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NEWSLETTER - TERM 2 - 3rd JULY 2013

DIARY DATES				
22/7/13	PUPIL FREE DAY			
19/8/13	3.05pm school finishing time commences			
	6.05pm OSHC finishing time commences			
6/9/13	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY			

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

DON'T FORGET - PUPIL FREE DAY ON MONDAY JULY 22nd

CONGRATULATIONS!

.. to our Senior School Choir that achieved a high B for their recent choir assessment. Students have worked very hard developing skills required under the excellent direction of Evie Donoghue and Andrea Hayden. We look forward to their performance at Festival Theatre later next term. ©

SHORTENED SCHOOL DAY

By now you would have received the information regarding the shortening of our school day to 3:05pm finish with an associated OSHC finish of 6:05pm. Thank you to the school community for your understanding as we work through what has been a very difficult decision to make and one we took very seriously. The feedback we have received has generally been most positive. The Staff and Governing Council discussed a number of scenarios and knew that whichever choice we made, someone in the community would be affected. We can only apologise for that and hope everyone understands. The choice we made at the end was the one with the least impact on student learning and the one we felt had the least impact on families. For families to understand the thinking and discussion we undertook I provide the following information. The options were:

- One day a week is made 50mins shorter
- Start 10mins later and finish at current time

- Start 5mins later and finish 5mins earlier
- Start at current time and finish 10 mins earlier

The first option would result in the loss of 3 specialist lessons per week that have to be replaced. This would cost the school money as we would need to employ another teacher to make that time up. This option could also significantly affect families where parents work on the particular day.

The second and third options require families and students to change the routine pattern of arrival at school to later. Currently almost all students are arriving on time due to strong routines developed through our Attendance Policy. Any change to the arrival time threatens to disrupt the routine and subsequently work time. Students also learn best in the morning, so we looked at the earlier option being best. The option we chose also means that any changes that will be made to lessons for students do not happen until the lesson before lunch, so there is no disruption to student routine until then.

I have been asked by a parent why we did not choose a day off per term through banking the time. As the school already has 4 days pupil free for training and development, and, 1 school closure day in recognition of a local significant event, the addition of several more days would affect many families where parents work. Other elements of the EBA would also be impacted by this decision and it is therefore not a viable option.

I have also been asked if we considered local kindy and other school finish times. I can assure you we did but again depending on which way you looked at it different people would have been affected whichever option we chose, so we chose the one we thought would have the least impact.

We hope that by giving our school community 8 weeks' notice, families are able to determine the best way to manage the change that starts on Monday August 19th and I thank you for doing so.

PARENT PARTNERSHIPS

As you know from the survey you received early this term, there is a small group of staff members currently undertaking research into ways we can improve our school and parent partnerships. One of the things we are looking at implementing some time next term is a regular coffee date between members of the leadership team and parents. It will be an informal opportunity for parents to spend time getting to know leaders and share their views on what they like about the school and their hopes for the future school itself and schooling for their children. Please keep an eye out for the invitations during next term.

We will also be working with Governing Council to develop the idea of partnership and what that means for our school community. There will be further opportunity for parents to have a say in this process as time goes on.

Chris Ross has also applied for a grant to enable us to undertake a number of small projects to engage with the community. The key project identified in this grant is the development of a kinaesthetic activity garden in the area next to the amphitheatre. If we are successful, we hope to invite members of our school community to participate in the project. I would like to thank Chris for his work in preparing and presenting the submission for the grant.

HIGHLIGHTS OF TERM 2

We have had another busy and successful term. A number of highlights aside from our routine programs have included:

- Continuation of whole school Values focus
- Continuation of the Year 7 School Leader Values program
- LHK meetings and student decision making opportunities
- SAPSASA Cross Country, Netball, Soccer, AFL
- Assemblies
- Ongoing Literacy Coach programs in some classrooms
- Choir rehearsals and Assessment
- Safety Ambassador training
- Jump Rope program including Red Jump Off Day

- Red Nose Day lunch
- NAPLAN testing
- Development of a number of class and specialist blogs
- Quicksmart Literacy program implemented by SSOs across Years 5-7
- Staff training in aspects of the Australian Curriculum, Literacy, Numeracy and IT
- Ongoing participation by staff in Professional Learning Communities (PLCs)
- Newsletter accessible in the website
- Values pencils installed
- Photographs for the website
- New website under construction

WHAT HAPPENED TO THE PLAYGROUND BASE REPAIR?

