



# NEWSLETTER

Edition 6

Term 2

May 7th 2009

## Diary Dates

- 11/05/09 Governing Council Meeting 7.00pm
- 12/05/09 NAPLAN testing
- 15/05/09 Walk Safely to School Day  
Assembly 2.15pm
- 25/05/09 Transition meeting for Parents of new Receptions
- 26/05/09 National Sorry Day
- 5/06/09 Pupil free day



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



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# SPORTS DAY

On Friday April 3rd we had perfect weather and great attendance by family and friends for our annual Sports Day.

Congratulations to the red Brogan team for winning this year's school sports Day. The team captains were:

Nykiel: Penny Hewick, Samantha Sheilds, Nick Otasevic, Ryan McArthur

Hames: Celina McMahon, Isabella Reeves-Osborn, Nathan Smith, Jeremy Page.

Brogan: Alex Matusica, BJ Donaldson, Zoe Kassiotis, Katie Stead  
Jameson: Ben Spencer, Andrew Cochran, Tayla Ross, Sky Sprague

Rod Jameson ex Adelaide Crows footballer spoke to all the students at the opening ceremony about his own sporting career and talked to the students about how they could reach their sporting and academic goals.

Many thanks to all the students who participated extremely well on the day. A special thanks to all teaching and SSO staff who organised and supported the students.

Many thanks to Haley Foley and her hard working canteen helpers.



As this was Peter Senyszyn's final Sports Day at SRPS, I would like to take this opportunity to thank him for all the work he has done over the years to plan our Sports Days. His expertise has always resulted in an excellent day each year, thoroughly enjoyed by students, staff and parents.

## 2009 Oliphant Science Awards

Students from Reception to Yr 6/7 are invited to participate in the South Australian Sir Mark Oliphant Science Awards.

They will have two months to complete their task before they enter their scientific model or experiment, essay, poster, or photos etc.

Completed entries are due to the school by Fri 17<sup>th</sup> July.

Entry forms are available from Mr Senyszyn. Cost of entry will be met by the school.

So start planning, as this is a prestigious competition and well worth entering. In the last 2 years 2 students have received High Commendation Awards. All students receive a certificate for entering.

A display of all the South Australian entries will be held as an Open Day in August, on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Freemasons Hall - 254 North Terrace, Adelaide.

**2009 topics and some ideas to start with. Rules will be given once students collect an entry form.**

### Models and Inventions:

**Must be smaller than 1m x1mx 1m and less than 8kg - must have a report about the model in 100 - 250 words**

**Games: - Fun to play and be scientifically accurate and easy to follow. Group of three can enter.**

**Essays: R-2 less 200 words, 3-7 less 800 words**

The best scientific advances in the next thousand years could be...

The value of natural and synthetic materials

What challenges will humans need to overcome to successfully live on Mars

Getting a better sense of our world - advances in sensory perception

**Posters: Light weight card - no larger than 51cm x 65cm**

Mining to Product

Forensic Detectives

Waves

Everyday things that started from space exploration

Insects

### Photography:

Patterns in Nature

Crystals

How things move?

Impact of Erosion

Fibres - Natural and Synthetic

## STAFFING NEWS

Helen McEntee is continuing leave for a further 4 weeks.

Sue Hage, Jodie Dawe and I will continue in our roles during this time.

We welcome Margaret Dell teaching R/1 students in H4 replacing Karen Allan and Deb Robins Acting Finance Officer replacing Chris Bures, while both staff members are on long service leave.

## PUPIL FREE AND SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

Governing Council and Regional Office have approved two Pupil Free days and one School Closure Day for this year.

The first Pupil Free Day will be held this term in Week 6 on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June. Teachers will undertake Mandatory Reporting retraining in the morning and Aboriginal Studies training in preparation for a rich task that will be delivered in classes in the afternoon. (An Expo to showcase Aboriginal Studies will be held in September.)

The second Pupil Free Day will be held next term in Week 4 on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> August. Teachers will undertake training in Wellbeing.

In Week 5 of Term 4 on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November, there will be a full school closure in recognition of Remembrance Day as our day of local significance.

## BUILDING EDUCATION REVOLUTION (BER) NEWS

Just before the holidays we were told that our applications for both the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Primary Schools Funding and National School Pride Funding have been approved. The process has already begun around preparation for building the new 6 classroom block. More information will be available once plans and timelines have been determined.

## PARENT FEEDBACK re THE GATES

As you know we have been trialling locking the perimeter gates after 10:00am each day. We are now gathering feedback from all sections of the school community about the usefulness of this practice. If you would like to provide feedback please complete the insert page and return it me by Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May.

## FUNDRAISING NEWS

Welcome to Term 2. We hope you enjoyed the school holidays.

We would like to thank everyone for their support of the Easter raffle, a fantastic total profit of \$650 was raised. Congratulations to the prize winners. We hope you enjoyed your baskets of chocolate.

1st prize: Mitchell Gaspari

2nd prize: Zander Martin

3rd prize: Amy Buechter

For Term 2 we have the Mother's Day raffle. Tickets have already been handed out. The lovely prizes are on display at the front office and will be drawn at assembly on Friday May 8th.

The end of term disco will be held on Friday 26th June.

Thankyou for your continued support  
Fundraising Committee

## THE FLEURIEU CANCER NETWORK

The Fleurieu Cancer Network is for people with Cancer, their family, friends and carers. The Fleurieu Cancer network is for organisations that have an interest in Cancer.

Membership is free.

Call today on 83842463 for more information.

## KINDER CAPERS

A fun dance program for pre-schoolers 2½ - 8 years. This is being held at Seaford Moana Neighbourhood Centre, Beachwood Grove, Seaford.

