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NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 | WEEK 1 | THURSDAY 31/01/19

Welcome back to all our students and families to our new school year. We wish our new students and families a warm welcome and am sure you will enjoy being part of our school community. All of our staff are committed in guiding and nurturing our students to establish skills to achieve educational success, respectful and happy relationships, prosperity and very importantly- resilience and independence. We are passionate about students being empowered to succeed and we look forward to work together with families to promote student achievement and well-being.

The ability to be innovative and creative is important to us at Vale Park. All staff enjoy challenging and inspiring students to be inventive and imaginative in their learning and day to day tasks.

I believe that having quality, inspirational and passionate teachers is essential to a school's success. To borrow John Hattie's words; "teachers should build classroom climates where errors are welcome, student engagement is the norm, questioning is high and students gain reputations as effective learners." I'm so proud to say that Vale Park Primary School staff make this quote a reality and is something we are always striving towards.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate David Hern on successfully obtaining a permanent position at Vale Park.

Finally, I would also like to congratulate Ann Shepherdson would has been appointed to the Deputy Principal position for the next two terms.

I look forward to a fantastic year.

Jo Catsas-Maroulis

DIARY DATES

Term Dates 2019

Term 1 29th Jan - 12 Apr

Term 2 29 Apr - 5 Jul

Term 3 22 Jul - 27 Sept

Term 4 14 Oct - 13 Dec

Acquaintance Night & AGM

Tuesday 19/03

Governing Council

Tuesday 12/02

Tuesday 19/03

Principal Tours

Wednesday 27/03

Bookings required

ONLY for Zoned Families

Public Holiday

Monday 11/03

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 12/03

Key Dates

04/02 - Monster Truck Visit

11/02 - Swimming Week #1

19/02 - Acquaintance Night & AGM

27/02 - Active Travel Day

28/02 - SAPSASA Swimming

04/03 - Swimming Week #2

21/03 - Harmony Day

25/03 - Interviews Commence

29/03 - Sports Day

03/04 - Yr 6/7 G&D

04/04 - Photo Day &

SAPSASA Cross Country

10/04 - Yr 6/7 G&D

12/04 - Last Day of Term 1

2:05pm Finish

growing for the future...



Principal

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Deputy Principal

Ann Shepherdson

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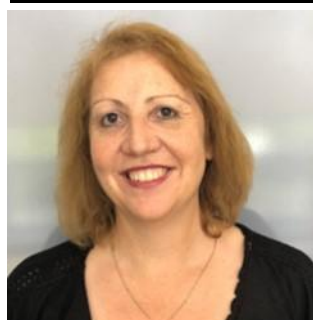




2019 STAFF

Leadership & Teaching Staff				Support Staff	
Jo Catsas-Maroulis	Principal	Olivia Villani	Room 6 – Reception	Graeme Schutz	Business Manager
Ann Shepherdson *	Deputy Principal	Steph Perham	Room 7 – Reception	Trish Scoot	Admin
TBC	Assistant Principal	Kylie Whelan & Rachael Lambetis	Room 8 – Year 1	Liz Pedler	Front Office/Admin
Mhairi Alcorn	Librarian	Lenka Hill	Room 9 – Year 1	Mathew Wilson	Front Office/Admin
Kim Dickmann	Special Ed & AET	Sarah Hnarakis & Natalie Crooks	Room 10 – Year 1	Anita Simmons	Various Classrooms
Chelsea Favell * & Sam Papadopoulos	EALD	Beth Freeman	Room 11 – Year 2/3	Debbie Scholfield	Various Classrooms
Nic Goldney	PE	Dana Delgado	Room 12 – Year 2/3	Vicki Therkelsen	Various Classrooms
Ben Burt *	Japanese	Maria D'Antiocchia *	Room 13 – Year 2/3	Vanessa Work	Various Classrooms
Dave Hern	Science	Nat Cunningham & Katie Mantis *	Room 14 – Year 6/7	Lisa Hedges	Stephanie Alexander Kitchen
Rebecca Vallelonga	Arts	Darryl Carter *	Room 15 – Year 6/7	Claire Creighton	Stephanie Alexander Garden
Katie Mantis *	Health – NIT	Sally Weavers	Room 16 – Year 6/7	Jake McCulloch	IT Technician
Eleni Biris	Room 2 – Year 2/3	Anthony Nasone	Room 17 – Year 5	Bron Jory	Pastoral Support Worker
Skevi Datsopoulos & Kylie Whelan	Room 3 – Year 2/3	Brenton Budarick	Room 18 – Year 5	Trev O'Riley	Groundsperson
Doug Manojlovic *	Room 4 – Year 2/3	Kelly Rivett	Room 19 – Year 4	Ian Seaborn	Guitar Teacher
Adele Steel	Room 5 – Year 2/3	Chelsea Favell * & Sally Hoskin	Room 20 – Year 4		