The playground base repair is still going ahead. It is now being done during the holidays. When the contractor ordered one of the rubber colours, there was not enough and it has taken time to have these ordered in. Hopefully a brand new rubberised surface will await us at the start of next term.

WRITTEN REPORTS

Written reports will be sent home with students today. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher if you need clarification about anything in the report itself. If you find any part of the associated Australian Curriculum information daunting, please contact one of the leadership team for clarification. We are considering running a forum for parents to further explain aspects of the curriculum and capabilities if enough interest is shown. If you would be interested in attending a forum please let Nola Chalakas-Stopp in the front office know.

STAFF NEWS

Next term we welcome back Kirsten Wallis to the Japanese program. Kirsten will be working on Thursdays and Fridays. For the first 4 weeks of term, Kirsty Gray will work on Mondays to Wednesdays. From Week 5 onwards, Nobue Phillips will work on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays.

HARASSMENT ISSUES

In recent weeks we have been dealing with an increasing number of harassment and bullying

issues within the school. Several of these involve groups of students and in discussions it has often been difficult to get to the bottom of what is occurring, because students are not always forthcoming about their role in what has happened. If we need to contact parents regarding an issue such as this, I would be seeking support to work together to ensure we are able to uphold our school Values and expectations of our Anti bullying Statement.

Of further concern, is the number of issues we are dealing with that involve social media such as Facebook. While all the cyber incidents have occurred outside of school, the fallout has led to bigger and ongoing issues within the school that we then have to follow up. There are inappropriate things being written and displayed. As the management of what happens outside of school is a family issue I again seek your support in helping us ensure that students at our school are kept safe from inappropriate behaviours such as this, by working with your own children around appropriate cyber behaviours. As you know we implement strategies to teach students cyber safety at school. We have also spoken to all students in Years 5-7 particularly about these practices and look forward to positive cyber behaviours that reflect our values of Respect and Responsibility.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

This is just a friendly reminder to parents that it is not appropriate and therefore ask you please not to approach children who are not your own or other parents to discuss issues that should be discussed with the leadership team or the class teacher. I have had concerns raised about this from within the school itself, OSHC and after school sport. I would strongly encourage parents who have a concern or issue you wish to raise that affects other students, (and/or their parents), to please let an appropriate school adult know so we can follow up your concern.

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY - TERM 3

Governing Council and the Assistant Regional Director have approved a full School Closure Day on Friday 6th September as our observance of the day of local significance for the Royal Adelaide Show. The school will be closed on this day. The OSHC will be available for families. Please contact Lissy or Sally if you would like to book care.

SCHOOL SECURITY IN THE HOLIDAYS

To help prevent vandalism and other crime in the school during the holidays, we seek your support to please report any suspicious behaviour to may observe in and around the school to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or direct to Police on 131 444. I thank you in advance for doing so.

.... AND FINALLY

Don't forget early dismissal at 2:15pm on Friday and may you enjoy a safe holiday with your children. We look forward to seeing everyone back safely on Tuesday July 23rd.

Anne Rathjen
Principal



FOUND

An amount of money was found in the school yard recently. If you believe this belongs to you please call into the school office and see Nola.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see noticeboard for further information.

- HEALTHY INSPIRATIONS BRIGHTON is offering free '7 day passes' during July. This women's only gym not only offers a friendly and safe environment to train but also specialises in weight loss programs and 1 on 1 Personal Training. To book your free session call 8296 7677.
- GLENELG DISTRICT CRICKET CLUB Ray Sutton Shield & Junior Cricket Trials. Gillespie Sports Indoor Cricket Centre, 23 Congdon Drive, Thebarton. Sunday 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th August. New player week, Sun 28th July. Players under 14 as of 1st Sept. Time 4:15 to 6:00 pm.
- SCHOOL HOLIDAY CLINICS AT NETBALL SA 15th
 July 5 to 7 years (9 to 11 am) cost \$42, * to 10 years (2 to 5 pm) cost \$52 and 16 July 11 to 16 years (10 to 3 pm) cost \$72. Book now www.netballsa.asn.au or ☎ 8238
- **GREASE SCHOOL EDITION G RATED** 11, 12, 13, 14th
 July. Tickets \$30 / \$25 per family. Walford Theatre, 316
 Unley Road, Hyde Park. *Starring Brooklyn, one of Hallett Cove East's students.* Bookings
 www.pelicanproductions.com.au
- FAIRY WINGS & PIRATE THINGS 9 Gawler St, Pt Noarlunga. Come dance, laugh & play. Cooking Classes 8th & 15th July 10:45 am to 12:45 pm. School Holidays 3 fun filled hours of craft, dance, games & lots of fairy & pirate fun. Various dates. All sessions \$40 per child or family concessions. Bookings required. ☎ 8326 8862 or fairy.wings@bigpond.com

