FROM THE PRINCIPAL
I will be on Long Service Leave from Tuesday 12th – Friday 15th February. Please contact Dora, our school Deputy Principal, if you need during my absence.
Vicki

ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT
A reminder to all families about our school Acquaintance Night which is a further opportunity for teachers to communicate with families. Please come along and take part in the program.

This year our school Acquaintance Night will be held on Tuesday 19th February. Times are as follows:
5:30 – 6:00pm Years 6 – 7
6:00 – 6:30pm Years 3 – 5
6:30 – 7:00pm Reception – Year 2

Staff will be sending further details to families prior to their meetings. Families will also receive term overviews which outline the intended teaching and learning program for the term.

You are invited to come and hear about plans and expectations for the coming year and how you can best support your child at school. Take this opportunity to meet other parents.

Please note; Students are not expected at school during Acquaintance Meetings or the AGM. Staff is unavailable to supervise students.

GOVERNING COUNCIL AGM
The AGM for Governing Council will be held in the Library following the Early Years Acquaintance Night on Tuesday 19th February. It will begin at 7:15pm and conclude no later than 8pm followed by a short half hour Governing Council Meeting to appoint executive roles of Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Treasurer and Secretary, and to decide on sub committee meetings, dates and times.

Following the reports we will accept nominations, and vote if necessary, for new membership of Governing Council. Thank you to the parents who have already put in a nomination; we now have 6 nominations.

The Governing Council Constitution allows for 22 voting members overall, including the principal who has a proxy vote, two members of teaching staff and it leaves us with 18 other positions. Of these positions we have 7 definite vacancies, one re nomination for and one pending re- nomination. We can certainly take at least one more nomination without going to the voting stage. It would be great to see more parents of non-English speaking background or parents of our Aboriginal students become representatives of the community on Council.

Please see me if you would like more information about the commitment and role of Governing Council.

Nominations are to be in to Linda at reception no later than Friday 15th February.
Governing Council

PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS
Term 1 Meet and Greet Opportunity
Friday 15th February from 3.10pm to 4.10pm
Come join the parents of the P and F, and meet other new families in Yard A (just out the front of the Gym) on Friday 15th February, directly after school. Tea, coffee, cupcakes, ice blocks and biscuits will be available for a gold coin donation.

Everyone is welcome to come along and get to know others; children will be able to play on the JP playground whilst supervised by their parents, grandparents or carers. We would love to see you there!
Class Parent Representatives
During Acquaintance Night teachers will request nominations from parents who are willing to undertake the role of Class Parent Representative for 2013. An ‘induction’ meeting of Class Representatives will be held soon after Acquaintance Night. The Class Parent Rep has an important role that is highly valued at our school. Class Parent Reps have a range of responsibilities including:

- Welcoming new families to their child’s class and the school.
- Organise class social events e.g. class picnic/parent coffee morning.
- Assist Parents and Friends committee.
- Collect and distribute contact numbers of families in each class as agreed to formally by families in the form of class buzz lists.

Thank you to the parents of room 11 and 6 who have already nominated for the role of class representatives and class outings in room 11 have already occurred! Well done!

Buzz Class Lists
This year we are creating Buzz Lists for each classroom rather than a Buzz Book. The lists will make available the contact details of parents whose children are in the same class to make it easy for parents to coordinate play dates.

If you would like to have your contact details circulated amongst the families of your child’s/children’s class you will be asked to provide the details on Acquaintance Night. A pro forma will be circulated and the class representative’s role after the night will be to collate the information and email the information to those on the list.

Family Barefoot Bowls Night
Friday 22nd February
The Parents and Friends group invite you to a fun night of Family Bowls. This family friendly event is being held on Friday 22nd of February from 6.30-9.30pm at the Payneham Bowling Club.
Adult tickets are $25 and Children $15, this includes a meal; welcome drink and bowling. Tickets are limited to 200, so get in quick to secure your spot. Information

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• The Health Care Plan and Medication Authority must be completed by the prescribing health professional, clearly indicating the medication, dosage and times the medication is to be taken, then signed by the doctor and parent and is then stored in the First Aid Office.

Health Care Plans are only valid for a period of 12 months after the date signed by the doctor. Forms to update student medical records will be sent home with those students when required.

If your child has a medical issue that the school is not aware of, or no longer has a medical condition, please contact the First Aid Office for further information.

ASTHMA MANAGEMENT
As a school, we are currently reviewing our health support planning practices, including the management of asthma such as self management and storage of medicated puffers. In line with recommendations from health professionals regarding children's independence and self management, we are encouraging children of appropriate age and developmental ability (Years 3 - 7), to self manage their asthma including using their reliever medication as soon as symptoms develop.

