**DIARY DATES**
Adelaide Planetarium – Rooms 17 and 18...............................................................Tuesday 26th March
Victor Harbor Aquatics Camp Year 6/7..............................................................Monday 25th March – Wednesday 27th March
K-R transition visit and parent meeting..............................................................8.50am – 12.00noon Thursday 28th March
Footsteps – Years 6/7.........................................................................................Thursday 28th March
Good Friday....................................................................................................Friday 29th March
Easter Monday...................................................................................................Monday 1st April
Sports Day..........................................................................................................Friday 12th April

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**MY SCHOOL WEBSITE**
Results of NAPLAN testing for all schools are now accessible on the My School Website and I encourage parents to take a look.

We are very proud of our results and as they compare to our like schools and local schools. We have analysed our results and set improvement targets through our site improvement planning. Please access our Annual Report now available on the school’s website for details of analysis and recommendations for improvement. Our site learning plans will also be posted on the website by the end of this term.

**HARMONY WEEK**
Classes have been very busy focusing on tasks that will enhance student understanding of unity amongst our school community. The theme has consolidated our term’s focus on building supportive learning communities in each classroom in order for rigorous learning to occur. I thank the parents who have been able to pop in and assist in classrooms over the week.

**PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS**
It is really pleasing to see that many parents have already made appointments with teachers to discuss their children’s progress over the next few weeks. I strongly encourage all parents and caregivers to make an appointment if they have not yet done so. I also remind parents that they can make an appointment at any time outside the formal interview process to discuss any issues related to their children’s progress with the teacher.

**WORKING BEE**
Dear families and friends,
Join us for a Sunday sausage sizzle and have some fun planting, pruning, weeding…

**When:** Sunday April 7 – 9.00am to 1.00pm

**Where:** Yard B Front Garden Beds

Bring along your gardening tools, gloves, spade, hoe, garden rake, pruning shears, wheel burrow…

The planting of the garden beds in front of the Administration Building is part of the first phase of our Landscape Masterplan followed by the Avenue of Trees and Sandpit. Refer to the Landscape Masterplan display in the foyer of the Administration Building.

If you are able to join us, please complete the reply slip attached to this newsletter and return via the front office.

**LANDSCAPE COMMUNITY FORUM**
A Landscape Community Forum is scheduled for Tuesday April 2 from 6.30-7.30pm in the East Adelaide School Staff Room.
Parents seeking information please come along with your questions for our WAX Design Consultants who will be sharing our landscape vision and projects.

**VACATION CARE PROGRAM**
The Vacation Care program will be available on line from the school website and hard copies from the OSHC office from next Monday the 25th of March. We will be accepting bookings from Tuesday the 2nd of April. For the first time families will have the option of emailing forms. This can be emailed to francine.schiller219@schools.sa.edu.au, but strictly after 7.30am. Bookings will fill up quickly!
WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
A whole school assembly will be held next Thursday 28 March at 2.30 pm in the school gym. It will be hosted by the specialist teachers. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

2013 ICAS TESTS
In 2013, the ICAS tests are available for students in years 3 – 7 in the following subjects:
• Science
• English
• Mathematics

These tests are not funded by the school. Parents wishing for their child to participate in any of these tests will need to complete an application form. Forms will be available from the Community Noticeboard in the school front office from Week 6. Entries with payment need to be submitted to the uniform shop during normal opening hours. The last date for entries is Thursday 4th April.

FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTERS
As of Term 2, the school newsletter will be published on a fortnightly basis. It will be produced on Fridays in odd weeks and on the last Friday of term.

ITALIAN PERFORMANCE
On Tuesday, 2nd April, East Adelaide students from Reception to Year 7 will be attending an Italian performance entitled “Time Warp Part II – Dammi il Cinque! (Give me five!) in the school Gym.

In 2011 our students saw “Time Warp Part I” and Claudia, the main character of the show, travelled through time to discover some of the different cultural traditions Italy has to offer. She went to Carnevale, met Pinocchio, spent time at the Colosseum and took part in the San Remo Music festival.

