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NEWSLETTER - TERM 1 - 18th MARCH 2015

DIARY DATES		
R-7 ASSEMBLIES ON FRIDAYS AT 2:15 PM		
27/3/15	6W, 6E & 8E	
2/4/15	SPORTS DAY	
23/3-27/3	STUDENT LED DISCUSIONS	
27/4-1/5	R-5 SWIMMING	
18/5/15	PUPIL FREE DAY	

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

NEW GOVERNING COUNCIL

We welcome 17 Governing Councillors who met for the first time for 2015 this week. Office bearers and Committee representatives were chosen. Congratulations to all the following members of the 2015 Governing Council:

Jo-Anne Wigg – **Chairperson**Jenny Brown #1 – **Deputy Chairperson**Simon Gierke – **Secretary**Graeme Duncan/Jenny Brown #2 – **Treasurer**

Finance committee:

Graeme Duncan, Jenny Brown #2

Assets & Grounds committee:

Terrence Kroukamp, Graeme Duncan

Canteen committee:

Kylie Barnes-Sparks, Vicki Gorton

Education committee: Jo-Anne Wigg

Fundraising committee:

Victoria Gorton, Melody Thompson

OSHC committee: Melody Thompson,

Jennifer Walker, Emma Bishop

Sports committee:

Chris Bartlett, Jenny Brown

Uniform committee:

Sarah King, Emma Bishop

Other Councillors:

Amanda Maple, Carmen Gonzalez, Joanne Marnes, Karen Dearlove, Neal Martin

VOLUNTEER TRAINING

We highly value our volunteer contribution at Hallett Cove East Primary School, but in having volunteers in the school we need to ensure we meet all DECD policy requirements. Last week all current volunteers who work with students received a letter to book into Volunteer Training sessions. This training includes the new and required Responding to Abuse and Neglect 2015 – 2017 training program. volunteers are now expected to undertake training in order to work with students and volunteers who undertook previous training need to renew their training. Thank you to the 70 parents who have already booked into Could other parents please return training. your forms as there are still 2 training sessions Unfortunately, after the 4 training sessions are completed, any volunteer who has not undertaken any training will be unable to continue volunteering until the training is completed. The next sessions are offered in Term 2.

If you have only just put in a Related Criminal Screening – Child Related application and did not receive a Volunteer Training letter, please contact Nola Chalakas-Stopp and she will provide one for you.

Thank you for your understanding and ongoing support as we continually work towards ensuring safety for all students in our care.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and well done to Jonathon Warren-White (Year 6/7 teacher) who has just returned from Dubai where he competed with the Australian Ultimate team in an international competition. (This follows a similar competition in Italy last year).

Jonathon's team won 8 out of 11 matches and made it to the quarter finals and overall the team came 6th.

Jonathon himself scored 15 goals, threw 5 assists for the tournament and came 5th in his team for overall statistics.

Well done, Jonathon!!

HARMONY DAY

Harmony Day is celebrated in Australia to recognise the diversity and integration of the many cultures in our Australian community and society. The theme is *Everyone Belongs* and it is a time where we can further develop student understanding of our Values of Respect and Fairness. Every year Harmony Day is celebrated on March 21^{st} . This year that falls on Saturday, so we will be recognising Harmony Day this Friday. Students are allowed to wear something orange which is the Harmony Day celebration colour. It is not a casual day so they need to wear the rest of their uniform with their orange item, and it does not cost anything. Classes will be undertaking different activities to do with Harmony. The Lighthousekeepers are running a competition where students are asked to create a logo or draw a picture that depicts how everyone belongs at HCEPS. Your child's teacher has the entry forms and the competition closes at lunchtime on Friday. There are 3 sections for prizes Yrs R-2, Yrs 3-5 and Yrs 6-7. Winners will be announced at next week's assembly and entries will be displayed in the Front Office or Pavilion. Please encourage your child to participate and at the same time perhaps talk to her or him about what belonging to a school and community means to them.



NATIONAL DAY OF ACTION AGAINST BULLYING AND VIOLENCE

It is fitting that the celebration of Harmony Day also coincides with the National Day of Action Against Bullying. We work hard to address any bullying that may occur in our school and have a number of steps we undertake to resolve issues. We also value working alongside parents to resolve student issues. For further information please refer to our website in Parents then Policies where you will find our Behaviour and Anti-Bullying policies. Please

also refer to the attached brochure for more ideas for how you as a parent may be able to best support your child in the event s/he tells you s/he is being bullied.

COMING EVENTS

SPORTS DAY

Sports Day will be on April 2nd.

STUDENT LED DISCUSSIONS

Student Led Discussions will occur next week. Recently you would have received an appointment booking sheet. Please ensure you have provided some times when you are available, to your child's teacher. The teacher will confirm appointment times with families by the end of this week if not already finalised.

R-5 SWIMMING

Years R-5 Swimming will be held in Week 1 of Term 2.

