

**Challa Gardens**



**Preschool – Year 6**

# **CHALLA GARDENS PARENT INFORMATION**

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# Welcome



The staff, children and School Council at Challa Gardens Primary School, extends a warm welcome to you and your children. We hope that your time here will be happy and educationally rewarding for your family. "Challa" is Aboriginal for "rich soil" and we aim to create a learning environment in which your children can grow in many ways.

## School times

Yard supervision begins at 8.30am and finishes at 3pm. Students should not arrive to school before this time and should not remain at school after 3.15pm unless supervised by an adult.

## OSHC

Challa Gardens Primary School operates a before school care session from 7.30am in the Gym. The cost for each session is \$5.

After school hours care is run by Brompton Primary School. If you would like to register for after school care please call on 08 8340 4486

## Preschool

Challa Gardens Preschool is located on the Challa Gardens School Site.

The operating hours are from 8.00 am to 3.30pm. The Preschool has two groups, Group A which attends Monday and Tuesday and Group B which attends Wednesday and Thursday.

**We also have a playgroup on Thursday from 9am-10.30am**

# General Information

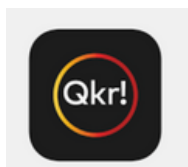
## Disability Unit

Challa Gardens Primary School has 3 disability unit classes. These classes are a specialised education option. Students need an assessment and referral from the current school or preschool. to obtain a place within this setting.

## Seesaw



Our main form of communication is through the Seesaw app. It is important to download this onto your phone as it will keep you up to date with things happening within our school community. To download the app , install the Seesaw app and the class teacher will give you a code to log in.



## Canteen

Students are able to order their lunch using the Qkr! app. This is provided by an outside business. Food must be ordered by 9am. Menu is available to look at on the app.

## Uniforms

The Governing Council encourages the wearing of a school uniform. Our uniform is available at the front office.

Please see Dress Code Policy on school website.

School top - with logo Navy

Jumpers- Navy with logo

shorts- Navy

Pants- Navy

Dress- Blue and white checked

Baseball jacket- Navy and gold.

# General Information

## Inclement weather policy

Sunscreen is provided in classrooms for student and staff use.

When the forecasted temperature is 36C or higher the following will occur:

- ☐ Children will be supervised inside at lunch time and recess times
- ☐ Outdoor sport activities will be cancelled

When the weather is wet students will remain in their classrooms under the supervision of a teacher.

## No hat, no sun policy

During term 1 and 4 students are required to wear a hat. Students without a hat will remain under the shelter within the view of the duty teacher.

## Fees

You are asked to pay your children's fees as soon as practical. Our financial resources make it difficult to "carry" outstanding accounts for other than a short period of time. If you have difficulty paying your child's fee, forms may be obtained from the Office whereby you may apply to the Department of Education & Child Development (DECD) for Government Assistance through a School Card Application. If you are not eligible for Government Assistance please make an appointment to discuss payment in instalments with the Finance Officer.

## School Policies

To look at schools updated policies please refer to our school website.

# General Information

## Breakfast club

Breakfast club is on everyday from 8.30-8.50am outside our gym. Breakfast is provided to us by KickStart for Kids.

## Assemblies

We run assemblies three times a term in our school gym. Classes take turns sharing what they have been learning about. Parents are welcome to attend assemblies

## The Smith Family

The Smith Family helps students throughout their education to reach their full potential by providing holistic, long-term support. The Smith Family offers Learning for Life Scholarships, Programs and Support during the primary, secondary and tertiary education years.

Learning for Life Scholarships are awarded to students in financially disadvantaged families that have demonstrated their commitment to education and who would benefit from additional support and who meet the referral criteria. To be eligible for the program, families are required to have a current Pension Concession or Health Care Card and demonstrate a strong commitment and engagement to education.

For further information on the Learning for Life Scholarship, please contact:

Kelly Bawden (Family Partnership Coordinator)

m- 0429 220 538

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## Student Leaders

There are a range of student leadership opportunities at Challa Gardens Primary School. Students in year 5/6 are able to apply for leadership positions in:

School captains

Sports captains

Digital Technology

Wellbeing

## Curriculum information

### School Curriculum

The school's curriculum is based upon the Department of Education's guidelines and it contains 8 areas of study. These are:

English  
Mathematics  
science  
Humanities and Social Science  
Technology  
The Arts  
Health and PE  
Language-Greek

Students from year R-6 study Greek 1 to 2 lessons per week. Vietnamese is available to children who are speakers of this language.

### Assessment and Reporting

Challa Gardens Primary School aims to provide parents and caregivers with ongoing information about their child's learning. Reporting tells parents and caregivers what each student has achieved and areas to improve. Assessment is gathering information about what the student knows, can do and understands. Teachers use this information to plan further learning and evaluate their classroom programs.

