

# ROSE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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# Snapshot

Week 1 Term 3

Friday 24 July 2020

## Principal's Letter

Dear Families,

I wanted to let you know that I have really enjoyed my first week at Rose Park PS. It has been a pleasure to meet the children and I have noticed that good manners, respect and a warm, welcoming culture runs through the school. The staff have also been fantastic and are supporting my endless questions. I would like to acknowledge Jo Hurn in particular, for her work in leading the school last term, and her thorough handover to me during the holidays.

I am looking forward to getting to know more parents and extended families over the next few weeks - I should be out and about a little more now that I can find my way around (thanks to one of our parents who showed me around on Monday morning and some very helpful year 7 students!) I thought that a photo of myself might help you to spot me on the yard. Please do come and say hello.

Nicola Brelsford,

Principal



## Week 2 Crossing Monitors

### AM

Harry C  
Hannah M  
Lorenzo G-B

### PM

Guilherme F H  
Cartier W  
Valeria G C

## Safety and Wellbeing

Ensuring the safety and wellbeing of our students is a fundamental role of the school. The COVID-19 restrictions have certainly challenged, and limited, the normal and everyday activities we once took for granted. The Department for Education continues to provide schools with guidelines to minimise the risk of contracting or spreading of the virus.

From the beginning of term 3, the following activities can go ahead, as long as SA Health advice (physical distancing and room density requirements) are strictly followed by all adults:

- *parents, volunteers, departmental support and other service providers can enter school and preschool grounds. All external service providers and volunteers must complete the COVID-19 site access form on entry*
- *school assemblies (no maximum capacity) – **at this stage, parents will not be invited to attend school Assemblies***
- *class photos*
- *all intrastate camps and excursions*
- *some interstate camps and trips, in line with border restrictions*
- *all school sport competitions, sports days and carnivals, including inter-school competitions (use of shower facilities is not permitted)*
- *inter-school choirs, bands and other performing art activities*
- *school formals, socials and discos*
- *larger face-to-face professional learning activities*
- *visits to nursing homes and aged care facilities.*

Please note that these requirements remain in place:

- *It's important that students and staff stay home if they are unwell.*
- *Physical contact (even between students) must be limited. Non-physical greetings should be encouraged.*
- *The general public should not access school playgrounds or play equipment.*
- *Parents must continue to physical distance, including at school pick up and drop off.*

We remind you that students on school grounds need to be supervised by an appropriate person to ensure their safety and welfare. This will usually be a school staff person, particularly during the hours of 8.40am to 3.40pm. However, school staff are not responsible for supervising students outside of those hours. In fact, supervision of students before 8:40am and after 3:40pm, will usually be the responsibility of their parents/carers.

After 3.40pm, we are asking all families to leave the school grounds as soon as possible and comply with State Government recommendation for physical distancing. [Physical distancing](#) means avoiding close contact and crowded places whenever you can and aiming to keep approximately 1.5 metres distance from those around you in the community, in the workplace and at home. While physical distancing can't be practiced in all situations, people doing things a bit differently for now will help to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Some simple things that you can do to practice physical distancing include:

- *Avoid hugging and kissing*
- *Swap handshakes for a wave*

## We want you!

Rose Park Primary School Parents and Friends are Recruiting!

Governing Council is looking for parents that might be interested in running a Parents and Friends group for the school.

The Rose Park Primary School Parents and Friends group works to foster a sense of community, both within and outside the school.

This is achieved by:

- Meeting regularly to share ideas
- Building a parent community that is supportive of each other
- Supporting innovative projects/programs
- The organisation of social activities to ensure the opportunity to build relationships

Parents and Friends aim to provide opportunities to participate in the life and activities of the school, and raise funds for the benefit of the school community: in the process, the parents involved build networks, relationships and have a lot of fun!

The level of work involved is entirely up to you.

If you are interested, please register your interest via SurveyMonkey [HERE](#) and one of the Governing Council members will be in touch.

Thanks so much for your interest... in anticipation!

## Essential Assessment

Our teachers and students will be moving away from using Mathletics and introducing Essential Assessment in Term 3. Essential Assessment allows teachers to pre-assess each student within each strand or sub-strand of the Australian Curriculum, with results automatically compiled, advising the teacher of each student's current progression point or level, while reporting on the achievement standards that each student has understood and misunderstood.



The 'My Numeracy' function acts as a formative assessment model with an interactive teaching and learning function that enables students to progress through each proficiency standard of each achievement standard of the curriculum.

We see this an addition aid for teachers in differentiating the curriculum within each sub-strand based on their individual achievement standard results, and creating a tailored curriculum for each student.

## Student Research Project - Parent Survey

Aaliyah is a Year 11 student at Marryatville High School, and would like to invite parents of children aged between 3 and 7 to complete the surveys linked below to support her research project investigating motor skills development in children.

