Only 3 weeks until camp!

This year’s camp is at Woodhouse Activity Centre in the Adelaide Hills. The departure date is Wednesday the 16th of November and we will return on Friday the 18th.

Some exciting activities that we have planned include:
- St Kilda Beach Playground
- SA Aquatic Centre
- Challenge Hill
- Laser Skirmish
- Farm Barn
- Strawberry Picking
- Latitude

The cost is just $80 per student. Thank you to most families that have already paid. If you are yet to pay, can you please organise payment to the school by the 2nd of November.

School Payments
Blanchetown Primary accepts payment via electronic funds transfer. Our bank details are:
Account: Blanchetown Primary School Council INC Consolidated Account
BSB Number: 105-048
Account Number: 201 298 140
Remittance: roslyn.hahn210@schools.sa.edu.au
Welcome back to term 4, I hope everyone had a great holiday break.

**SA Museum Visit to Blanchetown Primary School**
This Tuesday, we are very fortunate to have the SA Museum coming to run workshops at our school. They will be here from the morning to recess time.

The topics that they will cover include:
- Animal Adaptations
- Cyanotypes
- Amulet Making
- Frogs
- Birds

**Sun Safety**
As part of our Sun-Smart policy all students are expected to wear hats in term 1 and 4. Hats can be purchased from the front office: Broad brimmed hats are $7.15 and Bucket hats are $11.55.

**School Pool**
The school pool is up and running! Students may have the opportunity to swim on days that are over 30 Degrees Celsius. We will endeavor to let you know the day prior, if we are planning on going swimming, however as a general rule, if it is over 30, please send your child’s swimming gear.

Please remember to bring bathers, t-shirt (rash vest preferable), towel, goggles (optional) and lifejacket (if required). Students that are unable to touch at the shallow end will need to wear a life jacket.

**Music Workshop**
This Monday 31st of October at 12:45, Chris from ‘The Emu Tree’ has designed a 45-minute music workshop devoted to developing confidence, engagement and creative expression, students will experience and participate in many different activities during this fast paced highly interactive session.

For more information about this workshop, you can visit his page:


**PCW Funding**
Blanchetown Primary School will receive funding from The National School Chaplaincy Program in 2017 and 2018, this will allow us to have a Pastoral Care Worker (PCW) at our school.

The application for funding included approval from the Governing Council and many positive responses about our PCW, from the term 1 survey.

The main role of the PCW is to support the social and emotional wellbeing of our students and the school community.

**PCW News**
Welcome to term 4 everyone! Last term of the school year and Christmas will be upon us before we know it. I am very glad to be back into the swing of things after being away. Samuel and I had a beautiful wedding and a very relaxing honeymoon in Vanuatu.

Once again I will be including a parent fact sheet with each school newsletter. While all of them may not apply to your children I hope that you do find some of the information helpful.

This week the fact sheet is called Pester Power.

I know I have no experience in this area at all but if you would like any further information on this topic please don’t hesitate to contact me. I have a large range of resources and information that you may find useful.

Hope you have a fantastic week.

Mrs S / Erin

You can come in and see me on Thursdays 9.00am – 2.30pm or Fridays 9.00am – 3.30pm.

**Christmas Hamper**
Again this year we will be putting together our annual Christmas Hamper. We are seeking donations of items to fill the hamper. Items can include anything Christmas related, tins or jars of food, tissues, napkins, toys, non-perishable food items etc.

All donations will be greatly appreciated. Let’s make this a prize worth winning!!

Raffle Books will be sent home in the next few weeks. Tickets will be $1.00 each and the prize/s will be drawn at our school concert.
This term, our Parents and Friends Committee are providing a ‘Healthy Lunch’ option for all students. The service will be available at lunchtime every second Thursday, in the odd school weeks. The next Healthy Lunch is next Thursday, 3rd October (Wk3) and will be catered by Jodi Lambe.

Community Notices

Waikerie Swimming Club (The Orcas)
Interested in swimming? Improve your style and technique, keep fit and become a confident and competent swimmer

Free Come and Try
November 7th, 9th and 14th
Training 4 -5 pm
Must be able to swim 50m competently

Competition Dates - Fri 18th Nov (Berri), Fri 16th Dec (Rnmk), Sat 3rd Dec (Waik), Fri 30th Dec (Lxtn), Fri 27th Jan (Waik)

For further information contact Tanya Johnson 0409 308 920 or Email: waikerieswimmingclub@gmail.com

• Please find attached: Murraylands APEX Mannum Fun run & Walk Flyer