SCHOOL CLOSED ALL DAY FRIDAY, 21/11/08 - Industrial Action*

DIARY DATES

November
19th  Flames Presentation Night (Hall)  7pm
21st  Rooms 8 & 10a to Road Safety School
23rd  Hub Flames at Glenelg Christmas Pageant
24th  Footsteps Dance Lesson (Yr 7s)  9-10am
      Rooms 7 & 20 to Botanic Gardens (All day)
      Finance Committee Meeting (Staff Room)  6pm
25th  Yr 7 Transition to APHS
      Hub Recital Night (Hall)  7pm
26th  Reception Transition Visit  9:30am
      Junior Choir to Warekila Lodge
27th  Rooms 17 & 19 to APHS – Wizard of Oz
28th  R-7 Assembly (Hall)  11:25am
      Canteen Committee Meeting (Staff Room)  2pm

December
1st  Footsteps Dance Lesson (Yr 7s)  11:55am-2:45pm
2nd  Volunteer’s Morning Tea (Multi-Purpose Rm)  11am
      SRC Celebrations
3rd  Reception Transition Visit  9:30am
      Rooms 8 & 10a to Variety Club Christmas Party
      Footsteps Dance Lesson (Yr 7s)  11:55am-12:55pm
      Governing Council Meeting (Staff Room)  7pm

PRINCIPAL AWARDS

MIDDLE SCHOOL
Confidence: Kai O, Lauren S, Matthew E, Matt T & Sean W
Getting Along: Jack Mc, Kirra M, Sam O, Shabnam K & Tennyson L
Organization: Brady W, Ashleigh P, Ben K & Sarah R
Persistence: Jarrad V, Ben T, Brendan W, Katja H, Marija M & Nick R
Resilience: Rachael Mc
Music: Nicholas R, Scott M, Alana B & Dylan T

INDUSTRIAL ACTION
Aberfoyle Hub School will be closed on Friday, 21/11/08 due to a vote for industrial action by members of the Australian Education Union at this school site. The District Director has approved the closure on the grounds that insufficient staff will be on duty to enable the Principal to ensure that adequate standards of student safety and welfare can be provided.

Out of School Hours Care will also be CLOSED on 21/11/08. Student attendance records will be marked as ‘Dispute’, not as an absence.

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

SPORTS DAY 2008

Sports Day 2008 was held on Tuesday, 11th November in near perfect conditions; albeit hot. The four teams: Nicolle, Sauerbier, Appleton and Warrikilla all participated with passion, skill and enthusiasm. I would like to acknowledge all of our team Captains and Vice Captains:

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The ‘Attitude’ Trophy was won by Warrikilla, congratulations for a great team effort throughout the day. Overall results are as follows:

FIRST: Sauerbier with a score of 630 points
SECOND: Nicolle with a score of 545 points
THIRD: Appleton with a score of 500 points
FOURTH: Warrikilla with a score of 450 points

We congratulate Sauerbier Captains Hannah and Harry, Vice-Captains Kiara and Brendan and their team for their success on the day. The last time the Sauerbier name appeared on the perpetual shield was in 2006.

At The Hub we are extremely grateful to the staff who have put in a great deal of time and effort to make the 2008 Sports Day successful. We thank all the students, parents and staff for their participation and contribution.

Julie Gallaher
PRINCIPAL
SPORTS DAY 2009

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Brigitte Maxwell

Please put these dates into your diary now.
February 2009
Information will come out Week 1, Term 1 2009. The Governing Council has granted us a ‘Boys Education’. Ian will be offering a family session on a notable speaker from interstate to work with both our staff and families early in 2009. Ian Lillico is an expert in the field of Boys Education.

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Brigitte Maxwell
Governing Council Chairperson

EARLY NOTICE OF PARENT/CAREGIVER MEETING & PUPIL FREE DAY IN 2009

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Please put these dates into your diary now.

