

PARA HILLS SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Week 2 Term 1 2024

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ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT REMINDER

Dear Parents/Carers,

Para Hills School would like to invite you to attend our Acquaintance Night on Tuesday 13th February from 4:30pm. This is a valuable opportunity to meet the teachers and for your children to share their classroom routines and some of the work they do during the school day.

You are invited to visit your child's class any time between 4:30pm – 5:30pm and then join us for a sausage sizzle at the playground opposite the COLA area from 5:00pm – 6:00pm. The school is providing a FREE sausage sizzle and drink. Please note that Halal sausages will also be available.



Please remember that this is not a Parent/Teacher Interview to talk about your child's progress. If you would like to speak with your child's teacher about a concern, please send them a message on class Dojo or make an alternative time to see them.

We look forward to meeting with you on Tuesday 13th February.

PUPIL FREE DAYS 2024

Friday 8th March

Friday 7th June

Thursday 5th September

Friday 6th September – School Closure day

Monday 14th October – Term 4 begins on Tuesday 15th October

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 13th February Acquaintance Night 4:30 – 5:30pm
 BBQ 5pm – 6pm

Wednesday 21st February Rm 10 Assembly 9:15am

Monday 26th February AGM – Governing Council

Wednesday 6th March Rm 6 Assembly 9:15am

Friday 8th March – Pupil Free Day

Monday 11th March Public Holiday – Adelaide Cup

Wednesday 20th March Rm 3 Assembly 9:15am

Friday 29th March Good Friday no school

Monday 1st April Easter Monday no school

Wednesday April 4th Rm 11 Assembly 9:15am

ASSEMBLY AWARDS WEEK 2 TERM 1

Rm 1	Max	Committed to demonstrating school values
Rm 1	Lilly	Being on time to school, ready for learning
Rm 2	Rida	For following classroom expectations and being engaged in the learning
Rm 2	Jackson	For following classroom expectations and being ready to learn.
Rm 3	Diksan	For setting a good example for his classmates
Rm 4	Felix	Always prepared for the school day
Rm 4	Skylar	Positive start to Term 1
Rm 5	Corey	Being happy & settling in well to starting school
Rm 5	Amira	Positive start in room 5 & happily coming to school
Rm 6	Jason	Completing all activities to the best of his ability
Rm 6	Korra	Setting herself up for a successful year
Rm 8	Vincent	Being ready to tackle new learning and successfully following all instructions
Rm 8	Ava	Showing respect to everyone during all learning times
Rm 9	Deondre	For joining in and having a go at class learning
Rm 9	Natanim	Having a positive start to Para Hills
Rm 10	Chloe	For a fantastic start at Para hills
Rm 10	Jack	For always being ready to learn
Rm 11	Jackson	A positive start to Para Hills School
Rm 11	Jayden	A successful transition to rm 11
Rm 12	Leopold	Being brave & settling in rm 12
Rm 12	Aleisha	Co-operating with students in rm 12
Rm 13	Elijah	For being brave & starting Reception
Rm 13	Navreet	For being brave & starting Reception
Rm 15	Nivein	For respecting his peers & learning environment, as we settle into the school year
Rm 15	Olivia	For coming to school with a positive mindset & always ready to learn

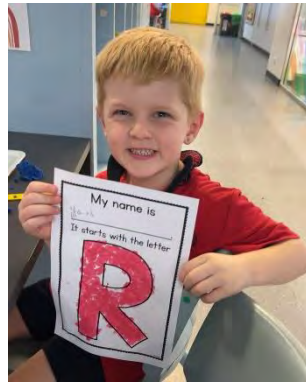


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Starting School

This year we have welcomed 39 new Receptions to our school in Room 12 and 13. They have had so much fun settling into school life.



SPECIALISTS TEACHERS NEWSLETTER

Health and PE – Dylan Smith



Welcome to Semester One of Health and PE. I am beyond excited to be back working in the Physical Education and Health Space this year, and I am committed to offering the best possible learning experiences for our amazing cohort. For those of you that are new to the school this year, welcome to our community my name is Dylan Smith.

I am hugely passionate about Health, Fitness and Wellbeing, and am motivated towards passing this love on to students of all interests, skill levels and backgrounds.

In 2024 I will be working across the Junior Primary years to build on our already solid fundamental movement skill base. Students will also work on developing their fine and gross motor skills and work towards involvement in various small collaborative and competitive games that require elements of problem solving and teamwork.

I am very pleased to announce that this year Para Hills will be partnering with the Move Learn Grow program. The MLG program has been developed with evidence based, best practice OT and PE techniques delivering significant improvements in children's neurological development. More information will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Middle and Upper Primary students will begin the year by focusing on movement and the revision of a variety of crucial fundamental movement skills in the Department for Education's units 'People in Motion' and 'Dribblers'. We will also continue our involvement in the Dance, Gymnastics, Swimming, and SAPSSA programs we attended last year.

School wide, all students will be engaging with the Child Protection Curriculum, unpacking several Health, Community and Personal Safety topics. I am looking forward to another wonderful year of learning and growth at Para Hills School.

