SPECIAL EVENTS

DECEMBER

8th
R - 3 Disco – Gold coin donation
Out of School Sports Basketball Presentation
5pm (Courtyard)

11th
Year 7 Lunch 11:30am - 1:00pm (Charlie’s Diner)
Year 7 Graduation 7:00 – 8:00pm (Hall)

STUDENT RECOGNITION AWARDS


FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

The following is just a range of some of the highlights and achievements during Term 4:

- Wakakirri - National Winners
- R - 5 Swimming Programme
- Transition from Kindy to School Programme
- High School Transition for Year 7s
- Year 7 Graduation and Final Assembly
- Hub’s Got Talent
- Year 4 - 7 Disco
- Footsteps for Rooms 2, 5, 13 and 16
- Room 19 Museum and Festival Centre Excursion
- Room 2 Hallett Cove Conservation Park Excursion
- Adelaide Mobile Zoo visited for Rooms 13,16 and 19
- ‘Bugs and Slugs’ for Rooms 13 and 16
- Robotics Incursion for Rooms 2 and 22
- SAPSASA - 5 students representing Southern Valley in Tennis
- Jump Rope for Heart Fundraising efforts - $5,081.25
- Walk-a-thon Fundraiser
- Out of School Sports Yoghurt Shop Fundraiser
- Premiers Reading Challenge participation rate - 83.2% (some classes achieved 100% participation)
- Instrumental Music Recital Night
- Enthusiastic involvement with the local important historic Kaurna stories and sites
- Monday and Friday Art Group working on mosaics

I’d like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for their contribution during Term 4.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

FAREWELL ANDY

• 1969 – 1971 Attended Bedford Park Teachers College
• 1972 – 1974 Year 4/5 teacher at Pennington Primary School
• 1975 – 1981 Year 5 and Year 6 teacher at Reynella South Primary School
• 1982 – 1993 taught Years 4 – 7 at Heysen School, Key Teacher Curriculum and Key Teacher Computing
• 1994 Year 7 teacher at Madison Park Primary School and Key Teacher Health and Personal Development
• 1995 – 2004 taught Years 3 - 7 at Golden Grove Primary School and Coordinator Health Computing
• 2005 – 2014 Aberfoyle Hub R - 7 School where he taught Years 4 - 7, Coordinator Health and Personal Development, Coordinator Numeracy, Coordinator Staff and Student Wellbeing and Coordinator Special Projects
Andy has worked at the Hub for the past 10 years as part of a career spanning 42 years. During his teaching career he has been both a skilful primary years and middle school teacher as well as a Coordinator working with his colleagues. He has proven adeptness teaching a diverse range of students preparing them for the challenges of High School. Both students and families have benefitted from having Andy as their teacher. Students have always been eager to have Andy as their teacher.

Andy’s vivacity, commitment and promotion of health and wellbeing, Health Safety and Welfare and sustainability have been appreciated by everyone. He has been an enthusiastic teacher and learner over his career which has been respected and valued.

Our school will miss his experience and positive contributions, particularly with his support of Pedal Prix. I am sure it isn’t a goodbye forever as we expect to see Andy again from time to time relieving here at the Hub in the latter part of 2015.

We would all like to take this opportunity to wish Andy a restful long service leave during Term 1, 2015 followed by a very happy retirement.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

THANK YOU 2014 GOVERNING COUNCILLORS

2014 Governing Councillors and Office Bearers

I wish to sincerely thank members of the 2014 Governing Council Graham Catt (Chairperson), Heather McFarlane (Deputy Chair), David Clifton, Kendra Dunning, Chris Glass (Treasurer/Secretary), Glyn Roberts, Helen Roberts, Cindy Paton, Simone Morrison, Andrea Scrimshaw, Riki Duncan, Lee Steer, Sarah Magnusson, Di Brinkworth, and staff reps Annette Reid, Judy McCarthy, Lydia Callaghan and Judy Gum for their strong commitment to our school community. All Governing Council members and Sub-Committee Convenors have provided us with support and sound advice and a willingness to be actively involved in the life of the school. Their commitment and hard work is valued and appreciated. Please consider nominating to join our Governing Council in 2015 it is a very rewarding experience.

