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#### NEWSLETTER - TERM 4 - 6™ NOVEMBER 2014

DIARY DATES		
19/11/14	HOUSE 9 CAMP COMMENCES	
26/11/14	YEAR 6/7 AQUATICS	
01/12/14	YEAR 7 ORIENTATION VISIT	
	HALLETT COVE R-12	
03/12/14	END OF YEAR CONCERTS	
09/12/14	VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA	
11/12/14	YEAR 7 GRADUATION	
12/12/14	SA AQUATICS CENTRE MIDDLE YRS	

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

#### **CONCERT TICKET RESERVATIONS**

Preparations for our annual end of year Concert are well under way with students, classes and teachers preparing a variety of performances to entertain families on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Earlier this week, your youngest child should have brought home an invitation for parents to reserve tickets. Initially, 2 tickets maximum per family can be reserved. In order to reserve tickets, please read and complete appropriate details on the invitation and return to school no later than 10:00am on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November.

#### **CURRICULUM NEWS**

The Writing workshop that staff attended last Monday was excellent. The speaker, Sheena Cameron, shared many useful strategies to help children understand how to be skilled writers and ways to improve their Writing. Sheena's presentation will further support the work of the staff in finishing the Whole School Writing Agreement we have been working on throughout 2014.

We recently received our NAPLAN reports and were generally very pleased with our achievement this year. One of the most notable improvements was the growth from Year 3-Year 5, and Year 5-Year 7 in both Reading and Numeracy. There was a significant movement into Medium and Upper levels of growth bands in all groups. What this

means is that those students who undertook NAPLAN tests in Years 5 and 7 this year have shown considerable growth since undertaking the tests two years ago as Years 3 and 5 students. Year 3s in particular showed improvements in a number of aspects. I believe that the Reading improvements across the school can be directly attributed to the work we have done over a number of years implementing the Big 6 of Reading across all R-7 classrooms through a dedicated Reading block. Numeracy is now an area identified for development across all year levels and is a priority in the 2015 Site Plan currently being developed.

#### **SCHOOL GARDEN DEVELOPMENT**

One of the other priorities in our 2015 Site Plan is to initiate development of the School Garden as our Parent Partnership project focus. We see this as a wonderful opportunity for students, staff and parents to develop a project and learn together along the way. If you are interested in being on a small working party that will meet early in the year to determine some steps to move this project forward, please let Nola Chalakas-Stopp know by the end of next week, Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November.

# FRIENDLY REMINDER RE SAFETY AND SCHOOL TIMES

Bruce and I are concerned about the number of students arriving inside school grounds well before 8:30am. There are also a number of children staying around in the schoolyard after 3:20pm. Staff commence duties at 8:30am and finish at 3:20pm. For your child's safety, please ensure he/she arrives at school at or just after 8:30am and is collected no later than 3:20pm. The gates are locked at this time. Thank you.

#### RESPECTFUL CONVERSATIONS

Our school and OSHC strongly value respectful interactions between students, school/OSHC personnel and parents. When adults show respect towards other adults, this also role models what is

appropriate for our students. If you have a concern to raise, I ask that you please raise it respectfully by booking a meeting time with whichever adult is most appropriate, understanding that school/OSHC personnel cannot always be available straight away or even on the same day. We will try to get back to parents as soon as we can and look forward to being able to discuss the concern in a respectful manner. You can actually help us by putting your concerns in writing prior to any meeting so we have time to consider your concern. You may like to also check to see if your school query is something the front office staff can answer, (e.g. about the class placement process.).

It also makes it a lot easier when parents work alongside school/OSHC personnel to address behaviour concerns. Children will make mistakes and show inappropriate behaviours from time to time. This is a part of growing up. An important part of children learning the difference between right and wrong is for them to take responsibility their behaviour and to accept consequences that may be required restoration afterwards. Children will often only tell parents their perspective of what has happened, and not necessarily the full story. This is because they do not want to disappoint their parents. School or OSHC personnel are responsible for and best placed to determine the facts of what has happened when an issue arises. I would like to reassure our school community that behaviour issues are fully investigated both at school and in the OSHC. We ask parents to trust and support us in decisions we have to make in response to behaviour. It is not appropriate for parents to contact other parents or to ask other children what happened. Please leave this to site personnel to do. Please be assured that decisions are made fairly and in keeping with the Behaviour Management Guidelines in each site.

# 2015 CLASS PLACEMENT PROCESS REMINDER ONLY 2 DAYS LEFT

We will shortly begin the process of developing class groupings for 2015. In this newsletter you will find a proforma entitled "2015 CLASS PLACEMENT PARENT INPUT FORM". If you would like to provide information relevant to your child's 2015 placement, please complete the proforma and return to me in an envelope marked CONFIDENTIAL: Anne Rathjen, Class Placement Process by no later than **this Friday November 7th**. Letters received after this date will not be

able to be considered as our placement process will begin at the start of next week. Please note that for many reasons, while every request is considered closely, none are able to be guaranteed. Please also note that it is not possible to request particular teachers.

