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NEWSLETTER - TERM 4 - 3RD DECEMBER 2014

DIARY DATES			
03/12/14	END OF YEAR CONCERTS		
08/12/14	SPECIAL STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ASSEMBLY		
09/12/14	VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA		
11/12/14	YEAR 7 GRADUATION		
12/12/14	SA AQUATICS CENTRE MIDDLE YRS		
12/12/14	LAST DAY OF TERM - EARLY DISMISSAL AT 2:05 PM		

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

CONCERT

What a fabulous day we had today with students and staff participating in our End of Year Concert. We had excellent items that included singing, movement, dance, gymnastics and groups performing with instruments. Our staff "Austin Powers" dance item and whole school flash mob song "Thriller", were also a lot of fun. Thank you to Evie Donoghue, teachers and students for preparation and enthusiastic performances. We hope you enjoy the montage of Concert photos that will soon be added to the display monitor in the front office.

SPECIAL STUDENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT ASSEMBLY

On Monday at 9:00am, we are having a special assembly to acknowledge student achievement in the Premier's Be Active and Reading challenges, and, to acknowledge student service to the school in positions such as Crossing, Bin and Flag Monitors as well as Lighthousekeepers representatives, Executive and Wellbeing leaders. David Speirs will be attending to help with the Premier's medals presentation. The presentation of the non-perishable foods donated through this term's charity drive will also be made.

2015 CLASS PLACEMENT PROCESS

At this stage we hope that we will be able to tell you your child's class for 2014, by the end of next week. Parents do need to be aware that any sudden and significant changes between now and

the start of school could affect the structure and a reshuffle could still occur, because the enrolment numbers are sitting right on the cusp between 12 and 13 class structures. While we are very hopeful of starting with 13 classes our funding still needs to be finalised before that can be determined.

STUDENT AND STAFF FAREWELLS

This is our final Newsletter for the year and is therefore a time to recognise and acknowledge the hard work and achievements of students and staff over the year.

Firstly I would like to thank all students for showing our Values throughout the year and working towards being the best you can be. I would like to thank all our Year 7s for their commitment to our student leadership programs this year and working as positive role models for all other students in the school. Good luck to all Year 7s for a successful future as you move on to various Secondary Schools. I would also like to wish those students who are moving to other Primary Schools all the best in your new schools.

Congratulations to Bruce Norris who has won the position of Deputy Principal for the next 5 years. Bruce and I have worked closely and collaboratively this year and I am very pleased that his placement will provide ongoing stability for our leadership team and the school. In 2015 Bruce will continue to manage Special Needs, Learning Difficulties and other students at risk programs. He will also continue to work closely with Early Years teachers and classes, and Sports and Wellbeing programs.

Congratulations to Julia Badcock who has won a permanent position at Flagstaff Hill PS from 2015. Julia has made a significant contribution to the school over the last 2 years and we wish her well in her new school.

Lyn Jones has been working as a Primary Australian Curriculum Strategy Coordinator in another partnership of schools for the last 2 years but is returning to HCEPS in 2015. She will work 4 days per week in a primary class.

DECD is currently placing teachers in positions in schools across the state. We have had a new teacher, Karen Evans, placed for 2015. Karen will work 2 days per week, one day working the extra day for Lyn Jones and then she will release Suzanne Dunn to undertake her role as e-Learning Coordinator on the other day. Other information about who has been appointed to fill classroom positions was not available at the time of writing this and the school community will be notified once staffing is finalised. We are hopeful that some of that information will be available before school finishes.

It is planned that the same NIT programs will be offered next year. Kirsten Wallis will return at from accouchement leave working 2 days per week and because of that, we say farewell to Nobue Phillips and sincerely thank her for her contribution to the school in Japanese over the last 3 years. Hopefully, we may get to see Nobue as a relief teacher from time to time.

