

Communication at Barnawartha Primary School

There are lots of different ways that you can stay in touch and keep up to date with your child's education and events at school.

uEducateUs

Our main source of communication is through our digital Communication Management System called uEducateUs. <https://barnawarthaps.ueducateus.com.au>

This is an online platform where you can:

- Submit your child's absences
- Access mid-year and end of year reports
- Access interview schedules (for parent teacher meetings)
- Access our calendar of events
- Receive notifications and announcements.
- Communicate with our Business Manager (Sharnee)



Each parent is issued with a unique login and password. If you have lost this, please contact your child's teacher and we will resend you your details. Often (but not always) push notifications are sent to your email if you allow these in your settings, but we strongly recommend you check the events and announcements regularly as these can be subject to change. It is an expectation that all families access and stay up to date with this system regularly. We do not hand out paper reminders.

Facebook

Our other platform for sharing information is through our school's Facebook Page. To reduce their digital footprint, we don't share students' names on Facebook, and we ask that if you comment that you don't make personal reference of students by name either. Facebook is often used to notify families of events or changes and most importantly, to capture and celebrate our students' learning and achievements. <https://www.facebook.com/barnawarthaps>

Face to Face

If at any time you would like to catch up with your child's teacher, please don't hesitate to book an appointment with them. Our teachers also make themselves available for a quick catchup in the mornings from 8:40am – 8:50 am and 3:30- 3:40pm in the afternoons at the front gate. We have formal parent teacher interviews in weeks 1 and 2 of term 3, but please don't feel you have to wait until then to catch up with us.

Phone contact/email

At times the school's administration **desk phone number (0260) 267227**, is not supervised and your call might not get answered. We do have an additional **school mobile number (0428) 775 616**. If you are unable to find the information you need, through uEducateUs or Facebook, or if a matter is urgent, or you need a quick clarification you are welcome to text message or email your child's teacher. However, we ask that you be mindful and understanding of the time of day and that we may not be able to respond immediately if we are teaching, or in meetings, or after hours/weekends, but we will ensure that we respond as soon as we can.

WEBSITE

Our school's website is a place to find information such as policies and forms. This page is updated twice yearly. <https://barnawarthaprimarieschool.com/>

WELLBEING

Our wellbeing team is your contact for all things to do with wellbeing for yourself and your child. Sharnee, Lauren and Robyn can put you in contact with external support services (eg Orange Door, CHIPS, Student Support Services, Disability Services or referral letters for paediatricians etc) and financial support agencies such as **Foodshare** (subsidised food vouchers) and **State School's Relief** (assistance with school uniforms and clothing).

School Council

We have a range of parent, staff and community council members for you to contact as well.

School Council President – Ben Boudroukas

Vice President – Nicole Ledger.

School Council members: David Robertson, Steph Moss, Mel Craig, Bec Godfrey, Tara Sewell, Sharnee Efftig, Lauren Blackley and Lisa van Noordennen.

Barnawartha Primary School Staff

Principal

Lisa van Noordennen

Junior Room Teacher (F/1/2)

Karen Kerr (and Joe Carrucan - Friday)

Middle Room Teacher (3/4)

Shelley Bowey

Senior Room Teacher(5/6)

Adam Flinn (and Allison Pritchard -Friday Fortnightly)

Specialist Teacher (Spanish Science, Music)

Allison Pritchard (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday)

Casual Relief Teacher

Joe Carrucan

Business Managers

Sharnee Efftig (Mon/Tue/Wed)

Noelene Goyen (Thursday Fortnightly)

Education Support Staff

Robyn Rendell (Intervention whole school support)

Zahra Andersen-Emmett (Junior Room)

Lauren Blackley (Middle Room)

Zoe Isaac (Senior Room)

Fiona Mackenzie (Senior Room)

BOSHC

Fiona Mackenzie

Wellbeing Coordinator

Sharnee Efftig

OHS Officer

Sharnee Efftig

Disability Inclusion Leader

Lauren Blackley

Mental Health in Primary Schools Leader

Lisa van Noordennen

Marrung Leading Teacher

Adam Flinn

Mobile Library (MARC Van)

Amy Musgrove (fortnightly)

Mobile Art (MACC van)

Heather Earles (fortnightly)

ICT support

William O'Connell (fortnightly)

Cleaner

Gavin Rendell

Grounds and Maintenance

Paul Ramsay

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Regards

Lisa van Noordennen