PUPIL FREE DAY

A Pupil Free day will be held on Monday May 18th, Week 4 Term 2. OSHC will operate that day so please contact Lissy or Sally if childcare is required.

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, talk, talk!

Talk with your child every day about school and things going on around the house. Sprinkle some interesting words into the conversation, and build on words you've talked about in the past.

EARLY YEARS TEAM

SOCCER



Thanks to everyone that has registered to play soccer this year. Teams are just being

finalised and I will email when they are complete. It looks like we will have 13 teams which is a fantastic turn out. We are in need of coaches for most teams so please think about coaching a team this season. Coaches just need a current police check which is an easy process that the school will pay for. Please email me if you have any questions.

Games will start on the 2nd May and fixtures will be available during that week. Players will need maroon shorts, maroon socks, shin pads and soccer boots. These are all available from main sports stores. The school will supply the playing shirt. Any other questions please let me know.

Thanks **Jenny Brown (0418 791 667)**hcepssoccer2015@gmail.com

PE NEWS

Sports Day Thursday 2nd April 2015

We hope to see you all on Thursday 2nd April at our Sports Day. Lots of planning has happened and the students are getting very excited. We have had one House meeting and Sprint Trials were held this week. Students are learning their House chants, the tension is building!!! Who will win the Shield???

The morning session has been developed to maximise fun and participation. Our afternoon events allow for our talented athletes to shine, as well as giving as many children as possible the chance to perform in front of our school community. Children in Year 3 – 7 will compete for points throughout the day, with a tally kept to determine the winner of the overall Sports Day Shield. All children, Reception – Year 7 will also compete for an attitude shield, based on their effort, sporting behaviour, organisation and cooperation. This shield competition will then continue throughout the year

All students should come dressed for Sports Day and stay at school all day please. If they are colouring their hair for the day or using coloured zinc cream, can you please ensure that this is done at home. Students have been advised not to bring these items to school.

Please ensure your child has:

*t-shirt with sleeves (sun smart)

*suitable running shoes

Reception to Year 7 students will remain in their House teams in their House areas after lunch, cheering on their team mates when not involved in activities. The canteen will be open from 9am.

Here is a programme of the day.

In regular classes, roll, lunches	8:40
Opening Assembly - Guest Speaker to open Sports Day, Team Chants, Health Hustle	8:55
Tabloid events (6 rotations x 15 mins.)	9:20
Recess	10:50
Tabloid Events cont. (5 rotations x 15 mins)	11:25
Lunch	Yrs R-2: 12:30-1.30pm Yrs 3-7: 12:45-1.30pm
Buddy Class Event Reception – Yr 2 Sprints Yrs 3-7 House Sprints Yrs 3-7 Relays Tug-o-war - Yr 6/7 students Staff, Parents Sprint Race	1:30
Yard Clean up Shields Presentation	2:40
Hometime	3.05pm

SAPSASA District Cross Country

There is a very keen large group of students meeting each Tuesday morning at 8.00am on the oval for training. With the help of Lisa Davis and other parents they are training hard. District Cross Country will be on Tuesday 5th May at Thalassa Park near Aberfoyle Park Primary School (Term

Week 2). This is a different day from the first one advertised.

SAPSASA Knockout Cricket

The first game was played this week against Paringa Park Primary School. More details next issue.

SAPSASA Knockout Netball

Trials were completed this week at lunchtime. The strongest team was chosen to represent Hallett Cove East. Games begin in Term 2.

Sports Day BBQ

Volunteers needed to cook on the BBQ on Sports Day. Please contact the Administration office if you can spare an hour to help out on the day.

BBQ from 8:30 am — Bacon & Egg sandwiches & Sausage Sizzle.

Shona Trenouth PE/SCIENCE SPECIALIST TEACHER

CANTEEN CORNER

EASTER SPECIALS SPECIAL LUNCH WEDNESDAY 25th MARCH

NO OTHER LUNCH ORDERS AVAILABLE ON THIS DAY

Please enclose the correct money and return your order to the Canteen or Finance Office by no later than **Monday 23rd March**



Recess: \$2.00

Hot X Bun - fruit / fruitless, with or without

butter

Lunch: \$6-50

Fish or Chicken Burger - soft roll with fish/chicken pattie, lettuce & mayo.

1 x 200ml Fruit Juice - Choice of Flavour Ice Block

If you have any spare time to help out in the canteen on special lunch day please contact Helen as your time would be very much appreciated.

Helen Jefferson - CANTEEN MANAGER

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see noticeboard for further information.

