



## NEWSLETTER - TERM 3 - 27<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2014

### DIARY DATES

3/9/14	SAPSASA District Athletics Day
5/9/14	SCHOOL CLOSURE – SHOW DAY
12/9/14	Festival of Music Choir Performance
24/9/14	EXPO of Learning – HCEP Pavilion
27/10/14	PUPIL FREE DAY

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Searching for that extra difference in teaching and learning is something that our teaching staff does constantly. Being on the leading edge is important. Quite a number of schools, including Hallett Cove East Primary have embarked upon projects that are child-centred, research and evidence based and sustainable in order to empower and engage students in their learning. The Reimagining Childhood Project is one such driver.

Last week I was fortunate to hear Dr Yong Zhao speak to a large audience of school leaders. Dr Zhao is a global educator of the highest standing and while not everyone may agree with what he says, his message is loud and clear.

He contends that today's education system has not changed dramatically over the past 150 years. Its aim was, and still is, to create a middle class society for the industrial age. However this middle class is diminishing as careers, that were once part of it, no longer exist.

53% of university graduates in the U.S.A are either unemployed or under-employed. Australia would have similar statistics. Dr Zhao believes that there are two important questions that all educators today should be asking:

What skills and knowledge can we equip our children with that can't be done overseas?

What skills and knowledge can we give our children that that can't be replaced by machines and computers?

He asserts that our education system should be about CREATING jobs and not looking for jobs. The creative class is where we might look to as, "...creativity today is job security."

On the surface Dr Zhao's assertions may seem quite "left-field" but a number of other high profile global educators parallel his thinking and theory. These include Sir Kenneth Robinson and Lee Crockett.

What these three educators have in common is the strong belief that creativity and child-centred learning is vital in this world of constant change. Below are resource links that you might be interested in further exploring when next on the web.

[sirkenrobinson.com](http://sirkenrobinson.com)  
[leecrockett.net](http://leecrockett.net)  
[globaldigitalcitizen.org](http://globaldigitalcitizen.org)  
[zhaolearning.com](http://zhaolearning.com)

Of course, [youtube.com](http://youtube.com) and [ted.com/talks](http://ted.com/talks) will also give you some wonderful insights into these people.

*Bruce Norris*  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL**

**DON'T FORGET THAT FRIDAY 5<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER (NEXT WEEK) IS A FULL SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY. THERE WILL BE NO SCHOOL STAFF PRESENT THAT DAY.**

**IF YOU NEED CHILDCARE, PLEASE CONTACT LISSY AND SALLY TO BOOK INTO OSHC.**



**Phone: 8381 7577**

## HATS ARE BACK!!!

Hasn't the weather in recent days been wonderful with the return of the sunshine? We hope that the days begin to get warmer too, as we move into Spring. Of course, the increase in sunshine and movement into Spring also means an increase in UV levels. This is a reminder to all families that in accordance with our SunSmart Policy, students need to begin wearing hats outside at all times starting from Monday next week. Could you please help us by ensuring that your child has his/her sunsmart hat (that is in good condition) at school on Monday?



## BOOK WEEK ASSEMBLY

What a great Book Week Assembly we had last Friday with lots of students and teachers dressing up as their favourite book characters. Led by a Russian Cossack (Mr Ross) and very capably helped by Maleficent (Ms Donoghue), the Blues Brothers, (Declan and Joel), and Lighthouse Keeper Executive (Mae and Katie) we enjoyed seeing all the great costumes that everyone was wearing. Thank you to everyone who participated and to mums and dads who helped. Thank you also to those parents who were able to attend.

## FUNDRAISING MANAGER NEEDED

I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank Sarah Hole who has very effectively managed the Fundraising programs in the school over the past 2 years. Her work has been greatly appreciated by both staff and Governing Council. Unfortunately, Sarah is unable to continue in that position so we are now looking for a new person to manage the fundraising activities. If you are interested in managing Fundraising and working with the Fundraising committee or would like more information about the role, please contact either Jo Wigg (Governing Council Chairperson) or me via the Front Office.

## MATHS FORUM FOR PARENTS

Hallett Cove South PS is hosting a Maths Forum for parents on 10th September from 7-8.30pm. The forum is being facilitated by Ann Baker who has been the South Australian Mathematician in Residence. Parents from neighbouring schools

have been invited to this event. There will be no cost and light refreshments will be provided. I am sure Ann will present a very interesting and challenging forum for parents I will provide further information as it becomes available.. Several teachers have participated in training in Natural Maths with Ann during the last 2 years. We hope to include aspects of this training as part of our teaching and learning programs from 2015.

## COMING EVENTS

### SPECIAL EVENTS

SAPSASA District Athletics day will be held on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

The Festival of Music Choir performance at Festival Theatre will be held on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September.

The EXPO of Learning will be held on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September in the HCEPS Pavilion.