I would like to thank and acknowledge Graham Catt for his long standing service over the years on Governing Council and Sub-Committees and especially as our Chairperson this year. Graham is intending to take a break from service to spend time juggling family commitments and work. Special thanks to David Clifton for his service on Governing Council and Sub-Committees. We wish him all the best as his last child leaves us to move on to High School in 2015.

We acknowledge the Parental/Caregiver involvement in sub-committees, classrooms, Resource Centre, Canteen, Pedal Prix, sporting activities, on excursions and a myriad of other activities. We value the presence of parents/caregivers at assemblies and special school functions to celebrate with the staff and students our achievements. All members of the teaching and support staff are to be congratulated on their commitment to providing students with the best possible opportunities to reach their full potential here at the Hub.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

CRIMINAL HISTORY CHECKS

Don’t forget that if you wish to support our students by hearing reading, attending excursions, coming into classrooms or volunteering in the Canteen, Resource Centre or other areas of our school, you must have a current Criminal History Screening Clearance (from the Department for Communities and Social Inclusion).

Application forms can be obtained from the Front Office. Once you have completed and had verified Section C (100 point ID check), return the form to Front Office and we’ll send it off to the Department for Communities and Social Inclusion (DCSI) for you. Please note that DCSI regularly updates these application forms and only accept applications submitted on the latest version of the forms. Processing of applications is taking some time, so don’t leave it too long to lodge (so that you are cleared to assist in 2015). Once you’ve received your clearance from DCSI, bring in the ORIGINAL letter to the Front Office so that we can sight (and copy) it. Clearances are valid for 3 years.

SCHOOL BANKING NEWS

The collection of student school banking has been a service provided to us by the local BankSA for many years. Recently we have had communication from BankSA Aberfoyle Park that, after careful review of the school banking programme, BankSA will no longer offer the collection of School Banking deposits from our school.

The collection process will finish at the end of this year and not continue in 2015.

LOST PROPERTY

Please check the lost property bin and general-use areas within the school for any items that may have been misplaced during the term. The lost property bin is located in Unit 1 corridor.

R-3 LUNCHTIME DISCO

On Monday, December 8th we will be holding our last R-3 lunchtime disco for the year in the Hall. Entry is by gold coin donation.
INSTRUMENTAL RECITAL EVENING

A large audience of parents/caregivers, family members and friends attended the annual Instrumental Recital Evening, held on Tuesday, November 18th in the School Hall. They were entertained by ensemble and solo items from almost 35 students, who receive instrumental tuition as part of the school’s extra-curricular music programme. The evening was a great opportunity for children to develop performance skills in a friendly atmosphere.

A huge thank you to Ryan S, a Year 6 student in Room 17 and a Percussionist, who took on the MC role for the evening. He did an amazing job.

A big thank you to all of our instrumental teachers for the extra time and effort so freely given to prepare students for their performance.

Expressions of interest for concert band and strings in 2015 have been received and enrolments for percussion, keyboard and guitar will be taken in first term.

Julie Gallaher
Principal

FUNDRAISING NEWS

Thank you to everyone for supporting the walk-a-thon this year. It was a huge success and good to see so many happy, healthy walkers out on the day! Thank you to everyone who helped out on the day.

The winners were as follows:
Reception - Year 2: April L, raising $182.00
Years 3 - 5: Oliver M, raising $45.00
Years 6 - 7: Nathan B, raising $31.35

The class which raised the most sponsorship money was Room 10 ($371.00). What a fantastic effort! A movie day in your classroom is coming your way before the end of term. Overall, the Walkathon raised an amazing $1742.

Our last event for the year is an end-of-year Christmas Raffle and we are hoping that each family can donate a small Christmas gift (to put together some fabulous baskets full of Christmas cheer). Each unit in the school has at least one box available for donations or, alternatively, give your prize donation to your child’s class teacher. Raffle tickets have been sent out with each child so everyone has the opportunity to go into the draw to win some wonderful Christmas goodies! Students received a book of 5 tickets - at $1 a ticket, but more raffle tickets are available should you sell out quickly!

Prize winners will be announced at the Week 9, R - 7 Assembly – on the last day of the term. Hoping you can please give generously.

