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VISION STATEMENT ~
CREATING A COMMUNITY OF LIFELONG LEARNERS WHO ARE EMPOWERED TO LIVE SUCCESSFULLY IN THE 21ST CENTURY

Principal's Report

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to the 2007 School Year. I hope that you had an enjoyable holiday break with your children and I look forward to catching up with you again as we take up the challenges of a New Year which include a focus on Values Education and in particular the value of RESPONSIBILITY.

I would particularly like to welcome all new students and their parents to the School.

I would also like to extend a warm welcome to our new Staff members:

Stephen Mutton from Hallett Cove School, who has a year 5/6 class in C Suite [G 5]

Sue Smith from Lobethal Primary School, who is tandem teaching with Lyn Scott Thomas, Monday to Wednesday in G Suite [G 3], and Pat Debowski who has a contract position for the year with a year R/1 class in H Suite [H3].

Ann Burt [Special Education Teacher] and Yayoi Okuda [Japanese] who have been reappointed for a further year.

The class teachers and their respective year levels for 2007 are as follows:

C2	Year 5	Greg Brown
C3	Year6/7	Margaret Ford
C4	Year 6/7	Fiona Nicholls
C5	Year 5/6	Stephen Mutton
E2	Year4	Heather Stott
E3	Year4	Kylie Marshall
E4	Year 3	Shirley Lloyd
E5	Year 4/5	Johann Breedt
G2	Year 2	Heather Love
G3	Year 3	Lyn Scott Thomas/Sue Smith
G4	Year 1/2	Beverley Opie
G5	Year 2	Sue Hage
H2	Reception	Margaret Dell
H3	Rec/Year 1	Pat Debowski
H4	Reception	Karen Allan
H5	Reception	Yvette Foster
Yayoi Okuda	Japanese	
Peter Senyszyn	PE & Science	
Gail Carragher	Art & Drama	
Ann Burt	Special Education	

Keith Greenlees	Resource Centre
Garry Wood	School Counsellor
Anne Rathjen	Assistant Principal
Helen McEntee	Principal

Our Ancillary Staff are:

Chris Bures	Finance
Bronwyn Stewart	Classroom Support, Learning Difficulties, Speech Program
Faye Laphorne	Resource Centre
Stuart Neild	Grounds Learning Difficulties
Cheryl Ellbourn	Front Desk, Learning Difficulties Student Support
Megan Weber	Learning Difficulties,
Betty Otto	Front Desk Student Support
Gail Rose	Front Desk
Hayley Foley	Canteen Manager

***AUSTRALIAN GOVERNMENT INVESTING
IN OUR SCHOOLS PROGRAM***

I'm delighted to confirm that we have received \$127,000 from the Australian Government to convert C Suite into a middle schooling unit for our senior students. Hopefully, work will begin on this by the end of this Term.

ENROLMENTS

We have commenced the year with 407 students and 16 classes. We are predicting an enrolment of approximately 440 by October.

Our first Term intake of Receptions began school in Ms Dell's, and Ms Allan's classes.

BRINGING AND COLLECTING CHILDREN

Parents are asked to observe the safe parking areas around the school and to be watchful at all times as children can be unpredictable. Driving at the recommended speed of 25 kph whenever children are present and stopping to park in the correct areas will help this greatly. Parents are asked not to use the Staff Car Park as space is at a premium. We also seek your support in encouraging your children to use the School crossing.

MATERIAL AND SERVICES

Please note that the \$10 discount for materials and service charges finalises at the end of week 5 (2/03/07). Money collection times are Monday -Friday 8.30-9.15 am and Fridays 2.45-3.15 pm.

Uniform sales can be made at these times. Hats may be purchased from the Canteen at any time.

PRIVACY PRINCIPLES

We are required to issue all parents and/or guardians with the Information Privacy Statement, which was developed to meet the Department's legal obligation to inform parents of its commitment, through its schools, to support and maintain the confidentiality of students personal and health information.

PARENT ACQUAINTANCE MEETINGS

Week 3

Details have been sent home this week.
Please return your interview times as soon as possible.

DIARY DATES

A list of these for the year are on our website thanks to Keith Greenlees and there is a Year Planner insert with this Newsletter.

