



# Cobdogla Primary School

Providing a Caring & Challenging Environment



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Our School Values: RESPECT HONESTY RESPONSIBILITY PERSONAL BEST



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## Diary Dates

Thurs 9th May	School Photo Day
Fri 10th May	SAPSASA Netball & Football
Week 3 - NAPLAN	
Tues 14th, Wed 15th & Thurs 16th May	
Tues 21st May	Governing Council mtgs
Wed 22nd May	National Simultaneous Story time SAPSASA Cross Country
Fri 31st May	Biggest Morning Tea
Mon 10th June	PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Fri 28th June	STUDENT FREE DAY



## SAVE the DATE

**SRC & Cobdogla Playgroup  
Australia's Biggest Morning Tea**

**Friday 31st May 2019**

More info in next newsletter



## SCHOOL PHOTOS NEXT Thursday 9th May

(Please return envelopes by Monday 6th May)

All students have received a school photo envelope and flyer detailing photo package selection. *Please* read all the information carefully. It is important that **each student return their own envelope containing correct money**, either cash, chq or online option available. ALL photo envelopes need to be returned prior to photo day, even if you are not ordering photos. Family photo envelopes are also available. Please enquire at the front office.

Thank you

## Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to term 2. I hope you enjoyed the short holiday break. It has been a great start to this term, with students returning to school ready to learn. This term will no doubt be a very busy one for both the staff and the students, with a number of activities planned.

### Hot Shots Courts

During the holidays, Morrows Concrete created our 2 tennis hot shots courts and a cricket/hitting wall area. The lines will be marked and the wall erected over the next few weeks. The students are excited about using the new addition to our school yard once completed. Thanks to Chris Johnson for his involvement over the holidays to make this happen.

### ANZAC Day

It was pleasing that a number of students were present at the Dawn Service on Anzac Day. Many were there as representatives of Scouts, Girl Guides and Cobdogla Primary School, with students laying a wreath on behalf of the school.

### NAPLAN

In week 3, Year 3, 5 and 7 students will participate in the National Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests. The NAPLAN tests determine the skills that are essential for every child to progress through school and life, such as reading, writing, spelling and numeracy.

NAPLAN is made up of tests in the 4 areas:

- Writing (Tuesday)
- Reading & Language Conventions (Wednesday)
- Numeracy (Thursday)

All students in Years 3, 5, 7 are expected to participate in NAPLAN testing. Later in the year, Parents/Carers will receive an individual student NAPLAN report to view and monitor how their child is progressing. More information is available at [www.nap.edu.au/](http://www.nap.edu.au/)

### Hats

Please keep sending hats to school, as part of our sun smart policy, students are expected to wear hats when the UV rating is high.

### Attendance

Congratulations to the large number of students that received attendance awards from term 1 and well done to the year 1/2 group who had an attendance rate of 96%. The whole school attendance rate for term 1 was 95% which has met the school's target of 95%.

Regards,  
Principal, David Ness

# School News



## May is NATIONAL FAMILY READING MONTH

Our focus is families reading aloud together. Research shows us that regular reading aloud with family members is a powerful predictor that children will become frequent readers. We also know that the majority of children love it!! Reading together also incorporates invaluable, quality time with your child/ren. Reading is a lifelong skill that is important for all areas of their learning.



## Breakfast Club



Don't forget "Breakfast Club" starts back tomorrow morning from 8:30am. All students are welcome to attend. Students will be expected to unpack their bags and set up for their day **before** attending breakfast. Brenton Poole (PSW) will be coordinating this activity at the school with support from SRC. Thank you to Foodbank Berri for their support in supplying ingredients for our Breakfast Club.



## WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Walk Safely to School Day will be held **Friday 17th May**

Walk Safely to School Day (WSTSD) is an annual, national event when all Primary School children will be encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a Community Event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment. The objectives of WSTSD are:

- to encourage parents and carers to walk to school with primary school age children and reinforce safe pedestrian behaviour.
- to promote the health benefits of walking and help create regular walking habits at an early age.
- to ensure that children up to 10 years old hold an adult's hand when crossing the road.
- to help children develop the vital road-crossing skills they will need as they become mature pedestrians.
- to reduce the car dependency habits that are being created at an early age and which will be difficult to change as children become adults.
- to promote the use of Public Transport.
- to reduce the level of air pollution created by motor vehicles.
- to reduce the level of traffic congestion.



## Brenton's Blog...

Let's talk about how to help your child become self-motivated.

Intellectual exploration begins with physical exploration.

A baby who is told "No" as he explores his world learns not to question. A

toddler who is constantly curtailed from climbing higher (rather than being spotted for safety) won't become an explorer, either physically or mentally. The more you say "No" to a baby, the more her inner world will be filled with limitations, and the lower her IQ will be.

Emotional development and excitement about learning is more important than academics for young children.

In the end, your child's ability to do well in school will depend less on when she memorises her ABC's and more on emotional development, such as her ability to manage frustration in order to tackle new challenges. Your child's primary work in the toddler and preschool years is to develop a healthy emotional life and a excited curiosity about the world, not learn to read. If she loves being read to by the time she starts school, she'll be a reader halfway through the year.

Don't test your youngster, and don't let Grandma do it. It doesn't matter if you are quizzing a toddler about what the colour of the cars are, or a preschooler on what the stop sign says, if they don't know the answer they'll feel like they should. Quizzing tends to escalate through all the right answers until the child is stumped, and then the smartest child will feel dumb. That self doubt an last for the rest of his life, no matter how smart he is.

