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NEWSLETTER - TERM 1 - 5™APRIL 2017

DIARY DATES				
3-7/04/17	STUDENT LED DISCUSSIONS			
10/04/17	HOUSE 9 EXCURSION TO BELAIR NATIONAL PARK			
13/04/17	SPORTS DAY			
13/04/17	2:05 PM EARLY DISMISSAL			
05/05/17	KIDS MATTER INFORMATION MORNING & JAPANESE CHILDREN'S DAY PICNIC FOR FRIDAY 5TH MAY WEEK 1			

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and well done to the students who performed the Japanese Dance at the Marion Celebrates. You represented our school with pride and in an exemplary manner.



HIGHLIGHTS OF TERM 1 2017

What a busy and successful Term 1 we have had. Students and staff have worked very hard on a number of different projects and activities and they can all be duly proud of their efforts. We have had a number of highlights aside from our routine programs including:

 Special Wellbeing and Social & Emotional Learning focus week

- School External Review process
- Student Leadership and Class Lighthousekeeper representative elections
- Student Leadership and Lighthousekeeper training
- Student Voice in Learning training
- Traffic Monitor training and work
- Visit by Mitcham Girls HS
- R-5 Swimming program
- Sports Day (to come)
- Assemblies
- Ride Your Bike to School Safely Day and in school activities including with SAPOL
- National Day of Action Against Bullying activities
- Harmony Day special program
- Premier's Reading and Be Active Challenges commenced
- Jump Rope, Wakakirri and Games groups commenced in lunchtimes
- Japanese dance performance at Marion Celebrates
- SAPSASA district swimming competitions
- AGM including presentations by Student Leaders, Japanese performance group and solo flautist
- A new Governing Council elected
- Acquaintance and Student Led Discussion meetings
- Teachers undertaking training in learning design, assessment and moderation, Maths and Re-Imagining Childhood strategies
- Belair National Park excursion (to come)

HATS IN TERM 2

As we start Term 2 in May, students do not need to wear hats from the start of the

term. I would ask however, that students still bring their hats to school for the first week or two just in case we have clear and sunny weather and the UV reading is above 3. (You may remember that this has occurred in recent years where the first week of May the UV readings were unusually high.) In the long term, however, students will only need hats for long sporting events such as SAPSASA and excursions.

STUDENT LED DISCUSSIONS

Thank you to all parents who have attended a Student Led Discussion with your child's teacher. If you haven't met with him or her yet, please contact the teacher to make a time.

SPORTS DAY

We look forward to seeing as many parents, caregivers and family members at school next Thursday 13th April for our annual Sports Day. Students and teachers have been busy practising events and everyone is looking forward to the day. Don't forget when you come along, to wear a hat and sunscreen throughout the day to be good role models for our students. Please note that as this is also our last day of school we will be dismissing early at 2:05pm. If for any reason you need to leave earlier during the day, you are asked to first go to the front office to sign your child out then take the signout docket to the teacher and collect your child. As everyone is outside, this will ensure we can account for everyone. Thank you for your cooperation.

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.

....AND FINALLY

Please enjoy a safe and happy holiday break with your children. We look forward to seeing all students safely back for the start of Term 2 on Monday 2nd May.

COMING EVENTS

PUPIL FREE DAY - TUESDAY JUNE 13th

Don't forget there is a Pupil Free Day on Tuesday June 13th for staff to be trained in "Play is the Way" a social and emotional wellbeing program. OSHC will be open for bookings that day. Please contact Lissy and Sally to book in.

NAPLAN ASSESSMENT PROGRAM

NAPLAN testing for all Years 3, 5 and 7 students will be on Tuesday 9th – Thursday 11th May in Week 2 of Term 2. We are not one of the schools identified by DECD to undertake online testing. So the program will run in a similar manner to previous years.

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.

Write, write, write!

Ask your child to help you write out the grocery list, a thank you note to Grandma, or to keep a journal of special things that happen at home. When writing, encourage your child to use the letter and sound patterns he is learning at school.

EARLY YEARS TEAM

PE NEWS

The Premiers Be Active Challenge continues to be popular. It is fantastic seeing classes going out for fitness each day, skipping, and students running around on the oval or playgrounds at lunch and recess.

Notes and invoices for cross country went out at the end of last week. We are looking forward to seeing our students run and do a great job in week 1 next term at Thalassa Park.

Sports Day is next week, Thursday 13th April! Students are getting very excited about everything that will be happening, including the relay which is involving over 100 students from reception to year 7 to finish off the day! We look forward to seeing our students having a great day while being active, and we hope to see as many families supporting their children as possible. Please make sure your children have appropriate clothing (in their team colour if possible) with their school hat, sunscreen on and running shoes. Hair spray and zinc must be applied at home and cannot be brought to school. Please come and support the canteen. Sausages and coffee will be available as well as much more. We look forward to seeing everyone there for a great day. ©

Nick Marks PE TEACHER

FUNDRAISING NEWS FEBRUARY 2017

DISCO

As always the disco was a runaway success. Thank you to all the helpers and thanks to all the parents for supporting it. Also a big thank you to Hallett Cove Bakery for their generous donation of cupcakes!!

