



JUNIOR SCHOOL NEWS

Term 1 Week 1
January 2025

A warm welcome to the 2025 school year.

*“Reading to the mind
is like exercise to the
body.”*

Richard Steele

Welcome to the new school year in our Junior School! We're excited to begin 2025 with many opportunities for learning and growth. I'd like to acknowledge the hard work and dedication our teachers have put into preparing their classrooms for the year ahead. From setting up engaging learning spaces to planning meaningful learning experiences, they've worked tirelessly to create an environment where every student can thrive. We're focused on supporting your child's success, and we look forward to partnering with you for a wonderful term.

Here's to a fantastic 2025 school year!

Before and After School Supervision

Teachers begin yard duty in the morning at 8:30am. Please make sure your child is not coming to school before this time. OSHC is available from 6:30 until 8:30am in the mornings. We have already noticed students arriving before 8.30am (as early as 8.00am!!) by entering through the back gate or Senior School. Please check that your child does not enter the grounds before 8.30am. We know that every minute counts in learning. Our learning starts at 8.45am. It is extremely important for all children to be organized and ready to learn together in their classrooms at 8.45am. Our Front Gate will be closing directly after the 8.45am learning bell is sounded. If your child is late, they will need to enter via College Central and then collect a late pass from our Junior School Front Office. Teachers are on duty in the afternoon until 3:30pm.

The first few weeks

During the first few weeks of the school year our learning focuses on:

- students and teachers getting to know each other
- discussing routines
- negotiating shared responsibilities along with talking about and practicing ways to work together to create safe and successful learning environments in our Junior School.

Acquaintance Night- POSTPONED

Unfortunately, due to the extreme hot weather this week, we have decided to postpone our Acquaintance Night on Thursday. We want to ensure the safety and comfort of all our families, and the current extreme heat makes it difficult for everyone to participate in the event as planned. We understand how important this event is for building connections and staying informed, so we are actively working on rescheduling it to a later date when conditions are more favourable. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you for your understanding.

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(Kurna, thank you)
Julie

DIARY DATES

WEEK 2

Thursday 6th Feb

ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT

*****POSTPONED DUE TO
EXTREME WEATHER**

WEEK 3

Tuesday 11th Feb

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Thursday 13th Feb

ASSEMBLY 1.30pm
in the Pavilion
(all welcome)

Our Term 1 Calendar of important dates and events is attached- for you to display at home.





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FACEBOOK and CLASS SEESAW

Please take up the invitation to join our school Facebook page and your child's classroom Seesaw app. They both enable us the opportunity to provide up to date information, reminders and alerts.



Seesaw

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Evanston, SA



20+ Teachers at your school

HATS ON

Our Hat Policy takes affect this term. All children are expected to have a school hat that they will wear outside during P.E. and break times. To ensure your child is able to participate in P.E. and play during break times please label your child's hat clearly with their name and class.

Newly Designed School Hats!

We're excited to introduce our newly designed school hats, now given to every student! These reversible hats proudly feature our school house colours, giving each student a chance to show their school spirit and a sense of belonging.

Wearing these hats will help foster pride in our school community, and we hope students enjoy representing our school both inside and outside the classroom.



Please note: If your child loses their hat, a replacement can be purchased from the Finance Office in College Central at your expense.

Thank you for supporting this new addition, and for helping nurture a strong community spirit in our Junior School!



2025 Term One

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1 JS Newsletter	27/1 PUBLIC HOLIDAY	28/1 TERM 1 STARTS PREMIERS READING Challenge be active. Begins	29/1	30/1	31/1
Week 2	3/2	4/2	5/2 World Read Aloud Day 	6/2 Acquaintance Night 	7/2
Week 3 JS Newsletter	10/2 12.00 Dux Assembly	11/2  Photo Day	12/2	13/2 Assembly 	14/2
Week 4	17/2	18/2	19/2	20/2	21/2
Week 5	24/2 Governing Council	25/2	26/2	27/2 Assembly 	28/2 Schools Clean Up Day 
Week 6 JS Newsletter	3/3	4/3	5/3	6/3	7/3 PUPIL FREE DAY
Week 7 NAPLAN WEEK	10/3 ADELAIDE CUP	11/3	12/3  Writing	13/3  Reading	14/3  Lang Conventions
Week 8 NAPLAN WEEK	17/3  Numeracy	18/3	19/3	20/3	21/3 Harmony Day 
Week 9 JS Newsletter	24/3 Parent Teacher Interview Week  Governing Council	25/3	26/3	27/3 Assembly 	28/3
Week 10	31/3	1/4	2/4	3/4	4/4 
Week 11	7/4	8/4	9/4	10/4	11/4 LAST DAY OF TERM 2.15 DISMISSAL