



HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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Respect

Responsibility

Integrity

LAUREN WILLIAMS - YEAR 3 - ABORIGINAL CULTURAL STUDIES

On the 6th of March, Jasmine Miller came into our classroom to teach us more about bush food and bush medicine. She brought in some bush medicine that she made with some elders in Ceduna.



Ginger & Chloe smelling the bush medicine



Kyran smelling the bush medicine

We learnt about some different animals Aboriginal people hunted and how they cooked them. We learnt about some plants and insects they also ate.

At the end of the lesson we worked together to make some damper. We then got to try it with jam.



20th - 23rd March

Learning
Conversations

22nd March

Coffee Van

28th March

Bike Education



27th - 30th March

Learning
Conversations

30th March

Assembly presented
by Middle Primary
Unit

31st March

Sports Day



3rd - 6th April

Learning
Conversations

3rd April

Year 3, 4, 5
Swimming



Jayden adding the flour



James adding the salt



Mia adding the butter



Kye mixing the damper



Ashton & Kyran
mixing the dough



Kade trying the damper



Ella and Kye trying the damper

"I learnt that they eat witchetty grubs and red and grey kangaroos and this is how to cook wombat... first they get the wombat and then they cook it in a fire, then they scrape the fur off and then they eat it." Mikayla

"I learnt they eat special food off plants that are traditionally from Australia. They also eat honey ants, emu and kangaroo meat. They eat emu eggs too and quandongs." Lilli

"I learnt there are many types of bush medicine. One can heal lots of things including colds, aching bones and sores." Tyler

"I learnt that bush medicine fixes achy bones easily, it fixes achy bones in just 1 day. That is tough medicine." Daniel

"I loved the taste of damper." Nathan

"I liked it, on a scale of 1-100 it was 100. We had a choice of it with apricot jam or not." Ginger

"My damper did not have any flavour it was dry, I didn't like it." Jordan

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Dear Families,

This week Learning Conversations have commenced providing an opportunity for families to meet teachers for discussions regarding the learning progress of students, to celebrate success, highlight areas for growth and establish new goals. If you would like to meet specialist teachers please contact Nat at the front office to arrange a time.

We have been watching with excitement as the mural at the front of the school progresses under the careful eye of Juno Oka. The artwork depicts various aspects of school life with a humorous twist. Many thanks to Juno for dedicating hours of time to the project helping to rejuvenate the entrance to the school. We look forward to viewing the completed project in the next few weeks.

The canteen has offered fabulous home cooked meals and snacks this term under the management of Anita Pachot, and support of many passionate helpers. Students are enjoying the menu options provided and we really appreciate the patronage of the school community. We thank Anita for her tireless efforts providing a service to our students and staff. Unfortunately, Anita has decided to finish at the end of this term. Governing Council is supportive of the canteen and would like to continue its operation for the remainder of the year. Therefore, Governing Council is offering the opportunity for employment in the manager's position initially for one term with a possible rollover for the rest of the year. If you are interested in this position please contact the school on 8381 7166 for more details.

Students are enjoying the Bike Ed program gaining confidence each week with bike handling and safety. They ventured onto the roads this week developing essential skills for the future. The upper primary students had a fantastic week at aquatics enjoying fishing, paddle boarding, canoeing and snorkelling and surfing. The junior primary students are extremely excited to participate in swimming lessons this week. Please ensure all items are labelled to keep track of lost property.

On Friday 24th March the year 6/7 students are encouraging students to participate in the Crazy Hair day raising money for cancer. We invite students to temporarily dye their hair, wear a crazy hat or crazy hairstyle. Participation requires a gold coin donation. Unfortunately due to junior primary students attending swimming lessons the use of any hair dyes will prevent them from going into the pool. We encourage our younger students to wear a crazy hat or wig on the day. The use of hair dyes at any other time is discouraged with students.

Regards

Debbie Hemming

ATTENDANCE - EVERYDAY COUNTS!!!



Our target is 95% student attendance every week.

Congratulations we hit 95% this week.



POWERFUL LEARNERS

Year 3's have demonstrated powerful learning this week, through the process of researching, designing and building traditional Aboriginal shelters.

They worked in teams to collect natural resources from the reserve to build their shelters. Problem solving and group work skills were a natural part of the experience. Students had time to role play traditional Aboriginal life living in their shelters where they made pretend camp fires, ground stones to make 'paint' and collected 'bush tucker' in their bark containers they were able to find.



POWERFUL LEARNER AWARDS - presented at assembly on the 9th of MARCH

For being a confident and resilient learner

Sadie P, Ethan C, Alicia R, Jackson H, Lhiannon J, Ruby G, Sophie W, Matilda A, Seth M, Lincoln B,

For welcoming challenges that stretch their thinking

Connor H, Caitlin P, Cerys T, Lachlan B, Sinead C, Mathew C, Grace C, Kurt C, Tyson K,

For having an enduring belief that they can learn and achieve

Billie T, Liam T, Mikayla L,

For being able to solve problems from various context particularly those that relate to their lives

Emily H, Daniel C,

SPECIAL AWARD – presented at assembly on the 9th of MARCH

A community member called and advised they were very pleased with Zach R who helped out another student at the end of a school day showing the school value of integrity. Well done Zach!