[Survey - Part 1](#)

[Survey - Part 2](#)

## Open Your World Wellbeing Strategy

The South Australian Government's *Open Your World* wellbeing strategy launched recently and aims to build community resilience and support physical, social, mental and community wellbeing in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Through connecting South Australians with relevant and uplifting information, the *Open Your World* strategy provides hope and motivation to learn new skills, stay active, healthy and connected with family, friends and our community.

The priority focus areas of the *Open Your World* strategy include:

- Promoting the opportunities and benefits of sport and physical activity
- Creating connection through arts and culture
- Encouraging use of green spaces in recognition of the health, wellbeing and environment benefits
- Supporting learning and skill development
- Connecting people in their local communities and neighbourhoods

To access a range of resources including information for families with children of all ages, please visit the website [openyourworld.sa.gov.au](https://openyourworld.sa.gov.au)

## Parent Teacher Interviews

This year, our Parent-Teacher interviews scheduled for Term 1 were cancelled.

In term 3, students traditionally share their learning, within their classroom, with their family or special visitor. Again, the COVID restrictions mean that this cannot occur. So, we are forced to think and problem solve creatively about how we can continue to connect with families in a different way.

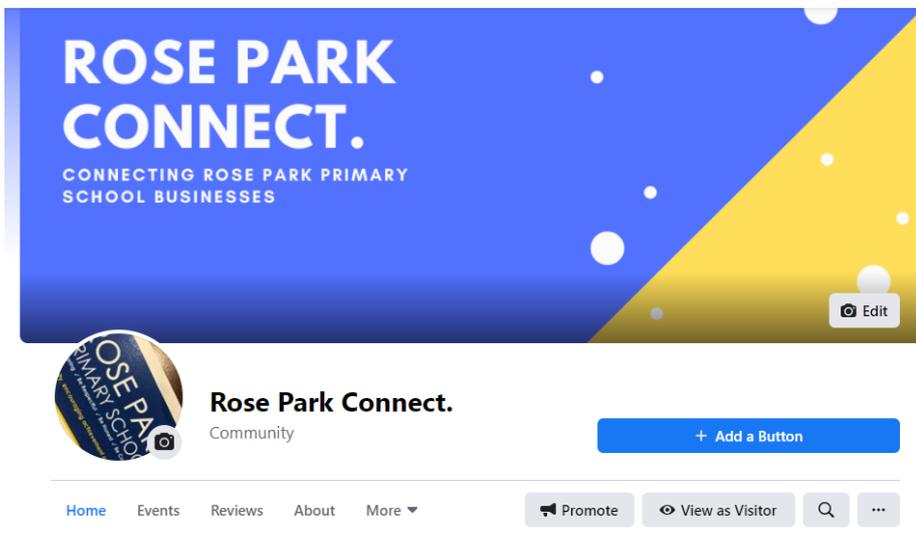
We will make available parent-teacher interviews through a digital platform (Google Meets) from Monday 10 August to Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> August. A link for bookings will be made available through EdSmart email from Wednesday 29 July.

## Being Safe on Bikes

It's been reported that some students have been unsafe when riding to school. If your child rides to school, can you please ensure that they are aware of the road rules and their responsibility to their safety and the safety of others.

Also, we remind families that students should be walking their bikes whilst on school grounds. We have so many people coming and going, that riding creates a safety risk.

Community is much more than belonging to something;  
It is about doing something together that makes belonging matter.



## Launching RoseParkConnect.

To build on our strong sense of community and help businesses bounce back we have established a **RoseParkConnect**. Facebook page.

It exists to

- offer families/parents with businesses the chance to list their business.
- enable those connected to Rose Park Primary School to find, utilise and support businesses linked to the school.

### Who can post their business?

Any business with a relevant connection with the Rose Park Primary School community such as a parent/caregiver who

- owns a local, Adelaide owned business,
- runs a local, Adelaide non for profit
- offers a service from home – i.e. take away meals, birthday cakes, clothes alterations, face painting etc.
- has procured the relevant authority of an authorised person to the business to which he/she is employed.

**OR** an ex scholar who owns a business.

### Is RoseParkConnect a school initiative?

**No.** Rose Park Primary School does not endorse, approve or recommend any business that posts to RoseParkConnect. The school takes no responsibility for the nature or quality of the businesses or the accuracy of the information provided. Nor does the school accept any responsibility for omissions, inaccuracies or misrepresentations to the information supplied or for any misuse of this information.

RoseParkConnect is a **community led initiative**, managed entirely by parents in a volunteer capacity. Terms and conditions for posting on the site can be found on the facebook page.

### Post and Support

Head over to **RoseParkConnect**. on Facebook to list your business and support other businesses in our school community.