



NEWSLETTER - TERM 3 - 28th SEPTEMBER 2016

DIARY DATES

30/09/16	2:05 PM - EARLY DISMISSAL
18/10/16	6AS & 6AN REEF EXCURSION
28/10/16	WORLD TEACHERS DAY
02/11/16	STRETCH THINKING OPEN MORNING
04/11/16	ASSEMBLY 9S & 7W
07/11/16	PUPIL FREE DAY

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

DON'T FORGET EARLY DISMISSAL ON FRIDAY AT 2:05pm.

FESTIVAL OF MUSIC CHOIR PERFORMANCE

On Saturday 17th September 14 of our students performed on stage at Festival Theatre as part of the Public Primary Schools Festival of Music.

The Primary Schools Festival of Music, an official state icon, is a public school-based music education program which is collaboration between DECD and the SAPPs Music Society which gives all SA public primary students the opportunity to perform at a prestigious venue.

This year the Festival started in the jungle (Jungle Rhythm), looked at environmental sustainability through the commissioned work "Mission Possible" and ended Bollywood style with "Jai Ho".

In between there were a number of Assisting Artists from public primary and secondary schools, other choir items that presented different musical genre and two pieces that specifically showcased the talents of the orchestra.



A very special thank you to Evie Donoghue for leading the Choir and to all students who worked hard throughout the year whether they were chosen for the festival or not.

STRETCH THINKING OPEN MORNING

This year we have been having focussing on increasing Intellectual Stretch, or Stretch Thinking as the students know it, in our learning programs. During Term 3 in particular, there has been a lot of inclusion of tasks and strategies that encourage students to think deeply about what they are doing. Teachers have increased the ways and opportunities to include stretch in their teaching. Our Student Learning Rounds team has also led some stretch thinking activities in the school.

On Wednesday, 2nd November we will be holding a Stretch Thinking Open Morning from 9:00am-11:00am. We will commence with a short introductory session for parents in the Pavilion led by our Student Learning Rounds team, a special guest speaker and myself. Then from 9:30-11:00 you are invited to spend time in each of your children's classrooms to participate in fun stretch thinking activities with them. We are really looking forward to this day and ask you to hold the date of Wednesday

2nd November 9:00-11:00 in your diary!
An invitation will be sent home to you with more information later this week.
(Please note for those who were at Assembly last week, this is a change of the date I gave then).

CASUAL DAY ON FRIDAY

There is a casual day on Friday this week and students may wear clothing other than school uniform. There is no charge for this event. Students were reminded at assembly last Friday, regarding wearing of appropriate clothing on the day.

PUPIL FREE DAY

Our final Pupil Free Day for 2016 will be held on Monday, 7th November Week 4, Term 4. Teachers will work together on moderation of the Australian Curriculum in preparation for the end of year reporting process.

CONGRATULATIONS TO....

Jacques van den Berg who is currently in Sydney representing SA in the Christian Football Federation National Championship Soccer Championships and Steffan Kruger who will represent SA in the National Under 12 Rugby Championships to be held this weekend in Adelaide.

Best wishes to both boys from the HCEPSchool community.

HIGHLIGHTS OF TERM 3

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

- Student participation in the Student Learning Rounds program
- Staff continue collaborative work in Stretch Thinking
- Continuation of the Year 7 School Leader Values programs in classes
- LHK meetings and student decision making opportunities
- KidsMatter training including the creation of a Parent Action Team
- SAPSASA Volleyball, Athletics, Soccer and AFL Football
- Assemblies
- Disco

- Wakakirri including a very successful final performance
- Choir including a very successful Festival of Music performance
- Drama Club
- Yoga Club
- Jump Rope
- "Growing with Gratitude" Crows visit
- Splash Theatre performance
- Book Week dressup
- Momotaro Japanese performance
- Marion Council Recycling visits
- National Support Staff Week
- NAPLAN online trial testing
- Staff participation in the Numeracy project
- Staff participation in a Pupil Free Day with a focus in Growth Mindset and numeracy
- Staff continue inquiry work in the Re-Imagining Childhood project

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 you 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.

GROUNDSPERSON POSITION

Our Groundsperson Vacancy will be advertised from tomorrow closing in Week 2 of Term 4. The Vacancy can be fund by searching DECDjobs – Advertised ancillary / support positions.

.... AND FINALLY

May your children all enjoy a safe holiday. We look forward to seeing everyone back safely on Monday October 17th.

COMING EVENTS

PUPIL FREE DAY

TERM 4 Monday, 7th November

Australian Curriculum moderation

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. *You can also check out the Parent section of our website.*

Once is not enough

Encourage your child to re-read favourite books and poems. Re-reading helps kids read more quickly and accurately.

