciate

with the cost of living increasing we have had to increase the costs of items on our menu.

We have included a copy of this new updated menu with the newsletter.

The classrooms also have a copy of this new pricelist in their lunch order tubs.

If you order through the QKR app you will see that the pricelist has already been updated.

The Gift of Time

How many hours are in a day? How many minutes in an hour? How many minutes in one day?

1440 minutes in one day.

How we use our time matters, because we will never get it back.

Once we have used (or wasted) time it is gone.

No one can travel backward in time, as much as we may wish we could.

So, let's use the time we have to build others up and encourage them.

If we do, we will see it benefit them, us, and others around us.

How can I use my time wisely today?

Jared Mullet – Pastoral Care

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From 24/7/23

HOT FOOD	PRICE
Fish Fingers (each)	\$0.80
Party Pies (each)	\$1.00
Nuggets (each)	\$1.00
6 Nuggets	\$5.00
3 Slices of Garlic bread	\$2.00
Pizza Single	\$4.50
* ham & cheese	
* ham, cheese & pineapple	
Sausage Roll	\$4.00
add sauce	\$0.30
Mini Vegetarian Spring Rolls x5	\$1.50
Lasagne	\$7.00



Toasties	\$
Cheese	\$4.00
Ham & Cheese	\$4.40
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.80

Hot Rolls	\$
Ham & Cheese	\$4.50
Ham, Cheese & Tomato	\$4.90
Chicken & Mayo	\$5.70



Sandwiches & Wraps	\$		
	Sandwich	Sml Wrap	Lge Wrap
Vegemite/Jam	\$2.50		
Cheese	\$3.60		
Ham & Cheese	\$4.00		
Salad	\$4.60	\$4.60	\$6.00
Egg (curried or plain) with lettuce	\$4.30	\$4.30	\$5.30
Ham & Salad	\$5.60	\$5.60	\$7.00
Chicken, Lettuce & Mayo	\$5.40	\$5.40	\$6.50
Chicken & Salad	\$6.60	\$6.60	\$8.00



* Salad includes tomato, lettuce, cheese, cucumber & carrot *

Salad Tubs	\$
Small Carrot & Cheese	\$2.80
Small Junior Salad	\$4.00
Large Salad Tub	\$6.50
Ham and Salad Tub	\$7.50
Chicken and Salad Tub	\$8.00
add egg	\$0.50



Box Deals	* All boxed meals come with Fruit Box ¹	\$
Mixed Combo	3 pies, 3 nuggets & garlic bread	\$8.00
Italian Box	ham/cheese or ham/cheese/pineapple pizza & garlic bread	\$8.00
Nugget Box	4 chicken nuggets & small salad	\$8.50
Beach Box	4 fish fingers & small salad	\$8.50

Add 0.70 cents for a Chillj drink to replace Fruit Box

Chicken Burgers	\$
Plain patty	\$6.00
add tomato	\$0.40
add cheese	\$0.40
add lettuce	\$0.30
add mayo	\$0.30
add sauce	\$0.30

Hot Wraps	\$
plain or sweet chilli (including lettuce & mayo)	
small	\$3.60
large	\$6.50
add tomato	\$0.40
add cheese	\$0.40

Hotdogs	\$
Roll only (no sausage)	\$2.00
Hotdog sausage only	\$2.40
Hotdog plain	\$4.20
Hotdog with cheese	\$4.60
add sauce/mustard	\$0.30

Drinks	\$
Fruit Box	\$1.70
apple, apple blackcurrant or orange	
Water	\$2.00
Chillj	\$3.00
raspberry, grape, cola	
M2GO	\$4.00
choc or strawberry	



***Over the counter items available








ranging from 15c to \$4.00***



Dear Parent/Caregiver,

Starting school is an exciting time for children and families. Primary Schools are holding information sessions for families of children starting Reception in 2024. We encourage you to attend the session at your chosen school or, if you are undecided, at the schools you are considering. Please register with your intended school/s.

