

# 2026 Diary Dates...

Library Borrowing: Monday

Garden: Friday

Cooking: Friday

## TERM 1

### JANUARY

#### Week 1

#### Newsletter Week

Begin and Belong Week

Tues, 27<sup>th</sup>: Back to School

### FEBRUARY

#### Week 2

Begin and Belong Week

Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: 9-11am Playcentre

Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: Piano lessons commence

Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: Gardening lessons commence

#### Week 3

Mon, 9<sup>th</sup>: Family BBQ Open Night 6pm

Fri 13<sup>th</sup>: MP Assembly (Captains

Announcement)

#### Week 4

#### Newsletter Week

Tues, 17<sup>th</sup>: Governing Council AGM

Wed, 18<sup>th</sup>: School Photos

Fri, 20<sup>th</sup>: Pupil Free Day

### MARCH

#### Week 6

Mon 2<sup>nd</sup>: Yr6's Dream & Lead Conferemce

Fri 6<sup>th</sup>: Swimming Carnival

#### Week 7

#### Newsletter Week

Mon 9<sup>th</sup>: Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Wed 11<sup>th</sup> - Fri 13<sup>th</sup>: NAPLAN (Yr3 & Yr5)

Fri 13<sup>th</sup>: MP Assembly

#### Week 8

Mon 16<sup>th</sup>: NAPLAN

Tues 17<sup>th</sup>: Gov Council Meeting

Fri 21<sup>st</sup>: Ride To School Day

#### Week 10

#### Newsletter Week

Tues 31<sup>st</sup>: Parent Teacher Interviews

### APRIL

Wed 1<sup>st</sup>: Parent Teacher Interviews

Fri 3<sup>rd</sup>: Public Holiday - Good Friday

#### Week 11

Mon 6<sup>th</sup>: Public Holiday - Easter Monday

Fri 10<sup>th</sup>: Last Day Of Term - JP Assembly

2:15pm Early Dismissal

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## A note from the Principal...

SKYE IRWIN

Welcome to the 2026 school year at Auburn Primary School! We have certainly hit the ground running, with Week 1 almost complete already.

Our students have been incredibly busy this week, engaging in a strong focus on Begin and Belong. This has included relationship building, establishing routines, and gathering student voice to support curriculum planning. It has been wonderful to see our students engaged in their learning, supporting one another, and taking pride in being part of our school community.

I would like to extend a warm welcome to our new staff members Jamie and Sabina, and also welcome back Brooklyn. We are thrilled to have you all as part of our Auburn Primary School team in 2026.


A big thank you must go to the families who cared for our chooks over the holiday period, and to Clare Valley Towing for assisting with the removal of some bits and bobs around the school yard – your support is greatly appreciated.

I would also like to warmly welcome our new students Oakley, Lenny, Luffy, and Evelyn. With their enrolment, we are fortunate to have three new families joining the Auburn Primary School community. Please join me in making them feel welcome.



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We hope you will join us for our Parent Community Evening BBQ Night on Monday 9th February at 6:00pm. Please see the flyer in the Events section of this newsletter for more information.

Please note that we have an upcoming Pupil Free Day on Friday 20th February. OSHC will be available, however bookings are essential to secure your place.

With the current extreme temperatures, we have been vigilant in discussing and reviewing our Bushfire Emergency Action Plan with students and staff. I am pleased to share that the MP/UP air-conditioning installation project is expected to be completed by the end of Tuesday. I am hopeful that we can commence relocation back to regular classrooms on Wednesday.

Hopefully all families have their Seesaw app connected with classroom teachers and have received communication via Seesaw and email. If you have not received any communication, please contact your child's classroom teacher so we can review your contact details in our system.

Finally, did you know there is a Men's Shed in Clare? I am currently in communication with them regarding the construction of a lockable wooden storage box for outside play equipment, to help deter theft and further vandalism. Thank you to the volunteers who participate in the Clare Men's Shed – if you have an interest in woodwork and are looking for a flexible volunteering opportunity, I highly recommend getting in contact with them.

Thank you for your continued support as we begin another exciting year at Auburn Primary School.



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Playcentre

**We're  
ready to  
play**

Commencing Friday Feb 6

9am - 11am



WELCOME EMILY!

We welcome our new Director, Emily, to our service from the 15th of December. Emily comes to us with a wealth of experience in supporting children and young adults in both schools and out of school services.

We know you will make Emily feel supported and welcomed to our service as she joins us for the Vacation Care period.

A big thank you to Alison Burford for working in the Director role throughout the term. Alison has supported with Spike, kept accounts up to date, completed waivers and ensured that Emily will have a smooth start.



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CHILDREN CAN THRIVE AND DISCOVER THE  
WORLD AROUND THEM!**

**AUBURN OSHC**

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE  
MONDAY- FRIDAY  
3:15-6:00PM**

Welcome back to school for 2026! We hope you had a wonderful break. We had a fun and lively vacation care program and we're looking forward to seeing you in OSHC at Auburn

to enrol with us please contact us at [dl.OSHC.O470@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.OSHC.O470@schools.sa.edu.au)

To book in at OSCH please use SPIKE  
or contact us via [dl.OSHC.O470@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:dl.OSHC.O470@schools.sa.edu.au)

The OSHC mobile is monitored during school and OSHC hours only, for enquiries about children or late bookings. 0429 959 941

We really appreciate early bookings to help us to organise staff and resources for GREAT OSHC times!

Emily Ritchie  
Director Watervale and Auburn OSHC  
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# APS 2026 DATES TO REMEMBER

**SAVE THE DATE**



**FRIDAY MARCH 6, 2026**

## INTERSCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

JOIN US FOR A DAY OF EXCITING RACES, COMMUNITY SPIRIT & INTER SCHOOL FUN!

WHERE: CLARE, THE VALLEYS LIFESTYLE CENTRE

- SWIMMING RACES
- RELAYS
- TEAM EVENTS

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## BBQ FAMILY NIGHT


Monday **9TH** February

**6 PM**

### FAMILY FUN | GOLD COIN DONATION

The Auburn School Community is invited to our BBQ Open Night! Join us for a relaxed evening where families can gather to enjoy a sausage, visit your child's 2026 classroom, and have a play on the playground. We look forward to seeing you there!

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## Reminder

Governing Council  
**AGM**

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2026  
6:30pm, School Library



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Save The Date  
Term 1

# Pupil Free Day

Week 4  
Friday, February 20, 2026

