THE HUB NEWS 2014

We value
Relationships and Friendship, Responsibility and Respect

Julie Gallaher, Principal

TERM 3 - WEEK 8

Sarah Magnusson, Deputy Principal

SPECIAL EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

12th  Market Day 1:30pm – 3pm courtyard
19th  Casual day – gold coin donation
26th  R-3 Lunchtime Disco – gold coin donation

STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARDS


FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

CELEBRATING DI’S 10TH ANNIVERSARY

Di Brinkworth has been an invaluable part of our school community for 10 years now. She has provided an outstanding level of support for our families over the years and in particular to our students.

Di’s role is multi-faceted and includes classroom support, organising our mentor program, working with individual and small groups of students, running lunchtime activities, as well as always being there to help with whole-school events.

Di’s colourful presence and vibrant personality make her a much respected member of our school community.

We would like to thank Di for her dedication over the last 10 years and look forward to many more to come.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

2014 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS: WRITING

Congratulations to the following students who participated in this year’s recent Writing Competition.

Participation:  Aiden M, Samantha A and Payam S
Merit:  Rishi N, Rushil N and Carys R
Credit:  Ellie H and Daniel K
Distinction:  Daniel P

Students were presented with their certificates at last week’s Levels of Schooling Assembly.

2014 INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR SCHOOLS: SPELLING

Congratulations to the following students who participated in this year’s recent Spelling Competition.

Merit:  Rishi N, Ellie H and Edie D
Credit:  Dexter L, Rushil N and Sam L
Distinction:  Daniel P

Students were presented with their certificates at last week’s Levels of Schooling Assembly.

BULLYING: NO WAY

We at the Hub are committed to creating a supportive school environment, free from bullying, harassment and violence.

Our message is that we say “no way” to bullying in all shapes and forms including cyber bullying, physical violence and intimidation. There is no place for bullying or violence in, or outside our school. We continually encourage children to talk about and be more aware of the impact of bullying.

MANAGING BULLYING AT THE HUB

It is important for our school community to continuously look at ways to monitor and improve procedures to reduce harassment and bullying incidents. Research shows that bullying can have a significant impact on learning and relationships if not dealt with effectively.
What is a Bully Audit?
Next week we will be conducting the whole-school Bully Audit. The audit involves students completing a series of questions, with the support of their class teacher, asking them if they have been bullied recently, including what and where it happened.

What happens with this information?
Class teachers collate the information that the students provide on a tally sheet. Conversations will be had with any students that are identified through this process. Discussions will centre on what needs to improve/change to support positive behaviour. Sometimes students can be involved in bullying without realising their actions are affecting others. Data will be used to inform and improve our practice to keep The Hub a safe place for everyone.

Will families be notified?
Families will be contacted to inform them if their child has been identified through the process and a meeting arranged where applicable.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

STAFFING NEWS

Congratulations to Vicky Bashford on her appointment to Edwardstown Primary School for 2015 onwards.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

FINANCE NEWS

Thank you to our parents/caregivers who have completed or made payments towards their child/children's 2014 Material and Service Charges and Excursion Levy. However, there are still a number of families that have not paid their account. Invoices, statements and a letter have been sent out for payments which are overdue. If you have not paid your fees or contacted me to make suitable arrangements, please do so as soon as possible.

Debt collection proceedings have begun as per Governing Council recommendations and in line with our Debt Collection Policy.

As directed by DECD, we have begun proceedings to implement a direct debit by instalment and EFTPOS facility. Direct debit by instalment is a bank facility which will allow a school or preschool, where agreed in writing by a parent/caregiver to deduct a specified amount from either their bank, credit or debit card on a weekly, fortnightly or monthly basis for a nominated period. By 2015 this payment option will be available to all families to assist them in making payments towards future Material and Service Charges and any other school accounts over $30. I will provide more details to you when this process is up and running. We hope that in making this payment option available to you it will make it easier on your budgets and time.

If you would like to discuss with me any of the above-mentioned, please contact me on 8270 5055.

