

Avenues Update Ter

Term 1 Week 3



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Diary Dates

20th Feb School Photo catch-up day

14th Feb Pupil Free Day

9th Mar Public Holiday -

Adelaide Cup Day

9th April Last Day Term 1

10th April Public Holiday -

Good Friday

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

It is with absolute pleasure that I welcome you to the 2020 school year as Head of Primary Years for Term 1 while Chan Welfare is Principal of Heathfield Primary School. I would like to personally thank Chan for helping me with such a smooth transition into the primary school which I am sure will mark the beginning of a wonderful term for us all.

I trust that you have all had a lovely Christmas and that your children are well rested and eager to begin engaging with all of the wonderful challenges that await them in their classes and beyond. If you are joining Avenues College as a new family, I congratulate you on making an excellent choice for your child's learning and development. We have an amazing staff and they are very excited about connecting and communicating with you to build a strong home/school partnership that promotes a thirst for lifelong learning.

The weeks ahead will be especially exciting for our entire school community as we move over to the McKay Ave site and begin our journey as a truly connected B-12 College. There might be some challenges along the way which is to be expected given the enormity of the move so I ask that we are all patient and understanding of one another and truly look for guidance through our College Values of Respect, Resilience, Courage and Creativity.

We warmly welcome Ms Tahlia Price this year who joins us and is teaching our Year 4/5 students. For our new families, our class teachers and specialist teachers for 2020 are as follows:

Reception – Amanda Hosking Year 5/6 – Mikayla Guinan
Year 1/2 – Sonja Hapke Year 7 - Tracey Fullerton
Year 1/2 - Renu Bajaj Music/Drama – Josh Haynes

Year 3 – Ashton Stepney Auslan – Helen Eckermann and Michelle McLaren

Year 4/5 – Tahlia Price Physical Education – Sam Bowman

We have a number of support staff that are new and or retuning to our site for 2020:

Lisa Fuller Robert Cooper

Carolyn Hawkes Lisa Rigney - ACEO

Jigisha Parekh Shahin Pirzada – BSSO (Bilingual School Support Officer)

Sarah Coleman Tracy Glazier - AET (Aboriginal Education Teacher)

Loredana Lucano

Once we have moved and are settled in our new space there will be a College B-12 Acquaintance Night. I very much look forward to meeting more families then and to celebrate the wonderful new facilities for our children.

Kind regards

Desi



Reception

In reception the students have been learning their common sounds. To reinforce their learning they have been making craft activities. This was a birds nest for the 'n' sound.







Ms Amanda is always looking for fun ways to help the students practise their writing. The students have been practising their names and letters in shaving cream.





Reception

Learning to work together is really important. The reception students have been doing many activities to learn how to get along with each other and make positive choices in the classroom.





4/5 CLASS

Miss Price

The year 4/5 students have begun the year looking at persuasive writing. These first few weeks we have been focussing on introductions and how we can hook a reader in. We have explored 'Sizzling Starts' which is the second step in the 7 Steps to Writing process.

As a class we converted a boring introduction into a sizzling start.

Before:

I strongly believe that Giraffes are better than Meerkats. Giraffes are better because they are tall, have a cool pattern on their body and they only eat leaves.

After:

Everyone knows that Giraffes are better than Meerkats! Why would you waste your time watching Meerkats when they spend half their life underground? Giraffes are more fascinating because they are huge in size, their patterns make them stand out because they are so bright and bold and a Giraffes diet doesn't involve hurting other animals or creatures. These are just a few reasons why I think Giraffes are way better than Meerkats.

Year 7 and the Receptions

After a hesitant big step from parents and caregivers to begin their journey at school, Ms Amanda's class (which have only been at school for 2 weeks!) came to the year 7 class to visit. This was also a reluctant step as in their words the year 7 class are big!

The receptions had drawn a self portrait and the year 7 students helped them with their writing by asking them lots of questions about themselves. By the time they had to leave, friends were made, and they were asking to stay!