Primary – Information Sessions / Tour

<p>WHYALLA TOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL</p>  <p>Monday 24th July: 9:30am -10:30am Tuesday 25th July: 9:30am - 10:30am Monday 31st July: 9:30am - 10:30am Tuesday 1st August: 9:30am - 10:30am</p> <p>Please register your interest on 86458755</p>	<p>NICOLSON AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL</p>  <p>Wednesday 9th August: 9:15am – 10:00am Monday 14th August: 2:15pm – 3:00pm Thursday 31st August: 9:15am – 10:00am</p> <p>Please register your interest on 86458685</p>
<p>FISK STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL</p>  <p>Tuesday 1st August: 12:00pm -12:30pm Tuesday 15th August: 12:00pm - 12:30pm Tuesday 29th August: 12:00pm -12:30pm</p> <p>Please register your interest on 86458842</p>	<p>WHYALLA STUART CAMPUS R-6 SCHOOL</p>  <p>Friday 4th August: 9:30am - 10:30am Thursday 17th August: 9:30am - 10:30am Thursday 24th August: 3:30pm – 4:30pm</p> <p>Please register your interest on 86490450</p>
<p>HINCKS AVENUE PRIMARY SCHOOL</p>  <p>Wednesday 30th August: 9:30am – 10:30am Wednesday 13th September: 9:30am – 10:30am Wednesday 20th September: 9:30am – 10:30am</p> <p>Please register your interest on 86457266</p>	<p>MEMORIAL OVAL PRIMARY SCHOOL</p>  <p>Thursday 10th August: 3:30pm – 4:30pm Friday 11th August: 10:00am – 11:00am Wednesday 23rd August: 3:30pm – 4:30pm Thursday 24th August: 10:00am – 11:00am</p> <p>Please register your interest on 86457991</p>
<p>LONG STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL</p>  <p>Thursday 3rd August: 3:30pm - 4.30pm Wednesday 9th August: 9:30am - 10.30am Friday 1st September: 10:00am – 11:00am</p> <p>Please register your interest on 86458303</p>	<p><i>We look forward to meeting you!</i></p> <p><i>~Whyalla Primary Schools</i></p>

What is *Learning for Life*?



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Learning for Life provides families with opportunities to increase their children's success at school.

The *Learning for Life* program helps each child to reach their potential by supporting their education from primary through to post-school studies.

Learning for Life provides:

Support from a *Learning for Life* team member who can help your child improve their attendance, change smoothly from primary to high school and give you information on services available



Access to **educational programs** that can further support your children



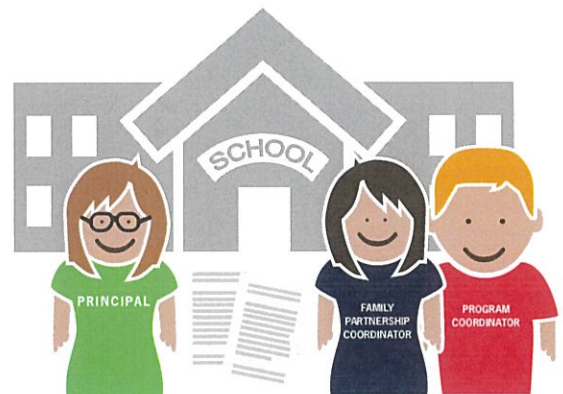
Financial support to help with costs related to education such as books, uniforms and excursions



Am I eligible for *Learning for Life*?

To be eligible, you must:

- ✓ Have a child/ children in Kindergarten/ Prep/ Reception to Year 6, who attend a school that we work with
- ✓ Have a current Health Care or Pension Concession Card
- ✓ Demonstrate a strong commitment to education through regular school attendance



What else do I need to know?

Learning for Life is a partnership between your family and The Smith Family.

As a parent/guardian or caregiver, you will be committing to:

- Your children attending school regularly
- Providing a school report yearly for each child
- Returning a yearly progress report for each child
- Maintaining contact with The Smith Family



How do I apply for *Learning for Life*?

If you meet all of the above criteria and would like to apply for the *Learning for Life* program, please complete the referral form provided and return to your school.

