





# **Northfield Primary School**

WORKING TOGETHER FOR A QUALITY EDUCATION

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## **IMPORTANT DIARY DATES**

Monday, 5th - Thursday 8th February

Swimming - Year 3-5

Friday, 9th - Friday 16th February

Swimming - Rec - Year 2

Tuesday, 13th February

- AusKick Clinic Rec Year 2
- Acquaintance Evening
- Annual General Meeting

#### Thursday, 29th February

• Pupil Free Day - School Only

#### Friday, 1st March

SAPSASA Swimming Trials

#### Tuesday, 5th March

Rugby Clinics - Year 3-6

#### Wednesday, 6th March

SAPSASA District Swimming Carnival

### Monday, 11th March

Public Holiday - Adelaide Cup Day

#### Tuesday, 12th March

Rugby Clinics - Year 3-6

# Principal's Message

It is with great excitement that I welcome our families and staff to the 2024 school year. Teachers have worked hard during the holidays setting up classrooms and planning for a productive start. Classrooms look fantastic, they are calm, organised and welcoming learning spaces.



Wednesday's staff professional learning was all about teaching

spelling and morphology. We are looking forward to seeing our students' growth in this area which then leads onto growth in reading.

We also continue our journey in Maths and will be working with our Maths' Coach, Karly again this year.

Our specialist teaching areas are Physical Education, Science, Performing Arts and Technology. We are proud of the opportunities we offer our students and enjoy being part of their education.

This year we welcome current staff to new roles and new staff to our school.

Donna Beaney, Principal

# **Kids Helpline**

Kids Helpline is Australia's only free (even from a mobile), confidential 24/7 online and phone counselling service for young people aged 5 to 25.

If you need to speak to a counsellor, call 1800 55 1800, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

https://kidshelpline.com.au





Andrea Jones
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Kieran Moors Technology Leader



Michelle Bright Preschool Teacher



Kelly Bria Reception Teacher



Lenka Hill Reception Teacher



Caitlin Bowman Year 3/4 Teacher



Jordan Nasra Year 5 Teacher



Tennessee Coulthard Year 5/6 Teacher



Sinead Jason Performing Arts Teacher



Sonia Paris Autism Inclusion Teacher



Laraine Webber SSO



Lynette Harris SSO



Talisha Todd SSO



# **Annual General Meeting**

## **Tuesday 13 February 2024**

Please join us while we share our whole school plans for 2024, 5:10-6:00pm in the Library. Playground supervision of children will be provided by teachers.

## AGM Agenda:

- Acknowledgement of Country
- Welcome from Principal (Donna Beaney) and Annual Report
- Introduction and Roles & Responsibilities from the Leadership Team
- Pastoral Care Worker (Nick Dodd) & ACEO (Josie Warrior)
- School Council Donna & Celeste Badcock (Chair Person Governing Council)
- Budget
- Voting of nominated council members

# **Acquaintance Evening**

## Tuesday 13 February 2024

Classrooms will be open from 4 - 5:00pm for parents to meet teachers. Children are welcome to show their parents around the classroom and share their learning.

This is a 'meet and greet classroom walkthrough' between teachers and families. Families will be invited to interviews in week 9 Term 2, this is also when written reports will be handed out.

Please note that Room 7 will have a different Acquaintance Evening session. Room 7's session will be on Wednesday 28/2 at 3:15 - 3:45pm

## The Peace Code At Home

At Northfield Primary School we provide an inclusive education that promotes excellence and equity for all learners, developing them to become confident, creative and resilient, successful lifelong learners and active and respectful informed members of their community.

Northfield Primary School is dedicated to building a positive community which is based on respectful relationships and a sense of belonging and inclusion.

Following the Peace Code assists us all to create safety in and out of the classroom, establish peaceful settings in which to live our daily lives, provide strategies, tools and techniques to create peaceful relationships and peaceful ways to interact with others.

We expect all members of our community to follow the Peace Code on school grounds.

We encourage you to use this language at home to create consistency between school and home.



# **Peace Code Values**

- 1. Care For Myself And Others Helping and assisting others, being neat and tidy, being active, accepting differences, looking after belongings, caring for ourselves (personal health, hygiene, nutrition, diet, safety).
- 2. **Do The Right Thing** Following the Peace Code, being prepared, getting myself ready, tidying up my mess, Having safe hands and feet, positive approach, having clear expectations.
- 3. **Speak Kindly** Good manners, giving compliments and praising others, using a peaceful or calm voice, using peaceful language. Saying positive things about others. Praise, compliment, support and encourage. Eliminate negative language (patronising, condescending, rude, insulting or sarcastic).
- 4. **Find Help** Sharing my feelings with someone I trust, listening to advice, asking for help. Provide a supportive, safe environment.
- 5. **Turn Things Around** Choosing to follow the Peace Code, planning to make things better and doing it, forgiving and forgetting. The realisation of the choices he/she has made, being accountable, making change.
- 6. **Be Brave** Being honest with myself and others, speaking up, being myself and standing up for myself, accepting the consequences for my actions, being proud of my successes (and building on them), For every individual to be respected regardless of ability, colour of skin, gender, culture or religion.
- 7. **Be a Peacemaker -** Using peaceful language, listening to others, accepting responsibility, understands emotions and feelings, patient and likes to be a problem solver, persistent and has respect amongst their peers, clear communicator, honest, a leader.



# APPA THRIVE WITH 5

PLAY TALK READ EAT WELL AND SLEEP

READINESS FOR LEARNING IS A MAJOR INFLUENCE ON FUTURE SUCCESS. APPA ENCOURAGES PARENTS TO FOCUS ON FIVE KEY WAYS THAT GIVE THEIR CHILDREN A GREAT OPPORTUNITY TO DO WELL IN LEARNING.



Make time to play with your child, including outside and inside play. Play develops key motor skills like running, balancing, throwing and catching. Play helps develop game skills as children follow instructions, take turns, share with others and build resilience. As well as having fun, children increase fitness, muscle strength and flexibility, and enhance their creativity and imagination.



Talk with your children to build their speaking and language skills. Through conversations they increase word vocabulary, pronounce words better, understand instructions, and develop imagination and knowledge about the world around them. We know that by developing oral language skills we lay strong foundations which help children learn to read.



Reading with, and to, your child sets up attitudes and behaviours for later learning. Modelling reading, too, influences your child's reading habits. Reading is more than books; it's reading the packaging on a breakfast box, the signs and notices around us and the stories your children write. Through books, children boost their imagination, creativity and knowledge.



When children eat well they have energy for learning and play. They concentrate better and achieve more. Limiting your child's sugar intake, drinking water rather than soft drinks and ensuring plenty of fresh food sets up the right habits for later in life. Eating well yourself is the best way to influence your child's attitude to eating.



Children need sleep to give their body and mind a chance to rest and grow. Limiting screen time and putting in place routines and behaviours for a good night's sleep, will see your child more alert and ready for the day. Model the behaviour you want by turning off your screens and ensuring you get enough sleep.