For more information ph: Julie Grey on 83294 3930.

## FOOTBALL RESULTS

Year 2/3: Seaford Rise 10goals 7 defeated Calvary 3 goals 2.

A fantastic effort for their first game.

Year 4/5: Seaford Rise 7 goals 8 defeated Calvary 7 goals 6.

A close and tight game. Excellent football was played by all the players.

Year 6/7: Seaford Rise 6 goals 8 was defeated by Calvary 18 goals 12.

## **NAPLAN TESTING and PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE**

Next week Years 3, 5 and 7 students will undergo testing in Literacy and Numeracy as part of the national assessment program. Parents of students in those year levels have already received information about this.

### 2009 NAPLAN TIMETABLE

#### Year 3 and Year 5

DATE	TIME	TEST	INTRODUC-TION AND PRACTICE	TIME ALLOCATION
TUES 12 <sup>H</sup> MAY	10.00AM 11.00AM	LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS	10 MINUTES	Yr 3: 40 mins Yr 5: 40 mins
TUES 12 <sup>H</sup> MAY	11.30AM 12.30PM	WRITING	15 MINUTES	Yr 3: 40 mins Yr 5: 40 mins
WED 13 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	9.00AM- 10.00AM	READING	10 MINUTES	Yr 3: 45 mins Yr 5: 50 mins
THURS 14 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	9.00AM- 10.00AM	NUMERACY	10 MINUTES	Yr 3: 45 mins Yr 5: 50 mins

#### Year 7

DATE	TIME	TEST	INTRO- DUCION AND PRACTICE	TIME ALLOCATION
TUES 12 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	10.00 AM- 11.00 AM	LANGUAGE CONVENTIONS	10 MINUTES	Yr 7: 45 mins
TUES 12 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	11.30 AM- 12.30 PM	WRITING	15 MINUTES	Yr 7: 40 mins
WED 13 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	9.00 AM- 10.15 AM	READING	10 MINUTES	Yr 7: 65 mins
THURS 14 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	9.00 AM- 10.00 AM	NUMERACY [CALCULATOR MUST NOT BE USED]	10 MINUTES	Yr 7: 40 mins
THURS 14 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	11.30 AM- 12.30 AM	NUMERACY [CALCULATOR MAY BE USED]	10 MINUTES	Yr 7: 40 mins

In the results for the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) in 2008, DECS students completing the Premier's Reading Challenge statistically outperformed those who did not. The results were based on 24,640 students who participated in both the NAPLAN test and the Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) in 2008 in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. These trends are supported by the results in the previous 4 years state Literacy and Numeracy (LAN) tests for Premier's Reading Challenge participants.

I would like to encourage all students to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Anne Rathjen  
Acting Principal

## SOUTH AUSTRALIA WORKS

Arrived in South Australia and totally lost as to how to find a life and job you are happy with.

Designed for partners and siblings of skilled migrants living in the City of Onkaparinga and Marion, the Women in Work program will give you the confidence to take control over all aspects of your life from family, career and finances so that you make smarter decisions for yourself and your family in the future.

Kiikstarts "Women in work" is a nine day program that will provide you with practical skills and knowledge that will make the move into employment and community in South Australia not so overwhelming.

For more information ph Ali Uren on 0428593400.

## UNDER AGE RAGE

The Christies Blue Light Committee is holding an Under Age Rage which is fully supervised by Police. The event is being held Friday 1st May at the South Adelaide Football Club, Lovelock Drive commencing at 7.00pm concluding at 10.00pm.

Tickets for the event can be purchased for \$4 at the information desk at Colonnades Shopping Centre prior to the event or for \$5 at the door.

The event is for 11-17 year olds.

For further information ph: 8392 9046.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL BOOK CLUB ORDERS AND MONEY NEED TO BE SENT TO THE RESOURCE CENTRE BEFORE 12TH MAY**

## EAT WELL PEER LEADERSHIP PROGRAMME

We have just started the process of identifying interested year 5/6 to become part of the Eat Well Peer Leadership Programme for 2009/2010. This group of students will work together with guidance from Fiona Nicholls, Sue Hage and a dietician from Noarlunga Health Village. The programme aims to develop knowledge and skills in healthy eating practices and train students and develop skills to enable them to work with other students sharing their knowledge. We plan to keep families informed of the "team's" progress.



## WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Friday 15th May is National Walk Safely to School Day. This programme encourages students with guidance from families to explore safe ways of getting to school without the use of a car. The benefits are many, including opportunities to improve fitness, community appreciation and a reduction in car pollution. Class teachers will be supporting and promoting this programme and giving special stickers to those students who participated by walking to school on that day. If you live many kilometres away from the school, students may still participate by getting parents to park their cars a kilometre or two from the school and walk the last section together.

## PREMIER'S BE ACTIVE CHALLENGE 2009

We are so excited to announce that all classes in the school have commenced or are about to commence the Premier's Be Active Challenge for 2009. Many students have participated in previous years, but this is the first year all students from our school can be involved. Students need to be moderately or vigorously active for 60 minutes a day for 5 out of the 7 days in a week. When they have completed four weeks of being active, they will be able to receive a medal recognising their effort at a special assembly at the end of the year. We are hoping that classes will continue the challenge for a full 10 weeks to put our school in the running for sport equipment at the end of the year. Most students are able to complete the 60 minutes per day within school hours with daily fitness, PE and active recess and lunch play all being counted towards the Challenge. Home activities and sports may also be counted. If you wish to have further information about the Premier's Be Active Challenge, you may wish to look at the website [www.pbac,sa,edu.au](http://www.pbac,sa,edu.au) or contact Sue Hage at the school.



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