Digital Technologies - Brooke Billett



Throughout Term 1, the Junior Primary and Pre-school will be using a literacy and maths focussed curriculum while learning basic computer and iPad skills like logging on and off, using and co-ordinating a mouse and navigating through programs and apps. We will be using a range of drawing programs to record and communicate ideas and understandings.

The middle and upper primary classes will be learning about the importance of cyber safety, internet bullying and privacy and security. They will be watching a range of videos, using online games and scenarios to expand upon and show their understanding. Classes will also be using Canva to create posters and presentations on these topics.

Auslan – Victoria Pascale



This term in Auslan (Australian Sign Language), new students will be introduced to numbers and letters (fingerspelling) and begin to develop their fine motor skills and confidence using their hands to create signs, whilst other students will be revisiting these areas.

Adding on from this, all students will learn how to interact with others using greetings for example, hello, how are you? See you later! Good morning. As well as asking and answering questions such as, When is your birthday? What is your favourite sport? Furthermore, using everyday social exchanges such as thanking, apologising, expressing wishes or congratulations for example, thank you for helping me and I'm sorry, it was an accident. Lastly, introducing themselves or a friend to class visitors, for example, hello, my name is Mrs Pascale and this is my sign name. The students and I are all excited to learn and develop these new communication skills throughout this year.

Art – Akaysha Hill



Hi Para Hills School Community! My name is Akaysha Hill and I am thrilled to be teaching the Arts for 2024. This year, students will be exposed to numerous experiences and opportunities to broaden and showcase their artistic abilities. The Arts learning area will incorporate Aboriginal perspectives and ideas, and as an Aboriginal person, I am excited to be able to share my knowledge and passion about my culture with the students this year.

This semester in the Arts, I will be covering 2 different areas with the students, in alignment with the Australian Curriculum. The semester will be divided as follows:

- Term 1: Visual Arts
- Term 2: Media Arts

In Term 1, Para Hills students will use a variety of skills and materials to create and display artworks, including paints, watercolours and oil pastels. The Junior Primary classes will focus on developing fine motor skills through manipulation of art resources. They will explore and make connections related to their own visual arts experiences and those in their community. The Upper Primary classes will experiment with a range of ways to use visual arts processes and materials. They will communicate ideas and perspectives by sharing their artworks with their peers.

In Term 2, all Para Hills students will use media and technology to explore and produce artworks, including Laptops and iPads. The Junior Primary classes will identify and describe where they experience media arts in their community. The Upper Primary classes will use media languages to communicate and create artworks, and share these using responsible media practices.

I look forward to teaching your child and guiding them to develop their artistic capabilities this year! 😊



Adelaide North Transport Study

We are undertaking a transport study for the northern Adelaide inner and outer suburbs to inform future transport planning and investment in the region.

The study will consider key issues and opportunities to improve transport, such as road safety and efficiency, and its ability to support liveability, and population and economic growth.

We are seeking feedback via an online survey to further understand local insights and key issues to inform the study.



Have your say

Scan the QR code for more information and to provide your input via a survey until 3 March 2024.

Register your interest to receive project updates and have your say:

dit.sa.gov.au/AdelNorthTS
DIT.Engagement@sa.gov.au
 1300 794 880



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CROSSING MONITORS Term 1 2024

Week	8:25–8:50am 2:50–3:15pm	Williamson Crossing
3	12/2/24– 16/2/24	Rm 2 Harmony, Abiel, Eduard
4	19/2/24 – 23/2/24	Rm 4 Skylar, Jacob, Felicity

BREAKFAST CLUB

Every student is invited to our breakfast club!

When: Every School Day 8.30am - 8.50am

Where: Downstairs STEM Kitchen Area

What: Toast with spreads, milk and fruit.



Children that eat a healthy breakfast are happy, friendly, are able to concentrate and have a much greater ability to learn. *Let's have a healthy start to everyday! Come join us!*

PARA HILLS HIGH SCHOOL

OPEN NIGHT

WEDNESDAY 6 MARCH

4.00pm to 7.00pm

We can't wait to meet you!

Come and join us to explore our hidden gems! We are a small and friendly school that takes pride in every student achieving their personal best. Our community has high expectations and big aspirations.



PARA HILLS FOOTBALL CLUB

The Paddocks Oval
Bridge Road
Para Hills

JUNIOR PLAYERS WELCOME 2024



Junior Football Director: Travis Frederick 0480 133 360
 Junior Coordinator: Michael Cummins 0414 360 503
 Vice Chairman: Bryan Hulmes 0481 382 482
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On field and off-field success.

Junior Premiers : 1984 U15, 1985 U13, 1986 U14, 1987 U10 & U13, 1988 U11 & U15, 2000 U16, 2011 U16, 2018 U12, 2022 U15, 2023 U14.

MODBURY HIGH SCHOOL
FINEM RESPICE

OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 29 FEBRUARY

Principals Address 5.30pm
Tours commence 5.45 – 8pm

Register Interest – www.modburyhs.sa.edu.au