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# NEWSLETTER

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### PRINCIPAL REPORT.

It was fun having Ms Neumanns students read the newsletter on Facebook last week. We had a good response to it. Thank you to everyone for remembering to wash your hands and keep your social distance. It is good that in South Australia we have not had many coronavirus cases.

Thanks again to our families for sticking to the school rules about staying outside the school boundary unless your child is in Reception, Year 1 or the Special options classes.

Most of our students are now back at school and not so many are learning from home. Everyone has been pleased to be back at school and to see their friends and have some normal school life.

Recently we had a "video" assembly. All of the students stayed in their classrooms and Mrs Cummings, Miss Georgia's, Mrs Excells and Ms Caruana's classes showed us their Art Work. It was a learning experience using video conferencing to have a video assembly because we couldn't get together because of the social distancing rules.

Mrs Rankine talked to the students about the 'Step Up' program. The students have a clothes peg with their name on it and as they work well across the day they can move their peg up the chart. When they get to the top of the chart they can get their favourite teacher to wear their peg for them.

Murray Bridge North School

Principal- James Parkin

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### Upcoming Events

For more events see planner

27th April

First Day of Term2

5th June

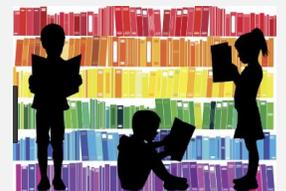
Student Free Day

4th August

School Photos

### Reading is our School Priority

Every child attending North School is expected to read aloud to an adult every day.



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## More important information

The Governing Council met this week with some teachers participating from their classroom on a video conference to make sure we didn't have too many people at the meeting.

The Governing Council have allocated money towards ensuring the OSHC building is upgraded. It is a heritage listed building so some care is required.

The Governing Council also had a discussion about some new signs to go around the school and some new carpet and painting of our buildings.

In a couple of weeks it will be Reconciliation Week and Nathan and Felicia in the Aboriginal Education Team are organising activities for classes that will include another video assembly.

We have had an anonymous donation of \$10,000 to the school for ICT equipment to be made available for students. We have decided to buy 30 extra Chrome books and data which can be managed by our ICT staff and will be available to be borrowed by students for home use. We are of course very grateful for this generous donation.

We have ten new big screens in our classrooms and 70 chrome books coming. We're all good at working online with SeeSaw or Edmodo or Class Dojo.

A Student Free day is scheduled for Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> June. This day will focus on the teaching of Reading strategies.

School photos have been rescheduled for Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> of August and catch up photos will be on Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup> August if necessary. New photo envelopes will be going home with the students soon.



## Notes From North

### School Times

Please be reminded that school is unsupervised before 8:30am. We ask that students do not arrive before this time.

### Head Lice

Please remember to check your child's hair for headlice and treat them before sending them to school.

### UNIFORM

Just a reminder of our school uniform policy. All students need to be in school uniform. Lost property is located in the bins near the library. Please name all items.

### School Zones

Reminder It's 25km/h when children are present



# APPLYING FOR A SCHOOL CARD



## All types of School Card applications are now online.

You can access the online forms from any device that gets internet, including mobile devices, such as tablets and smart phones, as well as laptops and computers.

Applying online is easy! Simply follow the steps below.

- STEP 1** Visit [sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard](https://sa.gov.au/education/schoolcard)
- STEP 2** Select the type of School Card you would like to apply for (for example 'Type A') and follow the prompts.
- STEP 3** Complete all mandatory fields.  
*Please note: you cannot submit your application unless all mandatory fields are complete.*
- STEP 4** Once you have completed a page click on the 'NEXT' button.
- STEP 5** Once you have filled out all pages click the 'SUBMIT' button.  
*Please note: if you exit the form without clicking 'SUBMIT' your details will be lost.*

You can save the form, and return to complete it at another time, by clicking on the 'SAVE' button.



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## Protective Three - Kimochis

Times are not quite like we anticipated at the start of the year. I certainly didn't think we would be ending term 1 like this. Over the last few weeks we have all had to adapt and change the way we do things. We are taught as learners and staff to allow for growth in any way possible. Believe me when I say I have had to grow and change my mindset from 'why is this happening?' to 'Ok, this has happened, how can I use this experience to better myself'.

These three feelings are called the **protective three**. I carry these with me every day on my lanyard at school. With a little bit from each feeling, we can get through all the really hard stuff and enjoy the treasurable moments. So how do they work? How will they help us though this time?

**Grateful:** Gratitude is a very helpful practice. It allows you to stop and reflect on what you are thankful for. For kids, gratitude journals are fantastic! Ask them to write 3 things they are grateful for (for the littlies, what they enjoyed the most today) this could be incorporated as a daily practice.

