

## Diary Dates

### March

#### **Pupil Free Day**

Fri 04<sup>th</sup> March

Trauma Informed PD

#### **Principal School Tour**

Tues 08<sup>th</sup> March

9am – 10am

#### **Lockdown Practice**

Wed 09<sup>th</sup> March

11:15am (during playtime)

#### **School Photos**

Thurs 10<sup>th</sup> March

(Make Up Day)

Tues 15<sup>th</sup> March

#### **APS Open Night & AGM**

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> March



## 2022 School Terms

### **TERM 1**

31<sup>st</sup> January – 15<sup>th</sup> April

### **TERM 2**

2<sup>nd</sup> May – 8<sup>th</sup> July

### **TERM 3**

25<sup>th</sup> July – 30<sup>th</sup> September

### **TERM 4**

17<sup>th</sup> Oct – 16<sup>th</sup> Dec

## Principal's Message

It has been a beautiful start to the school year despite it looking a little different. **It's** been so lovely to see children smiling and happy to be back, connecting with friends and staff and slipping back into familiar routines.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all of our new children and families. We look forward to working with you and your family in 2022.

For our 60 new Preschool (NEST) children and families, it was lovely to see so many of you throughout the first week supporting transition and reporting back lots of positives. This milestone is as important for your child as it is for a parent or caregiver and was great to have you part of the experience.

**Great News:** Nature Play Design is heading into the final stages!!

Recently the Port Adelaide and Enfield Council, Department of Education and the school reached agreement on co-funding the planned nature play upgrade. This is financially wonderful news for the school, but more importantly, continues the **school's** vision of remaining a community school, strengthening partnerships with the wider school community and providing accessibility in Queenstown to green and play space.

The planned Nature Play upgrade will enter the final design stage (our students are involved in this part aswell) and the school is working closely with council to develop the licensing agreement for access outside of school hours (such as weekends, school holidays, public holidays).

We aim for construction to commence during the winter months but will keep the community updated about progress. We look forward to partnering with Nature Play SA and Green Adelaide to bring this project to life with a strong emphasis on sustainability and exploration.

### COVID Update:

Overall, most things have returned to normal at school as we support children to settle back into routines and get connected with their classmates.

I will continue to send information to those affected within classes (eg positive COVID cases or class contact notifications). Thankyou to families who have been terrific in providing teachers and myself updates and important information...it has made the job so much easier to manage.

Information will be sent directly to families if you are required to isolate or remain home for extended periods of time with the Remote Learning guide and how we can help each child through this process. Please continue to talk with your **child's** teacher for any assistance or support you may need. We are here to help.

Now that children have settled back into school, we ask that families remain outside buildings wherever possible. Some families do have exemptions to enter buildings to support their child.

I wish all children and families the very best for the upcoming school year and look forward to celebrating our successes and highlights along the way.



## Life Science and Sustainability 2022

Welcome to the Life Science Centre in 2022! The Life Science team are excited about the opportunities that will be provided to children in 2022, including continuing our partnerships with a number of community groups such as Green Adelaide, The Port Environment Centre and The Semaphore and Largs Dunes Groups.

Over the break it has been a great growing season in our school garden. There are a vast array of fruits, vegetables and flowers. The new rabbit cage has also been completed, and we look forward to running 'Reading to the Rabbit' sessions for students in the future.

This year we welcome Rebecca Mumford from Greenhill Living and Jessica James from Cook n Create to the program. Rebecca has been working with our students in 2021, and we are lucky enough to have her back in week 6 each term. Jessica will be starting the cooking component of the Life Science and Sustainability program in week 4 and 5 of each term, with a strong focus on sustainability, food science, healthy eating and teaching students essential cooking skills. Rebecca and Jessica both bring a wealth of knowledge, passion and expertise to the program, and they are excited to be working with the amazing students at Alberton. Check out their websites for more information.

This term students in science will be learning about resources and how materials are recycled. With the support of the Environments Ministry, the BINSHIFT bin system will be implemented across the school to further improve our waste management and create a greener footprint.

Once again, there will be a strong focus on vocabulary development across science, gardening and cooking to support improvements in literacy and numeracy outcomes for students, as well as promoting intellectual stretch.

Looking forward to the exciting year ahead!

### **Shannon Brookes - Science and Sustainability Curriculum Leader**





# News from the Nest



We are excited to welcome over 50 new children into the Nest this year. This includes many new families to the Alberton School community.

The first week was a buzz with children and their families exploring the learning environment, meeting the educators, and joining in shared play experiences. Seeing the joy and curiosity on **children's** faces as they participated in new experiences has been wonderful to watch.

Over the first 3 weeks the focus has been on getting to know each other, learning about the Nest routines and learning spaces, and developing an understanding of our core values of **'Care for ourselves, care for each other, and care for our place'**.

Nest staff are looking forward to a great year ahead with the children which will include a focus on foundational literacy skills, music, gardening, art workshops, wheels weeks and plenty of time to play in the Nest!

## Playgroup

Playgroup in the Nest will be running again this year at Alberton on Friday mornings from 8:45am – 10:45am and Kate McKenzie will again be our coordinator.

Unfortunately due to SA Health and Department for Education guidelines we are currently not able to hold playgroup sessions. We will update our school community when Playgroup can recommence.