Many Thanks
The Fundraising Committee

RESOURCE CENTRE NEWS

THANK YOU

A huge “thank you” to our volunteers - both the weekly regulars and those who drop in when they have a little time to spare. We are reliant on and most appreciative of your help. Thanks again to Louise Matthews for her work with the Scholastic Book Club - many families and the school have benefitted from her work. Thanks to our Library and Audio Visual Monitors, especially those who come in each time they are rostered on. We really appreciate you giving up your time to help with various jobs.

RETURNS

All items were due back for our end-of-year stocktake at the end of last week. Please encourage your children to return anything from the Resource Centre as soon as possible. The public Hub Library has a fabulous collection and service, so you can borrow from there throughout the summer break. They will again run their popular summer reading programme.

HELP

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I would like to acknowledge the influence that you have over your children in regards to reading. It is gratifying to see so many of our students enthusiastically embracing the new books, waiting eagerly for their turn to borrow the reserved books. It is a joy to listen to them discussing what they’ve read and encouraging their friends to read what they have read. Please keep up the good work and keep them reading over the holidays. Your role-modelling and participation with their reading plays a key role.

Our very best wishes to you all for a relaxing holiday, snuggled up with some good books for at least 30 minutes per day. We look forward to working with you again next year.

Kindest Regards from the Library Staff
Sophia, Rilla, Debbie and Amanda W

OSHC NEWS

OSHC is now taking bookings for Vacation Care over the Christmas holidays. We are open from December 15th to 19th and then we will be closed for 2 weeks. OSHC will re-open on January 5th - January 23rd.

Please ensure that we receive your bookings before Monday, December 8th. Bookings will be accepted after this date but will incur a $10 late booking fee. Having correct numbers allows us to book excursions (and the bus) and to provide the correct staff to child ratio. If you require OSHC in 2015, you’ll need to fill in another Enrolment Form. Forms are available at the OSHC desk.

We’ve noticed many children at OSHC without a hat in their bag and relying on the limited number of spare hats available. However, sharing is a health/hygiene risk due to the possibility of head lice. Please ensure your child has a sun smart hat in their bag every day at OSHC.

Kathy Strapps
OSHC Director
PEDAL PRIX

Round 5 of the 2014 Pedal Prix series drew a close to this Pedal Prix year. Our team placed 5\textsuperscript{th} in category in Round 5 which was an amazing effort for the Hubcaps Pedal Prix team. Our Category 2 team came 3\textsuperscript{rd} in the category. The race usually has many issues and problems, but Round 5 was surprisingly easy considering the conditions such as, larger teams, heat, rain, wind and sleep deprivation.

This was the last event for the Category 1 Hubcaps Pedal Prix team and we all achieved great placings for the year. Category 1 placed 4\textsuperscript{th} for the year and Category 2 placed 2\textsuperscript{nd} for the year, Category 2 also won the fastest lap times at Victoria Park and the Murray Bridge races.

We would like to thank Kerry and Andrew, our coordinators, for all their hard work, time and effort. Special thanks to the Pit Crew who have spent hours working on the bikes, also to Trent, Allan, Michael and all the helpers who built the bikes for us. Thank you to Zane Parker who did an amazing job at the cook tent and to all our sponsors who helped pay for all of our equipment. Thanks to all the parents/caregivers who helped out, especially in the middle of the night and thanks to all the committee members, timers and rider managers. Special thanks to Mr Polis who gave up his sleep to come and supervise morning trainings. Ooh-Rah.

Sam McS & Shelby B
Pedal Prix Captains

SAPSASA TENNIS

During Week 4 of this term, Alyssa L, Chenoa N, Max C, Jayden D, Jayden L and Mackenzie S joined with 6 other students from schools in our district to compete for Southern Valley in the SAPSASA State Tennis Carnival. We played against other teams from districts across the city, Port Pirie, Mid North, Barossa and the South East. During the week we played 9 matches. We won 7, lost 2 and finished 3\textsuperscript{rd} in Division 2 overall. On Friday, after our last game, we had an excursion to Hungry Jacks and Bowland.

Thanks to our coach Dean Carter from Happy Valley Primary School and to the parents/caregivers for taking us each day and supporting us.

