

Nicolson

R-7 SCHOOL inspire+contribute+achieve

Week 1

31 January 2019

Term 1:
29 Jan – 12 Apr

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members,

Welcome Welcome to the 2019 school year and a special warm welcome to all of our new Reception students and those students who have chosen Nicolson to be their school and joined us from other schools. I trust that everybody had a safe and happy holiday and is sufficiently rested to take on the challenges that 2019 will bring.

Staff Changes We have been fortunate to have very few staff changes to announce this year but would like to welcome two fantastic new teachers that have joined us for 2019.

Miss Jody Rosewarne will be teaching Year 6/7 in Room19.

Mr Patrick McArthur will be teaching PE in the Gym.

We wish them all the best for the year and know they will be made to feel very welcome during their time at Nicolson by all members of our school community.

Our specialist teachers for this year are as follows

	Curriculum Area	Year Levels
Mrs Kristy Chapman	Science and Technology	R – 2
Ms Sue Duffield	HASS	R – 2
Ms Sam Dunne	Science and Technology	R – 7 Special Options class
Mrs Lesley Hartup	HASS and Science	Year 3/4
Miss Michelle Harvey	Science and Technology	Year 5 - 7
Mr Patrick McArthur	Physical Education	R - 7

Student Attendance It is a continuing priority for us to address issues of attendance amongst our students. If students miss the basic skills early in their schooling they often experience difficulties later. Six days absence per term from junior primary to the end of Year 7 equals one year of schooling missed. Half an hour late each day equals five days absence per term. Under the Education Act of South Australia, parents and/or caregivers are held responsible for the regular attendance of all children in their care. All children aged between 6 and 16 years of age must be enrolled, attend and fully participate in the education program of a school.

- * If a student is away please ring the school to let us know as the reason for all absences must be recorded by the school.
- * If a student is late arriving to school please sign in through the Administration Office.
- * Wherever possible, dental and medical appointments should be made out of school hours.

School Assemblies This year we will be holding our school assemblies fortnightly beginning Week 2 (next Friday). Two classes will still be showcasing some of the learning that they have been doing and we will be aiming to make this a joint presentation. I have included the Term 1 roster on the back page of this newsletter and class teachers will notify you when your child will be involved. We will continue to present class awards to acknowledge our students who are demonstrating our school values and learning dispositions and will endeavour to notify you via text message the night before.

Pam Peters

RESPECT

TEAMWORK

INTEGRITY

RESILIENCE

RESPONSIBILITY

Telephone 08 8645 8685

Office Hours 8.00am to 4.00pm

Principal: Pam Peters

Deputy Principal: Ben Harris-Jones

Senior Leader: Sally Rowe

Finance: Phillip Datson

Secretary: Catherine Worby

Admin Assistant: Margaret Dawson

Student Wellbeing Leader: Cynthia Spangenberg

Diary Dates

Term 1 2019 29 Jan – 12 April

Student Free Day 1 Mar

Adelaide Cup Day Public Holiday 11 Mar

JP Swimming for Rec – Year 2 18 Mar – 29 Mar

End of Term 1 12 April



Government of South Australia
Department for Education and
Child Development

School Fees

Invoices for the 2019 school year are being sent home with your child shortly, so please check your child's school bag for your invoice.

Charges for 2019 school fees are \$241.00 per child.

We accept cash, cheque and credit/debit cards for payments. We also offer Direct Deposit into our bank account as a way to pay your fees.

Please see information below for Direct Debit payments:

Name of Account: **Nicolson Avenue Primary School Council Inc.**

BSB: **065 – 519**

Account: **1001 5501**

Quote: **Invoice number**

Remittance email:

phillip.datson172@schools.sa.edu.au

Instalment plans through Direct Debit are also available, if you wish to use this service please make an appointment with Phillip Datson to set this up.

School Card 2019

School Card Application Forms are available at the Administration Office.

Please ensure that you complete a new School Card Application Form for your child at the start of each school year.

School Hats

School hats are compulsory at Nicolson Avenue Primary School and we thank everyone for ensuring that their child has one to wear.

Our 'No Hat, No Play' policy will be enforced as a matter of health and safety for all our students.

Please remember that your child is required to wear school uniform colours and a school hat at all times.

Arriving at School

A quick reminder we have no one on duty before 8:30am when students are able to enter the school yard.

For safety please ensure your child arrives at school after 8.30am.

Student Absences

If your child is or will be absent from school for any reason, please contact the school on 86 45 8685 or 0437 146 299 to advise absent dates and reason.

Canteen Opening Days

Don't forget that the canteen is closed on Monday and Tuesdays.

Lunch Orders and over the counter purchases are available on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Assembly Roster Term 1

Week 2	Room 17 & Room 26
Week 4	Room 16 & Room 8
Week 6	Room 18 & Room 7
Week 8	Room 19 & Room 25
Week 10	Room 20 & Room 6
Week 11	ANZAC Assembly