Special dates for this Term are :

19/02/07	Pupil Free Day
26/02/07	School Council Meeting
19/03/07	School Council AGM
5/04/07	Sports Day

FUN AND GAMES

Are you interested in being a part of the Coordination Improvement Program, "Fun and Games", and helping our Receptions learn to practise their coordination, Physical Education and playing skills? See Helen McEntee or return the tear off slip. The program is set out for easy use and we will give you basic training. We operate for about 20-30 minutes each morning from 9.00-9.30 am. Even 1 session per week would be very helpful.

PUPIL FREE DAY

DECS priorities currently include a major focus in improving Student Well Being. As part of our School's Site Plans, we are conducting a Staff training and development day with a focus on Values Education. Moana, Noarlunga and Seaford 6-12 Schools will also be participating.

The School Council has given approval for the School to take a Pupil Free Day on Monday 19th February, Week 4.

NO DOGS ALLOWED

I would like to remind parents and neighbours of the school that dogs are not permitted on the grounds. This includes exercising your dog after school hours. The reason for this is the safety and well being of our students. Please do not bring your dog to school unless you have permission to do so.

PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORT

Coaches / Managers will be needed during the year to involve children in various sports after school hours. Many children are willing to play after hours sports but coaches / helpers are needed with cricket, netball, volleyball, soccer, hockey, football, rugby and Tee-Ball.

If you are willing to help with any of these sports or any others not mentioned, please fill out the form.

Helen McEntee

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of *volunteers* in our School Canteen. If you are able to help in any way, please circle the time/s you are available and fill in the tear off slip. Thanking you in anticipation.

Please look at the new price list as prices might have increased and some items have been deleted.

Haley Foley Canteen Manager



FIDDLESTICKS

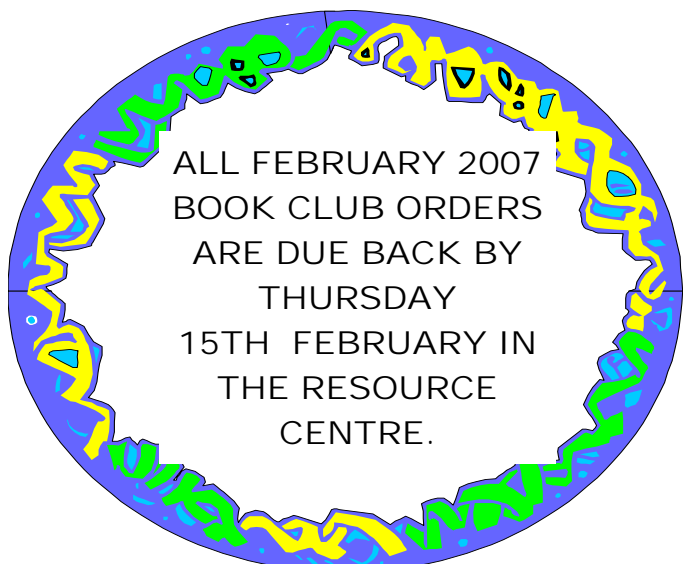
Are you interested in being a part of the Fine Motor Skills Program, "Fiddlesticks", and helping our Year 1 and 2 students to practise their coordination, skills? See Heather Love in G2 or return the tear off slip. Once again the program is set out for easy use and we will provide you with the training needed. We operate for about 20-30 minutes three mornings per week and the times are negotiable.

Thank you Heather Love

SCHOOL CARD

It is important to bring your school card application forms to the front office by the end of Week 3.

YOU MUST REAPPLY EACH YEAR



ATTENDANCE

Welcome to the 2007 school year. Visiting classes throughout the school, it has been great to see so many students organised and in class productively at work at 8.45 am each day. Congratulations to all those students who have already begun this routine.

Students are expected to arrive from 8.30 onwards so they have time to organise themselves ready for a prompt 8.45 am start.

Teachers begin teaching programs at 8.45 am and this includes NIT lessons and other programs outside of the classroom. Students who are late to school are put at a disadvantage in their learning. We seek your support to ensure your child(ren) attend school every day. If your child is sick or needs to attend appointments, please phone the school on the day. When the child returns, please complete a Non Attendance slip from your child's teacher.

If you need to collect a child during the day, please first report to the front office to "sign your child out". Through these strategies we can maximise your child's learning time and ensure your child's safety.

With this newsletter please find a copy of the School's Attendance brochure. If you have any concerns or difficulties getting your child to school, please do not hesitate to contact me or another member of the Leadership Team for support.

Anne Rathjen
Assistant Principal

SPORTS INFORMATION

Volleyball

Spikezone Mini Volleyball for year 5/6/7 students is now being played at the Seaford Recreation Centre on Thursdays after school starting at 4 pm.