Brigitte Maxwell
Governing Council Chairperson

GOVERNING COUNCIL NEWS

• Governing Council voted to approve polling families to enable full collection of the Materials & Services charges for 2009. The M&S charge has increased by $10 from what was charged in 2008. The poll closes on Friday, 28th November.
• Our school has been able to advertise both the Finance Officer’s position and Grounds position. The panels are currently in process – announcement of successful applicants will hopefully be made by the end of the year.
• Facilities Solution shared with Governing Council – we need to consider that the upgrading of some of our classrooms enable ‘future’s learning’ to occur. Further negotiations will continue early into 2009 with both staff and Governing Council.
• We are asking families for understanding and support of teachers during the on-going dispute with the department. The issues are not only a wage dispute, it is about ensuring that ALL students get a fair deal with appropriate funding, class sizes and support staff to assist with their individual learning needs.
• Advance notice: Pupil Free Day has been approved for Friday, 27th February 2009 so that all staff can be involved in Training and Development with a renowned expert in ‘Boys Education’, Ian Lillico. A Parent/Caregiver session will be offered on the Thursday evening of the 26/2.
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STUDENT PERSONAL DETAILS: AMENDMENTS

Please let the Front Office know, as soon as possible, of changes to student details – particularly home addresses and telephone numbers so that mail and telephone communication is able to reach the correct destination.

MONEY COLLECTION: REMINDER

All receipting is now done at Front Office. If you have money to pay in to the school please see Amanda or Charyn at the front desk. Money can still be left in payment envelopes if this is the preferred option and receipts will be sent home with students. Payments can be made by credit card over the phone or by using the EFTPOS machine at front desk. The school’s website also has a link for payments for families who prefer to use the internet for payment of invoices. Please note that negotiation of time payments and EFTPOS transactions for OSHC are still done with Kim Craggs, Finance Officer.

GOVERNING COUNCIL & SUB-COMMITTEES

The AGM of Governing Council will be held early in Term 1, February 11th 2009. Have you considered becoming a member? We need your interest and support.

Some members of the Council are due to retire and some members will re-nominate for a further tenure. There could also be one-year vacancies. Governing Council plays a very important role in the governance of the school. It is a decision-making body which works towards providing direction, policy and assistance to the Principal and staff to make the school a better place of learning. Specifically, Governing Council is responsible for:

• strategic planning (through the Site Learning Plan) and the allocation of resources
• strengthening community partnerships
• monitoring key indicators and levels of client satisfaction
• assisting in reporting to the community and DECS

Governing Council meetings are held twice a term, usually on a Wednesday evening, beginning at 7pm and generally concluding at 9pm. Several subcommittees also meet regularly and report to Governing Council. These include OSHC, Sport, Canteen, Finance, Grounds & Facilities and Fundraising. Each subcommittee, elected annually, will require a Convenor and members. Subcommittees meet on different nights to Governing Council and the meeting length is generally 1-1.5 hours. Canteen and Fundraising Sub-Committee meetings are generally held during the day.

Please consider nominating for these important positions. We look forward to having many expressions of interest at the AGM early next year.

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REMEMBRANCE DAY INVOLVEMENT

Hub students have been involved with a few aspects of this day. Ex students Chloe J and Joanna L, Mr Murphy and ex teacher Mr Lock helped place remembrance crosses in the grass near the North Terrace War Memorial in memory of the 2\textsuperscript{nd} /43\textsuperscript{rd} Battalion, which was made up of many local people. Also Mr Murphy’s class sold poppies for Remembrance Day, raising a sum of $82.15 for the Ex Service Welfare Appeal.

There were 5 minutes given over to a Remembrance Day ceremony too, leading to a minute’s silence after recess during Sports Day. With our little Lone Pine descendant ‘Abdul’ (as Mr Lock dubbed it) overlooking the quiet gathering, we were able to consider the great efforts, hardships and sacrifices made on our behalf during times of conflict.

RESOURCES CENTRE NEWS

FREGON SCHOOL VISIT

Last Thursday, the Primary Years classes hosted a visit from students and staff from Fregon School, a remote Aboriginal community school in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands. The Anangu students had been on their annual cultural exchange trip to Victor Harbor – now a thirty year-old tradition. Our Primary classes have been studying a unit on traditional Aboriginal technology and as the visitors are Primary Years age, they were chosen to host them. Two students were allocated to each class and the Hub Flames staged a short, but wonderful exhibition. The visitors enjoyed a delicious lunch prepared by Janet and Trudi in the Canteen and played with the Aberfoyle students during the lunch break. Our students had an opportunity to meet the students they have been hearing about through my sharing of some of my five years’ recent experience of living and working on the APY Lands.

