**DIARY DATES**

Year 4 Orienteering ......................................................................................................................................... Monday 8th April
First day of Term 2 ......................................................................................................................................... Monday 29th April
Free Day – Term 2 ......................................................................................................................................... Monday 6th May

**REMININDERS**

Thursday 11th April - Casual Clothes Day, with gold coin donation for our foster children overseas
Friday 12th April - Sports Day at Patterson Sportsground, Felixstow
Friday 12th April - last day of term, students dismissed at 2.30pm

**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**NATIONAL ASSESSMENT PROGRAM LITERACY AND NUMERACY (NAPLAN)**

The NAPLAN will commence on Tuesday 14 May and conclude Thursday 16 May with Friday 17 May deemed as a catch up day for students who were absent from school on the previous days of testing. Day 1 test foci include language conventions and writing.

Day 2 test focus is Reading
Day 3 test focus is Numeracy

It is expected that all students in years 3, 5 and 7 will participate in the NAPLAN tests on each of the three days outlined above.

Parents of students with disabilities whose disability severely limits their capacity to participate may be exempted from sitting the tests. Parents are required to meet with the Principal before the end of term 1 to discuss their child’s individual situation. A formal request for exemption needs to be completed by parents and endorsed by the school.

Other students may be withdrawn from the testing program by parents after consideration by individual parents in consultation with the child’s teacher and principal. Withdrawals are intended to address issues such as religious beliefs and philosophical objections to testing.

Please note we strongly encourage full participation by all students however we encourage you to come in and meet with the class teacher and principal to discuss any concerns. Once again this needs to occur prior to the end of term 1 as a formal request for withdrawal needs to be completed by parents.

**VOLUNTEERING AT EAST ADELAIDE SCHOOL**

There are many ways parents can participate in school life including taking up active membership of committees such as:

- Parents and Friends
- After school sports
- Canteen
- OSHC
- Assets and Landscape

You certainly do not need to have any prior experience.

You may like to assist in the library or offer a hand in the canteen. You may like to volunteer in classrooms supporting learning programs, assist younger students to learn the skills of chess during a lunch time period, or you may have other skills and interests you would like to share.

I encourage parents and grandparents to come in and let us know if you have some time to give to our students and school. You could come in and see your child’s or grandchild’s teacher or pop into the reception area and see one of the leadership team.

A police clearance will need to be completed and as of next term we will be facilitating volunteer training that all volunteers need to attend by the end of 2013. The first training session will be held on Thursday 9 May 9am to approximately 10.30am. Another session for those that cannot make the first will be Wednesday 26 June at 3.30pm to approximately 5pm.

More information will be presented in the first newsletter in term 2 along with the dates on our term calendar.

As a leadership team we look forward to seeing the partnership with you grow.

Vicki
WORKING BEE

Don’t forget our working bee is on this Sunday April 7 from 9.00am to 1.00pm (daylight saving ends). We aim to plant trees and shrubs in the garden beds outside the administration building.
Bring along your gardening tools and gloves and join us for a BBQ lunch.

If you are attending, and have not already advised the school, please send an email as soon as possible to dora.iuliano627@schools.sa.edu.au to assist with catering.

LANDSCAPE COMMUNITY FORUM

Amanda Balmer from WAX Design attended Tuesday evening’s community forum and explained to a small parent group how the natural play theme was incorporated into the landscape master plan. She responded to queries relating to the new proposed sandpit and highlighted the community’s preference for explorative natural play and new equipment following last year’s consultation feedback. The landscape master plan is a flexible plan which will be continually adapted to suit our needs. If you have not already seen the plan, please refer to our school website or drop in to the front office foyer and have a look at the information. Amanda will provide a detailed sandpit plan which will be available for viewing in the near future.
The existing tree in the proposed sand pit area in Yard A will remain to provide natural shade for the sandpit, water play, deck platform, stepping stones and a Fibonacci balancing beam set amongst plantings and additional Casuarina trees. This area will provide a creative outdoor learning area for students of all ages.
An assessment of the existing playground equipment is being undertaken as well as pricing for new playground structures. Projects have been prioritised this year to include the garden beds outside the Administration building; the sandpit; and providing shade and a produce garden in the paved area in Yard A.
We value people’s questions, suggestions and support to promote our landscape vision and we appreciate the hard work of our Landscape Committee members and working bees to action our plans.
If you have any further issues please contact Dora.

