



Term 1 Week 1
1 February 2019

ASCOT PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

R-7 SPECIALIST PHYSICAL EDUCATION & SPORT SCHOOL

Principal: Julie Hibell, Deputy Principal: Sam Kennedy

School Values

Respect • Responsibility • Excellence



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Diary Dates

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February

5	Census for student enrolment
6	World of Maths day
8	Assembly 9.10am
12	Acquaintance night / AGM
18	Student Free Day NO SCHOOL
19	Governing Council meeting TBC
20	Positive Parenting Program 6-8pm
22	Year 6/7 Aquatics
27	Positive Parenting Program 6-8pm

March

4	Swimming week
6	Positive Parenting Program 6-8pm



Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

Before School Care: 7:00-8.30am

After School Care: 3.10-6pm

Pupil Free Days: 7.00am-6pm

OSHC bookings: Ring 0413 917 590

or email ascotoshc@gmail.com

Welcome back to school for 2019 and to our new students and families, welcome to Ascot Park Primary School. I hope everyone had a lovely holiday and was able to enjoy some quality time with family and friends.

I look forward to working closely again with the Ascot Park community to ensure our students become successful learners, confident creative individuals and active informed citizens. I am committed to working together to keep moving the school forward by focussing on our school directions and priorities to achieve the best possible learning and wellbeing outcomes for our students.

Staffing update

We welcome 5 new staff this year:

- Anna-Lee Mason - year 1/2 in Learning Space 2
- Melanie Kennison - year 4/5 in Learning Space 7
- Bronwyn Gross - SSO
- Judith Dingwall - SSO
- Jo Devine – OSHC Director

I'd also like to acknowledge the great work Dave, our groundsperson accomplished whilst he was here, as unfortunately he has had to return to the UK. We have now advertised for a new groundsperson on edujobs (the department's website) so please share with anyone you know who may be interested and qualified.

Nature Play Space

Our nature play space is nearly finished and the students are getting very excited as they see the progress. When the fences come down, and before the students can play in this area, teachers will take their class out and go through the expectations and how to use each section and piece of equipment so that all students will be able to use it safely.

School enrolment census

On Monday we are required to submit our student numbers to the department which are used for funding purposes. It is important that your child attends on Monday or if they are away, that you contact the school so we don't miss out on \$\$\$!

Car park

For the safety of our students, please remember to park in the street when dropping off or picking up your child – NOT in the carpark.



External School Review

In week 10, our school will be reviewed by an external panel consisting of the Education Director, a review officer and a Principal. The aim of the review is to provide further directions to enhance school improvement and student achievement. The panel will be in the school for 3 days and will be speaking to staff, students and parents/carers. Stay tuned for more information!

Assemblies

This year our assemblies have changed to 9.10am on Wednesdays of even weeks in the hope that more parents will be able to attend. It is a great opportunity to see what the students have been up to.

Occasionally we need to change the day or time (ie week 2!) to accommodate special events happening at school but we will endeavour to let you know in advance.

Our next Assembly will be **Friday 8th February** at 9.10am in the Sports Centre! We hope to see you there.

Allergies

It is important at the start of the year to remind all families that we have students and staff who are allergic to nuts and **one student who is severely allergic to wheat, barley and rye**. Please be mindful when packing lunch boxes and do not send any nuts or food containing nuts to school. Teachers have been taking to students about allergies and being respectful and considerate to those who are affected by food allergies.



If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to catch Julie or Sam in the yard for any quick matters or make an appointment through the front office for a longer conversation.

Specialist Sport Program

The Specialist Sport Program will start in week 3 (11 February). More information including enrolment forms will be send home with students next week.



We will also be introducing a new after-school Try Sport! Program for year 1 & 2 students this year. We are very excited to extend our sporting offering and look forward to share all the details next week!

LEARN TO SPEAK ROBOT

A brand new digital thinking challenge for children in South Australia



Our school is an official Commissioner's Digital Challenge registered school so our Year 3-6 students can take part in the Challenge at school.

There are also options to take part in the Challenge at home with family or in the community for children of all ages.

Learn more at CommissionersDigitalChallenge.net.au

World of Maths

Next **Wednesday 6 February** the school is having its first incursion of the year!



Hands on Maths

Presenters from the **World of Maths** will set up in our library to showcase different maths activities and games to help our students think mathematically. It should be a fun day for all!

The cost of the program is \$3 per student which is payable to the front office.

Parents are welcome to attend, particularly for younger students (R-3), which will help students move between activities and get the most of their sessions.

Sessions times are as follows:

9.00 - 9.50: Learning Space 3 and 4
9.50- 10.50: Learning Space 2, 5 and 6
11.40- 1.10: Learning Space 3a, 7 and 10
1.30 -3.00: Learning Space 8 and 9

We look forward to a great day of learning!
Sam Kennedy and Di Johnston

Friday Specials at the Canteen

Week 2 - February 8

Homemade Sausage Roll and Fruit Smoothie

\$5.00

Halal available

\$6.00

Week 3, February 15

Fresh Fruit Salad and Ice Cream

\$4.50

