THE HUB NEWS 2014
We value Relationships and Friendship, Responsibility and Respect

Julie Gallaher, Principal
TERM 1 - WEEK 10
Sarah Magnusson, Deputy Principal

ADVANCED NOTICE
PUPIL FREE DAY, Term 2: Tuesday, 10th June

REMINDER
EARLY DISMISSAL (2:30pm)
Last day of term: Friday, 11th April

SPECIAL EVENTS
APRIL
8th
Sports Day
10th
Cybersmart Internet Safety Awareness Presentation 7pm (Multi-Purpose Room)

PRINCIPAL AWARDS
Confidence
Riley J, Payam S, Tia T, Abraham W, Joshua G, Brodie W, Sam McS and Nelson M

Getting Along
James S, Tayla W, Max C, Brianna D and Calvin K

Organisation
Natalie K, Chloe L, Chenoa N, Skye S and Jessica B

Persistence
Scott H and Bree J

Resilience
Brianna R

FROM THE PRINCIPAL
Dear Parents/Caregivers,

HIGHLIGHTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS TERM 1
The following are some of the highlights and achievements of Term 1. Aberfoyle Hub is always a busy place to be.
• The successful ‘First Weeks’ programme
• Startsmart
• Fire Safety Talks
• Same Day Intake for new 2014 Reception students
• Acquaintance Night and Open Night
• Clean Up Australia Day
• Year 6/7 Aquatics Programme at Victor Harbor
• Election of SRC Executive and SRC Reps
• SRC Executive 2-day leadership training course
• Parent/Caregiver, teacher, student interviews
• Student Teachers

• Harmony Day Celebrations and Assembly
• ‘Shave for a Cure’ fundraising - $1702.05
• Roald Dahl and students performing
• Buddy class time
• Maritime Museum excursion for Rooms 5 and 22
• Cinema excursion for Room 20
• Valentine’s and St Patrick’s Day muffins

Thank you to staff, students and families for continuing to support our fabulous school.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday and look forward to a productive Term 2.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

SEXUAL MISCONDUCT
Sexual misconduct may take many forms. It includes, but is not limited to, sexual behaviour of all kinds and other forms of unlawful sexual behaviour, including such offences as being in possession of child pornography and acts of gross indecency. Sexual assault ranges from indecent assault through a number of offences to rape. In some cases, a particular behaviour may become unlawful only by virtue of repeated instances.

Teachers and site leaders owe to the children and young people in their care, a duty to take reasonable care to protect them from a reasonably foreseeable risk to injury. That duty is not necessarily confined to events on the site or during site hours. In addition to observing sector policy, staff must comply with a number of statutory duties or obligations. Among these are Mandatory Notification, notifying police and notifying the Department of Education and Child Development (DECD).

Allegations of any inappropriate behaviours, including sexual misconduct, made against a member of staff, volunteer or any other personnel working on site will be taken seriously, followed up and investigated thoroughly by relevant personnel. Information will be shared with the school community in line with DECD policy.

Please contact me if you have any queries or concerns with matters raised in this article.

Julie Gallaher
Principal
GRANDPARENTS’ DAY AT THE HUB IN TERM 2

We would like our many wonderful grandparents to come and join us for Grandparents’ Day on Wednesday, 7th May (Term 2, Week 2).
- 9:30-10:30am Classroom Visiting
- 10:30-11:15am Morning Tea in the Multi-Purpose Room

RSVP (8270 5055) by 2nd May.
(A flyer was emailed to families this week.)

SPORTS DAY REMINDER

Sports Day 2014 is on Tuesday, 8th April. Please come along and join in the fun. There will be a Café in operation in the Multi-Purpose Room selling tea/coffee and cake.

Scott Trenorden
P.E. Teacher

PARENT/CAREGIVER INTERVIEWS

Interviews have been held during the last few weeks of this term. Thank you to everyone who took the time to come along to share the learning journey and individual achievements with their child/ren.

R - 3 DISCO

There will be an R - 3 Disco in the Hall at lunchtime on the last day of this term. Entry is by gold coin donation.

Vicky Bashford

SOUTH VALLEY PRECINCT INDIGENOUS STUDENTS’ EXCURSION

On Thursday, 27th March 18 students from our partnership schools along with Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School staff (Ms Gallaher, Sophia Kerkvliet and Di Brinkworth) enjoyed the delights of Warriparinga on our first indigenous student excursion for the year. We were guided through the parklands by Jamie who imparted his knowledge of the history and heritage of the area. At the end of the talk we enjoyed a community lunch in the sunshine before being bussed back to our respective schools. A great day was had by all.

