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## Our 2021 House Captains



### **Congratulations to our 2021 House Captains.**

Joshua Schmerl, Isla Martino, Tahlia Martin, Rafferty Casey, Zac Nicholas, Kristian Wilbik, Samuel Marinos, Jack Crafter, Isabel Cavallo, Marisa Sghirripa, Poppy Allen, Amelie Ferris, Dana Court, Amber Kuszczakowski, Leonardo Hokianga and Seb Blefari.

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### From the Principal

Dear Families

I trust you and your family have had an excellent break from the routines of school and have had a great start to the new year. The

children have brought the school to life over the last two days and just about all of them seem to be enjoying being back.

The oval space has been quite popular and I am sure you will agree it looks fantastic.

As I am sure you were all expecting, COVID-19 is still a part of our world and will be for some time. Thankfully in SA, we have been doing very well. There are, however, two important restrictions that I would like to remind you of, that apply to the general community and whilst in the school:

1. 1.5m social distancing
2. 1 person per 2 square metres

This means that adults are allowed to enter the school but great care must be taken when you are thinking about entering a building and in particular a classroom. Best practice would limit the number of adults in a classroom and we would like to suggest no more than five at any one time.

We have 84 Receptions that have begun this week, 59 having their first day at school. As a safety precaution, we will be locking all gates (except Military Road) promptly at 8:45 am, until further notice.

Could I ask you to remind your child/ren about personal hygiene. The hygiene standards in our schools are critical to reducing the risk of infection. Please encourage your child/ren to:

- wash their hands regularly, particularly after using the toilet and before eating
- avoid spreading infections to others by staying home if unwell (this includes parents)
- cover a cough or sneeze with a tissue
- bring their own personal, labelled and named water bottles (these can then be refilled at the drink fountains or water taps, rather than children drinking directly from the taps)

#### **School Times – Reminder**

8:20am – Children are welcome at school from this time and are to come to the basketball courts, where a teacher will be on yard duty

8:45am – The school bell rings and children move to class to prepare for the day

8:50am – Lessons begin (any parents in classrooms should leave at this time unless they are volunteering)

3:05pm – The school day ends (teachers on yard duty finish at 3:25pm and all children are expected to be collected by this time)

#### **Fruit Ban**

Henley Beach has been declared a suburb in the suspension area. Fruit and fruiting vegetables that can be infected by fruit fly (visit [www.pir.sa.gov.au/fruitfly-produce](http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/fruitfly-produce)) must not be packed into lunch boxes or otherwise moved around while restrictions are in place. You can view the complete list of what you must not pack into lunch boxes at [www.pir.sa.gov.au/fruitfly-produce](http://www.pir.sa.gov.au/fruitfly-produce).

#### **What fruit or fruiting vegetables can I pack in lunchboxes as an alternative?**

Fresh alternatives include pineapple, melons (watermelon, rockmelon, and honeydew),

cucumber, carrots, lettuce, broccoli, celery, mushrooms, and asparagus. Other options include cooked fruit, processed fruit (such as fruit straps), fruit puree, canned fruit or frozen fruit.

These restrictions will remain until at least Thursday 15 April 2021.

Regards

Damian Weeks

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