

— Term 1, 2026 —

# Blakeview Primary School



## DATES TO REMEMBER

### February

- 10<sup>th</sup> R-5 Footsteps
- 17<sup>th</sup> R-5 Footsteps
- 17<sup>th</sup> Family night  
*\*save the date\**
- 24<sup>th</sup> R-5 Footsteps
- 27<sup>th</sup> Pupil free Day

### March

- 3<sup>rd</sup> R-5 Footsteps
- 9<sup>th</sup> Public holiday-no school
- 10<sup>th</sup> R-5 Footsteps
- 30<sup>th</sup> R-2 swimming starts

### April

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Public holiday-no school
- 6<sup>th</sup> Public holiday-no school
- 9<sup>th</sup> Jam Band - whole school  
incursion
- 10<sup>th</sup> Last day of term - early  
dismissal - 2.10pm

## Week 2 run down

Returning to and starting school is always a little bit of information overload. For the next couple of weeks, we will continue to share information through newsletters to hopefully make this transition a little easier.

A real positive of the Blakeview community is the commitment of our families and staff in wanting the best possible outcomes for our young people.

As the new long-term Principal of Blakeview PS, I am very excited to be working alongside all of the students, families and staff. We want our students to have new experiences, exposure to new things and also to build strong literacy and numeracy foundations.

We have a variety of incursions (groups such as Footsteps, SANFL, Jam Band) visiting us at school, along with excursions (swimming this term R-2) planned for our students. Schools are always busy places, and we look forward to a jam-packed year.

Kind regards  
Zoe Wecker

# External Providers

As educators, we acknowledge and value the support and experience of external support providers. Teachers always welcome recommendations and reports from providers and therapists. As a site, there are strict guidelines that we must adhere to. They include;

- Line of sight- school staff must be able to observe the provider's interactions at all times.
- Access to full curriculum entitlement-all students must be able to meet the required face-to-face teaching time.
- Physical capacity- is there a suitable space to facilitate therapy/support without disruption to other learning environments.

Taking all of the above considerations into account, as a site, we simply cannot facilitate this in the mainstream setting. The Disability Unit and Special Options program does have purpose-built spaces that can accommodate this.

We will continue to support our students, allowing therapist onsite for an observation. For this to occur, the provider will need to make contact with the school in advance and be clear about:

- The purpose of the visit
- The length of stay
- How the visit will assist the teacher in the teaching and learning around the student.

Within classrooms, calm corners and regulation spaces are being introduced and explored by our students. Zones of Regulation (ZoR) is a comprehensive framework specifically designed to help students manage their emotions, behaviours and sensory needs. All staff are engaging with this program and supporting students with their learning in this area.

We look forward to sharing more with you in the coming weeks.



## Start and Finish Times at Blakeview

Bell times at schools can be a bit tricky to navigate. We also are very aware that it is a really busy time, given the number of schools in the area.

School starts at **8.50am** and finishes at **3.10pm**.  
On a Thursday, we finish at **2.20pm**

Arriving on time is important as this is where important daily messages and routines are shared. Learning to be punctual is also a lifelong lesson that our students need to learn.

Students who arrive before 8.30am, who are not supervised, will need to attend OSHC. If students are on school grounds, they will be taken to OSHC and families will be invoiced for the session. Supervision in the yard does start at 8.30am.

After school, a second bell will go at 3.20pm. (2.30pm on a Thursday) Students who walk home, are expected to start walking, straight after school. Students who have not been collected by 3.30pm will be taken to our onsite OSHC for supervision. Families will be invoiced for this service.