Di Brinkworth
CPS Worker

DI’S DIALOGUE

On Harmony Day/Crazy Hair Day I had my hair shaved to raise money for The World’s Greatest Shave. Wow! The assembly was awesome, with so many observers and that dance by Room 1 was amazing! We raised just over $1700 all up. I was so proud to be involved with this community on such a worthwhile project. Holidays are almost upon us, have safe ones and enjoy your children’s company.

Di Brinkworth
Christian Pastoral Support Worker

BEE SAFE

- Stay with your friends and look after each other when out and about.
- Use power boards instead of ‘piggy-backing’ double adapters.
- Use smoke alarms and replace batteries every year at the start of winter.
- Store chemicals in a secured area or out of reach of children.
- Seek immediate medical advice if burns are larger than a 20c coin.

2014/2015 ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

Entertainment Books: Worth their weight in Gold!

We will soon be in stock of new supplies of the 2014/2015 Entertainment Book. The expected arrival of the books is the first day of Term 2, 28th April. If you would like to preorder and purchase the new Entertainment Book, please contact the school on 8270 5055. The cost of the books will again stay at a fantastic price of $65 per book.

Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School is raising funds by selling the 2014/2015 Entertainment Book. The school will receive $13 per book and the proceeds from the sale of the Entertainment Books will be used in conjunction with SRC. (They have not decided how the funds will be spent.)

Entertainment Books contain hundreds of 25-50% off and two-for-one offers from popular restaurants, cinemas, hotel accommodation, the arts and sporting events. The books are fantastic to have for the family and wonderful to purchase as a gift. Order yours now!

LOST PROPERTY

Please check the lost property bin (in Unit 1 corridor) and general-use areas within the school for any items that may have been misplaced during the term. Labelled items will be returned to classes.

ICAS (INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION AND ASSESSMENT FOR SCHOOLS)

We would like to remind you that the closing date for the International Competition and Assessment for Schools (ICAS) is Friday, 4th April 2014.

We will not be able to take payment for any of the five competitions on offer after that date. If your child/children are interested in taking part in any of the competitions, please complete the tear-off slip of the flyer sent home earlier this term, together with the entrance fee/s and return to the school before the close off date.

Heather Brown
Finance Officer
2014 NATIONAL TESTS IN NUMERACY AND LITERACY (NAPLAN)

All students at Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 in schools across Australia undertake the same tests on the same days. Students have their skills assessed in Numeracy, Reading, Writing, Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar.

The national tests assess student achievement in Literacy and Numeracy in much the same way as has been done in the past. The test formats and the type of questions will be familiar to students. National tests provide information on how students are progressing and support improvements in teaching and learning.

Parents and carers can best assist students by making them feel comfortable about the nature and purpose of the tests. Their children can be assured that the assessments will give them an opportunity to show what they have learned in class.

The 2014 NAPLAN Tests will be held early in Term 2 on Tuesday 13th May, Wednesday 14th May and Thursday 15th May, with the only catch up day being Friday 16th May.

If you do not want your child to participate in the NAPLAN Testing, would you please complete the required exemption or withdrawal form that is available from the Principal.

The form needs to be completed and returned by Friday, 11th April.

BULLY AUDIT RESULTS

For the purpose of the audit that was conducted last week, ‘bullies’ are those students identified 3 or more times on the individual class summary sheets.

Only 3 students were identified as ‘bullies’ from the whole school bully audit. These incidents occurred at break times and after school in the playground, on the oval involving rough play, name calling and chasey. Staff were already aware of these students and are working with them, their families and teachers with positive strategies for them to be successful and for other students to feel safe around them.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

Thank you to our volunteers for the fabulous work you continue to do. Thank you also to all parents/caregivers for supporting children with the Premier’s Reading Challenge – it’s been a great start!

Sophia

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

In 2013 our school was able to collect over 40,000 stickers thanks to our school community. We have recently received the resources and are looking forward to using them.

Vicky Bashford

EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC EDUCATION AWARDS

Nominations are now open for the 2014 SA Excellence in Public Education Awards. For the first time, 2014 will see nominations opened up to all DECD employees, recognising and rewarding the outstanding contributions made by teachers, leaders, support staff and also corporate and services staff from across the state.

Don’t miss your chance to nominate an outstanding education professional, care or protection worker within DECD to recognise and reward their dedicated and inspirational contribution to young South Australians.

To nominate a school, preschool or corporate office employee, go to: www.decd.sa.gov.au/teachingawards.

Like us on facebook and follow the progress of the Awards: www.facebook.com/SATeachingAwards.

Nominations close at 5pm on Thursday, 10th April.