SPORTS EXPO

The Sports Expo is being held next Friday 12th April at Patterson Sportsground, corner of OG Road and Payneham Road, Felixstow. Information and consent forms have been sent home with students this week. Please return consent forms to your child’s teacher by Tuesday 9th April.

Canteen order forms and money needs to be returned to the canteen by 10.00am Tuesday 9th April. Due to catering requirements, no late orders will be accepted.

We hope to see many parents and carers joining us for the day.

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

A whole school assembly will be held next Thursday 11th April at 9.10am in the school gym. It will be hosted by the school ambassadors. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

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.

SA PUBLIC TEACHING AWARDS

Nominations are now open for the 2013 SA Public Teaching Awards. Don’t miss your chance to nominate an outstanding educational professional of the South Australian public education system.

The SA Public Teaching Awards aim to recognise and reward dedicated teachers, education leaders and support staff who have made an inspirational contribution to young South Australians.

To nominate a member of your school go to: www.decd.sa.gov.au/teachingawards

Like us on facebook and follow the progress of the awards: www.facebook.com/SATeachingAwards

Nominations close 5pm Monday 13 May 2013.

For further information contact Virginia Barter on 08 8226 3079 or email virginia.barter@sa.gov.au

2014 ENROLMENTS

In 2014 the Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) is introducing the single intake for children commencing school in Reception.

Children who turn 5 by 30th April 2014 will start school in January 2014. Children who turn 5 on or after 1st May 2014 will begin school in January 2015.

If your child is due to commence school in January 2014, please contact Linda in the school front office to arrange completion of an enrolment form at your earliest convenience.

COMMENCING PRESCHOOL

A message from your local Preschool Director

As you may already be aware, there is only one intake for preschool in 2014. If your child turns 4 before 1st May 2014, they can begin kindergarten in Term 1, 2014.

Please enrol your child at your local preschool as soon as possible to ensure their position.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

The 2013 Entertainment Book will be available for purchase through the school uniform shop from next term. Books cost $65 with $13 from each book going towards school fundraising.
The book contains great 2- for -1 offers and you can save up to 50% with some vouchers.
See Robina in the uniform shop if you have any queries.
SCHOOL CROSSING MONITORS
These students are the monitors for Week 11.

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KIDS’ PANTRY
Managers: Julie Hannah & Lisa Starkey

Roster Reminder:
Mon 8th Apr  M. McKay, T. McNeill
Tues 9th Apr  A. Smedley
Wed 10th Apr  A. Latham
Thur 11th Apr  L. Thornley, R. Lloyd
Fri 12th Apr  C. Starr, M. Plant, R. Johnson, S. Webb

and Sports Day Volunteers

Some stocks are now getting low as we near the end of term. Alternatives will be provided where possible or refunds will be given.

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who have helped in the canteen this term. We always welcome any new parents/caregivers who would like to join us in the canteen so please give us a call on 8362 5221 if you are able to help out anytime.

ORIENTEERING
Come and try orienteering this Saturday, 6th April in Rymill Park. There will be three courses (easy and moderate) from about 1.5 - 3.0km available in the pleasant park environment of Rymill Park. Starting times will be from 1:30 – 3:00 pm. The start will be north of the Kiosk.

Helpers will be on hand to assist newcomers to orienteering. Entry fees are $10.00 per adult and $6.00 per child. The courses can be navigated as an individual or as a group.

Do your shopping then come and have a picnic lunch followed by a jaunt around Rymill Park. There is a barbecue near the start. We recommended parking on Bartels Road.

Contact Peter Kreminski 8379 1354 or 0414 810 058 for further information.

The next event is on Sunday the 7th of April with the start area on the Cudmore Terrace side of the Ada Ryan Gardens adjacent to the tennis courts. Competitors can start their course anytime between 11am and 1:30pm and enjoy a gentle wander or a fast run around the area. This is a great activity for families, and new participants are most welcome. Coaching is available; please just ask at the O van.

A BBQ plate will be available to cook your ‘BYO everything’ lunch, so bring a chair and enjoy the pleasant surroundings of the gardens. Remember a hat, sunscreen and good walking shoes and if you have any queries, please phone Tonia on 0427 001 797, or Google ‘Saltbush Orienteers’.

