

# Summit Sun

## "Let us Shine"

#### Welcome back to a very exciting year!

I hope you all had a fabulous break doing all the things on your festive lists whilst also having some precious time with family and/or friends. This year is going to be another wonderful opportunity for our community to really come together and be a regular part of what makes our school such a great place to live, grow and learn through a variety of parent workshops, open classroom sessions, volunteering opportunities, community events and programs allowing us all the chance to connect on a regular basis.

The first week has been extremely positive, engaging and welcoming for all. We spent the first morning celebrating the start of the new school year by sharing our new learning spaces with our community and hosting a lovely Welcome Morning Tea for our new and existing families. Each family received a Welcome Pack filled with first day goodies and were treated to some yummy baked goods provided by Lian Hill who is a member of our Governing Council.

It's been a joy getting around to each classroom and seeing firsthand how our students have been quick to settle and begin their learning journeys in a safe and supportive manner under the guidance of our wonderfully talented and dedicated staff. They have impressed me by the way they interact with each other, make new people feel included and welcome through their genuine sense of warmth, compassion and care towards one another. Our new learning spaces have played an important role in driving this process and have been very well received by our students, staff and the broader school community.

During the first weeks, our staff and students will spend time getting to know one another through a variety of activities designed with an intentional focus on building positive relationships, developing class routines and expectations in order to set up for a successful year of learning and working together. Our students will also have a focus on working with our Learner Qualities and use Berry Street Principles to identify and regulate their readiness to learn, target their interests, strengths and areas to improve on, and begin to set goals for themselves.

As part of our ongoing commitment towards keeping families up to date with school information, all families will often receive important information and notes home in paper form. The school will also send regular emails to families, a copy of the newsletter, and social media updates via Facebook. Teachers will use Class Dojo and paper-based diaries to communicate with families regularly, post incidental information and provide regular updates about what's happening in classrooms.

We are very happy to welcome our brand-new Reception students to Ms Raptis' and Miss Abela's Reception-Year 1 Class. We also welcome our other new students; Mya, Thomas, Drew, and Sebastian who have transferred to the school. We are sure that you all will love learning and making new friends at Norton Summit.

We are all very excited about starting the year and are looking forward to welcoming our community to be part of this amazing journey.

I personally look forward to meeting you all, whether that be through an informal pop in or at one of our upcoming events such as next Tuesday night's Acquaintance Night.

Shaun Barber Príncípal **Events on the Horizon** 

#### **FEBRUARY**

Tuesday 6 Acquaintance Night and AGM Wednesday 7

Year 6 Aquatics

#### Friday 23

5.30 – 7.30pm Welcome Picnic on school oval

Thursday 29

Courier Cup

6pm Parent Reading Workshop

#### MARCH

Thursday 7

#### **Student Free Day**

Monday 11

Adelaide Cup Day

Friday 22

Sports Day

2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024

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Principal – Mr Shaun Barber

#### Staff 2024

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Rec/1	Ms Stavroula Raptis &
	Miss Tania Abela
Yr. 2/3	Mrs Debby Kuerschner &
	Mr Andrew Smith
Yr. 4/5/6	Ms Sophie Drago
Front Office	Ms Tanya Frohloff
Librarian	Ms Sally Abernethy
Grounds	Mr John Cairns
OSHC	Ms Jade Brawley
	Ms Zahraa Farid
Principal	Mr Shaun Barber
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#### **Specialist Teachers**

Spanish	Senorita Tania Abela			
The Arts	Ms Tania Abela			
Health & PE	Mr Shaun Barber			
Music Teacher (From Week 2)				
Cara Bilstein - Piano, Drums, Choir				

#### 2024 Day Structure Change

In consultation with staff, surrounding schools, and Governing Council we have re-structured the look of our daily timetable to better meet the needs of our students by optimising their learning experiences. The timetable below illustrates changes in lesson and break structures that came into effect from Day 1 with the current school day beginning at 8:30am and concluding at 3:20pm, as well as the same amount of face to face teaching time. We will seek ongoing feedback from students, staff and the broader school community as to the effectiveness of the changes later in the term. At the end of Week 1, both the students and staff are enjoying the changes.

Bell Times				
8:50am	Ready to Learn Bell			
8.55 am	School Begins			
8:55-9:45 am	Lesson 1			
9:45-10:40 am	Morning Snack			
	Lesson 2			
10:40-11:35 am	Lesson 3			
11.35 - 11.45 am	Lunch Eating Time			
11.45 - 12.15 pm	Play Break 1			
12.15 - 1.05 pm	Lesson 4			
1.05 - 2.00 pm	Lesson 5			
	Afternoon Snack			
2.00- 2.30 pm	Play Break 2			
2.30- 3.20 pm	Lesson 6			
3.20 pm	Home Bell			

#### We Have Begun Re-Imagining Our School

Over the break we have had some wonderful cosmetic upgrades to our school with several classrooms being freshly painted and recarpeted. We have also begun the exciting process of 're-imagining' our school through the re-development of several learning spaces with all students at the centre of our thinking. Through research, resourcing, careful planning and consideration, we have made the decision to have our Reception-Year 1 and Year 2-3 classes swap rooms. As part of this process, we have converted the Computer Room in to an additional learning space for our Junior Primary students to regularly participate in purposeful investigation, fine motor, and play based learning opportunities aligned to the Australian Curriculum and units of work being taught in the classroom.