If you have a child who will be transferring to another school I ask that you please complete the relevant section of the proforma and return to me as soon as possible. Accurate numbers are required to ensure our correct staffing levels. This in turn will help make it more likely that we are able to have a class visit of 2015 classes before school finishes this year.

## 2014 ANNUAL SCHOOL OPINION SURVEYS PROCESS REMINDERS

Thank you to those of you who have been able to complete the Parent Opinion Survey. This is just a friendly reminder that it should only take about 5 minutes to complete, so if you haven't done so ask that you please consider doing so. Thank you.

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 <a href="http://www.readingrockets.org/">http://www.readingrockets.org/</a>. This is a very useful site offering ideas to get children reading from a very young age.

#### **Take control of the Television**

It's difficult for reading to compete with TV and video games. Encourage reading as a free-time activity.

#### **EARLY YEARS TEAM**



#### **PE NEWS**

#### **PE Lessons**

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

#### **SAPSASA Walla Rugby**

Congratulations to the students who were chosen to represent the school in the recent Walla Rugby Carnival at West Shores. We had 2 teams competing, 1 boys' and 1 girls' team. Many tries were scored and it was a pleasure to watch the running and dodging skills of all the students. The girls won all their round games and so went through to the finals for the Cup. Unfortunately they played some tough opposition and lost both their final games and came 3<sup>rd</sup> overall.

The boys had some very tough opposition in their pool but went on to win both their final matches which gave them a medal. A great way to complete the last SAPSASA event for the year!! Many thanks to all those parents who came out to all the SAPSASA events and offered support. The effort was greatly appreciated!!!

#### **PE Week**

Physical Education Week is held during Week 5 term 4 each year to celebrate being active and healthy in our lifestyle choices. These are the activities that the students will be participating in during  $10^{th} - 14^{th}$  November 2014.

- Buddy classes get together for 1 Physical game / activity.
- Premier's Be Active Challenge medals will be presented to those classes involved, at a special assembly. This may not happen during week 5, the availability of Challenge Ambassadors affects when we are able to do this.
- There will be a Games Rotation over 2 lessons during the week. EY games will be Wednesday lessons 4 & 5. MY & PY Thursday lessons 2 & 3.
- Students will receive PE Week stickers.
- Staff vs Students Volleyball match will be played during Thursday lunchtime.

#### **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: <a href="http://shonatrenouth.edublogs.org/">http://shonatrenouth.edublogs.org/</a>. Have a look!

Shona Trenouth
PE/SCIENCE SPECIALIST TEACHER

#### ORDERING OF GROUP PHOTOGRAPHS

Recently you would have received your child's school photographs. We hope you find them enjoyable and to your satisfaction. If you have any queries regarding the photographs please contact Master School Portraits on 8391 3951.

Also, we have for your viewing in the school Front Office, some group photos including Sporting, Lighthouse Keepers, Year 7 Graduates & Mess Up, Jump Rope and Choir. If you would like to order any of the above group photos, please call into our school Front Office to collect an order envelope.

The last day for ordering these photographs will be *Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> November.* 

#### **CANTEEN NEWS**

Exciting and NEW Summer Menu out now. Go to the school website to see our delicious range of food now available.

Also, listed below are our Summer Coolers Recess Specials, available daily.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Helen Jefferson CANTEEN MANAGER

> Summer Coolers Recess Specials Only \$2.00

MONDAY - "Banana Buzz"

Banana Smoothie with a choice of: Cereal Munch or Muffin

TUESDAY - "Milo Madness & Muffin" Icy cold Milo Milkshake and low fat Muffin

WEDNESDAY – "Strawberry Smoothie" Anzac Cookie

#### THURSDAY - Eskimo Cup

Tub of Cubed Watermelon or Chilled Grapes
Topped with a ball of Icecream

FRIDAY - Milo Madness Milk Shake & Muffin or Cookie

#### **NINA'S MUSINGS**

#### THE GIVING TREE

I was approached by 4 students a few weeks ago about doing something special for those in need this Christmas. They were keen to support the local Hallett Cove



Community. Together we came up with the idea of bringing in non-perishable items. So..... we need your help!!!

In the Resource Centre, a Christmas tree has been set up. We are asking that each family brings in at least one item to place under or around the tree. In the final assembly, a volunteer from the Hallett Cove Baptist Church will come and collect the food to be distributed to the needy for Christmas.

Some helpful items may include:

- Tins of vegetables
- Tins of spaghetti/baked beans
- Long life milk
- Pasta or rice
- Cereal
- Fruit cake

Thanks for your support.

