



Some photos from the Primary Chapel Easter Performance held last term. Photographs taken by Year 6 student Elias D.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Welcome back to school for Term 2. We hope that you were able to enjoy some rest over the term break and that your children are refreshed and ready for learning. We began our term with our teachers doing a deep dive into the new Australian Curriculum and how we can best implement the changes over the next few years. The changes bring opportunity to place importance of the development of the whole child and the building of capabilities rather than just focus on the content knowledge of subjects. Bringing wellbeing to the centre of learning and seeing that the world is changing, means our education will also need to change to help our children to thrive. This is not a new journey for us at Bethany and we are looking forward to walking with you for the time your children are learning with us.

Next week we will hold our Mother's Day stall for children to buy a special gift for mother figures in their lives. Please see the advertisement in this newsletter for details. Our Year 1 and Year 2 students have swimming lessons and so if you have any questions about that, please speak to your class teacher. Our Year 6 students also head off on camp. This is always a wonderful way to develop stronger relationships and try some new things that can't easily be done on a school campus. These experiences are very important times for building resilience, teamwork, empathy, and bring a lot of fun. It is wonderful to have the freedom to return to these important events after the interruption of the past 3 years.

We have our school photograph day on Thursday 1st June. On this day we ask all students to wear their blue winter school uniform. I will remind you that the uniform policy is listed in the front of your child's school diary for your information.

On June the 9th we have a Pupil Free day for students. This is prior to the June long weekend. OSHC is available on this day if your children require care.

There will be many other learning opportunities and celebrations throughout this term which we hope you will see growth in many different ways, and I look forward to sharing them with you.

I pray that you will experience the confident hope that we can know because of our faith in a God who loves and cares for us. We continue to pray for you and your family.

God bless,

Wendy Matear

Principal

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

Then the LORD told me: "I will give you my message in the form of a vision. Write it clearly enough to be read at a glance."

Habakkuk 2:2

DEPUTY'S CORNER

Welcome back from the school break! It has been delightful to hear the students talking about all of the wonderful things they did over their school holiday and to see them excited to begin a new term.

Winter Uniform

In Term 2 and 3 our students are wearing their winter uniform. Our uniform shop is open each Wednesday and Friday from 8.15am – 10.30am. Uniform can also be purchased online via the School Locker website and collected from the Administration Front Desk or have it delivered to your home. For all of the details of the winter uniform, please see your child's diary.

The Importance of School

Every child in Australia has not only the right to an education, but it is unlawful for them to be prevented from coming to school. It is a legal obligation for parents to enrol a child into a school. Being an active, *present* member of a school community helps develop critically important social and emotional skills, connectivity with a community and academic growth. There is a significant amount of research to support the need of consistent attendance at school, which includes the findings that school absenteeism is cumulative, and it can have an impact on academic success and school attendance in the latter years of school (Hancock et al, 2013; Zubrick, 2014).

Any child who misses school must have an authorised absence. This is because there is a very strong link between student attendance and a child's academic achievement, and the more absences a child has increases the impact of their learning. In short, "every day counts and there is no 'safe' threshold for absences" (Hancock et al. 2013). As a school, we are required by law to report our attendance statistics. There are three instances where ongoing absences are formally authorised via educational forms:

- [ED175 A](#) (for family vacations for **15+ days**);
- [ED175 B](#) (for **short term** of up to 4 weeks absences due to disability, behaviour, health or medical reasons); or
- [ED175 C](#) (for exemptions for a period **greater than 12 months** for an overseas exchange, participation in elite sports or full-time non-school education.

These forms can be collected at our Administration Front Desk upon request. Once they are filled in, they are then submitted to the Principal for official authorisation. The applications must include a plan of getting the child back to full time school attendance within a 4 week period. Filling in the form does not automatically approve your child's absence, as this is at the Principal's discretion.

In short, no absence is considered unimportant. Your child's whole education is vitally important, as there is a direct correlation to their future academic and employment success (AITSL, 2019). If you are having difficulties getting your child to school or your child is reluctant to come to school, we strongly encourage you to speak to your child's teacher or a member of the Wellbeing Team. We are here to help.

I wish you a wonderful start back after the school break, and I am praying you and your family stay warm and well this term.

God bless you,

Deb Clifford

Deputy Principal

Leadership Limited: <https://www.aitsl.edu.au/tools-resources/resource/spotlight-attendance-matters>

Hancock, K. J., Shepherd, C. C., Lawrence, D., & & Zubrick, S. R. (2013). *Student attendance and educational outcomes: Every day counts*. Canberra: Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

HIGHLIGHTS

HEALTH CARE

Dear Parents/Caregiver,

Welcome to term two.