For further information contact the Awards team:
Phone 8226 3079 or email DECD.Recognition@sa.gov.au.

REMINDER: INTERNET SAFETY AWARENESS PRESENTATION AT THE HUB

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA) will run free internet safety awareness presentations for parents/caregivers next Thursday, 10th April at 7pm in the Multi-Purpose Room. Presentations will provide valuable information about the risks confronting children online and offer tools and tips to help make their internet experiences safe and positive. An accredited Cybersmart trainer will cover topics including:

- The ways children use the internet and emerging technologies.
- Potential risks for children online, such as cyber bullying, illegal content, inappropriate contact, identity theft, grooming and predatory activity.
- Tips to help children stay safe online.

We strongly recommend that parents/caregivers attend the evening session.

Please register your attendance by contacting the school or RSVP to flyer sent out via email.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

OUT OF SCHOOL SPORT

NETBALL

A reminder that all Codes of Conduct are to be signed and returned with payment of registration before the first match is played next term.

Training is 3:15 - 4:15pm and has begun for C2 (Year 5, Tuesday) and A2 (Year 6/7, today - Thursday). D2 (Year 4) will begin on 1st May. Details soon re training for E grade (Year 2/3).

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal
HUB GRUB NEWS

Can you help in the Canteen or Hub Grub Café on Sports Day – Tuesday, 8th April. Please return the tear-off slip below if you are able to assist.

Also, any donations of cakes, biscuits, slices, etc. would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be left at the Canteen from Monday, 7th April.

SPORTS DAY CANTEEN HELP (8-4-14)
Attention: Janet Matthews

Name: ................................................................. Room: ...

10:30am – 11am  ☐ Canteen  ☐ Café
12:15pm – 12:50pm ☐ Canteen  ☐ Café
1pm – 1:40pm ☐ Canteen  ☐ Café

Please tick the box/es of your choice and return the form to the Canteen or Front Office as soon as possible.

OSHC NEWS

Term 1 is nearly over and another Vacation Care period is here. These holidays include 3 public holidays, so we are only open for 7 days. Our excursions are to the Adelaide Zoo, the Marion Cultural Centre to see the Mighty Good Kids perform “Would You Believe It?” and the movies. We will also explore Easter and Anzac Day with Arts and Crafts and have a Fun and Fitness Day. Our programme in OSHC has been based on the current Heroes collector cards craze, with activities based on these characters.

All families are required to ensure their accounts are paid before the end of term and a new booking form completed for Term 2 to confirm your OSHC requirements.

Please note that on Wednesdays we are near capacity, so accurate bookings are essential.

Kathy Strapps
OSHC Director

COMMUNITY NEWS

Basketball SA is again running school holiday clinics (for 5-12 year olds) during the April school holidays.

For information visit www.morphettvale.basketball.net.au or contact the stadium on 8382 0143.

INTRODUCTORY NETBALL UMPIRING COURSE

Where: Aberfoyle Hub R - 7 School
Jeanette Crescent
Date: Tuesday, 15th April
Time: 1pm to 4pm
Cost: $6 (pay on the day)

You will receive a whistle, a work book and a certificate of participation.

Contact: Michelle Styles (Netball Coordinator) 0413 805 017

INFORMATION EVENING

A new free service for parents/caregivers will be launched on 7th April. ‘Know before you load: finding the best games and avoiding the pitfalls’ is a web-based project developed by the Australian Council on Children and the Media (ACC) with SA Government funding. It aims to take the guesswork out of finding suitable and entertaining apps for children and incorporates a ‘Children and Gambling Watch list’. As part of its launch celebrations, ACC is holding an evening seminar on choosing and using apps with children, at the Colonel Light Gardens Primary School (7:30pm - 9:30pm). Dr Kate Highfield, one of Australia’s foremost experts in the healthy use of apps in childhood, will be a keynote speaker. Parents/caregivers and all who work with or care for children are encouraged to attend. Attendance certificates will be available. Tickets ($22) and bookings at www.trybooking.com/EMPD.

For more information phone ACCM at 8376 2111.

School Holiday Soccer Clinics

Week 1 at Westminster School 14-17 Apr
Week 2 at Oakbank Area School 22-25 Apr

Coerver® Coaching SA the “World’s No.1 Soccer Skills Teaching Method” is offering a school holiday clinic for all levels of players (girls and boys) aged 6-16.

Programs will be conducted by former Socceroo, FFSA Hall of Fame member and Player Life Member Steve Maxwell. For further details and registration form visit: www.coerversa.com.au OR contact Steve Maxwell on 0411 797 227 or email steve.maxwell@coerver.com.au

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