ROAD RULES
Unfortunately some families are not taking notice of the road rules around our school. We would like to remind families of the following information:

Parking Zones around the school are put in place to ensure pedestrian safety. Children are in particular danger near school because:

- Their small size makes it hard for drivers to see them between traffic, parked cars, stobie poles and other obstacles.
- They are easily distracted and may not be aware of traffic.
- They may suddenly run onto the road – eg to meet a parent.

Some road rules particularly need to be aware of are:

- You must not stop in a NO STOPPING zone, even for a few seconds to pick up you child.
- You may stop in a NO PARKING zone for a few seconds to pick up a child who is waiting nearby. You must not park or leave the vehicle.
- You must not double park, or stop in the line of traffic, to pick up or drop off your child.
- You must not stop with 20 metres before a crossing or 10 metres after a crossing.
- You must not stop within 10 metres of an intersection or junction without traffic lights.
- Vehicles parked illegally will be fined.

If you have any queries regarding these road rules, please contact the Norwood, Payneham and St Peters Council on 8366 4555.

COMMUNITY NEWS
Female Youth State Squad Cricket Selection Trials
SAPSASA
School Sport Australia age eligibility for primary school aged championships is 12 years and under in the year of competition and a minimum of 10 years of age in the year of competition. Trials are held on Sunday 21 April 2013, 10:00am – 12noon and Monday 22 April 2013, 10:00am – 12noon

Under 15
Players are to be under 15 years of age on 31 August 2013. Therefore any player born on or after 1 September 1998 is eligible to play. Trials held on Wednesday 10 April 2013, 5:00pm – 6:00pm

Under 18
Players are to be under 18 years of age on 31 August 2013. Therefore any player born on or after 1 September 1995 is eligible to play. Trials held on Wednesday 10 April 2013, 6:15pm – 7:15pm

Players are requested to register their attendance with Ben Arthur via email barthur@saca.com.au or contact 0420 361 833, indicating the relevant age group. All sessions will be held at the Gillespie Indoor Training Centre (23 James Congdon Drive, Thebarton). Players are requested to wear their club training uniform, and to bring all their equipment.
In Week 9 the Middle Years group experienced a successful camp at the Salvation Army camp site ‘Red Shields’ Encounter Bay. A focus for the camp was the Aquatics programme that was well organized and thoroughly enjoyed by all students. Children were able to develop surfing skills at Middleton Beach whilst other activities were held at Port Elliot. At Horseshoe Bay, they experienced ‘Body Boarding’, ‘Safety Skills’ and ‘Beach Games’. Wednesday morning a variety of activities were offered. The planned walk to the ‘Bluff’ was cancelled because of inclement weather. Nevertheless a group of children were able to enjoy a beach walk and others stayed indoors, playing board games, watching videos and playing indoor table tennis and cricket. On behalf of the Middle Years team, we wish to thank Wendy Jeffrey for coordinating the aquatic programme.

“The Year 6/7 classes went to Victor Harbor for our aquatics camp. We enjoyed many activities, such as body boarding and surfing at Middleton Beach and survival skills, beach activities and body boarding at Horseshoe Bay. Overall we thought the camp was fun and extremely successful.” Millie and Lillianna
GIVE SOCCER A GO!

DREAMSTART SOCCER ACADEMIES
gives the opportunity to girls and boys from Reception to Year 3 to join our fun soccer program at East Adelaide School. This flexible program and experienced coaching staff will introduce students to important concepts and teach correct technique enhancing their ability as young soccer players.

- Small groups to concentrate on drills and game scenarios – Ratio 1 coach for 6 to 8 children maximising player involvement and individual attention.
- Gives young players the opportunity to work within a team environment – builds their self esteem and confidence.

TIME – 3.15pm – 4.15pm (straight after school) Monday afternoons – Barry Messner Park
COST - $115.00 inc. GST

To register and be part of a fantastic fun soccer program,

ENROL ONLINE : www.dreamstartsocceracademies.com.au

Mobile: Ernie Luongo 0413685078 (Director)
Email: dreamstart@optusnet.com.au
P.O. Box 456 Walkerville, 5081 S.A.

Please feel free to ring or email Ernie Luongo with any queries.
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