Swimming- Week 2 is swimming week for our Year 1's and 2's.

I would like to remind you of the following.

- Eczema and Swimming - if your child suffers from eczema which gets worsened by swimming, please talk to the teacher or to the school nurse who would be able to help you to come up with a care plan to help your child to enjoy swimming.
- As usual the school will pack the medication that has already been provided to the school.
- Please make sure to check your child's hair for headlice before the swimming event.
- If your child is not feeling well, please keep your child at home and notify the school.
- As per the swimming centre policy, you must not swim for 2 weeks after gastro symptoms have ceased.
- For more information about swimming centre policies please visit the below link
<https://parafieldgardensswimschool.com.au/contact-us/our-policies>

Camp Medication - The year 6's are having their camp in week 2 Wednesday to Friday. The school will pack the medication that has been provided to the school. However, if your child is on any regular medication that needs to be administered in the evening, night or in the morning, please provide the medication along with a **Doctor's note by Monday Week 2**. All medications including over the counter medication/herbal medications need to have a **Doctor's note**.

Medication Policy at school

- If your child needs to be on any medication at school, please provide the school with the required medication along with the current Management Plan.
- Medication can only be administered with a Doctor's prescription and with a Management Plan.
- All student medical management plans are updated annually.
- All medications need to be labelled and provided to the school office by the parent/caregiver along with a Doctor's authorisation letter/plan at the beginning of the year.
- Out-of-date medicines will not be administered.
- Please ensure all medications are given to a member of staff for safe storage.
- Students are not allowed to keep any medication in their bags including over the counter medication.
- More information can be found on our website.

Raising a responsible student

One of the rights at school we follow is 'The Right to Learn'. Parent's are the most valuable teachers in our student's life to teach them how to be responsible in their day-to-day activities. We are finding quite a few students forgetting to bring in their essential school things such as red folder, library folder, iPad, drink bottle, lunch box, sport items, school projects and so on. As a school we are always looking for the opportunity to teach and guide our students. Some of the things you can do to support your children are:

- Have a little reminder card on their school bag or on the fridge to remind them what they need to pack for the day.
- Teach them to pack their school bag the day before school so it is ready for the next day.
- Have a practice at home on how to pack their school bag.
- Reward charts for being prepared to get ready for school on time with all their belongings.

- We encourage you to speak to your child's classroom teacher to assist you with support if you would like some guidance with strategies to help your child.

We will endeavor to ensure your child receives their items as soon as possible. The process once an item has been dropped off is:

- email the appropriate teacher.
- the teacher, at their earliest convenience, will send your child to collect their items from the Student Services Office.

Please understand our teachers are very busy teaching your children and will do the above when appropriate.


Thank you.

God bless you,

Priya Wilson

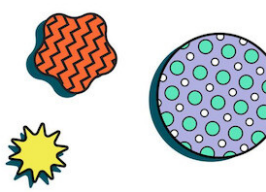
School Nurse

CAMP AUSTRALIA



Guiding children's growth

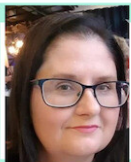
Your Outside School Hours Care at Bethany Christian School



Join in the fun at **Bethany Christian School** Outside School Hours Care!

At *Your OSHC* we give children a supportive space to continue their development, build confidence and socialise with their friends. In any one week, children could be participating in science experiments, active play, creative expression and more.

Our exciting and varied *Rocketeer's* programs ensure that your child has the best school holidays. Any given day could see your child competing in a sport carnival, cooking up a storm, experimenting with science and getting hands-on with construction.




Get to know **Rachel** with these fun facts.

- Rachel's favourite colour is green
- Rachel enjoys word games
- Spending time with her family

Rachel has been working with children for around 5 years in this time Rachel has built relationships with children from age 4-12 years. Rachel has a diploma in children's services and is looking forward to working with the school community and families to learn about the children's interest's, to help plan interesting fun activities with them.


Visits Welcome


Please feel free to stop by the program with your children to meet the team and see what happens in our great program each school day.



Your OSHC.


Tailored Out of School Hours experiences your children will love





ROCKETEERS

Extraordinary Holiday Adventures with Rocketeers



Registration is free

To register and book, visit us at www.campastralia.com.au and use the school finder on our homepage to search for @Model.PrimaryServiceName.

To attend *Your OSHC* or *Rocketeers*, you first need to register your child and book. We recommend families to register so that if you ever need us, we have all the information and documentation we need to best care for your child.

To register, visit campastralia.com.au

[New Coordinator Rachel Linford 1.pdf](#)

Hello my name is Rachel. I am the new coordinator with Camp Australia here at Bethany Christian School. I look forward to getting to know all of you. I am new to this role and still learning, so please be patient with me as I get to know families. Thank you and see you all soon!

PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the following students who have completed the Premier's Reading Challenge.

4NL	4W
Ashiwei A	Zafia T
	Claire K
	Jaden C

PREMIER'S BE ACTIVE CHALLENGE

Congratulations to the following student who has completed the Premier's Be Active Challenge.

6W
Diego T

COMMUNITY NEWS

MOTHER'S DAY STALL



MOTHER'S
day
STALL

In Week 2 of Term 2, Bethany Christian School
will host a two day Mother's Day Stall.

When: Thursday 11th of May &
Friday 12th of May 2023

Time: Your child's class will be allocated two
time slots during learning times

Where: Function Room **Cost:** 50c-\$15

(please ensure your child's money
is brought to school in a name
labelled zip locked bag and
given to the classroom teacher
on arrival)

STALL CLOSED DURING BREAK TIMES,
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL

PLAYGROUP



BASE CHURCH WELCOME PARTY



BASE CHURCH
WELCOME TO AUSTRALIA

WELCOME PARTY

you are invited

27 MAY 2023 | 3:00PM

BCS CAMPUS 37 COUNTESS ST PARALOWIE SA
RSVP ARLENE 0411299475
EDMUND 0434248953

SPORTS NEWS

REPRESENTATIVE SPORTS | ATHLETICS REPORT



Squad List | Captains - Lucca M and Wynter D

Abimbola A, Amelia J, Annabel J, Arizona G, Ashton S, Cohen F, Cooper C, Daniella Y, Deng A, Elias N, Elijah L, Elijah Y, Elise B, Emily D, Ethan L, Giuliana G, Hannah Mc, Harveer B, Isaleli T-F, Isla F, Jacob M, Jacob N, Jensen B, Kuch K, Liam H, Lilia M, Lucca M, Nhial M-Y, Nyok M, Riley B, Rory H, Saleisha B, Samantha C, Samantha Ch, Sienna M, Skye M, Sophie S, Stella R, Tyler M, Wynter D, Zoey G

Staff

Mr B Hannaford, Mr N Grieger, Mr A Peterson, Mr S Traeger, Mrs R Curtis

A beautiful sunny day greeted our squad as we headed to SA Athletics Stadium at Mile End on Friday, 14th April for the SACSAs Athletics Carnival. Bethany competed in Division 2, and placed **3rd** from **6 participating** schools.

The team competed throughout the day in discus, shot put, high jump, long jump, sprints, distance runs and relays. We are so proud of all of our students. They gave their best effort in each event they competed in and many walked away with ribbons and/or a Personal Best result in their events.

On the day the Bethany team was awarded 17 First Place, 16 Second Place and 9 Third Places Ribbons! Well done everyone.

Special mention goes to Nhial Magot-Yuang who broke the SACSAs 11 Boys High Jump Record with a jump of 1.45m

There was a lot of great sportsmanship shown throughout the day as students encouraged each other and celebrated achievements together. We finished the day with 3rd place in our division - a brilliant outcome and a great way to finish the term.

Congratulations to all of the team on a fantastic day!

BROKEN SCHOOL RECORDS

Age	Event	Name	Record
9 Year Old Female	400m	Elise B	1.24.10mins
9 Year Old Male	70m	Ashton S	11.06sec
11 Year Old Male	High Jump	Nhial M-Y	1.45m

WEEKLY SPORTS

WEEKLY BASKETBALL | REC - YR 6

Bethany Christian School offers a Weekly Basketball program. This is a user pay program staffed by approved volunteer coaches, with compulsory weekly after school trainings held at BCS

There are two seasons per year

Winter Season - Terms 2 and 3 | Summer Season - Terms 4 and then 1

Age Groups as follows (must be 5 yrs old)

U08s mixed | U10s mixed | U12 Boys | U12 Girls

Saturday games are generally at the following recreation centers

Golden Grove | Burragah | Turramurra | Ingle Farm | The ARC



[Nomination Link](#)

WEEKLY NETBALL | REC - YR 6

Bethany Christian School offers a Weekly Netball program. This is a user pay program staffed by approved volunteer coaches, with compulsory weekly after school trainings held at BCS

There are two seasons per year

S1 Season - Terms 1 and Two | S2 Season - Terms 2 and 4

Age Groups as follows (must be 5 yrs old)

U08s mixed | U10s mixed | Under 12s mixed

Saturday games are at the The Gardens Recreation Centre.