Jayden D

OUT OF SCHOOL SPORT

2015 SPORT REGISTRATIONS
Registration forms for Out of School Sports – Basketball, Soccer, Netball, Cricket and Pedal Prix were distributed to interested, eligible students last week and this week. Please feel free to collect a form from the Front Office if you haven’t yet received one. All registration forms are due to the Front Office next Wednesday, December 10\textsuperscript{th}.

SPORTS COORDINATOR WANTED
As per Out of School Sports Policy, all sports require a Coordinator to manage each sport. At this stage, we still require a Sports Canteen Coordinator. Please contact the school as soon as possible if you are interested in knowing more about what the position entails.

Sarah Magnusson
Deputy Principal

COMMUNITY NEWS

Girl Guides have lots of fun, make new friends, have a girls only space, try adventurous activities, go camping, are part of a global movement, learn leadership skills, get involved in the community, learn life skills, plus lots more!

Girl Guides are having fun today, leading the world tomorrow.

There are currently vacancies at
Happy Valley Girl Guides.
Contact Angela Higgins on 0408 977 188
for meeting times.

Basketball SA

BASKETBALL HOLIDAY CLINICS

Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium is hosting 3 school holiday clinics across the December / January holidays.

**Dates:** December 16\textsuperscript{th}, January 15\textsuperscript{th} and 21\textsuperscript{st}


Morphett Vale Basketball Stadium
Telephone: (08) 8382 0143 Fax: (08) 8384 6862
Wilfred Taylor Reserve,
States Road, MORPHETT VALE, SA 5162
NET SET GO 2015

Feb 8th & 15th - Sunday 3 to 4pm
@ Walford Sports Centre - 344 Unley Rd, Hyde Park

Feb 21st - Sunday Morning (exact time tba)
@ Netball SA - 155 Railway Tce, Mile End
(With Thunderbirds players)

Feb 26th, March 5th & 12th - Thursday 6 to 7pm
@ Woods Panthers Netball Club - Adey Rd, Blackwood

COST:
$60 - Includes FREE Netball, Medal and T-shirt.
This fee must be paid prior to first session.

Please arrive 20 minutes prior, as all players must check in before taking court.

To register and pay, visit our website: www.woodspanthers.com.au

ALL Queries can be directed to: info@woodspanthers.com.au

DIARY DATES

DECEMBER

5th
Kindy-School Transition Visit
Years 4 - 7 Final Assembly 10:50am (Hall)
Semester 2 Reports sent home and 2015 Class Placement Notification

9th
Rooms 17 and 6 Aquatics

10th
Rooms 9, 10 and 21 Excursion (Kingston Park)

12th
R - 7 Assembly 10:50am (Hall)

This summer's VACSWIM programme (swimming lessons for children of school age from beginners to the higher Life Saving Awards) is to be held at Marion Outdoor Swimming Centre from January 5th to 13th inclusive (this does not include Saturday and Sunday).

The cost for the event is $31.50 for 7 lessons and $33.50 for admission. Lessons run for 45 minutes and times on all days can be booked in advance as follows:
8:40am, 9:30am, 10:30am, 11:15am, 12:00pm

Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the vacswim website www.vacswim.sa.com.au and the enrolment itself can be made directly with the centre on 8276 4939 or in person at any time.

Marion Swimming Centre,
Oaklands Road, PARK HOLME, SA 5043

A1 Apparel wishes all students and their families a Happy and Safe Christmas and holiday season. We are open this Saturday from 10am - 1pm for school sales.

We are closed for the school holidays, opening just before school resumes for school wear sales. Opening times are listed below and on our shop door.

Best wishes and see you then,
Lynley, Andrew and Tracey

A1 Apparel is open:

Tuesday, January 21st 2015 9am - 12pm
Thursday, January 23rd 2015 1pm - 5pm
Usual trading hours resumes Tuesday, January 28th 2015 - when school starts.

Retail Shop Hours - During School Term:
Monday to Thursday: 9am - 5pm
Friday: 9am - 3pm
Saturday: We open 1 or 2 Saturdays a month 10am - 1pm

School holidays: we are open reduced hours during all school holidays.

Please check out the shop window, or phone/email us for more information about Saturdays/School Holidays.

We accept payment by cash, cheque, eftpos and credit card in the shop. Credit cards incur a 1% - 2.5% fee depending on card type.

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