* Denotes New Staff Member



Ann Shepherdson



Doug Manojlovic



Maria D'Antiocchia



Katie Mantis



Darryl Carter



Chelsea Favell



Ben Burt



2019 INFORMATION

Vale Park Leadership Update

I wish to inform the Vale Park School Community that I will not be returning to Vale Park in terms 1 and 2 as Principal. I have accepted an extension to the Principal Consultant role based at the Education Centre at FELIXSTOW.

Jo Catsas-Maroulis will continue to be acting Principal during this time. This will ensure a smooth continuity for students, staff and parents. I have every confidence in the school continuing to move forward in very positive and productive way.

I will be visiting the school regularly to keep contact with what's happening. I wish you all a great start to the year.

Anne Cannizzaro

'Growing for the Future'

The beginning of year is such an important part of a child's schooling as it sets them up for success in their learning for the year. Teachers and students together spend much time on the Growing for the Future program which has a focus on developing classroom routines and organisation, forming friendships and positive working relationships within the classroom and year level. Other aspects include our school values, class and yard expectations, problem solving, thinking routines and more.

Missing out on the development of these important relationships, structures and routines can have an impact on the success of a child's learning throughout the year. We value each student and do our very best to ensure they are set up for success.

Please take this into consideration when booking holidays and taking your child/children out of the school for periods of time.

Ann Shepherdson

2019 MATERIALS AND SERVICES FEES

The 2019 Material and Services invoices for \$420 have been posted to parents/guardians and we will be requesting payment by 12th April 2019. If you do not receive the invoice or are unable to pay the invoice by the due date, please contact the Business Manager, Graeme Schutz, on 8261 3733 or call in to the front office to organise a payment arrangement.



2019 INFORMATION

Acquaintance Evening

Parents and carers are invited to attend school on **Tuesday 19th February from 6.15 - 7pm** to meet and greet your child's teachers. Most of the specialist teachers will also be available to meet on the night.

AGM

Please note the Annual General Meeting for the election of the 2018 Governing Council and sub-committees will take place on **Tuesday 19th February at 7pm** in the Resource Centre. Nominations may be made via the nomination forms (pages 6 & 7) and returned to the school by Friday 15th February.

FRONT OFFICE - PAYMENT INFORMATION

Cash, EFTPOS, and credit card payments can be processed at the Front Office between **8.45am - 12.00pm**.

Please ensure all payments are in a securely **sealed and clearly labelled envelope** - please include student's full name, room number and reason for payment in pen.

All students must have their own individual consent form. Payments to the school for more than one child in a family may be combined in one envelope, but ***each student must have their own individual consent form with their full name and signed in pen.***

Please **DO NOT** put Credit Card information on Consent Forms - this is a potential security risk for your private information.

Payments can also be made online via the school website - under the Payments tab.

Please note: any payments for the Canteen must be in a separate envelope (cannot be combined with school payments).

OSHC payments need to be paid directly to Happy Haven OSHC staff.

2019 INFORMATION

Vale Park PS Staff Car Parking

Dear School Community,

As we have limited car parking spaces in the staff car park, we remind parents, caregivers & visitors to our school that during each school term (including Week 0) that the carpark located on school grounds is strictly for **STAFF ONLY** between 7:45am and 4:30pm.

This is not just a parking issue for staff, but more importantly this has become a very concerning safety concern as we have witnessed several near misses over time.

We recommend you park on either Tonkin Street, Arundel Street or Washington Street to drop off or collect your child/ren. Please **DO NOT** use Ascot Avenue as this has an enforced Bike Lane and is also a **NO STANDING** zone on the school side.