We wish all the new parents, students and their families a warm welcome to Avenues College.



Start the chat before someone else does



Start the chat about online safety and help make every day a Safer Internet Day!

Join in the Safer Internet Day buzz

This year Safer Internet Day will be celebrated on Tuesday, 11 February 2020. The theme is 'Together for a better internet' and Australia's eSafety Commissioner is encouraging parents to mark the day by starting family conversations about online safety.

You can download our Safer Internet Day resources at esafety.gov.au/sid and use them to start the chat about online safety with your family.

Join our free parent webinar

The session will cover how to start the chat about harmful content, contact with strangers and cyberbullying.

Explore Australia's online safety hub

Check out eSafety's great range of advice and resources. Get started by visiting our parents and carers pages and reading the practical tips for kicking off an online safety conversation. You can also download our 'Parents guide to online safety' booklet (available in 5 languages), look through eSafety Kids with your family or get familiar with our step by step advice for reporting different types of online abuse. Find out more at esafety.gov.au

Helping Kids Thrive Online

12th February 2020 at 8:00 PM (AEDT) 14th February at 2020 12:00 PM (AEDT) Register now at esafety.gov.au/parents/webinars





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Avenues College OSHC Welcome to the new school year!

A very warm welcome to everyone, and a special welcome to families new to the school and our program.

At Camp Australia, we provide an engaging and supportive outside of school hours space for children to play, connect, learn and grow. We work together with your school community to deliver a tailored program that is designed to bring out the very best in each individual child. Creating a unique place where children can practice real-life skills in a fun, exciting environment that challenges them to succeed. In our sessions, children will be provided with a healthy snack while given time to relax, socialise with friends and learn some life skills along the way. Come to the OSHC room to meet the friendly team and discover how we can help your family.





To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your booking options online via our parent portal. If eligible, to help you with the cost of child care, you may be entitled to receive the Australian Government Child Care Subsidy. Visit my.gov.au to find out more.

Program Details

For more information on our service and fees, visit our website <u>www.campaustralia.com.au</u>. If you prefer to speak to us, you can contact our Customer Care Team, available to support families 24 hours a day, 7 days a week - except for National Public Holidays. Alternatively, you're welcome to visit us in service and chat with our qualified Educators about the Camp Australia program at your child's school.

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon! From the Team at Camp Australia

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What's on Term 1 2020

Avenues Children's Centre HILLCREST SA 5086 Beatty Avenue

8:45am-3:00pm Preschool Monday

Contact Allyson 8261 3339

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Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

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Playgroup Learning Together

Avenues College

Children's Centre

Contact Allyson 8261 3339

8:45am-3:00pm

Preschool

9.00 am - 10.30 am Session 1:

11:00 am - 12:30 pm Session 2:

A supported playgroup for

families with children 0-5 years Contact Nicole: 8261 2733

Starts 21st February

Booking are essential (limited space)

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Parent-Infant Attachment Group 9.30 am - 11.30 am ACORN

Attachment based group for mums with mental health struggles and their child/ ren aged birth to 3.

Contact: Coordinator 81313400 or acom@anglicaresa.com.au



Literacy Playgroup

Supported Playgroup with a literacy focus

Starts 25th February - 24th March 10-11:30am

Spaces are limited

Join us on Facebook

Contact Erica 8261 2733

Avenues College



Mum's Aunties, Grannies & Sisters come yarn, create, learn and play with your

Starting 12th February Time 1—2:30pm

Where: Avenues College Children's

Call Erica 8261 2733

Avenues College Children's

for Early Childhood Development and Parenting

Supported Playgroup

10am-11:30am

Baby Playgroup

Starts 12th February

Contact: Erica

8261 2733

Community Linking Coffee and Crafts

10am-11.30am

Avenues College Children's Centre

Take some time to meet families livir

in the community

Booking essential

Starts 13th February

Call Erica 8261 2733



Child and Youth Health

Attendance is referral based Parenting for the first time Early Parenting Group 1:30-3:30pm