For more information contact Peter Senyszyn on 83270232 or Renee Healey on 81249100.



AFL comes to Noarlunga

Free training session with Crows and Power players.

When: Monday 12th February 2007

Where: Alan Hickinbotham Oval, Lovelock Drive, Noarlunga Downs (Panthers home ground)

Time: 4 pm to 5 pm

Phone: 8186 8200

Meet and train with- Simon Goodwin, Nathan Van Berlo, Jason Torney, David McKay, Brendon Lade, Dean Brogan and Alipate Carlile.

Port Noarlunga Tennis Club

Term 1 programs, coaching for all ages from 5 years up. Government subsidised adult programs on Sundays.

Call Justin Tredwell 0415 289 733 or email info4tennis@iinet.net.au

South Australian Rugby League

Have a Look at Rugby League Coaching Clinic involves coaching activities and the opportunity to meet a player from the West Tigers team in the NRL.

Any Under 15 who attends will receive a drink bottle and a t-shirt. If you enjoy the experience and sign up you will also receive a free football.

When: Thursday 8th February, 2007

Where: Hackham Sports and Social Club, Doctors Road, Hackham

Time: 5 pm to 6.30 pm

Contact: Wayne Sellars 0419 853 601 for more information.

Come and Try 'Club Footy'

Mini league games for boys and girls are played on Sunday mornings during Terms 2 & 3. The registration and first training are on Wednesday March 28, 4.30 pm at Christies Beach Football Club, Bice Oval. Season fees are \$30. Contact Mick on 0438 861 221.

COUNSELLOR'S CORNER

It's been a good start to the year with much energy directed at continuing that success.

Classes have been focussing on negotiating a Vision and Mission statement that should maximize learning opportunities and developing a safe social environment.

Teachers will continue to use the Bounce Back Program we began last year that aims to build resiliency and social skills and awareness. You'll remember last year we spent much time exploring what values students, teachers and parents thought were important in creating a culture of success in our school. The agreed values were Respect, Honesty, Cooperation, Responsibility, Learning and Friendliness. We'll continue to promote these values through the course of this year with an emphasis on Responsibility. I believe the efforts regarding this work in the past have strengthened the character of our school as well as the students.

An expression of appreciation:

I have received a letter from the Salvation Army thanking our community for the support given by way of donations of food to the less fortunate for the Christmas season. Thank you for your kindness.

Who's in Charge?

This is an eight-week programme being offered to parents who are struggling with children or adolescents who are being violent and abusive to them or other members of the family.

Where? The Corner House, 30B Beach Rd Christies Beach from 6th Of February or at Aberfoyle Baptist Church, Cnr of Manning Rd and Lyn St Aberfoyle Pk. Phone 81865866 for further information.

(Obviously the 6th Of Feb is not possible but a call to the above number may help find a solution if you are interested in this programme.)

Garry Wood

COMMUNITY NEWS

2006 Performance DVD's

JamaeRaw Productions have copies of the following DVD's available for sale: " McLaren Lions Club Community Carols ", " Reels in Motion " and " Willunga Circus Group ".

If you were involved in any of these productions or would just like a copy, please call JamaeRaw Productions Willunga on 8556 2033, email: info@jamaeraw.com or visit their website at www.jamaeraw.com.

Art Classes for Children

Classes are suitable for children aged between 7 and 16 years.

Students are encouraged to bring their own materials and we supply basics.

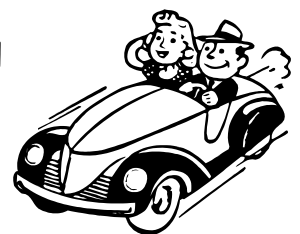
\$150 per term for 10 weeks starting 6th February 07. Classes are held on Saturdays 11 am-12 pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays 4 pm-5 pm.

Transport for student

A parent is needed to transport a child from Maslins Beach to school Monday, Tuesday and Wednesdays.

Willing to subsidise petrol money.

Please phone 0431 148 937



PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

Once again, students will be encouraged to take part in the Reading Challenge by a number of Reading Challenge Ambassadors—just some of whom include Mark Bickley, Juliet Haslam, Phil Cummings, Che Cockatoo Collins, Mem Fox, Amanda Graham, Matthew Primus and Rachael Sporn.

The Challenge has been stunningly successful since its inception in 2004.