Heather Brown
Finance Officer

CASUAL DAY – Gold Coin Donation

Casual day will be on Friday, September 19th. The SRC has elected to donate the money raised to Beyond Blue.

MARKET DAY: Friday, September 12th

The day is finally here. Join us in the courtyard at 1:30pm for an afternoon of fun and grab a bargain. Please make sure that your child brings their spending money in a named container so it can be returned if misplaced. Prices range from 50c to $4.

Donations of second hand toys/books are still welcome.

R-3 LUNCHTIME DISCO

On the last day of term there is an R-3 Disco. Entry is by gold coin donation. Come along and have some fun.

DI'S DIALOGUE

If your child comes home with news of extra fruit being given out at school, do not be alarmed, I have been able to source a free service which provides extra fruit at various times. I see this service as a great benefit to the school but at the moment do not know how regularly it will occur.

Di Brinkworth
Christian Pastoral Support Worker

DISTRICT ATHLETICS: SEPTEMBER 3rd

Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School Athletics team competed in the District Athletics Day at SANTOS Stadium on Wednesday, September 3rd. Athletes competed against 10 other district schools in events such as 100m, 200m, 800m, Long Jump, High Jump, Shot Put and Discus.

This day was the culmination of lots of practice and training both during athletics lessons in PE, but also in Athletics coaching sessions before school. The team did a fantastic job, trying their best in all events and encouraging team mates when they were not competing themselves. There were many outstanding results, many personal bests and loads of fun! The team finished 3rd overall. We have 7 students who will represent the district at State Day in coming months, as they finished 1st in their event! It was great to see so many parents/caregivers supporting our team on the day. Thanks to Graham Catt for his work in morning coaching sessions and to Vicky Bashford for her work on the day.

The following students finished in the top 3 in their event:

- Alex M 1st Long Jump, 2nd 800m.
- Hannah D 1st High Jump.
- Hayley J 1st Discus, 2nd Shot Put.
- Cooper G 2nd Discus.
- Bien M 2nd Discus.
- Kaleisha C 1st Long Jump.
- Sam M 1st 100m, 1st Long Jump.
- Charlie D 1st Discus.
- Jayden L 2nd 800m, 2nd Long Jump.
- Jayden D 2nd High Jump.
- Jorja H 3rd Shot Put, 3rd Discus.
- Matthew B 2nd High Jump.
- Dexter L 3rd Long Jump.
- Samantha A 1st 800m.
- Matthew R 3rd High Jump.

Scott Trenorden
PE Teacher
Thank you to all students, teachers and parents/caregivers for your efforts and involvement to make the 2014 Jump Off Day a huge success. It was fantastic to see all children displaying the skipping skills that they have been working on during the past 3 weeks, while having fun and being physically active.

Classes were involved in 5 - 8 different rotated activities taking around 90 minutes. Students and teachers enjoyed skipping using the long ropes, skipping in pairs, skipping using different equipment and a range of jumping and skipping challenges. The morning culminated in a whole-school jump, which was fantastic to watch.

Well done to all students who raised some money for the Heart Foundation. The Heart Foundation requires these funds to continue to do heart research and run vital community health programs. Fantastic effort and keep skipping!

Scott Trenorden
PE Teacher

As part of the Health and PE curriculum, all R-5 mainstream students will be involved in an intensive one-week daily swimming programme in Week 1 of Term 4.

Students will travel by bus in class groups to Noarlunga Aquatics Centre. Lessons for R-2 students will be 45 minutes and for Years 3-5 lessons will be 90 minutes.

The cost of swimming is $38 for R-2 students and $39 for Years 3-5 students - GST is not included in this price. This includes the entrance fees and the bus service (swimming lessons are cost free as it is part of the curriculum).

Invoices and medical/consent forms have been sent to all families of R-5 students and further details about swimming times, requirements and timetables will be given before the end of the term.