PE News

SAPSASA Yr 6/7 Knockout Netball

We 2nd played our game against Thiele/Nativity/Pilgrim Schools last Wednesday at HCE. I was very proud of the girls, some of the players from the first team were missing, some players hadn't played netball for a couple of years and we ended up with no extra subs. HCE was 1 goal up at the end of the 3rd quarter (16-15) but we ended up losing by 4 goals. Thanks to our great goalies we scored 20 goals in total. Many thanks to the girls for their determination and perseverance!!!

SAPSASA Knockout Soccer

Congratulations to the boys for their win 2-0 against Thiele/Nativity/Pilgrim Primary School today. The weather was fantastic and the boys really showed off their soccer skills. Goal scorers were Blake and Danny. A big thank you to David as coach and Linda for organising the referee. I will let you know when the next game will be.

SAPSASA Future Events.

Two dates to keep in mind are the SAPSASA District Athletics Day which is on Wednesday 4th September (Term 3 Week 7) at Santos Stadium. The team will be finalized by the end of the term.

SAPSASA Volleyball

The Years 3-7 classes are playing Volleyball in PE and we are able to use the courts in the Big COLA which is fantastic. The students are learning the skills well. I am running trials Thursday lunchtimes this term and inviting students along who are interested in the SAPSASA Volleyball Carnival on Monday 12th August (Term 3 Week 4). We will be entering Year 6/7 and Year 4/5 teams. I will be letting students know by the end of the term if they are in a team. Trainings for the Carnival will be Thursday lunchtimes next term.

Edublog

I have developed a Blog on the internet to let you know what has been happening and what will be happening in PE, SAPSASA and Science at Hallett Cove East PS including permission notes for future events. This is the website. http://shonatrenouth.edublogs.org/. The site is called "PE and Science at Hallett Cove East." I will continue to write in the newsletter for a short time but later next term all the news will be on the Blog.

Shona Trenouth
PE/Science Specialist Teacher

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART JUMP OFF UPDATE

Thank you to all the students and families who "Jumped In" and collected sponsors for our Red Jump Off Day, last Friday. I've been able to check and see how we are doing as a whole school with online sponsorship and I've been delighted with the response of a few of our families so far.

Each student who had fun skipping with our Lightning Jets on Friday should have received a certificate and sticker, to acknowledge their participation and to enable them to finish collecting their donations.

Students can continue to collect sponsors either online or by using their sponsorship form and we'd like all donations in by the end of Week 1 next term so that the paper work can be done to organize the prizes for our students.

Chris Franklin
JRFH team coach/coordinator

FUNDRAISING NEWS

School Holiday time is just around the corner!!! Lots of vouchers can be used to entertain the children these holidays.

Call into the school office to purchase your copy of the 2013/2014

Entertainment book for \$65.00, \$13.00 of which is donated back to the school.

Sarah Hole Fundraising Coordinator

A BIT FROM BEK

Dear Parents, Caregivers, Family and Friends!

Goodness gracious, how time flies! As if it's holiday time again?! – don't get me wrong, I love the holidays but sometimes I can't believe how fast time passes!

I found this quote when I was doing my usual 'social-mediacheck-during-an-ad-break' the other night and it caught my eye. It said "Put your troubles in a pocket with a



hole in it" — Anonymous. I didn't really think about it too much that night because MasterChef was on and it was an intense cook-off (Hehe). But the next day it popped into my mind after I found coins on the floor, which I could've sworn were in my pocket... Sure enough, I had a hole in my pocket. So, if I put my troubles in a pocket with holes, they will fall out and I'd never have to worry about them again.