Teachers who have had contracts with us that are concluding include: Jonathon Warren-White, Soma Govender, Gizella Webb, Karina Galloway, Zoe MacWilliams, Shona Trenouth, Nobue Phillips, Kirsty Gray, Evelyn Donoghue, Chris Ross, (as well as Ken Henry, Riandi van Dyk and Belinda Cubitt). These staff members have worked very hard for students and the school and we hope we may see them again in 2015 in some capacity.

I would like to thank all our teachers and SSO's for their outstanding work at Hallett Cove East Primary School. Their commitment, collegiality and professionalism ensures your children received a high quality education.

We also need to say a very special thank you to Nina Corlett-MacDonald who has done a wonderful job in the position of CPSW in the last semester making a real difference in the lives of staff, students and families while working in our school. While we are currently applying for a new CPSW, it is unlikely that Nina will return to HCEPS and we wish her all the best in whatever she does in her future.

I would also like to thank our parent community for your ongoing support of school programs, events and staff. Parent support is high at our school and I wish to acknowledge the level of cooperation we enjoy as we work together towards the learning and social development of your children.

Finally,

TERM 4 HIGHLIGHTS

A very busy and productive year is quickly coming to a close. Aside from the daily routines in each classroom, there have been a number of highlights during Term 4 that again reflect the commitment and planning by staff to make programs interesting and engaging for students. Some of the key highlights include:

- Assemblies
- Shopping Centre Display
- Reef Walk excursion
- Railway Museum excursion
- Urrbrae House excursions
- Teacher training in Writing
- Walla Rugby State finals
- PE Week Several programs
- Remembrance Day commemoration ceremony
- K-R Transition visits
- Middle Years camp to Wirraway
- Year 7 Japanese Dinner
- Year 6/7 Aquatics
- Year 7 Transition to Hallett Cove R-12 School
- World Teachers Day
- End of Year Concert

And still to come next week:

- Special Student Acknowledgement Assembly
- Volunteers Thank you Morning Tea
- Middle Years classes excursion to the South Australian Aquatic Centre
- Class parties and picnics
- Year 7 Graduation celebration
- End of Year Reports will be sent home on Wednesday

VOLUNTEERS THANK YOU

I say often that Hallett Cove East PS is indeed most fortunate to have many volunteers supporting numerous school programs. The annual Volunteers Thank You Morning Tea is just a very small way we can officially thank volunteers for their work and acknowledge your support over the year. The morning tea will be held next Tuesday at 11:00am in the Pavilion.

LOST PROPERTY

There are several items of lost property in the front office. If your child is missing anything, please drop in and check if it is in the lost property baskets located by the front door.

EARLY DISMISSAL ON FRIDAY DECEMBER 12th

Students will be dismissed at 2:05pm on Friday for the Christmas holidays, after a brief assembly in the Pavilion at 1:50pm.

AND FINALLY.....

The Front Office will reopen on Monday 19th January, 2015.

May you enjoy a safe and happy Christmas and holiday season with your children.

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.

Pick books that are at the right level

Help your child pick books that are not too difficult. The aim is to give your child lots of successful reading experiences.

EARLY YEARS TEAM

FINANCE NEWS MATERIALS AND SERVICES CHARGES 2015

Our recent polling of the school community regarding the proposed Materials and Services fee of \$290 resulted in a YES vote in favour of this being the recoverable fee. This means that the 2015 fees will be \$290 with an additional \$40 Excursions and Incursions levy.

As of the beginning of Term 1 2015 we will have EFTPOS facilities available for school based payments. This will accommodate families wanting to pay for eg Materials and Services Fees, Incursion Excursion Levies, Camp, Swimming/Aquatics etc.

PLEASE NOTE: This facility <u>cannot be accessed</u> <u>for OSHC/VAC or Canteen Payments</u>.

In addition to the EFTPOS facility we will also offer Direct Debit Instalment Plans for Families wishing to clear their school fees and levies. For more information please contact the finance officer.

If you are experiencing difficulties in making payments, please contact us so we can work with you to organise a suitable payment plan.