We have also upgraded our technology across the school, with all students having borrowed access to Laptop Computers for research-based learning and the teaching of digital literacies aligned to the curriculum. A majority of existing desktop computers have been relocated to the library and will be used as a 'Research Pod' for students.



#### Want to become a volunteer?

'Welcome Back' is our 2024 motto and we certainly have missed you all. Our staff and local community welcome the opportunity for volunteers to once again thrive in a school community environment.

These are just some of the ways you can help. You could:

- help children with their reading and numeracy
- mentor students
- help with a working bee
- share your culture
- help develop life skills
- help with camps and excursions
- be on a committee
- help in the library
- help with fundraising

There are many other ways to help. Before you apply to volunteer, think about what you can do to help. Simply follow the link below to find out more.

Our friendly staff will discuss opportunities within classrooms at our Acquaintance Night.

https://www.education.sa.gov.au/working-

us/volunteers/volunteering-schools-preschoolskindergartens-and-childrens-centres

#### SCHOOL FEES

School fees for this year have been set by the Governing Council at \$390.00 per student. This covers books, stationary and resources.

Payments can be paid via EFT, Credit Card, cheque or cash.

School bank details:-BSB – 065163 ACCT – 010255807 Norton Summit PS Reference – family name

Payments can be made as follows:-

Full payment – due Week 4 Term 1.

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024 \$390

Or

Payment in instalments

First payment – due Week 4 Term 1. Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February \$130.00 Second payment – due Week 2 Term 2. Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May \$130.00 Third payment – due Week 1 Term 3. Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> August \$130.00 Please note we only offer three instalments. We have decided on this option so the students have access to 2024 funds in 2024. School purchases occur in the first 3 terms, so it only seems fitting that fees are paid within these terms.

NB The school relies heavily on everyone paying their school fees to operate. Please ensure you pay by the due dates. (The school does make use of Debt Collectors when fees are unpaid.)

#### SCHOOL CARD

The School Card scheme offers financial assistance with school fees (materials and services charges) for students attending government schools in each year. Please click on the link below:-

https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-andlearning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/schoolcard-scheme

School Card is now applied for online.

#### SCHOOL INCURSION LEVY

A levy of \$65 will be charged to your account to cover Book Week celebrations, Science and theatre performances held at the school during the year. This levy is voluntary but if you choose not to pay the levy, your child may not attend the events. Individual payments can be made before the event to ensure your child can attend. Please note that as the year progresses there may be additional fees for new or unplanned cultural and learning opportunities.

#### SCHOOL SHORT SPORTS

A levy of \$30 for sport clinics that come to the school will also be charged to your account. Again, this is voluntary but if you choose not to pay the levy, your child will not attend the events. Individual payments can be made before the event to ensure your child can attend. Please note there may be additional opportunities that occur during the year that may incur an additional fee.

#### **Public Holidays**

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Adelaide Cup Day Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March - Good Friday Monday 1<sup>st</sup> April – Easter Monday Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April – ANZAC Holiday Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June – King's Birthday Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October – Labour Day

#### Term Dates - 2024

Term 1: Mon 29<sup>th</sup> January – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> April Term 2: Mon 29<sup>th</sup> April – 5<sup>th</sup> July Term 3: Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> July – 27<sup>th</sup> September Term 4: Mon 14<sup>th</sup> October –13<sup>th</sup> December

#### Welcome to our Receptions and Year 1 students What a wonderful first day it was!

































#### SUMMERTOWN NETBALL CLUB

#### WELCOMES NEW AND RETURNING JUNIOR AND SENIOR PLAYERS TO THE 2023 SEASON.

#### Junior training commences Wednesday 28th of Feb

Location: Summertown Netball Courts Tregarthen Reserve, Cnr of Greenhill and Tregarthen Road, Summertown, 5141

**Times:** 9 & Under, 11 & Under: 4:30pm - 5:30pm 13 & Under, Intermediate (17 & Under + 15 & Under): 5:30pm -6:30pm

Contact info@summertownnetballclub.com.au for additional details or questions regarding Senior team preseason training.





Our first welcome Morning Tea and gift to parents.

#### **Canteen News**

As usual, hot food lunch orders available on Fridays only – via paper bag with name & order written on the front and cash in the bag put in lunch order box outside of each classroom.

Drinks and snacks are available for the first 5 minutes of recess and lunch each day.

To keep our prices affordable and similar to 2023, we have switched our food provider to Woolworths. Different brands of products may be used at times, depending on availability. I am still working on some replacement products in our frozen iceblock/icecream range and will communicate the new menu to families in the next week or two.