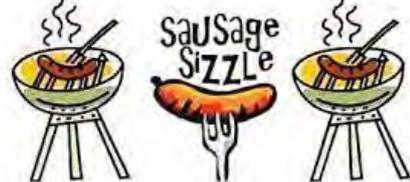
## School Fees

All Materials and Service Fees have been sent out to families. Payment is to be paid by the end of this term  
Friday, 15/4/2022.

Payments can be made via QKR app (QKR can also be used for ordering lunch orders), via the Alberton Primary Website, over the phone or through the front office. Payment plans can be negotiated with our Finance Manager,  
Angela Sortini-Maslen.

Please ring the school on 8447 1924 or come in and speak with Angela.

## Canteen News



Look out for our Sausage sizzle lunch meal deal in week 5!!

# COMMUNITY PROMOTIONS



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EARLY LEARNING  
WEST LAKES

The best start to your child's learning journey begins here

**ENROL NOW TO SECURE YOUR PLACE**  
Register online at [greenleaveselc.com.au](http://greenleaveselc.com.au)

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Term 1 - 2022

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Skill Acquisition Program 9+  
1:1 Private from 30 to 60min - 4+  
8 week school term - \$165

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**LEARN CHINESE OR SPANISH IN 2022!**  
Places now available for R-6 students from all schooling sectors

**WHERE:** Alberton Primary School  
14 Broad St, Queenstown SA 5014

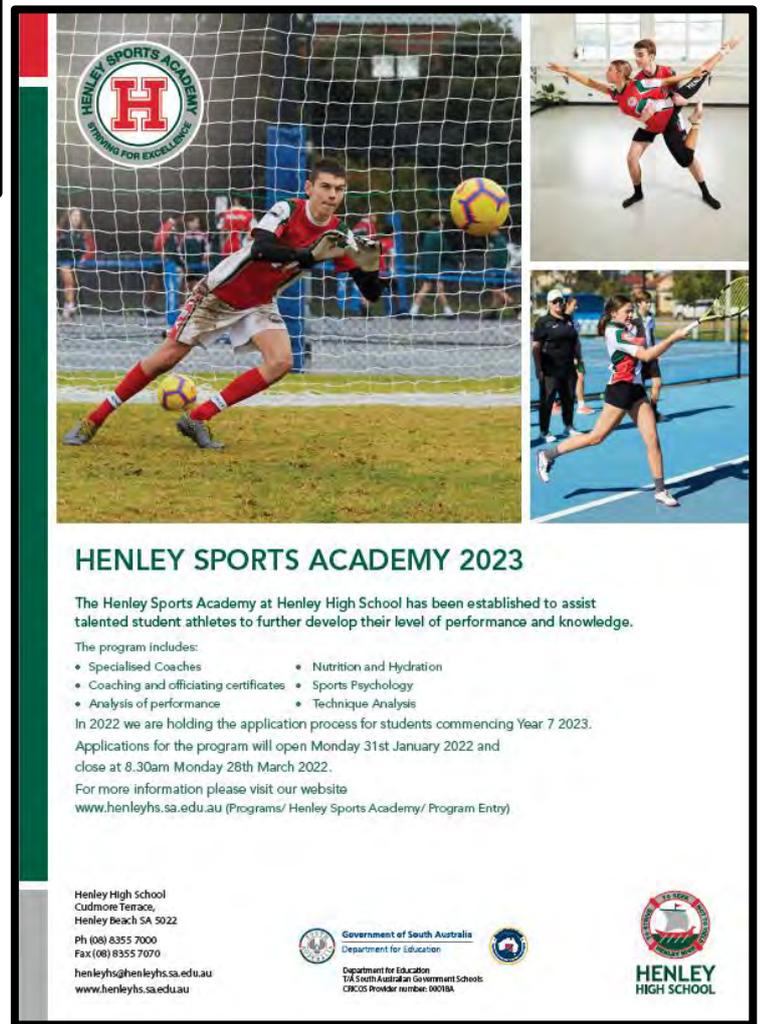
**WHEN:** Thursdays: 3:30 - 5:00pm

- The School of Languages is a Government school offering out-of-school hours language learning.
- Courses follow the Australian Curriculum and are aimed at second language learners.
- Weekly Teaching and Learning Plan, with lesson content and homework tasks.
- End of Term reports sent home and to the day school.
- Annual Subject Charge: \$125.

**ENROL NOW!**  
Enrolment forms available from the School of Languages website: [www.schooloflanguages.sa.edu.au](http://www.schooloflanguages.sa.edu.au) OR Phone: 8301 4800

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**HENLEY SPORTS ACADEMY 2023**

The Henley Sports Academy at Henley High School has been established to assist talented student athletes to further develop their level of performance and knowledge.

The program includes:

- Specialised Coaches
- Coaching and officiating certificates
- Analysis of performance
- Nutrition and Hydration
- Sports Psychology
- Technique Analysis

In 2022 we are holding the application process for students commencing Year 7 2023. Applications for the program will open Monday 31st January 2022 and close at 8.30am Monday 28th March 2022.

For more information please visit our website [www.henleyhs.sa.edu.au](http://www.henleyhs.sa.edu.au) (Programs/ Henley Sports Academy/ Program Entry)

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