My hope for you is that when you have any troubles, you can just pop them in a pocket with holes, and let them fall away and not bother you again ©

Have a wonderful break! Take care! ☺

Bek O'Neill, your CPSW

OSHC NEWS

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

It's still not too late to book into our Vacation Care Program for the upcoming holidays.

Take time to look at the program on the next page, there's bound to be something to interest your child/ren. Lots of fun activities, both here at school and excursions.

Please complete the booking sheet and return it to OSHC to secure your place!!

Thank you.

Lissy, Sally and the OSHC/Vac Care Team

CANTEEN NEWS

I would like to say a HUGE thankyou to May Thomson, Anita King, Kerrianne Springford who baked and iced 353 Red Nose Day shortbread biscuits, great effort ladies!!



I would also like to say another HUGE thankyou to Carmen Gonzalez, Jo Marnes, Juliet Smit, Nikki Dopson and Jenny Walker who helped on Red Nose Day,,,, I could never manage without the help of these wonderful volunteers!!!

Congratulations to Maia for winning the Red Nose Day competition!

Thankyou to Gizella Web class 5E for drawing the great Red Nose Day posters you would have seen throughout the school.

A donation of \$127.20 will be sent to "SidsandKids", the amount raised through the red nose meals sold.

I would like to welcome Juliet Smit & Nikki Dopson to our volunteer team. Thankyou to Emmanuelle Orrell who has volunteered on a regular basis for a few years. Emmanuelle is no longer available to volunteer, thanks for your help and time you have given the canteen.

Meal Deals week 10 & week 1 term 3 are as follows: \$5.00 per meal deal

#1: Pie, pasty or sausage roll
1 x Hash Brown and Warm Milo

#2: Hot Dog Muffin and Warm Milo

#3: Ham and Cheese Toasty Muffin and Juice

Enjoy the break!

Janine Curtis - Canteen Manager

VACATION CARE PROGRAM – Monday 8th July–Friday 19th July 2013

Monday 8/7	Tuesday 9/7	Wednesday 10/7	Thursday 11/7	Friday 12/7
Games Day	Excursion) *	Incursion	Party Day!
Bring in your	Movie at Wallis		Let's get crafty	Fun and Games in
favourite Board	Cinemas Noarlunga.	* / 🍪 \ 🐧	Fun with Plaster	OSHC
Game.	Movie & Time to be	E S	Paint a plaster mould.	Lunch Provided
Competitions at the	advised.			
COLA	Please be at OSHC		Soccer Clinic	
Make a jigsaw	by 9 a.m.	Space Day	Led by Linda	*
Karaoke	مثقوح	Come dressed as an	al Miles	
(in OSHC all week)		alien.		
		Build a rocket		*
	Learn S <mark>ign Langu</mark> age	Make a space ship		
6	Play Brown Bear	Make some moon rock		Party Food
		cakes.		
Monday 15/7	Tuesday 16/7	Wednesday 17/7	Thursday 18/7	Friday 19/7
Pet Day	Incursion	Medieval Day	Make and Take	Pyjama & Movie
Make a home for	Community Day with		Day	Day
your pet.	Sheidow Park OSHC		Make a photo frame or	Come dressed in your
Prettiest/scariest/	_		magazine rack.	pj's and chill out. Help make Bean Bags for
most unusual pet	Footsteps Dance		Use air drying clay to	OSHC
competition.	Company	Come dressed as a	make a plaque.	Make a pyjama sack
(Bring in a photo)	Bouncy Castle	Princess or Knight	Bake biscuits and make Yum Yum Balls.	Warm chocolate and
	BBQ	Build a castle Make a hat.	/ uni / uni puns.	marshmallows
		Mane a Hat.		

Deposit Paid	yes	No
Early Bird Rate	Yes	No

<u>VACATION CARE BOOKING SHEET</u> <u>Monday 8th July – Friday 19th July 2013</u>

Family Name

Child 1

Child 2 Child 3 Child 4

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
8/7/2013	9/7/2013	10/7/2013	11/7/2013	12/7/2013
	Excursion- Movies			
	Noarlunga. Must be			
	here by 9.00 am.			
15/7/2013	<u>16/7/2013</u>	17/7/2013	18/7/2013	19/7/2013
	<u>Incursion</u>			
	Footsteps Dance			
	Company			

^{***}Please select the days you require care. To be eligible for the early bird rate which is \$47.00 a day per child you must return this form by Friday 28th June 2013. Bookings received after this day will be charged at the standard rate of \$52.00 per day per child.