EARLY YEARS TEAM

FUNDRAISING NEWS SEPTEMBER 2016

Ladies Day

Our second Ladies Day was a great success, we made approximately \$1100 profit. Thank you so much to the overwhelming support from a small but generous group of ladies who attended the day. Thanks for all the fantastic donations that made our raffle and silent auction so successful. We had amazing feedback from all the ladies, the stallholders and the photographer. Here's to next year!!

Hallett Cove Bakery

Thank you to everyone who has supported the bakery fundraiser, don't forget to collect your items this week. We hope you enjoy the baked goods over the holidays. Also if you have time over the holidays feel free to pop into the bakery and take advantage of the great offers they have for Hallett Cove East at the moment, see end of news.

Christmas Stall

Unfortunately due to the lack to quality gifts available from suppliers we have decided to not hold this event this year. Hopefully we may be able to hold one next year. We will keep you posted.

Upcoming Events

Hallett Cove Bakery Drive – Term 3

Dates For Your Diary

29th September – Bakery Collection date



MONTHLY OFFER

Donuts save 50c now \$3

Vanilla Slice save 60c now \$3.50

Just mention HCEPS

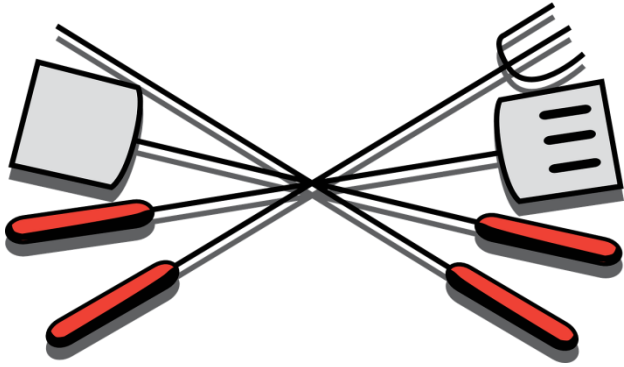
If you would like to volunteer to help on any of the upcoming events this year please contact Victoria Gorton on 0433 152 021 or vicgorton@gmail.com for more information.

THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE



HALLETT COVE SOCCER BBQ

Rosalee and Brendon would like to thank the soccer community for their support with running the BBQ this season. Thank you to the many parents and grandparents who helped serve or cook during the season, on Election Day and on Presentation Day.



Thank you to the Hallett Cove Little Athletics club who have kindly bought our leftover drinks. We donated a small amount of leftover meat to the Hallett Cove Meals on Wheels who wish to pass on their thanks to the school.

Thank you to Jenny Brown and Peter Duffield for your help to us and the soccer community. Your efforts are appreciated.

HALLETT COVE KARRARA KINDERGARTEN



MONSTER GARAGE SALE

Sunday November 6th
10am - 2pm

Bring your family for a fun-filled morning and support your local kindergarten.

Includes various stalls, face painting, sausage sizzle, raffle and lots more.....

To book a stall site (\$15 non-refundable fee) please call Jacqui at Hallett Cove Karrara Kindergarten on 8381 9154.

SOCCER

Congratulations to our U12 Soccer team who won their Div 1 league and came runners up in their cup final.

Congratulations also to our seniors team who will all move onto high school next year. Good luck to those that are moving onto the R-12 soccer program and we hope you never forget your wonderful time at HCEPS soccer.

Thank you to all parents and players of HCEPS soccer for a soggy but successful 2016 season. Just a reminder if you haven't yet returned your playing top please return it to the front office asap.

Jenny Brown
SOCCER CO-ORDINATOR





JOEY'S JOURNAL

Developing friendship skills during the holidays

We usually think of school as being the place where friendship skills are developed. However, with school holidays about to start it is a good time to think about working on friendship skills outside of school.

Inviting someone over for a play date is one of the most valuable investments that your child can make in building their social skills. A lot of children feel more comfortable in their own home than they do in the school yard and this relaxed feeling can lead to a friendship growing more easily. Additionally, when we invest our attention in one person, rather than trying to keep an entire group happy, it provides a great opportunity to finely tune skills in reading social cues.

When planning who to invite over, encourage your child to invite someone they don't know so well, perhaps someone they have met recently, or someone they wish they knew better. This will lead to their friendship network growing.

While the play date is happening try to keep an eye on how things are developing and notice when your assistance is required for on-the-spot coaching. Also make mental notes of things to encourage your child about doing well, or things that you can assist them to develop, after the friend has left.

Each day as a parent you have opportunities to act as mentor, teacher, guide or encourager. Think about who is watching you, and what you are demonstrating, as you interact with your family and other people in the community.

The Kids Matter information sheet '*Friendship skills: Suggestions for families*' which has been included at the end of the newsletter offers more ideas.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see noticeboard for further information.