Sally Abernethy





#### **Acquaintance Night**

Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 5.30pm – 7.30pm

#### 5.30pm free sausage sizzle

- 6.00 7.00pm Meet our lovely OSHC directors in the OSHC room
- 6.00 7.25pm Creche in library open
- 6.00 6.25pm R/1 class session
- 6.30 6.55pm Year 2/3 class session
- 7.00 7.25pm Year 4/5/6 class session

Free creche for school age children will be provided in library from 6pm with Sally Abernethy. Children will be supervised while you are in with your child's teacher. Parents/caregivers must collect their child from the library.

#### **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

For all school community members Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024 Time: 7.30pm – 8.30pm Followed by first Governing Council Meeting Venue: Room 1 (next to Ms Drago classroom).



- Learn about how the school runs
- Reflect upon what we've done well and what we can do better
- Think about how you can share your ideas and skills
- Socialise with other parents

We are looking for new Governing Council members this year. As a member of Governing Council, you have a greater say in the development of the school, as well as gaining valuable insight into planned activities, upcoming events and influencing ongoing policy development. There are usually only two meetings per term.

Come along to the AGM on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February as we would love to see some new faces.

Meetings go for around 90 minutes. The AGM will commence at 7.30pm.

If you would like to nominate, forms are available from the Front Office or on the night.

Continuing Members				
Ali	Jacqui			
Members seeking re-election				

Retiring Members					
ol	Thanh				
Ben	Nadia				
New Members					
Your name could be here	Or here				

Parents are nominated onto Governing Council for a two year appointment. At the conclusion of this time parents are welcome to reapply for a further two years.

# Welcome to OSHC

#### Dear Norton Summit Primary families,

We are very excited to welcome back existing families and welcome new faces to our OSHC in 2024. Out of School Hours Care (OSHC) is a Service providing care for your children, should you need it, every school morning (7.00am – 8.30am) or/and afternoon (3.20pm to 6:00pm) and every Pupil Free Day (7:00am to 6:00pm). Child Care Subsidy is available for eligible families. Enquire with the school office or OSHC staff to assist in enrolments, fee information, and general questions.

Our team are busy planning an exciting year ahead and look forward to sharing many fun filled times with you all! Norton Summit OSHC focuses on providing a nurturing space where students feel a sense of belonging, develop positive relationships with staff and peers, learn life skills, and most importantly have fun!

#### Important Information:

 Our fees will be increasing slightly this year to cover increased costs of food and activities.

Before School Care: Regular - \$18.00/session

Casual - \$21/session

After School Care: Regular - \$29.50/session

Casual - \$32.50/session

Pupil Free Days: Regular - \$53/day

Incursion/Excursion - \$60/day

Please ensure all OSHC bookings are made prior to 6pm the day before.

- By the end of Term 1 we hope to be completely digital. We will help all families to log into their Xplor Home app and create a login for you to sign your children in and out of the Service.
- We are also welcoming three new OSHC educators to the school.

#### Best regards,

Jade and Zahraa (OSHC Directors)

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m: 0401867100 (OSHC hours only)

### **NORTON SUMMIT PS**

Term 1 2024

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	29 <sup>th</sup> Jan	30th Jan	31st Jan	1 <sup>st</sup> Feb	2 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	3 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	4 <sup>th</sup> Feb
2	5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	6th Feb Acquaintance Night & Governing Council AGM	7th Feb Yr 6 Aquatics	8 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9 <sup>th</sup> Feb	10 <sup>th</sup> Feb	11 <sup>th</sup> Feb
3	12th Feb	13th Feb	14th Feb	15 <sup>th</sup> Feb	16 <sup>th</sup> Feb	17 <sup>th</sup> Feb	18 <sup>th</sup> Feb
4	19th Feb	20th Feb	21st Feb Karawatta Cafe	22 <sup>nd</sup> Feb	23 <sup>rd</sup> Feb	24 <sup>th</sup> Feb	25 <sup>th</sup> Feb
5	26th Feb	27th Feb Mobile library	28th Feb	29th Feb 6pm Reading Workshop for Parents	1 <sup>st</sup> March	2 <sup>nd</sup> Mar	3 <sup>rd</sup> Mar
6	4 <sup>th</sup> March	5th March	6th March	7th March Pupil Free Day	8 <sup>th</sup> March	9 <sup>th</sup> Mar	10 <sup>th</sup> Mar
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10	1 <sup>st</sup> April Easter Monday	2 <sup>nd</sup> April	3rd April	4th April	5 <sup>th</sup> April	6 <sup>th</sup> April 10am- 12pm Hills Harvest	7 <sup>th</sup> April
11	<sup>8<sup>th</sup> April Pare</sup>	9th April	10th April	11th April	12 <sup>th</sup> April	Swap 13 <sup>th</sup> April	14 <sup>th</sup> April