### PUPIL FREE DAY

**TERM 4** Monday October 27<sup>th</sup>: Australian Curriculum – English

*Anne Rathjen*

**PRINCIPAL**

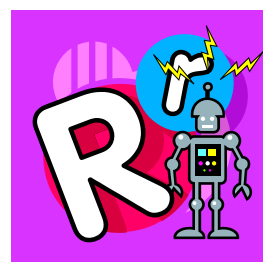
## READING CORNER

Each Newsletter the Early Years Team will provide you with strategies to help support and encourage your child to read at home. These ideas have come from the website <http://www.readingrockets.org/>. This is a very useful site offering ideas to get children reading from a very young age.

### Talk about letters and sounds

Help your child learn the names of the letters and the sounds the letters make.

Turn it into a game! "I'm thinking of a letter and it makes the sound mmmmmmm."



## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Jacques from 9E, for successfully completing his 10th Kyu level in the SEMAS Academy Japanese Abacus Maths programme.

Well done Jacques!!



## COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see noticeboard for further information.

- **WEEK** – 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> September 2014. To play a part in this campaign, visit [napcan.org.au](http://napcan.org.au)
- **NEXT GENERATION TAEKWONDO** - World Class new Training Studio opening in Trott Park August, 2014. Toddlers, Children, Adults & Families welcome ☎ Call 1300 656 065 or visit [www.ngtkd.com](http://www.ngtkd.com)
- **KEEPING SAFE IN CYBERSPACE, WHAT EVERY PARENT SHOULD KNOW** - The S.A. Association of School Parents clubs (SAASPC) invites parents to attend a conference on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> August from 9.30 – 4pm at the Australian Education Union, 163a Greenhill road, Parkside on the above topic. Susan McLean, Australia's leading expert on Cybersafety will be the Keynote speaker. For further information and registration form please contact Suzanne Dunn via the school office.
- **STURT MARION WOMEN'S SOCCER CLUB** – Girls 7 years or older to play soccer on Fridays from 5 to 6 pm at 262 Sturt Road Marion. No cost involved. Email enquiries to Jeanette at [juniorsmws@gmail.com](mailto:juniorsmws@gmail.com)
- **HALLETT COVE UNITING CHURCH** – Holiday program Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September for children 4 – 12 years. Full morning of fun commencing at 9:30 – 12:30 pm of games, face painting, stories and morning tea. \$2.00 donation at 18 – 20 Zwerner Drive Hallett Cove.
- **NOARLUNGA LITTLE ATHLETICS CENTRE** – Holding Come and Try sessions at 9:00 am Sunday mornings at the Christies Beach High school oval for girls and boys aged 3 – 16 years. Email [noarlungalac@gmail.com](mailto:noarlungalac@gmail.com) Season runs from September through to March with cross country from May to July.

## KONNICHIIWA MINASAN

Here are our next 2 weeks words.

こんしゅう の ことば。 This week's Japanese words.		
Term 3 Week	Japanese (Romaji)	English
6	<b>Desu</b> (Pronounced DES the u is silent)	<b>It is../Is..</b>
	<b>Douzo</b> Douzo sounds like Door zo (used when giving something to someone eg please take this)	<b>please</b>

こんしゅう の ことば。 This week's Japanese words.		
Term 3 Week	Japanese (Romaji)	English
7	<b>Nihon</b>	Japan
	<b>Nihongo</b>	Japanese
<b>Students need to write the Japanese. Not the English, however they need to learn the English meaning.</b>		

Arigatou, (a-ri-ga-toe)

**GRAY SENSEI & NOBUE SENSEI** (sen-say)

## PE NEWS

### SAPSASA Volleyball Carnival

The Carnival was last Wednesday at Marion Recreation and Leisure Centre and a record 11 teams (61 students) from Hallett Cove East took part. There were 7 Year 6/7 teams and 4 Yr 4/5 teams. Thanks to the many parents who helped to supervise teams and support the players. It was a very crowded venue though, particularly when you added our school. We won games and lost games but I was very proud of student skill level and how it improved over the day. We have one team definitely through to the finals, and there may be more. Congratulations to Josh, Jaden, Zac, Tyson, Riley and Brayden who will be playing in a few weeks on a date to be confirmed.

### Spikezone Competition

For those students interested in playing more Volleyball there is a Spikezone Competition happening again this term at Hallett Cove R-12 on a Friday night. The competition is for girls and boys in Yrs 4-7. If you have a group of at least 5

players then please nominate them now. Email: [steven@volleyballs.com.au](mailto:steven@volleyballs.com.au) .

### **Volleyball SA Yr 6/7 Development Clinic**

This is a 2 day clinic run by SA's best Volleyball Coaches at Brighton High School on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> October 2014. The clinic costs \$120 for 2 days, \$65 for 1 day which includes a T-shirt and lunch each day. Register Online by 24<sup>th</sup> September 2014 at [www.volleyballs.com.au/holidayclinics](http://www.volleyballs.com.au/holidayclinics) Ph 08 8363 1265.

### **SAPSASA District Athletics**

Information notes and Invoices have been given out to those students who will be participating in this event. The District Athletics day is on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2014 at Santos Stadium. The permission notes also contain the events in which your child is participating. Please get money and notes back to school as soon as possible.