- **TAUGHT AND BOWLED** – Netball Holiday Coaching Clinics. Wed 5th, Thurs 6th Oct & Fri 7th Oct. at St. Peter's Girls' School gym. Various times & costs.
- **HALLETT COVE LITTLE ATHLETICS** – New season begins 7th Oct at R-12 School at 6:00 – 8:30 pm on Fridays. Beginners come & try 14th Oct.
- **SEACOMBE SOFTBALL CLUB** – Happy Valley Sports Park, Taylors Rd West, Aberfoyle Park. Train Tues nights. Season commences Oct. More info. ☎ Greg 0405 147 624.
- **SA WATER VACSWIM** – 2016/2017 when we think of Summer, we think Swimming and Water Education. More info and bookings visit vacswimsa.com.au
- **SA ADELAIDE PANTHERS FC** – Jnr Girls Lightning Carnival – Women's soccer in the South. Tournament for first time players. Further info ☎ Leigh 0412 591 478.
- **BOP TILL YOU DROP** – Pop Star Workshop Tues 11th & Wed 12th Oct at Glenelg North. Dancing, Singing, Drama, Kids perform. Run by qualified professional teachers. More info & bookings ☎ 1300 130 313 or book online at www.boptillyoudrop.com.au
- **SPRING/SUMMER ELITE COACHING ACADEMY** Soccer – Free come & try session Wed 5th Oct. 6:30 – 8:00 pm. 12 week program & 1 on 1 sessions also available. ☎ Mark 0481 098 117 or Andy 0411 791 373 or develop@topflightfootballacademy.com.au
- **SEACLIFF COME 'N TRY SURF LIFE SAVING** – Sat 15th & 22nd Oct. 1:30 – 4:00 pm Seacliff beach, end of Wheatland St. Ages from 5 to 14 years. More info visit www.seacliffslsc.com.au or email juniors@seacliffslsc.com.au
- **OCTOBER HOLIDAY BASKETBALL CAMPS** – Fri 7th Oct at Marion 10:00 am – 2:00 pm & other various locations. Visit www.basketballsa.com.au
- **GRASSHOPPER SOCCER** – Girls & boys aged 2 – 12. Various locations. ☎ Daniel 0433 422 347 or email Daniel@grasshoppersoccer.com.au

Friendship skills: Suggestions for families

Parents and carers are children's first and most important teachers when it comes to relationships

The ways you relate to your children and the guidance you provide helps develop children's social skills. You can help children develop and maintain friendships by modelling effective social skills, providing opportunities for children to practise interacting with others, and offering support when they go through difficulties. Taking the role of a coach helps children learn the skills they need for themselves.



Children who have a wide range of interests are more likely to have something in common with others and so find it easier to make friends and get along.



The following suggestions may be helpful

Make time to play too

Parents and carers can improve their children's social skills by playing with them regularly. Letting children choose and lead the play allows you to be playful with them and encourages them to practise skills for cooperation and negotiation. Making time for play helps strengthen your relationship with them as well as their skills. Avoid criticising and make it fun!

Allow your child to try all sorts of different activities

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Invite children for play dates

Having friends over to visit helps children to establish friendships and practise their social skills. It also provides an opportunity for you to provide on-the-spot coaching for children as they develop their friendship skills. Providing positive guidance and helping to structure activities (without taking over!) can be very important when establishing new friendships.

Child says...

"There's this girl in my class who is really mean to everyone in class, and so we are all mean right back to her."

"Maybe she thinks we don't like her, and so she's being mean to us?"

"Well, I like her when she's not being mean."

"Maybe I could invite her over to play after school?"

Talk with children about what is happening for them with their friends

Find a relaxed time, like the drive home from school or after dinner, to talk about what is happening in your children's friendship group. By doing this, you let them know that you are interested in their wellbeing, and this can also be an opportunity to share some of your experiences and to help them solve any problems they might have.

Encourage positive, relevant strategies

Parents and carers can talk about, and encourage, friendly and cooperative strategies that can help their child to develop friendships. For example, encouraging children to negotiate or compromise when trying to solve conflicts with peers is a strategy that is more positively received than aggression or verbal threats.

Take a problem-solving approach

Parents and carers don't need to have the answers to all of their children's problems. You can support your children to think through a problem for themselves by talking with them and asking some useful questions. For example:

Parent/carers asks...

"Why do you think she is being so mean?"

"That could be one reason. Do you like her?"

"So how could you show her that you do like her, and that there's no need for her to be mean?"

Affirms: "That sounds like a great idea to me."

This resource is part of a range of KidsMatter Primary information sheets for families and school staff. View them all online at www.kidsmatter.edu.au



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