A \$52.00 Deposit will secure your booking.

- ❖ Please note bookings cancelled will still be charged at the booked rate unless two weeks notice is given.
- * ** PLEASE NOTE IN THE INTEREST OF CHILD SAFETY AND WELL-BEING AND CULTURAL CONSIDERATIONS ELECTRONIC DEVICES OF ANY KIND THAT HAVE A SCREEN, WI-FI OR CAMERA ARE NOT PERMITTED TO BE USED AT OUR SERVICE. THESE DEVICES MUST REMAIN IN THE CHILD'S SCHOOL BAG OR BE PLACED IN THE DIRECTORS OFFICE.
 - The only exception to this is an MP3 player including Ipod Shuffle which only has music and does not have any screens, cameras or wi-fi/internet access.

Please be advised that we are a Sunsmart OSHC this means that all children attending our service must abide by the Sunsmart requirements which are a legionnaire cap or wide brimmed hat – baseball caps – are not considered Sunsmart and we cannot let children play outside if they have a cap. They will have to stay in the shade only area. The same applies to t/shirts with shoe string straps or bare shoulders – these are not considered Sunsmart. Please also be aware that we have sunscreen at the service but if your child has an allergy or needs to have their own sunscreen can you please label and name it and we will ensure it used by only them.

All children must bring their own drinking bottles – we have filtered water on our premises but children need to bring their own bottles – recess and lunch is required every day unless lunch is provided. Special lunch days are highlighted on the program.

- On excursions all children must bring at least one drinking bottle,
- A Sunsmart hat, recess and lunch and
- Appropriate footwear.

Transport - Permission Slip

I give permission for my child/children to travel on transport booked by this Service to take the Service on excursions

Excursion – Movies – Tuesday 9th July, 2013, all children must be in attendance prior to 9am on this day.

Transport – bus

I acknowledge the above requirements and agree to support them.

Signed	Date

CANTEEN ROSTER FOR TERM 3 WEEKS 1-6						
		MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Week 1 22/7/13 26/7/13	Recess	Student Free	K. Springford May Thomson	Annmarie Smith	Emmanuelle Orrell	Bee Robertson Linda Batten Carmen Gonzalez
	Lunch	Day		Kylie Barnes Sparks	Alan Beaumont	Bee Robertson Linda Batten Yvonne Caire
Week 2 29/7/13	Recess	Megan Hunter Annmarie Smith	K. Springford	Annmarie Smith	Juliet Smit	Bee Robertson Chris Areskog
2/8/13	Lunch			Kylie Barnes Sparks	Alan Beaumont	Bee Robertson Jo Marnes
Week 3 5/8/13 9/8/13	Recess	Megan Hunter Annmarie Smith	K. Springford May Thomson	Annmarie Smith	Jo Marnes	Bee Robertson Jo Marnes Carmen Gonzalez
	Lunch			Kylie Barnes Sparks	Alan Beaumont	Bee Robertson Linda Batten Yvonne Caire
Week 4 12/8/13 16/8/13	Recess	Megan Hunter Annmarie Smith	K. Springford	Annmarie Smith	Juliet Smit	Bee Robertson Chris Areskog Nikki Dopson
	Lunch			Kylie Barnes Sparks	Alan Beaumont	Bee Robertosn Jo Marnes
Week 5 19/8/13 23/8/13	Recess	Megan Hunter Annmarie Smith	K. Springford May Thomson	Annmarie Smith	Jo Marnes	Bee Robertson Linda Batten Carmen Gonzalez
	Lunch			Kylie Barnes Sparks	Alan Beaumont	Bee Robertson Linda Batten Yvonne Caire
Week 6 26/8/13 30/8/13	Recess	Megan Hunter Annmarie Smith	K. Springford	Annmarie Smith	Juliet Smit	Bee Robertson Chris Areskog
	Lunch			Kylie Barnes Sparks	Alan Beaumont	Bee Robertson Jo Marnes