Additionally, please educate your children to walk along the paved footpaths, enter and leave the school property through the access gates located on Tonkin Street, Arundel Street and Ascot Avenue and to use the appropriate school crossings on Tonkin Street & Ascot Avenue.

Please do not drive or walk through the staff car park to enter the school yard.

Thank you for helping us keeping ALL our students safe!



X = Crossings

● = Access Gates



VALE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

GOVERNING COUNCIL 2019

Nominations are called for one and two year vacancies that exist on Governing Council for 2019.

In accordance with the Vale Park Primary School Governing Council Constitution to be eligible to nominate for election you must be a parent of the school.

A person **is not** eligible to nominate if

- they are an undischarged bankrupt or receiving the benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors (Clause 7.5.1)
- they have been convicted of any offence prescribed by administrative instruction (Clause 7.5.2)

Governing Councillors are also expected to represent the Council on one of the Sub-Committees listed over the page.

Nominations are required in writing and the form needs to be returned to the Front Office or via email dl.0967.info@schools.sa.edu.au by 9am on Friday 15th February 2019.

Please give your consideration to nominating for Governing Council if you are interested in contributing to the school in this way.

NOMINATION FOR GOVERNING COUNCILLOR 2019

Please return to the Front Office by 9am on Friday 15th February 2019

Name: _____

Email: _____

Telephone No: _____(H)

_____ (M)

_____ (W)

Youngest child at VPPS: _____ Room No: _____

- Governing Councillor (in conjunction with the Principal provide governance of school facilities and services, site learning plan, school policies, strategic vision and enhance the holistic direction of the school)

I wish to nominate for Governing Councillor. As required by the Vale Park Governing Council Constitution I advise that I am not an undischarged bankrupt or receiving the benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors (Clause 7.5.1), nor have I been convicted of any offence prescribed by administrative instruction (Clause 7.5.2).

My personal statement follows:

Signed.....Date.....



VALE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

SUB-COMMITTEES 2019

Enthusiastic and committed people are also required to support and actively participate in the range of school committees.

If you are interested in contributing to any of the groups listed below please register your interest by completing the following nomination form. You will be advised of meeting times when these are established.

Nominations are required in writing and the form needs to be returned to the Front Office or via email dl.0967.info@schools.sa.edu.au by 9am on Friday 15th February 2019.

NOMINATION FOR SCHOOL SUB-COMMITTEES 2019

Please return to the Front Office by 9am on Friday 15th February 2019

Name: _____

Email: _____

Telephone No: _____(H)

_____ (M)

_____ (W)

Youngest child at VPPS: _____ Room No: _____

I wish to nominate for the following sub-committee/s: (Please circle your selection)

- **Fundraising** (raises funds through a variety of sources and events)
- **Grounds** (supports the Principal to plan for grounds and organises workings bees)
- **Out of School Hours Care** (assists with the planning and management of OSHC)
- **Canteen** (supports the school, managers of canteen to ensure the highest quality food and service is provided to students)
- **Sports** (supports the coordinator with the smooth operation of sporting teams in the school)
- **Finance** (supports the Principal and Finance Officer)

Signed.....Date.....



SWIMMING 2019

PAYMENT & CONSENT NOTICES have been distributed to all classes and both need to be returned by:

Week 3 Swimmers - Monday 4th February

Week 6 Swimmers - Monday 18th February

The Swimming Centre needs confirmation of final numbers one week prior the program commences.

Week 3, Monday 11th February – Friday 15th February

TEACHER	ROOM #	Year LEVEL	DEPART SCHOOL	START LESSON	LESSON FINISH	DEPART POOL	TOTAL
Beth Freeman	11	2/3	8:50	9:15	10:25	10:45	\$36
Doug M	4	2/3	8:50	9:15	10:25	10:45	\$36
Dana Delgado	12	2/3	10:00	10:25	11:35	11:50	\$36
Adele Steel	5	2/3	10:00	10:25	11:35	11:50	\$36
Maria D'Antiocchia	13	2/3	11:30	12:05	1:15	1:30	\$36
Skevi Datsopoulos	3	2/3	11:30	12:05	1:15	1:30	\$36
Eleni Biris	2	2/3	12:45	1:15	2:25	2:40	\$36
Lenka Hill	9	1	12:45	1:15	2:00	2:40	\$33

