THE HUB NEWS 2013

We value
Relationships and Friendship, Responsibility and Respect

Julie Gallaher, Principal

TERM 2 - WEEK 6
Sarah Magnusson, Deputy Principal

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

COMING OUT AT THE HUB

Come Out is the Arts Festival for families that is celebrated in the last week of May. The history of Come Out dates back to 1974 and this year is celebrating its 21st Anniversary.

Every year the programme is filled with international, national and local productions and performances.

The 2013 Come Out theme is “Dreaming the future”. Here at the Hub our students have dreamed big by planning and constructing their “Future Gardens”. All gardens were expected to use recycled materials. Each garden project is well underway with some very exciting and inspiring gardens taking shape around our school.

We would all be so lucky to have some of these gardens taking pride of place at our homes. The weeks and months ahead will see the created gardens grow and develop into incredible living displays that everyone can be proud of.

I encourage you to take the time to come in and view the “Hub’s Future Gardens” for yourself.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

STAFF CAR PARK

A reminder that the staff car parks both front and back of the school are strictly for staff, visitors and those who hold a disability permit for the disability car parks.

They are NOT to be used for student drop off and pick up.

We would appreciate that the school community respect the rules and in turn help keep your children safe.
**NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK**

National Reconciliation Week is celebrated across Australia each year between 27th May - 3rd June. These dates commemorate two significant milestones in the reconciliation journey: the anniversaries of the successful 1967 referendum and the High Court Mabo decision.

The theme for 2013 is “Let’s Talk Recognition” with a focus on how Australians can better recognise each other, and recognise the contributions, cultures and histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

We all know the importance of recognition and how good it makes us feel. National Reconciliation Week is the perfect opportunity to recognise all Australians, and the unique places of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples within this country.

Students will be observing Reconciliation within their class and buddy classes, working with Sophia in the Library, along with incorporating the theme with the Future Gardens. We will also be holding a special R-7 Assembly on Friday 21st June in the Hall.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

**CHANGE TO THE END OF SCHOOL DAY**

As outlined in the letter provided via email to our families on the 24th May our school will be adjusting the end of school day.

As of July 22nd (Start of Term 3) from 3:20pm finish to 3:10pm finish.

Staff members will be on duty both at the Front and Back gate from 3:10pm – 3:30pm or until the areas are clear.

**SCHOOL/CLASS NEWSLETTERS ONLINE**

All families who have updated their email addresses will now receive school and class newsletters on line via email notification.

To subscribe please follow the link via our website – inform/newsletter.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

**ABSENCES**

One of our priorities this year is to improve our over all attendance rates. This is also one of the Education Departments priorities. It is a requirement by the department that all student absences be accounted for.

We know that regular attendance and participation in school is an important factor in students’ educational and life successes. Absenteeism and lateness DOES affect student learning.

We have had a number of students this year who have been absent with no reason provided. Letters have been sent home recently requesting explanation for these unexplained absences.

It is the families’ responsibility to contact the school and provide reasons for any absences for each day a child is going to be away from school. Remember ALL school absences and regular lateness to school has an impact on learning.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

**FAREWELL FINAL YEAR STUDENT TEACHERS**

It has been great to have Lauren Idema, Rikki Beacham, Courtney Mesecke, Cassandra Anderson and Kelsey Conlin as part of our staff and school community for the last 6 weeks. They have gained valuable skills while successfully completing their final practicum.

We wish them every success as they complete their final study this year in readiness for the workforce next year.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

**RIDE A BIKE RIGHT PROGRAMME**

R-2 classes (Rooms 9, 10, 10A, 16 & 21) recently participated in the successful Ride-A-Bike Right programme.

All children displayed qualities of persistence, determination and resilience in their learning and development of cycling skills.

It was great to see so many children had come off their training wheels with so many being able to now ride independently.

All the children involved learned new riding skills, one handed riding, braking skills and awareness of riding on paths as well as safety knowledge.
SAPSASA NEWS

SAPSASA Cross Country-State Championships

Back row: Max C, Jayden L, Beth, Rebecca C, Chloe L and Emma A
Front row: Sam L, Taylah J, Samantha A, Leah C and Jayden D

On Thursday 30th May eleven runners from our school competed against runners from all over the state at Oakbank racecourse.

All of these runners pictured above have trained two mornings a week before school in preparation for this event. They all showed confidence in themselves by competing against great numbers of competitors (some races had over 300 competitors) and great persistence by all doing an amazing job. Many of our runners ran their personal best time and the school is very proud of their efforts.

An outstanding result was achieved by Samantha A who came eleventh in the 10 year old girls’ race. She has been invited to try out for the state team.

I would like to express my sincere thanks to the parents/caregivers and families for their support and encouragement. I know all the adults on the day were very impressed with our students’ performances.

N.B. I made a mistake in the last newsletter.

It was Samantha A who won the silver medal at Woodend and not Emma A.

My apologies to everyone concerned.

Ann Fudge

SAPSASA Football

Matthew R and Jackson P playing for Southern Valley.

Both boys had a great week with very tough competition. They played 9 games for the week winning 4 and losing 5. Well done for a fantastic effort.

OSHC NEWS

Our next Pupil Free Day is Tuesday 11/6/13.

Please book your child/ren in ASAP for this day to assist us with staffing arrangements.

Vacation Care bookings for July holidays will be accepted from Week 7, Wednesday 12/6/13. Please book in early so we can finalize our excursions and staffing needs.

Under our Attendance Policy, we require 15 children to be booked in a week prior to pupil free day to make the day viable.

On the day we will be cooking cheese muffins, and going to the Hall to run a variety of team games. Children are asked to bring in their favourite games to share.

Over the past few weeks the children have enjoyed participating in our Space and Dinosaurs program. The children enjoy the craft activities offered and quite often contribute their own ideas that are then incorporated into the OSHC program.

Gayle Crisp,
Administrative Co-ordinator, OSHC

DIARY DATES

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Once again the Valley Cluster Indigenous Students from the following schools – Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School, Aberfoyle Park High School, Braeview Primary School, Craigburn Primary School, Flagstaff Hill R-7 School, Happy Valley Primary School and Thiele Primary School will work together on a joint art project with the Onkaparinga Council during 2013.

Our first get together was held at the Aberfoyle Community Centre on Wednesday 29th May. We were all welcomed by Wendy and Jane from Onkaparinga Council and Ellen from the Community Centre.

We were also fortunate to have 2 artists; Nellie and Connie join us for the visit. Both Nellie and Connie will support, guide and assist us with our art project.

The students were shown the site on Jessica Street where our future art work will be prominently on display later this year. Our art work will be created by the students using clay during Term 3.

During our first session Nellie demonstrated for the group how to make paint using ground-up chalk, water and glue. It was amazing to see each student create their paint and then use it for their own dot painting. They were very effective when finished.

The students made the effort to connect and get to know one another. We all shared a special morning tea that was provided followed by some team games and free play on the lawns out the back of the Centre.

The 2 hours went so quickly and before we knew it we were saying good bye and making plans for our next get together later in the term.

Julie Gallaher
On behalf of the Happy Valley Cluster Schools