Mother's Day Stall Helpers

In order to run this event we need volunteers to help. The help needed is as follows:

Set up the stall - Wednesday 10th May 2pm to 3pm

Run the Stall - Thursday 11th May 1.30pm til 3pm (note change of time due to NAPLAN in the morning)

Run the Stall - Friday 12th May 8.45am til 11am.

Please can you contact Sarah on sarahhole073@gmail.com or on 0488282779 if you can help.

UPCOMING EVENTS

School Fun Run – 22nd September Mother's Day Stall Term 2 Father's Day Stall Term 3

More exciting events to be announced soon....

Pates For Your Diary

Thursday 4th May 2.30pm – Fundraising

Fundraising Committee Meeting TBC –

Boardroom in school office

Thursday 11th & Friday 12th May – Mother's Day Stall

Thursday 31st August & Friday 1st September – Father's day Stall

HELP NEEDED!!

The Fundraising Committee is in need of volunteers; please don't think that if you volunteer you will be asked to do everything, this will not happen. We just need a few people that can spare the time to come to the meetings twice a term, normally half an hour before school pick up. Also to help with the organisation of the events.

For example purchasing the decorations for a disco or buying the food or putting up posters around the school advertising the fundraising events. It's a lot of small jobs that need doing and as they say many hands make light work!!

If you would like to volunteer on any of the upcoming events this year, please contact Sarah Hole on 0488 282 779 or sarahhole073@gmail.com for more information.

THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE



Sports Day

There are many different groupings of people that are becoming obvious as

Sports Day draws closer. Those who are sports mad and those who are not. Those who are confident and those who are not. Those whose team won last year and those whose did not.

The most obvious grouping is the 4 teams. I always find it curious watching best friends choose not to talk to each other all day just because they are in different teams. For many people the desire to win overcomes everything else.

I remember last year how excited people were to hear the score updates throughout the day. Excitement about both the Ability Shield and the Attitude Shield. If people heard that their team was not winning they responded in 2 different ways. Either they gave up, if the team is not winning yet there is no hope, so why bother trying. Alternatively, they tried harder, finding a new personal best, and they encouraged each other all the louder.

It is such a good example of who finds it easy to have a growth mindset, and who needs extra support to develop their growth mindset. If you are coming along to Sports Day, I encourage you to watch how your child handles working in a team, and winning and losing. What happens on Sports Day is likely to be what is happening in social situations and in the classroom.

Model good sportsmanship for your child, and help them to develop the skills. Encourage fair play and following the rules. Stick to saying positive things. Cheer for everyone, not just your child!

Joey, PASTORAL CARE WORKER at HCEPS on Mondays and Tuesdays

COMMUNITY NEWS

Please see noticeboard for further I information.

SA PANTHERS FC – looking for new players for 2017 for u15s / u17s Girls Teams.
 Also seeking Sponsorship
 Visit:

http://www.sapanthersfc.com/womens.html

- ASSIST VICTIMS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE luncheon at Trott Park Neighbourhood Centre to raise donations to the local women's shelter. Cost is a Shoe Box filled with female & children's toiletry items. Sun 30th April 1:30 to 4:00 pm. RSVP 24th April to Rima 0401 006 459.
- JUST N2 TENNIS Southbank Tennis Club. I April School Holiday & Term 2 programme. I Free trial. Starts from age 3. 20415 289 I 733 or email hotshots@justn2tennis.com.au
- NOARLUNGA LEISURE CENTRE 'Come and Try' Sports event Sat 22nd April, 10am-12pm. Children to try 3 sports: Basketball, Netball, Soccer free of charge.
 Sausage sizzle & bouncy castle.
- "COME 'N TRY an initiative of Adelaide
 City Council, presented by 'Life. Be in it'
 seeks to encourage 5 to 16 year olds to get
 active. 2nd week of April School holidays
 (24/04/2017 28/04/2017) held in the
 Adelaide CBD & parklands. For more info. &
 bookings visit www.comentry.com.au
- HOCKEY SA HOLIDAY CLINICS State
 Hockey Centre, Gepps Cross. Open to boys
 & girls aged 6-17. All skill levels from
 beginners to competition. Children grouped according to age/skill level.

For more info. Visit:

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www.hockeysa.com.au/Play or contact Jose at marketing@hockeysa.com.au or 8349 4044 (Ext.7).

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PROGRAM OF EVENTS 2017				
<u>Time</u>				
8:40	Students meet in classroom for roll call.			
8:50	Opening Assembly in house teams Guest Speaker Team Chants Health Hustle			
9:20	Tabloid Events in class groups (6 rotations × 15 mins.)			
10:50- 11.20am	Recess			
11:20	Buddy Event on the Oval in class groups.			
11:50	Sprints - R-2 students all run on western track Fastest runners from grades 3-7 run on the eastern track.			
12:30	Lunch Students eat lunch sitting in the yard, with their parents if they are here.			
1:10	Students sitting in their house teams.			
	Tug of War			
	Relay			
1:45	Team chants Shields Presentation			
2:05	Dismissal From Classrooms			