**Brave:** From my understanding being brave is building resilience around things that might be hard. These next few months are all very new to us, we are all learning in different ways and being brave enough to see it through.



So challenge your kids to try something new...even yourself. Journey together in building your resilience together. Personally I'm going to try and grow in my painting skills during this time. This is going to take me a lot of resilience and bravery to try something new.

**Hopeful:** Hope is such a simple word that can mean so much, especially when you are going through a difficult time. I think, you would all agree the current situation can be described as difficult. Hope can bring focus, it brings goals and it helps to solve problems. Hope is an expectation that something will happen. So how can we teach hope to kids?

Activities for hope can be simple, you might like to get them to focus on some learning provided by the school or even get them to do some experimental learning at home.

An article I read about building hope suggested we ask kids 3 questions during the activity that can help to build hope.

These are:

1. **What are your goals for this activity? What do you want to achieve?**
2. **What are your plans, to achieve that?**
3. **If they get stuck, ask them 'How could you do it differently or what is the next best thing you could do?'**

At North School we have many wonderful teachers, SSO's, and admin staff figuring out how to do schooling in a different way, so no learner misses out. I can help you in other ways, if your child is struggling with expressing emotions or just want to chat to someone about how they are feeling, I'd love to help!

**Holly**

Pastoral Care Worker

# MBNS Term 2 Planner

WEEK	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
<b>1</b>	27/4 First Day of Term 2	28/4	29/4	30/4	1/5	2/5 - 3/5
<b>2</b>	4/5	5/5	6/5	7/5	8/5	9/5 - 10/5 
<b>3</b>	11/5	12/5 Governing Council Meeting at 6pm	13/5	14/5	15/5	16/5-17/5
<b>4</b>	18/5	19/5	20/5	21/5	22/5	23/5-24/5
<b>5</b>	25/5	26/5	27/5	28/5	29/5	30/5 - 31/5
<b>6</b>	1/6	2/6	3/6	4/6	5/6 <b>Student Free Day</b>	6/6 - 7/6
<b>7</b>	8/6 Queen's Birthday <b>Public Holiday</b>	9/6	10/6	11/6	12/6	13/6 -14/6
<b>8</b>	15/6	16/6	17/6	18/6	19/6	20/6-21/6
<b>9</b>	22/6	23/6	24/6	25/6	26/6	27/6-28/6
<b>10</b>	29/6	30/6	1/7	2/7	3/7 Last Day of Term Early Dismissal 2:10pm	4/7-5/7

# Murray Bridge North School OSHC

Before School, After School and  
Vacation Care Programs.

## Catering for your needs on your local school site

Open daily 630am and close 6.30pm

*This service will operate a 6am start if there is a demand. Please contact the service or school to register your interest.*



Quality care, competitive prices,  
fun activities, friends to be made, games, arts, crafts, good food and special events all  
in a home like environment.

Contact OSHC 08 85310179 or 0417825455

Welcome to  
**Book Club**

**Hi to all  
North  
School  
Parents!**

**What's happening with Book Club in term 2...**  
Hi Everyone.

- We are continuing Book Club in term 2.
- The \*catalogues for Issue 3 are now available to you online: click on the \*link
- We anticipate most children being back at school by the time the orders arrive. However, if students are home-schooling, parents will be notified by phone when their orders are available for collection.
- If the Book Fair goes ahead, Issue 4 will be cancelled.

**Book Fair**  
The Book Fair is planned for week 9 term 2: Tuesday 23-Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June. At this stage we are keeping this option open and will keep you informed closer to the date to confirm arrangements.

Thanks for making reading a priority for your children!  
Beverley Sharrad Jones

## Book Club LOOP

LOOP is the Scholastic Book Club  
Linked Online Ordering & Payment platform.

It's easy to order and pay online for your child's Book Club order using your credit card. If your school is not yet in the LOOP, speak with your school's Book Club Organiser.

Head to [scholastic.com.au/LOOP](https://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP)  
or  

Follow these **easy** steps!

- Simply grab your child's Book Club catalogue and either SIGN-IN or REGISTER your account.
- Add your child's first name and last initial (so the school knows who the book is for), then select your SCHOOL and your CHILD'S CLASS.  
Note: You can order for multiple children at once if they attend the same school.
- Click on ORDER and enter the item number from the Book Club catalogue.
- All orders are linked directly to the school for submission to Scholastic. Books will still be delivered to your child's classroom if you order by the close date.

*That's it!* There's no need to return paper order forms or payment receipt details to your school.