- children (R-7 only) on Friday 27th March, 2015 at the HALLETT COVE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 20 Ragamuffin Drive, Hallett Cove. Starts 7pm to 9:30pm. Entry is \$5, \$1 from each entry is donated to a children's charity. Lock in event parents need to come inside to drop off & to collect your child(ren). Drinks, chips and lollies are available for purchase. Any further enquiries phone 8322 2544 or visit www.hallettcovelutheranchurch.org.au
- GUIDELINES FOR GOOD GAMING Thurs 19th March 2015, 7:30 – 9:30 pm. At Mercedes College Springfield. Physical & psychological effects of electronic gaming. Cost: \$25 per person. Book ticket at: www.trybooking.com/GVCW
- SCHOOL AFL FOOTBALL for primary school teams for 2015. Yr 2/3, 4/5, 6/7 teams. Play Sat. mornings. Info night for interested players & parents at Hallett Cove R-12 school on Wed. 18th March at 6:00 pm.
- REYNELLA NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE ENGLISH & LITERACY SUPPORT GROUP – Tutoring for people from non-English speaking backgrounds & those who struggle with reading. Wednesdays morning & afternoon sessions. More info 8322 3591
- UNLEY HIGH SCHOOL SPECIAL ENTRY ROWING 2015 Come 'n' Try sessions. UHS Torrens River Boathouse. Sun 10th May 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, Sun 24th May 2:00 4:00 pm, Sun 31st May 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Register by visiting rowing@uhs.sa.edu.au

PASTORAL CARE WORKER Position Vacant Advertisement

PASTORAL CARE WORKER

(Previously known as "School Chaplain")

HALLETT COVE EAST PRIMARY SCHOOL

Address: Quailo Avenue, Hallett Cove SA 5158

Schools Ministry Group along with the Hallett Cove Minister's Association (Support Group) are seeking applications for this 8 to 10 hour per week position, commencing Term 2, 2015.

The position exists to offer support through a Chaplaincy Service to students, staff and the school community.

A Job and Person Specification, including details on "How to Apply", is available from Schools Ministry Group on 8378 6800 or mail@smg.asn.au

Closing date: Monday 4th May 2015, 9am

For details go to: www.smq.asn.au (previous applicants need not apply)

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HOST AN OVERSEAS EXCHANGE STUDENT

Learn about another culture, learn a new language or perhaps improve your culinary skills

Hosting - An Experience for Life

Student Exchange is looking for host families across
Australia to welcome overseas students into their home
Visit www.studentexchange.org.au/host-a-student
or call 1300 135 331 for more information



PRACTICE YOUR SPANISH WITH AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT!

Capture the spirit of family and friendship Host a Spanish international exchange student!

- Introduce your family to different customs, values and ideas
- Improve your language skills
- Make lifelong international friends
- Share Australian culture and lifestyle

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange is seeking volunteer host families for International High School students from Spain. Students arrive in July 2015 for 10 weeks and can be placed anywhere in South Australia. You do not need to have children of your own or the same age to enjoy this experience. All students are carefully selected, will attend a local high school, have their own spending money and can bring your family to life!



FOR MORE INFORMATION,

PHONE Jenny ON 83230973 **EMAIL**: jeh1313@bigpond.net.au





Dear parents

At our school we aim to create a safe and supportive school community for everyone.

Sometimes, it can be difficult for parents or carers to know what to do when their child talks to them about bullying.

You are an important part of our work to prevent bullying and to respond effectively if it happens. Stopping bullying involves everyone.

If your child talks to you about bullying:

1. Listen calmly and get the full story. Your calm response is important to allow your child to tell you all about the situation. After they've told you their story, ask questions to get more details if you need to: who, what, where, when. Although you may feel some strong emotions about your child's experience, try to keep calm to avoid more distress to your child.

If your child talks to you about bullying:

- 1. Listen calmly to get the full story.
- Reassure your child that they are not to blame.
- Ask your child what they want to do about it and how you can help.
- Visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au to find some strategies.
- 5. Contact the school.
- 6. Check-in regularly with your child.



- 2. Reassure your child they are not to blame. Many children blame themselves and this may make them feel even worse. You could say things like, 'That sounds really hard to deal with. No one should have to put up with that.' or 'I'm so glad you told me. You should be able to feel safe at school; that's not fair at all'.
- 3. Ask your child what they want to do and what they want you to do. A critical part of your response is to avoid jumping in to solve the problem. While it is natural to want to protect your child, helping them to find their own solution is a better option. It helps them feel they have some power in the situation.
- 4. Visit www.bullyingnoway.gov.au to find some strategies. The website has tips and ideas for different bullying situations. One idea is to practise strategies at home to help your child feel more confident.
- 5. Contact the school. Your child may be reluctant for you to do this, so discuss the idea and reassure them that the school would want to know and is able to help. Make an appointment to meet with your child's teacher and, if you need to, ask to talk with the principal. Contact the school immediately if you have a concern about your child's safety.
- 6. Check in regularly with your child. Keep the conversation going. It can take time to resolve issues, so check in regularly with your child about their experiences and their feelings. Your ongoing support is important.

Our school is observing the 2015 National Day of Action against bullying and Violence on Friday 20th March. If you are looking for support for yourself to deal with a bullying situation, you will find ideas on the Bullying. No Way! Website for parents. As well, please contact the school if you would like to discuss any aspect of our approach to prevent bullying. Thanks for your support to make our school a great school for everyone.