



# Modbury West School

*Developing a quality learning community, through our values of:  
Tolerance, Honesty, Trust, Co-operation, Respect and Care*

# Newsletter

## Diary Dates

Issue No. 1

Term 1 2018 Week 1

Dear Parents

It is a great privilege to be the Principal of Modbury West School for the next five years and I look forward to working with students, families and educators as part of a dynamic learning community. I have a strong commitment to public education in both my own and my children's education. I have worked across the state in a variety of teaching, leadership and advisor roles to bring positive outcomes for students and schools. This community has many strengths and when we work together in a collaborative environment, we have an influential and powerful opportunity to ensure growth in learning for all students at Modbury West. I saw last week the work of our impressive OSHC, where building relationships through a family dinner and engaging students in the preparation of the meal shows a real commitment to quality and care. The students I have met are polite, respectful and positive in their interactions. I really value the learning opportunities and relationships our educators have been developing to begin our year and the establishment of class learning environments that lay the foundation for success.

Next Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February from 6:00 until 7:00 our classes and school will be open for Acquaintance evening and I am looking forward to meeting as many families as possible. Class teachers spend the majority of time with your child and are the best point of contact, however, please contact our front office if you need to meet with our leadership team or myself.

Our first assembly for 2018 will be next Wednesday (week 2) at 9:00 in the Gym. Families are always most welcome to attend.

Kind regards,

Sue Wirth  
Principal

### BELL TIMES

The school bell times have changed slightly this year. Please note there is now only one bell at the beginning of the day, not two, the students will go into class at 8:45 and begin lessons straight away.

The new times are:  
8:45am to class and learning starts  
10:50 recess begins  
11.10 recess finishes  
12:40 Eating bell for lunch  
12:50 Out to play  
1:30 lunch finishes  
3:05 end of school



### SCHOOL TIMES

Start of day

8.45am

End of day

3.05pm

## February

6<sup>th</sup>

Acquaintance Night

7<sup>th</sup>

Assembly 9am

## March

1<sup>st</sup>

District Swimming  
Carnival

12<sup>th</sup>

Adelaide cup Day –  
Public Holiday

22<sup>nd</sup>

SAPSASA Swimming  
Carnival

30<sup>th</sup>

Good Friday

## April

2<sup>nd</sup>

Easter Monday

3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>

Year 3 – 5 swimming

This is the Leadership team for 2018.



Sue Wirth



John Burch



Kristy Cannon

### **FRESHEST and BEST**

Modbury West School Canteen uses the services of Freshest & Best Northern. They will deliver direct to you, fresh, beautiful quality, fruit, vegetables and salad. For more information contact them on 8265 3476 or 0423 617 063.



A note from Miss Cannon .....

I am delighted to have been appointed to Modbury West School for 2018 as Assistant Principal – Wellbeing and Engagement.

For the last three years at Modbury West I have worked as both Performing Arts Teacher and in various leadership positions. Previous to Modbury West School, I was at Wandana Primary School, also teaching Performing Arts and short term leadership. My career has taken me from Psychology, to Youth Work, to Education.

I am passionate about student wellbeing and welfare, and work hard to ensure all students are safe and happy to be able to achieve their best learning outcomes. This is where my heart is!

My main areas of responsibility include wellbeing, attendance, students with disabilities, and student leadership.

On a personal note I live locally with my two daughters, Pippa, aged 9, and Keeley, aged 14. This year my family have welcomed two Vietnamese International Students who will live with us for the next 4 years, Phung, aged 14, and Tho, aged 12. We are a very busy sporting family, playing netball, soccer and touch football, and we try to get to out onto our friend's farm as much as possible to ride our motorbikes!

It has been wonderful to see all of the smiling faces back at school, and I have caught up with many of our student's holiday adventures already. I look forward to catching up with all students this week, and getting to know all of our new families. Please feel free to pop in and introduce yourself to me.

I wish all of our school community the very best for 2018!

Kind regards,  
Kristy Cannon.

### **SCHOOL BANKING**

School banking will begin in week 3 this term. The parent volunteer will be available on Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> February, next week between 9.00am and 9.30am to speak to you with information about how to open an account for your child/ren if you would like to do so.