



Government
of South Australia

Department for Education

DATES TO REMEMBER

Face to Face learning resumes:

Monday 14th
February

Adelaide Cup Day:

Monday 14th March

Last day of term:

Thursday 14th April
Early Dismissal 2:10

Newsletter

Welcome to 2022

Dear Community,

Thank you for your support and patience over the last few weeks while we got everything sorted. It has been a double whammy for us moving into the new building in week 0 and hopping straight into online learning! I am pleased to say we have pulled it off.

The new learning space is fabulous! We are so excited to share this with you once we return to normal. Over the next few weeks we have some defects to get repaired and the building will be ready for full occupation from 14th February onwards. We have some ongoing issues with the phone system so if your call is not answered please try again and in the event you cant get anyone please email dl.0285.info@schools.sa.edu.au

If you need to come into the main building to see one of our admin team we ask that you come in via the entrance on the asphalt, use the internal stairs, turn right at the top of the staircase and walk towards the lift. This will take you into reception. Please use the QR code on the door as you enter reception.

Usually in the first few weeks of school we have a community event, acquaintance night and we have sports day. At this stage these events are going to be put on hold pending further advice from the department. We will keep smiling and keep you posted as we receive further information, See you all on 14th Feb! Kind regards, Miss Jo

Our Leadership Team for 2022



Rhi Peate,(Inclusion Coordinator) Amberley Horder (Deputy)
Jo Simpson (Principal),Sally Turra (Well-Being Leader),
and Naomi Smyth (Early Years Coordinator).
Absent: Catherine Baldacino (Inclusion Coordinator)

Principal: Jo Simpson

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Introducing new teaching staff

A big warm Mount Barker welcome to two new teaching staff.



Hello everyone! My name is Chad Rathjen and I have been teaching for 7 years at a small special school in Adelaide. I am very excited to be part of the team in Mount Barker and am looking forward to meeting you all.

Chad is teaching in room 20.



Hello Mount Barker Community! My name is Catherine Rollings and I am super excited to be joining this wonderful school in 2022. I have been teaching for 7 years and love working with children. I can't wait to meet everyone and continue on this journey.

Kathleen is teaching in a year 2/3.

COVID impacts

As with all workforces we will be impacted by COVID during the months ahead and we ask for your understanding when regular teachers are absent. We will communicate with classes as needed. If you are not receiving emails via the MBPS_Parents email group please contact the school office to have your details checked. SeeSaw is a fantastic tool for communicating with teachers and I encourage you to download the app and make the relevant connections.

If a staff member or student tests positive and your child is identified as a classroom or close contact then we will be in contact with you. If your child tests positive at any time during the school year please let us know as a matter of urgency.

A sneak peak!