The online payment link for credit card payments via the school website will continue to be readily available for payments.

We do ask that you clear the Incursion/Excursion Levy from your account as a priority.

Only students who have paid this levy will participate in activities.

Payment can be made at the finance office between 8:30am and 3:15pm any weekday. Credit card payments can be made via the school website www.halcoveeps.sa.edu.au

Those families who may be eligible for School Card subsidy will be able to collect 2015 application forms from the administration office at the start of the new school year. Families must complete a new school card application each year as eligibility criteria is based on prior year family income.

Thank you so much to the many families who cleared their school fees promptly in 2014. This has helped us to ensure we can successfully fund the many programs which were planned for 2014.

Families should receive their 2015 Materials & Services Fees plus a \$40 invoice for their 2015 Incursion/Excursion Levy in week one of 2015. Again we look forward to your ongoing support in clearing the fees as soon as possible.

School Banking – We have been advised that Bank SA will no longer be providing an onsite banking service for our students as from 2015. We are currently negotiating an alternative arrangement with Bank SA. When details are finalise we will advise how school banking will function from next year.

Jennifer McFadyen FINANCE OFFICER

SEMAS Academy Australia held their 1st Annual National Abacus Maths Championship on Saturday, 8 November 2014.

2 of your students did exceptionally well and we would like to congratulate them and give them the necessary recognition in your school newsletter.

Congratulations to Jacques (9E), Christiaan (6E)



PE NEWS

PE Lessons

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

PE Week

Shona Trenouth
PE/SCIENCE SPECIALIST TEACHER

FUNDRAISING NEWS IT'S HERE!

The highly anticipated Hallett Cove East Primary School cookbook has arrived and thanks to everybody who contributed a recipe, it looks great!



Limited quantities of this professionally published cookbook are available for purchase at \$18 each.

Purchase your copies now!

Order forms are available from the school office.

Why not order extra copies as they will make great Christmas gifts for your family & friends

NINA'S MUSINGS

Last newsletter, I wrote about the importance of stories. I talked about how integral stories are us as people, communities and cultures. Stories can be shared for the



purposes of learning, as guidelines or maps for living. Some stories are truly inspirational and challenge us to be better people. One such story is the Christmas story. Whatever you may think of Christmas and the commercial celebration it has become, or indeed Christians, the original story is one of love and hope. A little baby was born into a poor family, and one which survived on trade (carpentry) according to one tradition. That a baby was born healthy in those days was a miracle itself, but the most special thing about this baby was that he grew to be a loving and generous man. Jesus, as the baby was named, became an example of love and grace. He accepted those people who didn't have a place to go, or were outside the boundaries of society. He dined with people who were thought of as being bad. It was this life of love and compassion, acceptance and grace that are the gifts we can also give to others.

My dad was a man who lived a life of service to others. He stood up for the voiceless in the inner suburbs of Melbourne during my childhood, and there were always people in my house as I was growing up. Mum was always feeding extras. My siblings and I never knew from one day to the next who would be at our home after school. Needy people were cared for and fed in our family home. When my dad died a few years ago, it was not surprising that he was an organ donor. In spite of the suddenness of his death, we were able to honour his wishes. Through his death, dad gave the gift of life to 5 other people.

Hallett Cove East Primary School has been a community of givers this year. The Giving Tree has been a great opportunity for students and their families to gift a more needy family this Christmas with food. But there are other ways to give too. Sharing hospitality to someone you don't

know that well, a meal or a cuppa; sending a card to someone you haven't seen for ages to remind them they are not forgotten; picking a bunch of flowers and offering them to a neighbour; offer forgiveness to someone who has done you wrong; write a letter to a government department about some of the injustices being done to people in our communities...There are a myriad of ways to share love and compassion. By reaching out to others, we expand our story, learning not only about other people, but also more about ourselves.

What is the story you will tell this Christmas?