What does self-management mean?
Students self-managing their asthma:
• Remember to bring their puffer to school clearly labelled with the original pharmacist label on the puffer. This is to ensure that if the puffer is misplaced we can identify who it belongs to and the correct dosage required.
• Keep their puffer handy at all times (this includes taking it on excursions)
• Learn to take responsibility for using their medication as directed by their doctor, e.g. before exercise
• Tell staff if they are having an asthma attack, even if they can manage it themselves. Staff need to know about the asthma attack in case it gets worse. Staff will continue to provide asthma emergency first aid as per their training.

When students self manage their asthma, families are responsible for monitoring the expiry dates on the medicated puffers.

What do I need to do if I want my child to independently self-manage his/her asthma at school?

Note: It is departmental policy that all students who self manage their asthma require an Asthma Care Plan that indicates their ability to do so.

Contact the school for an asthma care plan and medication authority and take it to your child’s doctor. Discuss with the doctor your child’s ability to self manage and have the forms completed accordingly.

Provide the school with the signed form. Discuss with your child his/her responsibilities regarding managing his/her asthma and provide them with a puffer. Puffers currently held by the school can be collected and provided to your child when returning the signed Asthma Care Plan and Medication Authority.

2013 MATERIALS AND SERVICES FEES
Next week families will be receiving invoices for the 2013 Materials and Services fees and the Excursion Levy, including the tax deductible Library and School Building Fund donations. Payments may be made in person at the Uniform Shop or credit card and cheque payments may be lodged in the payment box in the front office. Credit card payments may also be made over the phone. We are also in the process of including an online payment option through the school website. Watch this space to see when it is operational.

Uniform Shop opening hours are Monday - Thursday 8:30 – 9:15am and Tuesday 3:15 – 4:15pm.

SCHOOL CARD
School Card forms for the 2013 school year are available from the community noticeboard in the front office. A new form must be lodged each year. To be eligible for this term it needs to be returned to our school finance officer, Bron Hansbury by 15th February 2013.

SCHOOL CROSSING MONITORS
These students are the monitors on the school crossing for Week 3.

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UNIFORM SHOP 2013 OPENING HOURS
The uniform shop opening times in 2013 will be Monday to Thursday mornings from 8.30am – 9.15am. The Try and Buy session is held on TUESDAY afternoons from 3.15pm – 4.15pm.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
A whole school assembly will be held next Friday 15th February at 9.10am in the school gym. It will be hosted by the students in Room 2 and Room 5. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

STUDENT BANKING
BankSA has advised that student banking will now be collected on Tuesdays. Information packs for student banking are available from Linda in the front office.

KIDS’ PANTRY
Managers: Julie Hannah & Lisa Starkey
A reminder that the Term 1 price list was sent home with the newsletter last week and the list is also available on the school website. Please refer to this list for prices when ordering lunch for your child.

ITALIAN FLMD
Thank you to those students who have returned their permission slips to participate in Italian FLMD lessons. Lessons will commence in Week 4.

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ITALIAN NEWS

Carnevale
East Adelaide students and their families will have the opportunity to experience Italian language and culture in a fun and diverse environment by attending the Annual Carnevale Festival on Saturday and Sunday, 9th and 10th February at the Adelaide Showground.

Some of the attractions at the Festival will include: live performances by Italian interstate and local artists; regional food; exhibitions; fashion shows; motor shows; bocce games; kids corner (mask making, craft tables, colouring in competitions, story telling – and more!)

Ticket prices
Adults $15; Family pass (2 adults/2children) $30; children 5-15 yrs $8
HALF PRICE on Saturday morning.

Hoping to see you there!
Tonia D’Aloia, Grace Vottari
Teachers of Italian

COMMUNITY NEWS

Blue Light Disco
Adelaide Blue Light is organising a Blue Light Disco (Hawaiian theme) for children between the age of 8 to 16 years from 7 pm to 9.30pm on Friday 15th February 2012 at the Campbelltown Council Function Centre, 172 Montacute Road, Campbelltown. This is a lock in event and the cost per child is $5.

Wear your favourite Hawaiian shirts and win a prize for the best dressed.
Please contact 8172 5824 for more information.
Canteen facilities available, great giveaways and prizes. Police supervised locked in disco.

ROOM 17 & 18 CLASSROOM NEWS

The students of Rooms 17 and 18 have been spending the first two weeks of term getting to know each other and exploring the school values of: Respect, Responsibility, Resilience and Relationships.

Students have used a variety of methods including dramatic role play, group discussions, mind-mapping and creative posters to demonstrate their understanding of the school values.

The year 5 students have also been creating personality profiles as an activity to explore information about them personally and about their classmates.

As part of a team building exercise, the students engaged in group activities where they had to use physical and mental skills to problem solve.

The students have enjoyed getting to know each other over the past 2 weeks and we are all looking forward to working and learning together this year!

Melinda Westbrook and Lindy Kelvin

EAST ADELAIDE SCHOOL 2013/2014
GOVERNING COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

I __________________________________________________________________________

wish to nominate for East Adelaide School Governing Council.

Signed ______________________________________________________________________

Child’s Name: ___________________ Room No: __________

Please return nomination form to the school front office

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