Sophia

PREMIERS READING CHALLENGE

Students are receiving their medals and certificates at the levels of schooling assemblies this week and next week. We congratulate all the students who participated and the parents who encouraged and helped them.

BOOK RETURNS

The due date for all returns is Nov 28\textsuperscript{th}. There will be no borrowing after this date as we need to do a full shelf-read and stock-take. Please encourage your children to return items they no longer need, to save us sending home overdue notices.

If anyone has spare time after the 28\textsuperscript{th}, please come and help as it is a huge job to get everything in order to do a stock-take.

Coffee, tea, snacks and music provided - no experience necessary.

Thank you in anticipation,

Sophia and Debbie

SCIENCE

Here at Aberfoyle Hub School we aim to be innovative in our approach to science, always looking for new and exciting ways to introduce scientific concepts to our students. On Wednesday, November 12\textsuperscript{th} we had the CSIRO’s ‘Lab On Legs’ visit our school. While there they presented an interactive science program with the theme, ‘Let’s Experiment – Working Scientifically’. This program was designed to ‘lead students through the techniques involved in scientific research so they gain an understanding of such terms as fair test, variable, control, hypothesis and conclusion.’ Students were ‘able to design their own experiments using the equipment provided in order to answer a specific question.’ They were then able to ‘analyse, tabulate and discuss their results, verify/disprove the hypothesis and through that process increase their understanding of scientific investigations’. We were very excited about this event!

The CSIRO Science Education Centre creates a dynamic interactive forum within which students can take a hands-on role. Their program engages students in eye-opening interactive science theatre and hands-on experiments, which have been developed around real-life CSIRO research. Our students will become the scientists of tomorrow, rather than just reading about them. CSIRO, more than being the largest employer of scientists in Australia, is one of the most respected science organisations in the world. The CSIRO Science Education Centre is able to draw on the benefits of this and provide quality science programs for students, teachers and public audiences throughout South Australia. The CSIRO presenters have experience in teaching and performing. Their amusing and lively approach to science was both engaging and educational.

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IGNITE PROGRAM APHS
The Ignite Program at Aberfoyle Park High School caters for identified bright students in the southern region. Students from our school will attend an Enrichment Morning tomorrow - Thursday, November 20th for current Year 6 students who would enjoy a ‘Taste of Ignite’.

FLAMES DYING DOWN
As the end of the year approaches, we have less happening. In Week 4 we had our last school visit for the year – a truly entertaining show put on for an enthusiastic Plympton Primary School crowd. It was a great way to finish off an outstanding bunch of school performances, with our young jumpers once again being an absolute pleasure to be with in public.

Thanks to Trevor, Tessa’s Dad and Shirley, Sinead’s Gran, for help accompanying the group.

Our last appearance for 2008 is at this Sunday’s Glenelg Christmas Pageant, in which we are representing the National Heart Foundation. If you are interested in taking the family to this one, the parade moves off at 10:30am. It is the second biggest Christmas Parade we have in the state, so it is well worth a look.

Peter Murphy,
Hub Flames Coach

FUNDRAISING NEWS
Thank you to everyone who supported our Sports Day fundraising. Our team ribbons, hairspray and raffle raised around $2,000 for the school. The coloured hairspray was so popular that we sold out! Look out for this again next year. Congratulations to our raffle winners.

Our last event for the year is our ‘Free’ Christmas raffle. Look out for the donation boxes around the school so we can collect some great, fun prizes for the kids.

Thank you
The Fundraising Committee

OSHC NEWS
Vacation Care Bookings will be accepted from Monday 24th November. Please come in and fill in a booking form during this week to assist us with planning and rostering staff. November 24th is also our transition date to CCMS. There have been many reports about problems and glitches in this new system so we are crossing our fingers that our transition goes smoothly. Please understand if we cannot answer any account or CCB queries over the next few weeks. All children who require OSHC in 2009 need a new Enrolment form. If you haven’t already filled in a new form come into OSHC to pick one up.