A reminder that payment is to be received by Tuesday, September 16th 2014.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

A special thank you to our Coordinators Michelle Styles (Netball) and Frankie Lea (Soccer) for their efforts in successfully coordinating their sports, ensuring all players enjoyed participating in their sport throughout the season. Also thank you to Lee Steer for her outstanding efforts as Sports Canteen Coordinator

TERM 4 KANGA CRICKET
Held at the Reynella Oval. Games commence in Week 2, October 25th (Milo for R-1s and Girls Only Yrs 2-7 commence the week before – Oct 18th) and finish December 6th including Christmas Pageant Day.

Please contact the school to register your child’s interest and for further information.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

2014 COMBINED NETBALL AND SOCCER PRESENTATION DAY
SUNDAY, SEPT 14th (11 AM – 4 PM)
SCHOOL HALL AND OVAL
FUN GAMES FOR ALL 10AM – 1PM
TROPHY PRESENTATIONS:
NETBALL 2 PM; SOCCER 3 PM
A CANTEEN WILL BE OPEN FOR SLUSHIES AND DRINKS TO BE PURCHASED PLEASE BRING A PLATE FOR A SHARED LUNCH
12pm – 2pm (NETBALL - sweet; SOCCER - savoury)
COME ALONG TO CELEBRATE OUR 2014 SEASON
Please return your sports tops on the day in a named bag
Enquiries to: Michelle Styles 0413 805 017 or Frankie Lea 0424 654 268
Endorsed by: Sarah Magnusson, Deputy Principal

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Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

OUT OF SCHOOL SPORT
OUT OF SCHOOL SPORTS IS BRINGING THE YOGURT SHOP TO ABERFOYLE HUB R-7 SCHOOL

OUT OF SCHOOL SPORTS FUNDRAISER DATES:
Monday, October 27th: Order forms go home.
Wednesday, October 29th from 3pm: Free tasting in the courtyard.
Wednesday, November 19th: Orders must be in to the school.
Wednesday, November 26th: Orders can be collected from the Multi-Purpose Room.

REMEMBER:
THE CLASS THAT SELLS THE MOST YOGURT GETS A FREE YOGURT MORNING TEA FOR THEIR CLASS.
OSHC NEWS

Wow, Week 8 already! OSHC is gearing up for Vacation Care again. We have excursions to Laser Zone, Gumeracha Big Rocking Horse, Urimbirra Wildlife Park and the movies planned, as well as a Jumping Castle and Wheels Day on the programme. Please let us know your booking requirements before the end of Week 9 to ensure your place and avoid the $10 late booking fee.

With Term 4 approaching, we also require a Booking Form to confirm your OSHC requirements. These are available at the desk.

Kathy will be on Annual Leave from Week 9 until the end of Week 1 (cruising overseas!), so Karen and Gayle will be the Certified Supervisors in charge during these weeks.

Kathy Strapps
OSHC DIRECTOR

COMMUNITY NEWS

SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE

TAKE HOME A ‘BIG BROTHER’ OR ‘BIG SISTER’

Give your children a wonderful opportunity to have an international ‘big brother’ or ‘big sister’ by volunteering to host one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2015 for their 3, 5, or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan and USA will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover, all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange.

You choose the nationality, the gender, the duration and the interests of the student that you feel is the best match for your family. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceaustralia@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501, request our international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

Contact: Charlotte Roche Program Coordinator
SOUTHERN CROSS CULTURAL EXCHANGE
Tel: 03 9775 4711 Toll Free: 1800 500 501

IN-SCHOOL PSYCHOLOGY COUNSELLING SERVICE

A psychologist is now available at our school. Counselling is a very effective way of helping children and adolescents who are struggling with some aspects of their lives, from feeling anxious or depressed, to experiencing bullying or having difficulties controlling their anger. It can help them to recover and also help prevent reoccurrence.

To access this free counselling service you will need to:

1. Complete the GP information form provided to you by us.
2. Take the letter along with your child to your local GP and obtain a Mental Health Care Plan referral from your GP.
3. Complete the In-School Psychology consent form and return it to the school together with the GP referral.

We will then be in contact with you as to when they will start working with your child. For further information contact the school.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

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