[Nomination Link](#)

MATCH RESULTS | WEEKLY SPORTS

SATURDAY 15|04

Sport	Team	Opponent	Coach's Pick	Match Result		
Netball	U08 Golden Stars	Lightning Blitz1	Harper F	Not Scored		
Netball	U10 Wild Stars	Renegades Silver	Amity C	L	0	6
Netball	U10 Bright Stars	Bulldogs 1	Ariana D	L	6	15

WEEKLY INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES

Date	Event
Monday 1st May	Pupil Free Day
Thursday 4th May	ELC Hearing Screening
Friday 5th May	SACSA Cross Country
Monday 8th May	Swimming Lesson Week for Year 1 and 2 Commences
Monday 8th May	ELC Hearing Screening
Wednesday 10th May	ELC Hearing Screening
Wednesday 10th May - Friday 12th May	Year 6 Camp
Thursday 11th May and Friday 12th May	Mother's Day Stall
Monday 29th May	Reconciliation Week
Tuesday 30th May	SACSA Soccer Carnival Year 3 and 4
Wednesday 31st May	SACSA Soccer Carnival Year 5 and 6
Wednesday 31st May	Dusty Feet Mob Performance during Chapel
Thursday 1st June	School Photos
Friday 9th June	Pupil Free Day
Monday 12th June	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 13th June	Year 3 Excursion
Wednesday 21st June - Friday 23rd June	Year 5 Camp
Monday 3rd July	Swimming Lesson Week for Year 5 and 6 Commences
Monday 3rd July	NAIDOC Week

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

Wednesday	8.15 to 10.30 am
Friday	8.15 to 10.30 am

PE TIMETABLE

ELC	Monday to Friday
RHD	Wednesday and Thursday
RH	Tuesday and Thursday
RM	Tuesday and Thursday
1D	Tuesday and Wednesday
1P	Wednesday and Thursday
1TC	Wednesday and Thursday
2R	Tuesday and Thursday
2WC	Tuesday and Wednesday
2Z	Tuesday and Wednesday
3HR	Monday and Thursday
3ME	Tuesday and Wednesday
3MO	Tuesday and Friday
4GT	Monday and Friday
4NL	Tuesday and Friday
4W	Monday and Friday
5K	Monday and Friday
5RT	Tuesday and Wednesday
5T	Tuesday and Thursday
6SC	Tuesday and Wednesday
6T	Tuesday and Friday
6W	Monday and Thursday

SCHOOL TERMS 2023

Term 1	Monday 6th February to Friday 14th April
Term 2	Tuesday 2nd May to Friday 7th July
Term 3	Tuesday 25th July to Friday 29th September
Term 4	Monday 16th October to Wednesday 13th December

TIMETABLE OF EVENTS TERM 2, 2023

Bethany Christian School Timetable of Events - Term 2, 2023



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1	1 st May Pupil Free Day	2 nd May	3 rd May	4 th May ELC Hearing Screening	5 th May SACSA Cross Country
Week 2	8 th May Swimming Lessons Yr 1 & 2 ELC Hearing Screening	9 th May Swimming Lessons Yr 1 & 2	10 th May Year 6 Camp Swimming Lessons Yr 1 & 2 ELC Hearing Screening	11 th May Mother's Day Stall Year 6 Camp Swimming Lessons Yr 1 & 2	12 th May Mother's Day Stall Year 6 Camp Swimming Lessons Yr 1 & 2
Week 3	15 th May	16 th May	17 th May	18 th May	19 th May
Week 4	22 nd May	23 rd May	24 th May	25 th May	26 th May
Week 5	29 th May Private School Tours Reconciliation Week	30 th May SACSA Soccer Yr 3/4 Reconciliation Week	31 st May SACSA Soccer Yr 5/6 "Dusty Feet Mob Performance" Reconciliation Week	1 st June School Photos Reconciliation Week	2 nd June Reconciliation Week
Week 6	5 th June Private School Tours	6 th June	7 th June	8 th June	9 th June Pupil Free Day Camp Australia Open ELC OPEN
Week 7	12 th June King's Birthday Public Holiday	13 th June Year 3 excursion	14 th June	15 th June	16 th June
Week 8	19 th June	20 th June	21 st June Year 5 Camp	22 nd June Year 5 Camp	23 rd June Year 5 Camp
Week 9	26 th June Private School Tours	27 th June	28 th June	29 th June	30 th June
Week 10	3 rd July Swimming Lessons Yr 5 & 6 NAIDOC Week	4 th July Swimming Lessons Yr 5 & 6 NAIDOC Week	5 th July Swimming Lessons Yr 5 & 6 NAIDOC Week	6 th July Swimming Lessons Yr 5 & 6 NAIDOC Week	7 th July Swimming Lessons Yr 5 & 6 NAIDOC Week

Open Timetable of Events - Term 2 2023.pdf (152.12 KB)

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