HAPPY VALLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

9th February 2017 Volume 1/2017

Respect *Responsibility* *Integrity*

WELCOME TO 2017

New Reception Students

Welcome to the new school year! Our students have returned looking refreshed and ready for learning. It has been a great start for the Reception students in Mrs Bartlett and Miss Watts classrooms.
New students also have been welcomed into many classrooms and have settled into Happy Valley life extremely well.

Staff enjoyed a relaxing break and were ready for students when they arrived on Monday morning. Our new staff members Lauren Williams, Claire Bosworth, Isabelle Watts and Reiko Woodley have established themselves in the school and their classrooms. Olivia Resnais has returned for the first 5 weeks of term teaching Digital Technologies and providing classroom support.

In the first 2 weeks of term we are focussing on classroom culture to establish a sound beginning for all students. The theme is Quality Start. Students are developing an understanding of how to meet the school values of Respect, Responsibility and Integrity. Our focus for the year is to support all students to become Powerful Learners who are confident, resilient, engaged and successful. Engaging learning is a combination of challenge and support, it requires effort and can at times be uncomfortable. When children work hard at school they can become tired and irritable at home but this is part of the process and sometimes they will need some 'down' time to help them through. A positive partnership between school and families will support high achievement and positive wellbeing for all students.

Governing Council AGM
Monday 13th February 7.00pm
In the Resource Centre
(OSHC AGM at 6.30pm)

Becoming a member of the Governing Council is a great way to support your children's education, develop new friendships, support the school and have your say. The AGM will be held on Monday 13th February in the Resource Centre. The OSHC AGM will commence at 6.30pm followed by the school at 7.00pm. We look forward to meeting new parents and working together.

Acquaintance Night
Tuesday 14th February

On Tuesday 14th February we invite all families to come along to school meet teachers at the Acquaintance night. All meetings will be held in classrooms at the scheduled times as distributed in the flyer. The crèche is available for children 3 years and older for a gold coin donation. We look forward to seeing you on the night.
I am looking forward to a year filled with challenge and excitement!

Debbie Hemming
Principal

13th February
OSHC AGM
Governing Council AGM/Meeting

14th February
Acquaintance Night

15th February
Choir Cluster

17th February
Assembly presented by Upper Primary Unit

21st February
Bike Education Starts

22nd February
Coffee Van

1st March
School Photos

10th March
Pupil Free Day

RIEKO WOODLEY

Hi! My name is Rieko Woodley. I'm the new Japanese teacher at Happy Valley Primary School. I'm very excited to be a part of Happy Valley school's community and looking forward to facilitate the students' learning in Japanese language, culture and other areas. I am from Okayama Prefecture in Japan and have been teaching both in Japan and Australia. I have lived in Adelaide with my family since 2005. My aim is to provide the students with authentic experiences in Japanese. Come and say "konnichiwa"! Thank you.

ATTENDANCE - EVERYDAY COUNTS!!!

Our target is 95% student attendance every week.

Congratulations we hit 99% this week.

CANTEEN NEWS

We welcome Anita Pachot as the canteen manager for the rejuvenated Kookaburra Café.
Thank you to the parents that attended our canteen working bee in January. Your help will support us to provide a range of delicious, healthy, homemade meals and snacks for our kids to enjoy.

Anita's message of thanks:
'Thank you to the following people for giving up their time and muscle power to help me. It warms my heart to know that I have so much support on my new venture. It has set up a really great platform for me to make this all happen and I appreciate it in mounds' Johanna Baumann, Kate Hele, Trudy Mc Card, Catherine Murdoch, Alistair Pearce, Fiona Bellis and Aveline Wilkinson.

Qkr! Have you seen the new ideas and healthy menu for 2017! Download the Qkr! App to order lunches online.

THANK YOU

A huge thank you must go to Jo and Daniel Buchanan for assisting Sam Ezard our Groundsperson install our new soccer goals. Already the children are allocating play time so everyone is able to have a turn.

MATHS SURVEY FROM STAFF - NEW ITEM

This year we have decided to add a new item to the fortnightly newsletter - hopefully you will be able to gain an insight into what the staff thinks about maths. Our first survey taker is Caitie Schneider. Caitie is the daughter of Nat in the front office and volunteers her time to assist with numerous things in the school. She is a valued member of our school community.