MATHS SURVEY FROM STAFF

For this newsletter Liz Loveday has taken some time to complete our maths survey!!



What do you think Mathematics means?

Mathematics is the key to finding out so many things about the world and beyond to the edges of the universe. It involves patterns, puzzles, problems, sequences, order, logic, links, clues, symmetry.

This poem sums up maths quite well.

"Math is you.

Math is me.

Math is everything we see!

Infinity and beyond our wildest dreams

Math encompasses all extremes!"


How do you use maths in everyday situations?

I use maths to add and take my money. I use fractions when cooking and eating. I use measurement when I am sewing and gardening. I am practicing to be better at counting when I am knitting so I don't lose track of my stitches.

What is your favourite maths thing to do?

Playing number games.

COMMUNITY NOTICES



DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION AND CHILD DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School


Responding to
abuse and neglect
Education and care training

Mandated Induction for VOLUNTEERS

Including Governing Councillors, Sports Coordinators, Coaches
and Team Managers, Mentors and anyone volunteering in our school.

R.S.V.P. BY TUESDAY, March 28th
PHONE 8270 5055 TO BOOK A PLACE

FRIDAY, March 31st 9-11am (Week 9, Term 1)
in the school's Resource Centre



Government of South Australia
Department for Education and
Child Development

FREE!

Sunday 26th March 2017
10 am – 4 pm
Tonsley Innovation District
1284 South Road, Tonsley
Enter from South Rd or Alawoona Ave

This Science Alive! satellite event is proudly sponsored by















SCIENCE ALIVE!

All kinds of awesome.

This **FREE** hands-on science event has something for everyone. Families will enjoy the spectacular SciWorld science shows, native animals, robotics, dinosaur puzzles, smoke cannons, bugs n slugs and more. There will also be 60 hands-on Questacon exhibits to explore. Teenagers will find a range of info on fabulous science and engineering study and career options including workshops on animation and design in the game development field. For adults young and old there will be presentations on the latest news on home energy storage systems from ZEN Energy and driverless cars from Flinders University.

Exhibitors at the event include Saab Australia, Flinders University, TAFE SA, the Australian Science and Maths School, Questacon, the Bright Sparks Science Club, Junior Field Naturalists, Rising Sun Pictures, Hackerspace, Dig-a-Dino, the STEMSEL Foundation, the Academy of Interactive Entertainment, Animals Anonymous, bugs n slugs, the Institute of Backyard Studies, Enchanted Gallery 4D Discovery Cards and SciWorld.

There will be alternating SciWorld Science Shows and Animals Anonymous native animal shows throughout the day as well as regular science presentations on energy, transport and other topical issues.

For all the latest program information and highlights visit the Science Alive! website (sciencealivesa.org.au) or Facebook page (ScienceAliveSA).

Other 2017 Science Alive! events: 7 May (Playford Civic Centre), 5-6 August (Adelaide Showground), 20 August (Whyalla), 24 September (Mount Gambier) and 22 October (Port Augusta).



CROSS COUNTRY & WALKS

Holiday Development Clinic

April 2017

Open to ALL athletes aged 8 to 17 years!

The clinic involves the opportunity to learn from highly qualified and experienced Cross Country and Walks coaches, who will provide training tips and programs to best prepare athletes for the upcoming winter athletics season.

CROSS COUNTRY

Date: Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th April
Time: 9:00AM - 12:30PM (each day)
Location: SA Athletics Stadium, 145 Railway Terrace, Mile End SA 5031

Cost:

- One Day (Wednesday or Thursday) - \$25.00
- Both Days (Wednesday & Thursday) - \$40.00

Training Focus Sessions:

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| WEDNESDAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interval training • Technique | THURSDAY <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pacing • Hill climbing |
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WALKS

Date: Wednesday 26th April 2017
Time: 9:00AM - 12:30PM
Location: Same as Cross Country

Cost: \$25.00

Training Focus Sessions:

- Technique Development
- Training Programs
- How to Race

For more information or to register, head to www.salaa.org.au/holidayclinics or athleticsa.com.au/holidayclinics

Contact: Little Athletics SA (08 8352 8133) or Athletics SA (08 8354 3477)









SA ATHLETICS ACADEMY

STARTING SUNDAY, 30TH APRIL 2017

LOCATION: SA Athletics Stadium, 145 Railway Terrace, Mile End 5031

SQUADS: Bronze, Silver and Gold

TIMES: Gold (11am-2pm), Silver (12pm-3:45pm), Bronze (2:15pm-4:45pm)

WHY SHOULD YOU BE INVOLVED?

1. Open to ALL athletes from 9-19 years old!
2. Commitment of only one Sunday a month for 8 months.
3. Catered for ALL athletes - beginners to elite.
4. Coaching delivered by highly skilled and experienced coaches in all track and field events to improve the athletes overall athletic ability.
5. Educational theory sessions for Silver and Gold Squads.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER, VISIT:
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