#### Peace, Nina CHRISTIAN PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER

#### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

## Please see noticeboard for further information.

- ASTHMA FOUNDATION SA Interactive session for children to learn how to live well with asthma, together with parents. Wed, 17th Dec 10 am – 11:30 am. Free at Asthma SA, 300 South Rd Hilton. Bookings 1800 278 462.
- SCALLYWAGS DISCO is coming up soon! This event is
  for primary school children. (R-7 only) on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> Nov,
  2014 at the HALLETT COVE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 7pm
  to 9:30pm. Entry is \$5- of which \$1 from each entry is
  donated to a children's charity.). Drinks, chips & Iollies are
  available for purchase. Any further enquiries

**☎** 8322 2544 or www.hallettcovelutheranchurch.org.au .

# DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE A PROBLEM WITH SLEEP? The team of Psychologists at SOMNIA are providing treatment for the following: difficulty falling asleep waking in the night frouble waking up or getting out of bed in the morning often sleeping in parent's bed/room and more... Medicare rebates available. For more information please contact us via: 0415 977 784 or www.somnia.com.au



# A once in a lifetime opportunity to be at Gallipoli next Anzac Day

You can win a trip for two to Istanbul and Gallipoli in April 2015 by visiting the Australia in the Great War Facebook and just clicking to enter.

Competition closes 11 November 2014 so hurry to enter.

Anzac day 2015 will be a special time as we commemorate 100 years since the Gallipoli landing and being there will be an amazing experience. www.facebook.com/AustraliaGreatWar

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### ANGLICARE

Foster Carers can be single, couples, people at home, working full-time, part-time or studying. Free training and ongoing professional support (including 24-hour assistance) is provided. Find out more at one of our upcoming information sessions:

Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, Woodcroft- Morphett Vale Neighbourhood Centre, 175 Baines Road, Morphett Vale 6.30-8.30pm

For more information or bookings call Linda on 8131 3456 or visit www.anglicare-sa.org.au/foster-care

# 2015 CLASS PLACEMENT PARENT INPUT FORM





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Child's Name:	2014 Class Teacher:	2015 Year Level:
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I would like the follow	ing information considered in relation to my o	child's placement for 2015.
Social Needs (self-e	steem, confidence, friendships, relationships)	)
Academic Needs (le	arning style, special needs)	
Emotional / Physica	I Needs (including any medical concerns etc	.)
Other		
SECTION B: CHILDRE	N NOT RETURNING TO HALLETT COVE EAST	Γ PS IN 2015
My child will no	t be returning to HCEPS in 2015.	
He/She will be	transferring to	
Reason(s):		
Parent / Caregiver's	Signature:	/ Date ://

Please return in an envelope marked confidential to Anne Rathjen by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November.





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# An invitation

is extended for
the School Community
to attend the
Governing Council Meeting
To be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2014.
At 2:45pm - 3:05pm Sharp
In the Resource Centre
The 2015 Materials and Services charge of \$290
will be presented at this meeting.

In addition to the Materials and Services charge each student will be invoiced for an Incursion/Excursion Levy for 2015.

Should you require clarification regarding the 2015 fee structure please do not hesitate to contact the Finance Officer.

All welcome.

November 5th, 2014



Notice of Materia	Is and Services Charges for 2015	
Notice of Cha	orges for Reception To Year 7	
HEADING	ITEMS AND SERVICES	COST (\$)
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Printed and electronic materials	Workbooks	\$14.00
related to the educational program	Text Book Hire / E-Book Access	\$0.00
and which are provided for the	Photocopied Material	\$34.00
student	SUBTOTAL (ZPREM)	\$48.00
Stationery items that are provided	Stationery Items	\$36.00
for the student	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
	SUBTOTAL (ZSTAT)	\$36.00
Materials and Services that are provided by the school for the	Access to Student Information Technology	\$79.00
student to consume or use the	Access to Machinery	\$0.00
materials or take ownership of a	Access to Equipment	\$0.00
finished article produced by the student with the materials	Curriculum/Subject Supplies and Services	\$84.00
-	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
Departme	Other [please Specify]	\$0.00
Departine	SUBTOTAL (ZACMS)	\$163.00
Materials for inclusion in the school library and to enable use by the	Library resources including access to borrowing library resources	\$43.00
student	SUBTOTAL (ZACLI)	\$43.00
Total Materials and Services Char	rge (excluding Subject Charges)	\$290.00

These subject charges are in addition to the Materials and Services Charge above for those students undertaking the following subjects.

Education Act 1972 10	16A	
Subject Description	Cost (\$)	
-	\$0.00	
	\$0.00	
	\$0.00	
	\$0.00	
	\$0.00	