For further information, please contact the Family Partnership Coordinator:

Ana Harris
Family Partnership Coordinator - Whyalla
Mobile: 0481 900 471
email: Ana.Harris@thesmithfamily.com.au

Learning Clubs



Providing a safe and supportive out-of-school learning environment where primary or secondary students can participate in activities that develop their academic and social skills.

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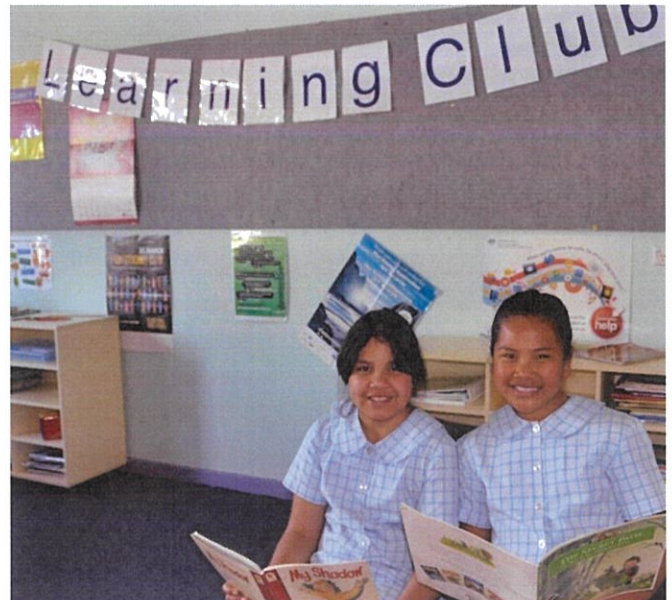
What we know

Research tells us that offering learning opportunities outside of school hours is one way to improve the learning success of students and positively influence educational and personal outcomes.

Students from low socio-economic backgrounds are more likely to be disadvantaged in the education system, which can result in poor educational outcomes.

What are Learning Clubs?

Learning Clubs provide a safe and supportive out-of-school learning environment where primary or secondary students can participate in activities that develop their academic and social skills. Clubs usually run for at least 2 terms, and children attend once



a week at no cost.

Through regular attendance at our Learning Clubs, students are able to enhance their learning and development skills. Local volunteer tutors are recruited and trained to have appropriate skills and knowledge to support Club activities.

Our Learning Clubs may differ across the country according to each community's identified needs and where the community is located. For example, some clubs provide homework support, operate after school hours and are located on school campus. Other Clubs are delivered as a community model, operating from a local community venue, with a literacy or numeracy focus.



Helping young Australians in need to build better futures through education.

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How do Learning Clubs Help?

Learning Clubs aim to increase student engagement with learning by increasing students' self-confidence and confidence in their school work. We believe this is important in motivating a child to stay in school and complete Year 12.

66.5% of teachers reported an improvement in students' engagement in school after attending a Learning Club regularly.

1.Three Towers Learning Club Report, 2012

"Even though my child has always been good with her homework she is now more into it and shows more initiative since she started attending" Parent of Learning Club student.

"When I first started to read at school, my reading was very horrible. One of the teachers wanted all the Grade 4's to read and I was only up to Level 1. Now I've practiced more and I'm up to Level 19. The Smith Family's Learning Club helped me a lot. I feel a lot more confident with reading and a whole lot more confident to be with somebody I don't know." Learning Club student.



For further information, please contact your local Learning for Life Program Coordinator.

Alicia Keilty

0427 291 419

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Learning
Clubs



Let's learn together

Join a Learning Club and learn together in a safe and supportive learning environment, outside of school hours.

WHERE: Nicolson Avenue Primary School STEM Room.....

WHEN: Mondays, 3.10-4.10pm (Starting 31st July).....

To join your local Learning Club, please contact:

PROGRAM COORDINATOR: Alicia Keilty.....

CONTACT: 0427 291 419 (alicia.keilty@thesmithfamily.com.au).....

Learning Clubs



Lets Develop a LOVE OF LEARNING!
We do activities such as STEM,
Arts & Crafts, Wellbeing, Literacy,
Numeracy and MORE...