### **Footsteps**

Most of the students from Reception to Year 5 will again be participating in dance lessons provided by Footsteps Dance Company. Notes have been given out to those classes involved. Please get the forms back as soon as possible. Every student is expected to attend the lessons as this is part of the school curriculum. The dance lessons begin on Friday in Week 6.

### **PE Lessons.**

Just a reminder for students to wear appropriate clothing for their PE lessons. Thank you.

### **Be Active Challenge**

We have 8 classes participating in the Challenge again this year which is wonderful to see!! The challenge needs to be completed by the end of Term 3. Medals will be given out during Term 4.

### **Science Challenge**

The theme for Science Week this term is "Food For Our Future". Permission notes are all returned and now the growing and creating can begin. We have over 30 entries in the Challenge which is wonderful!!! The finished product needs to be brought to school on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2014 to be judged. Many of the entries will be part of the Learning Expo in Week 10. Good Luck!!! Both Mr Chris Ross from the Resource Centre and I will be coordinating this event.

### **Edublog**

Don't forget to view my Edublog to keep up with what is happening in my PE/Science programme and SAPSASA events. Please visit the site throughout the year.

The site is: <http://shonatreouth.edublogs.org/>. Have a look!

## **Shona Trenouth PE/SCIENCE SPECIALIST TEACHER**

### **FUNDRAISING DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**Cadbury Chocolate Fundraiser** – Monies to be returned by Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August

**Father's Day Stall** – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> & Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September

**School Cookbook** – Commencing September

**Family Photo Day** – Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October

## **Sarah Hole FUNDRAISING CO-ORDINATOR**

### **NINA'S MUSINGS**



Jeanne was a woman I admired greatly... not because I knew her well. I did not. Rather, it was her kindness to me which I have never forgotten. The first Sunday I returned to church after my dad died, I sat at the back. I slipped quietly in after the service had begun and then, surprisingly to me, proceeded to bawl my eyes out. Half way through the service, Jeanne came and sat beside me. She didn't say anything... not a word. She just sat beside me and held my hand. That simple, silent gesture was so powerful and precious. It has stayed with me and has never been forgotten.

Jeanne died a fortnight ago and although I never knew her well, I cried lots. Her act of kindness in my moment of despair still remains strong in my mind and I was again reminded of the importance of such kindness. Sometimes it is the small and simple things we do for others that can mean the world: a note of thanks, a chocolate, a smile, a hand hold... It's easy in the busyness of life to take for granted how meaningful and powerful simple acts of kindness can be. What a better place the world would be if we all showed the kindness and compassion Jeanne did on so many occasions throughout her life. I hope I can live up to that more often than I do. Thank you Jeanne.

Peace, **Nina Corlett-McDonald**  
*Christian Pastoral Support Worker*

# Nihon no Kagaku

## Japanese Science

On Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> August we were lucky enough to have Akihiro and Natsue, visiting Japanese teachers offer some of our students' science lessons. Akihiro san made Uchi-wa (traditional fans) with 6E, 6W and 6AS. While Natsue san taught sessions on 'Columbus's egg' (9N and 9W), 'Bungee chime' (5E and 5W) and 'Polarisation' (9E). It was a great experience for students.



Uchi-

Columbus's  
egg



Bungee chime



Polarisatio



# **WE NEED YOU!!**

## **FUNDRAISING COORDINATOR VACANCY**

### **Are you creative, organised and like talking to people?**

The Fundraising Committee is looking for an enthusiastic individual who can coordinate the fundraising arm of our school. Ideally we'd like somebody in time for the start of the new school year, however our current coordinator is available for the remainder of the year for you to learn more about the role.

The role involves:

- Chairing meetings twice a term (meetings approx. 30 mins each)
- Taking minutes at the meeting and distributing them
- Planning & organising events with the help of the Fundraising Committee
- Discover new & exciting ways to raise funds

This role is integral to our school community, without it we are unable to raise valuable funds to support your children and their learning.

Please note that whilst it's encouraged, it's not essential for the Fundraising Coordinator to also become a member of the Governing Council.

Sound Interesting? Please contact Sarah Hole on [sarahhole073@gmail.com](mailto:sarahhole073@gmail.com) for more information.

**Sarah Hole – Fundraising Coordinator & the Fundraising Committee**

## **CANTEEN CORNER**

### ***"OLD FASHIONED PIE DRIVE"***



Are you a fan of a good old fashioned meat pie or even a nice steaming hot apple pie, maybe some Aussie favourites, Lamingtons?

**Well, we have just what you are looking for!!!**

We are holding an "Old Fashioned Pie Drive" in support of our Canteen **McCues** Bakery is a family owned Bakery in Murray Bridge who bake their products using quality Australian grown or produced ingredients.

Please find attached an order form for you to take orders from family, friends or neighbours for some delicious good old country style bakery goods.

Completed orders along with full payment must be returned to the **front office by Monday 8th September , no later**, and **delivery** of goods will be **Friday 19th September 2014**.

So, let's all get behind our Canteen and enjoy some good quality, old fashioned, yummy treats in the process.