This year, Claudia discovers a new way to take herself back to Italy and continues her incredible adventure. From Juliet’s balcony to sightseeing in Pisa; visiting the ruins in Pompeii and discovering her inner Masterchef in Bologna. She struts her stuff on the catwalks in Milan and Claudia rediscovers the wonder that is Italy.....and so will our students.

This performance will also allow each child to interact with the main character in song and dance. BUON DIVERTIMENTO!!
Tonia D’Aloia, Grace Vottari
Teachers of Italian

2013 SCHOOL FEES
Invoices for the 2013 school fees were sent home earlier this term. Families are reminded that payment of the excursion levy is due by the end of term 1.

Payments may be made in person at the Uniform Shop Monday - Thursday 8.30 – 9.15am. 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.

2013 SCHOOL CARD
School Card forms for the 2013 school year are available from the community notice board in the front office. A new form must be filled out each year. Please return them to the school as soon as possible.

AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS
Summer Sports Presentation Night
Friday the 5th April is our Summer Sports Presentation night in the school gym. There will be a barbecue sizzle at 5.30pm, at a cost of $2.00 per sausage, as well as free drinks. The presentation will commence at 6.00pm and finish at approximately 7.00pm. There will also be prizes on the night and raffle tickets on sale for $1.00 per ticket or 3 tickets for $2.00. The night will be a celebration of all students’ and parents’ achievements in the summer season of Term 1.

SCHOOL CROSSING MONITORS
These students are the monitors for Week 9.

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HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION SESSIONS
The following High Schools are conducting information sessions for families of students who are entering Year 8 in 2014:
Marryatville HS – Thursday 4th April from 9.30 to 11.00am or 2.00 to 4.00pm
Charles Campbell College – Wednesday 8th May at 6.00pm
Norwood Morialta High School – Tuesday 14th May from 6.00pm to 8.00pm.
Families are requested to contact the schools for further information or bookings.

KIDS’ PANTRY
Roster Reminder:
Mon 25th Mar  J. Brown
Tues 26th Mar  G. Bakos
Wed 27th Mar  A. Latham
Thur 28th Mar  V. May, L. Hall,
              HELP NEEDED
Fri 29th Mar  GOOD FRIDAY
Mon 1st Apr    EASTER MONDAY

EAST ADELAIDE SCHOOL WORKING BEE
Name:
No. of adults attending:
No. of children:
Contact details:
Phone:
Email:

Please return reply slip to the front office
EAST ADELAIDE SCHOOL INCURSIONS

In Week 7 we had two fantastic performances at the school. The Reception to Year 3 students watched Junkfood Jim & the Flying Circus. This fun show taught the students about the importance of healthy eating and how to take care of our bodies.

The Year 4 and 5 classes viewed the production Matilda. This show retold the famous tale written by Roald Dahl and incorporated students, Joshua V who played ‘Maximillian’ and Lily K, who played ‘Primrose’. They did a wonderful job creating their characters prior to the show and integrated themselves seamlessly into the production.

It was fantastic to see all students engaged in the educational performances and demonstrate great audience skills. Well done everyone!

Larissa Maher
Performing Arts teacher

YEAR 1 ZOO EXCURSION

On the 15th of March our classes visited the zoo to learn about animals and their environments. We looked at similarities and differences between animals’ habitats and needs. We had lots of fun learning about the history of the buildings, and the natural environments.

Room 26 enjoyed the visit to the Education Centre where we got to touch animal skins, look at a real frog skeleton and pat a live frog! “It was slimy!” Students also loved watching the meerkats dig in their habitat. “They were really cute.”

The highlights for Room 25 included seeing Wang Wang and Funi, watching the monkeys swing through the trees and hearing the lion roar. Students also enjoyed being swooped by the macaw!

We would like to thank all of our wonderful parent helpers who gave up their time to come along with us on our excursion. The day would not have run as smoothly without your help.

Lauren Switala and Lucinda Pengilly
Room 25 and 26

Room 23 also visited the zoo and enjoyed seeing the pandas and learning about their environment.