

2021 Home – School Communication Information

In 2021, we aim to provide consistency of information in a timely manner. Below is an outline of our school communication platforms. Please take the time to read this information carefully, update your information at the Front Office and upload the appropriate apps.



Email

We will connect with families via email. Please keep your email address up to date with the school. Your child's teacher will share their email address with you as part of their welcome back newsletter in early Term 1. All whole school communication will be sent out via **email** and **Skoolbag**.



Skoolbag

Skoolbag updated their online platform recently. It will bring some great benefits for our school, including the ability to communicate with specific magpie and event groups. Keep an eye out for our updates in Term 1. All whole school communication will be sent out via **email** and **Skoolbag**.



Newsletters

Newsletters will remain a central platform in the way we communicate with families. They have been a great way to share news, update the community and help families stay connected with what is happening across the school. Newsletters will be sent home via **email** and **Skoolbag**, and will be uploaded onto the school's website. Newsletters will be published every 3 weeks.



Seesaw

Nest and classroom teachers will be using **Seesaw**, as one way we share children's learning. These online portfolios give you a little glimpse into what the class is doing and the engagement of your own child or children. This is not an assessment or reporting platform but to rather showcase learning, highlights and class culture.



Facebook

The Alberton Primary School Facebook page works in conjunction with our website to keep current families updated and informed. We will promote our successes and good news stories with the wider world via this platform. This is the only official Facebook page that is associated with Alberton Primary School in South Australia and is managed by the school DfE.



Phone

We are only ever a phone call away. If you are wishing to speak with a teacher, during school hours can be a tricky time and email may be more reliable. However, we are always able to take a message and return your call. Please contact the school on **8447 1924 if needed**.



Attendance

It is a Department for Education requirement that families advise schools regarding a child's absence or absences. An easy way to do this is via the Absentee **eForm** on **Skoolbag**. Alternatively, you may contact the **Front Office** on **8447 1924** or Lauren.Black582@schools.sa.edu.au, if your child will be absent (in advance notice is always appreciated when possible).

A quick and easy text messaging system will be introduced at Alberton PS in 2021. We will have further information about this in Term 1.