What do you think Mathematics means?
Maths is a life subject that you need to add, subtract, divide & multiply. It also includes shapes, space & area and can be used in science.

How do you use maths in everyday situations?
I use maths to work out how to divide my pay so that I am able to save for things that I want to do; like travelling.

What is your favourite maths thing to do?
I enjoy doing random sums on a piece of paper to keep my brain active.

SOUTHERN VALLEY SAPSASA
Facebook Page

Your child attends a school that is a part of the SOUTHERN VALLEY SAPSASA District. Sapsasa – Primary School Sport, provides students with opportunities to compete in their chosen sport by representing their school, the District or their State.

Students who are in years 6 and 7 have opportunities to compete in all common sports. There are also opportunities for all students born in 2007 and older to compete in Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics events.

All information for the District is distributed to students through school Sapsasa representatives, however this year all Sapsasa information will also be posted on our Facebook Page. If you would like to keep up to date with all Southern Valley Sapsasa information, please click on ''JOIN GROUP". If you have any questions, please contact me at jonathan.grant806@schools.sa.edu.au

Find us on facebook

Jonathan Grant
Southern Valley District Convenor
Braeview School R-7

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Yu Ki Do Karate Club welcomes all Happy Valley Primary Students to the new school year. Our Club has been associated with the school for 16 years and many students have enjoyed and benefited from our exciting and ancient martial art – Karate.

As a student of our Club you will:

- Learn the art of self-defence
- You will gain fitness and strength
- Importantly, you will improve in confidence and self-esteem

For our new students the first two lessons are FREE with no obligation to join.

If you would like more information please contact Ian on 0430 199 977 or Brett on 0409 670 212

Aberfoyle Park High

ignite 2018

A program for gifted students

We invite you to apply for a place in our Ignite program at Aberfoyle Park High School for Year 8 in 2018

Your opportunity to sit the Ignite test for 2018 entry will be **Saturday 25 February 2017.**

You can online by visiting "Ignite" on our website - **www.aphs.sa.edu.au**

Aberfoyle Park High School
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SOCCER FUN FOR GIRLS & BOYS AGED 2 - 12

TERM 1, 2017 PROGRAM

Grasshopper Soccer is a fun, non-competitive way for your child to make a start or continue developing skills in soccer. We offer programs available after-school and on weekends all year round in line with school terms. Grasshopper Soccer provides a great opportunity to make new friends, learn new skills and enjoy lots of fun-based games.

Mite-E Soccer (2-3yrs)

This program is a great introduction to soccer. Little Grasshoppers work with their parent, learning soccer skills and developing motor skills through lots of fun games in a non-competitive environment.

35 minute classes, $115 for 8 weeks

Pint Size Soccer (4-5yrs)

Pint Size Grasshoppers will improve and learn new skills including shooting, dribbling, goal keeping and more with some parent involvment all through fun, non-competitive games. Grasshoppers are introduced to the Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!

50 minute classes, $125 for 8 weeks

Intro to Micro (5-6yrs)

An introduction to the ultimate challenge for Little Grasshoppers! Learning the rules of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game and continually learning new skills and growing already known skills through fun, non-competitive games.

60 minute classes, $135 for 8 weeks

Micro (6-8yrs), Micro Plus (8-12yrs)

The ultimate Little Grasshopper challenge, getting lots of practise playing the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game. Little Grasshoppers will also enjoy all their favourite fun soccer based games focusing on skill development and teamwork in preparation for club soccer!

75 minute classes, $145 for 8 weeks

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STATE SOCCER

State Soccer enrolments for Term 1 are now open!

First lesson Friday 17th February!

We believe youngsters deserve a great environment to improve their skills, enjoy the game and develop self-awareness! Would you choose State Soccer to provide that to your child?

Students with or without experience are welcome to be part of The World Game!

At **Aberfoyle Hub R-7 School** – Fridays: 3.30pm or 4.15pm or 5pm at your choice.

Phone: 8235 1877 or Email: admin@statesoccer.com.au