More next time.

*Til next time,  
Brenton*



## Attachments

- Scholastic Book Club - due Friday 10th May
- Term 2 Calendar

Important

## Yummy ANZAC Biscuits

**Ingredients:**

- 1 cup rolled oats
- 1 cup plain flour
- 2/3 cup brown sugar
- 2/3 cup desiccated
- 125g butter, finely chopped
- 2 tbsp. golden syrup
- 1/2 tbsp. bi-carb soda



**Method:**

1. Preheat oven to 180C. Line 2 baking trays with baking paper. Place the flour, coconut, rolled oats and sugar in a large bowl and stir with a wooden spoon to combine.
2. Place the butter and golden syrup in a small saucepan over low heat and cook, stirring occasionally until the butter is melted. Set aside for 5mins to cool slightly.
3. Combine 1 1/2 tbsp. boiling water and the bi-carb soda in a small bowl and add to the oat mixture along with the butter mixture. Stir until well combined.
4. Roll tablespoons of mixture into balls and place on the lined trays, allowing space for spreading. Gently press each ball to flatten slightly. Bake for 15mins for crisp biscuits. Set aside on the trays to cool completely. The biscuits will harden as they cool.

~Xavier and Adele

What has a head and a tail, but no legs?  
 Submit your answer with your name clearly written on a piece of paper and post it to the Kids Voice box located in the front office before Monday morning. The winner will be announced at the Monday morning assembly.  
 ~Adele

## REWARD DAY

On the last day of term, Cobdogla Primary School had their Reward Day. Reward Day is to reward students for their hard work throughout the term. The activities offered were; games on the oval, play space and the skate park. During Reward Day the year 4 and 5 class had their last Bike ED session.

Everyone had a great time and a happy last day of term 1. Thank you to the parents that prepared the hot dogs for our lunch.

Georgia – *I went to play space and my favourite thing to do was swinging Sean on the swing*

Ella – *My favourite thing was getting to play with my friends and doing Bike ED*

Sean – *I liked Bike ED and talking with my friends*

~ Mia



## ANZAC DAY

On ANZAC Day, Neveah, Mia, Chelsea, Sophie, Tom, Molly and Connor woke up very early to attend the Dawn Service at the Garden of Memory. We showed pride by wearing our school uniform. We were proud to represent the school by laying a wreath on the Cross of Memory. It was a moving service, especially during the minute of silence. 'ANZAC' stands for Australia and New Zealand Army Corps. On 25th April 1915, Australia and New Zealand soldiers formed part of the expedition that set out to capture the Gallipoli Peninsula.

~Sophie



# Community News

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## JUNIOR ACTING ENSEMBLE

Join the Riverland Youth Theatre Junior Acting Ensemble

In Term 2 we're making our own short plays! Learn how to write and perform your own short scripts. You'll meet some great friends and have lots of fun!

**Location:** Renmark Institute, 54 Ral Ral Ave, Renmark (Enter via James Ave)  
**Time:** Thursday 5:00pm – 6:00pm  
**Workshops Begin:** 9th of May  
**Ages:** 5-11

**Cost:** \$150 for Term 2 (discounts & payment plans available)

To sign up, visit <https://ryt.wufoo.com/forms/term-2-weekly-workshop-2019/>  
Or find out more at <http://www.ryt.org.au>  
You can call us on 08 8586 3437

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## SENIOR ACTING ENSEMBLE

Join the Riverland Youth Theatre Senior Acting Ensemble

In Term 2 we're focused on the Voice! Discover accents, projection, safe voice technique and much more! Open to all skill levels! Get the opportunity to perform at the end of the Term!

**Location:** Renmark Institute, 54 Ral Ral Ave, Renmark (Enter via James Ave)  
**Time:** Thursday 6:30pm – 8:00pm  
**Workshops Begin:** 9th of May  
**Ages:** 12-18

**Cost:** \$150 for Term 2 (discounts & payment plans available)

To sign up, visit <https://ryt.wufoo.com/forms/term-2-weekly-workshop-2019/>  
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Free parenting seminar

## The secrets of raising beautifully behaved children

Parenting SA

Are you the parent of a 5-12 year old?  
Want to encourage positive behaviour in your home?  
Come and join us or watch our live webcast.

Hear psychologist, parenting author and commentator, Jodie Benveniste talk about:

- understanding children's behaviour so you can guide them to be their best
- responding to misbehaviour in positive and helpful ways
- reducing battles and encouraging more cooperation in your home.

Register to attend in person or view the live webcast at:

Online: <http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au>  
Phone: 8303 11660  
Email: [health.parentingsa@sa.gov.au](mailto:health.parentingsa@sa.gov.au)

*This seminar is designed for an adult audience.*

Wednesday 22 May

When: 7.00 – 9.00pm  
Where: City Rooms  
Adelaide Convention Centre  
North Terrace, Adelaide.

Presented by Parenting SA.  
For more information about raising children visit [www.parentingsa.gov.au](http://www.parentingsa.gov.au) or [www.cyb.com](http://www.cyb.com)

## Mother's Day Family Night

**FREE**

**Thursday 9th May 6-8pm**

Bring the family along for a great night of fun!

- Make a gift for mum
- D.I.Y. workshops
- Light refreshments
- Free gift wrapping

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