Week 6, Monday 4th March – Friday 8th March

TEACHER	ROOM #	Year LEVEL	DEPART SCHOOL	START LESSON	LESSON FINISH	DEPART POOL	TOTAL
Anthony Nasone	17	5	8:50	9:15	10:45	11:00	\$38
Sally Hoskin	20	4	8:50	9:15	10:45	11:00	\$38
Brenton Budarick	18	5	10:30	10:45	12:15	12:30	\$38
Olivia Villani	6	R	10:30	10:45	11:30	11:45	\$33
Steph Perham	7	R	11:10	11:30	12:15	12:30	\$33
Kelly Rivett	19	4	12:15	12:45	2:15	2:30	\$38
Sarah Hnarakis	10	1	12:15	12:45	1:30	1:45	\$33
Rachael Lambetis	8	1	1:10	1:30	2:15	2:30	\$33

Some classes may require assistance from parents – please refer to your child's class teacher if you are available to help. There will be no pool entry charged for parents assisting. Parents will be required to arrange their own transport as there will be no spare seats on the buses.



CANTEEN NEWS

We have had a very busy start to the year, everyone has had to adjust to the new changes at the Canteen and we hope you are enjoying the convenience of everyday ordering.

We have had many families using our new online ordering system and have had very positive feedback from many of you. Thank You.

It is quite easy to set up and use. If you need any help please come into the canteen so that we can assist you.

Qkr TIPS - Here are some useful tips to help with your use of the Qkr app

Please ensure you read your receipt at the end of the transaction and all orders must be in by 9am on the day of the order.

TIP OF THE WEEK

Q. How do I use the calendar display when placing food orders?

A. For ease of use, you are presented with a two week calendar when placing food orders. The calendar makes it easy for you to place orders for a particular child on a particular day.

To place a food order:

1. Open Qkr! and tap on your canteen menu.
2. On the calendar view tap the date next to your child for which you want to place the order. If you have registered more than one child, the calendar view enables you to place individual orders for each child for different dates. If a date is greyed out you cannot place orders for that date, either because the canteen is not open, or because it is past the cut-off time for that day's orders. Check with your school to confirm the cut-off time.
3. Browse the menu, select items, and add them to your cart.
4. If you are ordering for more than one child you can switch between children by tapping your child's name at the top of the screen.
5. When you are ready to pay, tap 'Checkout' at the bottom of the screen and complete the payment steps.

TIP OF THE WEEK

Q. Can I add multiple payment cards?

A. Qkr! will accept payment using any scheme credit/debit card accepted by the school, and you can add up to five different cards to your Qkr! account.

On checking out you can select from any of your registered cards.

Qkr! is provided by Mastercard so you know your payments are secure. No information will be stored on your phone. Registration details and card information are saved securely on the Mastercard network.

Reminders

CANTEEN OPENING TIMES ARE AS FOLLOWS FROM WEEK 2.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CLOSED ALL DAY	Recess CLOSED	Recess 10.45-11.05	Recess 10.45-11.05	Recess 10.45-11.05
	Lunch 1.25-1.45	Lunch 1.25-1.45	Lunch 1.25-1.45	Lunch 1.25-1.45

Orders

When ordering your Recess or Lunch through the class tubs your order must go into the tub on the morning you wish to have your Recess or Lunch, not the day before.

Volunteers

The Canteen has become very busy in the mornings sorting orders out each day and we are desperate for people to help on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from drop off time – approx. 10.30am. If you can come along and help during one of those time slots, please come and have your name put on our Roster. Volunteers that help in the Canteen must have Police Clearance and RAN Training.



SCHOOL CARD 2019

School Card applications for Form A can now be completed and lodged on line. All other form types must still be completed and returned to the school marked to the Attn: of the Business Manager.

The threshold Income limits for 2019 have changed and all parents are advised to check if their circumstances may have altered.

THE LINK - <https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

School Card scheme

The School Card scheme offers financial assistance with school fees (materials and services charges) for students attending government schools in that year.

If your school fees (materials and services charges) are less than the School Card subsidy, the scheme can also help with other educational expenses such as uniform, camp and excursion costs.

For students at non-government schools, parents are encouraged to speak directly to the school about financial assistance.