CONGRATULATIONS
Congratulations to Robyn Langbrandner who has been offered a permanent position at our school in IT. Robyn is one of the many valued SSOs we have working at our school supporting our students’ learning. Robyn is well known amongst our staff and students for ensuring our computer network runs smoothly. Like Robyn, we are all very happy with this news.

SPORTS RESULTS: BASKETBALL
Yr 3/4: 4/11/08 Hub Hawks (28) def Aberfoyle Campus (12)

Great passing everyone!

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HUB GRUB NEWS

What a successful day in the Hub Grub on Sports Day. We made 160+ salad wraps, 200 cups of fruit salad and sold an endless supply of ice blocks, slushies and cold water. Many thanks to our dedicated band of volunteers – Debbie Lamps, Andrea Treloar, Shirley Booth, Trudi Evreniadis (our shredded lettuce expert) Wendy Fitzpatrick, Sharyn Parsons, Vicky Reff, Peter and Emma Rowney, Diana Luff, Korinna Batty, Robyn Coutts, Andrea Hunter, Cheryl Gower, Dawn Campbell, Anita Matthews, Diane Bray, Nick Giameos and the students of Rooms 1 and 2. We could not run our canteen without these wonderful people.

As we work our way to the end of Term 4, some food items may not be available. A substitute item will be sent in this event.

Janet Matthews
Canteen Manager

STRAWBERRY FAIR

It’s Strawberry Fair time again. We’d love to see families come and visit Father Christmas and have a great time.

WHERE: The Vines Uniting Church
Cnr Rolton Ave & Reynell Rd. Woodcroft

WHEN: Friday, Nov 28th
TIME: 5:30pm until dark

• Sausage Sizzle
• Chinese Food
• Hot Dogs
• Hot Potatoes
• Cup Cakes, Cakes
• Cool Drinks
• Strawberries & Cream
• Devonshire Teas
• Crafts
• Christmas Gift Baskets
• Produce
• Books
• Videos
• CDs
• White Elephant
• Face Painting
• Lucky Dips
• Clowns
• Plants
• Balloons
• Bouncy Castle

SPRING WARNING!

Pollen allergy & pollen

Pollen grains, released from certain grasses, weeds and trees, are coated in proteins that can trigger allergic reactions, commonly asthma and hayfever. Spring and Summer can often be difficult times for people with allergic conditions. The height of grass pollen season is late Sept to late Dec. The highest amount of pollen can be found in the air between 6am and noon. Daily air samples are analysed to gauge how much pollen is airborne and whether the level is high, moderate or low.

Low = less than 50/cubic metre of air
Medium = 50 to 100
High = over 100

The higher the pollen count the greater the chance of symptoms. It is important to remember that the pollen count is a gauge only. Specific sensitivities to certain pollens may still be present, even if the overall count is low.

What if the Pollen Count is high?

If the count is estimated to be high, then it is important to be prepared. People with asthma should have reliever medication readily available at all times and schools should keep Asthma Emergency Kits easily accessible.

Tips to reduce pollen exposure

When the pollen count is high:
• Pollen sticks to clothes. Consider hanging clothes inside on windy days.
• Keep windows and doors closed, to prevent pollens from coming inside.
• Shower/change clothes after being outside.
• Avoid activities that expose you to pollen, such as mowing lawns.
• Protect your eyes with sunglasses.
• Use re-circulated air in the car
• Check tomorrow’s pollen count by visiting: www.breathebetter.com.au

For further information please call the Asthma Foundation of SA - Breathe Better Health Line on 1800 645 130 or visit www.breathebetter.com.au

FITNESS FOR ALL LEVELS

Want to get fit? In a safe, friendly atmosphere, where you can keep an eye on the kids – for free? We are running fitness sessions for adults and kids (or the kids can just play together). The sessions are designed for overall fitness for all levels. We set goals like running or walking the city-to-bay, although not all our regular group enter in the fun-runs, it is completely flexible. The aim is to contribute to the school goal of encouraging and providing opportunities to have a healthy active lifestyle.

SUNDAY MORNINGS ALL YEAR
9-10am
MEET AT THE PEDESTRIAN GATE BY THE HALL
For more information phone Rachael Skinner on 0404 299 166

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