I conclude my time here as the Christian Pastoral Support Worker at the end of Week 9. It has been a privilege and pleasure to serve in your community. You have become an important part of my story which I treasure deeply and value greatly. Thank you for your acceptance and support. I wish you a blessed and safe Christmas season, and trust that you find hope and grace in the midst of the chaos and bustle. All the best for 2015!

Peace and grace,

Nina CHRISTIAN PASTORAL SUPPORT WORKER



COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see noticeboard for further information.

- COME & TRY GOLF CLINICS 2015 HOLIDAY GOLF SCHOOLS – Marion Golf Park, ages 5-14 \$5 per session Sun 4th Jan & Sun 18th Jan. 9:30 – 10:30 am. For more info visit www.btmgolf.com.au
- THE COVE FC JUNIOR SOCCER DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM DEC 2014 For players aged 9 to 14 at Seaview High School. Mon 15th, Tues 16th & Wed 17th Dec 8:30 am to 12:00 pm. Cost \$30 per child per session. Enquiries & to register

 □ Jason 0466 839 808 or visit http://www.thecovefc.com/events/
- HOPGOOD THEATRE ENTERTAINMENT & WORKSHOPS The Hunchback of Notre Dame, 23 Jan 11:00 am. Tickets \$11. Summer Theatre Workshop for Kids Does your child Love the Spotlight? 5 days 12 16 Jan 10:00 am 2:00 pm each day. \$55 For more info Emma 7009 4400 or emma.gargery@countryarts.org.au
- 2 PLAY CRICKET 11 & Under Double Wicket Cricket Competition. Adelaide Uni Oval (park 12) Fri 19th Dec. 9:30 am – 3:00 pm. \$60 per participant. More info & register at www.2playcricket.com.au
- PANTHER CLUB INC PRESENTS Southern Community Christmas Carols Sun 14th Dec at South Adelaide Football Club. Kids time 6:15 pm, Carols 7:00 pm. Entry Gold Coin donation. Big Fireworks Display. Guest Appearance by Santa. Food & beverages available.
- SUMMER JUNIOR NETBALL At Marion Leisure & Fitness Centre. Under 9's \$28 per team, Under 11's \$35 per team, Under 13's \$35 per team. Games Thursdays after school during Term 1 2015. ☎ Tamara on 0478 504 999 or email Tamara@casaleisure.com.au
- CAROLS IN THE PARK Pavana Park, The Cove Rd, Hallett Cove, Friday, 12th Dec. Children's activities start 6:30 pm, Carols at 7:30 pm. Holdfast Bay Concert Band, school choirs, Lions BBQ, Ice cream, Jumping Castle, Face painting and much more. Proudly sponsored by local businesses & Marion Council.

Deposit Paid:

yes

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Early Bird Rate:

Yes

VACATION CARE BOOKING SHEET – 15TH December 2014 to 23rd January 2015

Family Name:		Child 1:		Child 2:		
	Child 3:		Child 4:	_		
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- H	Hallett Cove Eas	t Vacation C	are on enroll	ed excursio	n days.	
Please Sig	gn:					

<u>Monday</u>	<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	<u>Friday</u>
15/12	16/12	17/12	18/12	19/12
Excursion:				Excursion:
5/1	6/1	7/1	8/1	9/1
	Excursion:	Excursion:		
12/1	13/1	14/1	15/1	16/1
Excursion:				
19/1	20/1	21/1	22/1	23/1
Excursion:				Excursion:

- Please select the days you require care. To be eligible for the early bird rate which is \$49.00
 a day per child you must return this form by Wednesday 3rd December, 2014. Bookings
 received after this day will be charged at the standard rate of \$54.00 per day per child.
- A deposit of \$54.00 will secure your booking.

Please note bookings cancelled will still be charged at the booked rate unless two weeks' notice is given.

VACATION CARE DECEMBER/JANUARY

Suitable Clothing:

We are a Sun-Smart OSHC this means that all children when outside need to have a suitable hat, wide brimmed or legionnaire cap. **Baseball caps** are not acceptable. The same applies to clothing with shoe string straps or bare shoulders — these are not sun-smart. 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 is used by only them.