Eligibility

School Card is available to:

- families with children aged four years and over who attend a school full-time
 - independent full time years 10 or 11 students who are studying six subjects
 - independent full time year 12 students who are studying five subjects
- adult re-entry students undertaking Department for Education funded subjects at a government school.

Applications

Applicants need to complete an application form at the beginning of each year. Forms can be submitted from the start of January.

Choose the form below that is most appropriate to your circumstances. If you need help completing the form, talk to your school or phone the School Card section on 1800 672 758 (free call).

Income audit

This form is suitable for most low-income students and families. Use this form if:

- your combined gross income is within the income limit
 - your combined gross income is generated solely from a salary or Centrelink benefits
 - neither parent is self-employed
- the child was born after 1 July 2002.

[Form A: income audit – online version](#)

[Form A: income audit – paper version](#)



SCHOOL CARD 2019

Hardship, change of circumstances or self-employment

This form is for people who:

- have a gross income above the School Card income limit but have experienced hardship due to extraordinary or unavoidable expenses - e.g. medical or funeral costs
 - experienced a significant change of financial circumstances from the 1 July last year to until end of February this year - e.g. unemployment
- are self-employed and the family gross income is within the income limit.

[Form B: hardship/change of circumstances or self-employment](#)

Foster parents and guardians

These forms are for:

- foster (informal and formal care agreement) applicants who are the guardians of one or more students
- grandparents who are the guardians of their grandchildren.

[Form F: informal and formal care agreement – government students](#)

[Form F: informal and formal care/guardianship – non-government students](#)

Migrants and new arrivals

This form is for:

- newly arrived migrants who arrived in Australia after 1 July 2017
 - applicants who have exited a detention centre after 1 July 2017
- families with a combined gross income that is within the income limit.

Newly arrived migrant may need to contact the School Card Section on 1800 672 758 to discuss their visa class.

[Form M: migrants and new arrivals](#)

Adult re-entry students

This form is for adult re-entry students:

- undertaking only Department for Education funded subjects with a combined family gross income within the income limit.

[Form S: adult re-entry students on low income](#)

Veterans

Complete this form if you or your partner:

- receive a benefit from the Department of Veterans' Affairs
- have a total gross income within the income limit.

[Form V: veterans](#)

Vale Park Primary School Events Planner 2019

TERM 1

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	28/1	29/1 <i>Growing for the future... 2 week program</i>	30/1	31/1	1/2
2	4/2 Monster Truck Visit	5/2 <i>Growing for the future... 2 week program</i>	6/2	7/2	8/2
3	11/2 <i>Swimming week</i> 	12/2 7pm Gov. Council	13/2	14/2	15/2
4	18/2	19/2 Acquaintance Night (6:15-7pm) 7pm AGM	20/2 Living safely with pets Reception & Year 1	21/2	22/2
5	25/2	26/2	27/2 <i>Active Travel day</i> Living safely with pets Year 2/3	28/2 <i>SAPSASA Swimming</i>	1/3
6	4/3 <i>Swimming Week</i> 	5/3	6/3	7/3	8/3
7	11/3 Public Holiday	12/3 PFD	13/3	14/3	15/3
8	18/3	19/3 7pm Gov Council	20/3	21/3 <i>Harmony Day</i>	22/3
9	25/3 <i>Interviews</i> 	26/3 <i>Interviews (until 8)</i>	27/3 Principal Tour 9am <i>Interviews</i>	28/3	29/3 Sports Day 
10	1/4	2/4	3/4 6/7 Growth & Dvpt	4/4 <i>Photo Day</i>  <i>SAPSASA Cross Country</i>	5/4
11	8/4	9/4	10/4 6/7 Growth & Dvpt	11/4 Sports Day <i>(rescheduled in case of rain)</i> 	12/4 2.05pm Dismissal



pack a
waste-free
lunch

Waste Free Wednesdays

VALE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCAN QR CODE FOR NUDE FOOD INFO

KESAB - Wipe Out Waste
<http://www.wow.sa.gov.au/nude-food.html>

Contact Phone Numbers

OSHC: (after 3pm) 8266 0439

Mobile: 0422 274649

Vale Park Pre School: 8261 0228

Uniform Shop

Open Tuesday Mornings 8.30 - 9.15

Kristina: 0434 354 144

Mon - Fri 8am - 4.30pm