### Reporting timeline

***Term 1:***

Meet and greet  
Parent/teacher interviews

***Term 2:***

Formal written report

***Term 3:***

Interviews on request  
Open Morning

***Term 4:***

Formal written report

# Attendance

## Picking up Children Early from School

Parents/caregivers needing to take their child from the school during school hours are required to sign an Early Departure Receipt at the Front Office before collecting their child from the classroom.

## Absence Notes

So that we know your child is safe, parents are required to phone the school on the morning of the absence, followed by a note the next day, explaining the absence. Parents can also notify the school of the absence using the school website. This is a regulation of the Education Department. Please remember to put the date on the note as we are required to keep them for possible reference. In the event of unknown absences at morning roll-call, a phone call will be made to parents.

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### *Every day counts*

*1 or 2 days ABSENT a week doesn't seem much.....*

If your child misses....	That equals...	Which is ...	And over 13 years of schooling that is...
<i>1 day per fortnight</i>	<i>20 days per year</i>	<i>4 weeks per year</i>	<i>Nearly 1 ½ years</i>
<i>1 day per week</i>	<i>40 days per year</i>	<i>8 weeks per year</i>	<i>Over 2 ½ years</i>
<i>2 days per week</i>	<i>80 days per year</i>	<i>16 weeks per year</i>	<i>Over 5 years</i>
<i>3 days per week</i>	<i>120 days per year</i>	<i>24 weeks per year</i>	<i>Nearly 8 years</i>

### *How about being 10 mins late for school...*

If your child misses.....	That equals....	Which is....	And over 13 years of schooling that is....
<i>10 mins</i>	<i>50 mins per week</i>	<i>Nearly ½ week per year</i>	<i>Nearly ½ year</i>
<i>20 mins</i>	<i>1hr and 40 mins per week</i>	<i>Over 2 ½ weeks per year</i>	<i>Nearly 1 year</i>
<i>30 mins</i>	<i>Half a day per week</i>	<i>4 weeks per year</i>	<i>Nearly 1 ½ years</i>

*Attendance Matters*

# Sport

## *After School Programs:*

### **Basketball**

Our Basketball Program is supported by Woodville Warriors Basketball Club who provide coaches for our school teams. Players are expected to train once per week after school and play one game per week at St Clair Recreation Centre. The program runs during Term 1 and 2. All teams train Wednesday afternoons on school grounds. Games are played at St Clair Recreation Centre. Grades 2 and 3 play on Monday afternoons. Grades 4, 5 and 6 play on Friday afternoons. We run an Aussie Hoops Basketball Clinic for our Reception and Grade 1 students in Term 4.

### **Netball**

Our Netball Program is supported by local netball clubs who provide coaches for our school teams. Players are expected to train once per week after school and play one game per week at St Clair Recreation Centre. The program runs during Term 1 and 2. All teams train Tuesday afternoons on school grounds. Games are played at St Clair Recreation Centre. Grade 2 play on Wednesday afternoons. Grades 3, 4, 5 and 6 play on Thursday afternoons. We run a Net Set Go Netball Clinic for our Reception and Grade 1 students in Term 4.

### **Soccer**

Our Soccer Program is supported by Football SA which provide coaches for our school teams. Players are expected to train once per week after school and play one game per term in the Northwest Junior Soccer Association' School Competition. The program runs during Term 2 and 3. All teams train Thursday afternoons on the school oval. Games are played at the St Clair Ovals on Broncas Avenue. All grades play on Saturday mornings.





# Sport

## **SAPSASA & District Sports**

Every year, students at Challa Gardens can compete in a variety of different SAPSASA sports competitions. Students from grades 4, 5 and 6 have the opportunity to participate in SAPSASA swimming and athletics carnivals. Both carnivals are held in term 1. Selected students from grades 5 and 6 that display outstanding skill in certain sports will be invited to try out for district state teams. The sports on offer throughout the year include soccer, Australian Rules Football, netball, cricket, tennis, hockey, golf and softball.

## **School Sports SA**

Every year, Challa Gardens enters teams into School Sport SA's Knockout Competitions for soccer, netball and basketball. Try-outs and selections are completed at school. The selected teams then play against other schools until they are defeated. The Knockout Competitions are for students in grades 5 and 6 however, special exemptions can be made for students in Grade 4 if given approval from School Sport SA.

## **Swimming, Aquatics & Camps**

Swimming, aquatics and orientation activities are a required part of the Australian Curriculum. Each year, students from Reception to Grade 5 participate in swimming lessons conducted by DfE swimming instructors. Our Grade 6 students are given the opportunity to attend Aquatics Camp.