Arrival and Departure:

- We are open from 7:00 am 6:05 pm.
- All children must be signed in and out of the program upon arrival and departure by an authorised adult.

Excursion Days:

On excursion days children must arrive no later than 9:00 am and we aim to return to the school by 3:30pm. We use Willunga Charter Pty Ltd for transport. Please note **NO** spending money

Personal Items:

- All clothing or personal effects must be clearly labelled. No hand held electronics games, mobile phones or mp3 players are to be bought to Vacation Care.
- No responsibility will be taken for non-essential items bought to Vacation Care if they become damaged or lost.

Accounts:

- Accounts will be issued at the end of Vacation Care.
- Payment is required within 14 Days

<u>Important</u> : I acknowledge the above requirements and agree to support them.				
Please Sign:	Date:			

VACATION CARE PROGRAM – 15th December 2014 - 9th January 2015

12 Wednesday 17/12	Thursday 18/12	Friday 19/12
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tle Photo Booth 🏸	Photo Booth	LuLu's Glitter Tattoos
		9am – 11am
Day		(STRICT TIME FRAME)
Christmas Cooking	Christmas Craft	EXCURSION
4 50		Charlie's Diner Brighton
	& More!	11.30 – 1pm
		OSHC Christmas Lunch
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Make a Christmas		A SPECIAL VISITOR
Basket		WILL Arrive This
		Afternoon!
/1 Wednesday 7/1	Thursday 8/1	Friday 9/1
•	PYJAMA & MOVIE	INCURSION
t the Blue Dolphin Swim	DAY	Tropical Water Slide
ng) Centre	Come dressed in your	Everything tropical
	pj's	Today!
1pm BY 9AM		Come dressed in your
y Claitlan	Hair and Nail Art	brightest colours.
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	And More!	
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VACATION CARE PROGRAM – 12th January 2014 -23rd January 2015

KARAOKE MACHINE ALL WEEK!

Monday 12/1	Tuesday 13/1	Wednesday 14/1 Thursday 15/1		Friday 16/1	
EXCURSION	MAKE SOMETHING	READY STEADY GO!	INCURSION	PYJAMA & MOVIE	
Indoor Cricket and	TO DYE FOR!	Check Out Our New		DAY	
More.		Sports Equipment	Visiting Theatre		
Morphett Vale	Bring in a Cotton T	Cricket Clinic	"Wolf Quest"	Popcorn & Fancy Ice	
PLEASE ARRIVE AT OSHC	Shirt, Pillowcase or		When a strange monster enters	Creams	
BY 9AM	Small Cloth	~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~ ~	their hunting grounds, the wolf		
	Have fun		cubs must save the day.	Board Games & More	
	with Tie &		Come dressed as you		
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			character.	9	
Art Afternoon	Supplied to the supplied to th				
		Netball Clinic	11		
Monday 19/1	Tuesday 20/1	Wednesday 21/1	Thursday 22/1	Friday 23/1	
EXCURSION	PAPER CRAFT DAY	INCURSION	INCURSION	EXCURSION	
Semaphore Water		Glacier Waterslide	Make My Bear	Platform 1 Heritage	
Slide	Make a Card for all		Choose from a selection	Train. Littlehampton.	
PLEASE ARRIVE AT OSHC BY 9AM (with bathers & a towel.)	Occasions	BYO Water Pistols	of Bears to make.	PLEASE ARRIVE AT OSHC BY 9AM	
SAIN (With Dathers & a tower.)			Teddy Bears Picnic	INCURSION	
More Fun Activities in		Science Experiments	reddy bedi's Pichic	LuLu's Glitter Tattoos	
the Afternoon		and the second	24	Vac.	
		The second secon		Care (700)	
	And more fun	Bring Bathers & a Towel	Cooking Activities	Party Party	
	activities.	.55.		Time!	