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**PRINCIPAL:** VICKI STRAVINSKI  
**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL:** DORA IULIANO  
**SENIOR LEADER:** LUCIA BALDINO  
**GOVERNING COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON:** TROY THOMSON

**IMPORTANT DATES**

**TERM 1 WEEK 5 FRIDAY 28th FEBRUARY 2014**

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Rooms 6, 23, 25, 26, 17 & 18 |
| Tues 4th Mar | SAPSASA District Swimming |
| Thurs 6th Mar | Odeon Theatre Rooms 9, 10 |

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**FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

**PLEASE DON’T FORGET THE PUPIL FREE DAY ON FRIDAY 7TH MARCH**

**PARENT/TEACHER INTERVIEWS**

Parent /Teacher interviews are a vital avenue for staff to report student achievement thus far and for both parties to raise concerns they may have about a student’s progress. Your child’s teacher has by now sent you information about their interview process and an appointment booking sheet for you to complete with your preferred meeting times. Interviews will be held across a three week period to support staff and parents to find convenient times to meet, with one late night on Wednesday 12th March. If you have not already made a time with teachers please do so as soon as possible.

Please also remember that you are encouraged to call a meeting with your child’s teacher at any time throughout the year to discuss your child’s progress, particularly if you have concerns. I know that in the past staff have made contact with families when they have had concerns and will continue to do so.

**LIBRARY AND BUILDING FUNDS**

These two funds are tax deductible for families. Currently we have:

- $19,203 in the library fund
- $44,268.87 in the building fund

Both funds were established in the 1990s to support the school community to acquire additional funds for specific purposes.

The building fund can be used to refurbish the interior or exterior of buildings, including landscaping. The library fund can be used to purchase IT equipment to increase the access for students and to increase student engagement with 21st century learning tools.

These funds generate approximately $5,000/year/fund. In consultation with others the asset and finance advisory subcommittees submit recommendations of expenditure, based on the needs of the school and our school priorities, to Governing Council whose role it is to make the decisions on behalf of the community.

In 2013 Governing Council approved the expenditure of approximately $40,000 from the building fund on the refurbishment of the Dawson Building (double storey) with new carpets, painting and tiling along with supporting the completion of the outdoor learning area (sandpit). Approximately $20,000 from the library fund was used to purchase 60 Microsoft Surface RTs devices.

Regards  
Vicki

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Phone: 8362 1622  
Fax: 8362 0078  
Absentee Line: 8362 4164  
Email: dl.1036.info@schools.sa.edu.au  
Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) Website: http://www.decd.sa.gov.au
GOVERNING COUNCIL UPDATE

The Annual Report has now been uploaded onto the school website for parents to access. You are also able to access a hard copy of the Annual Report and the Governing Council subcommittee reports presented at the AGM from the parent notice board in the school’s reception area.

Term 1 Sub Committees meeting dates
- Canteen: 2.15pm Wednesday 12th March
- Finance: 8.00am Wednesday 12th March
- Education: 6.30pm Tuesday 4th March
- Asset/Landscape: 8.00am Tuesday 5th March
- After School Sports: 8.00am Thursday 13th March
- OSHC: 6.30pm Monday 23rd March
- P&F: 6.30pm Tuesday 18th March

Governing Council Meeting is on Tuesday 18th March at 7.00pm.

2015 ENROLMENTS

This year the Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) introduced the single intake for children commencing school in Reception.

If your child is turning 5 on or after 1st May 2014 they are due to commence school in January 2015.

If you have not already enrolled your child, please contact Linda in the school front office to arrange completion of an enrolment form at your earliest convenience.

2014 ICAS TESTS

In 2014, the ICAS tests are available for students in years 3 – 7 in the following subjects:
- Science
- English
- Mathematics
- Spelling

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 are available from the Community Noticeboard in the front office. Entries with payment need to be submitted to the uniform shop during normal opening hours. The last date for entries is Friday 4th April.

VOLUNTEERING IN OUR SCHOOL

We value parents, grandparents and community members who are prepared to volunteer as classroom helpers, on committees or as coaches in the After School Sport Programme. The DECD Volunteering policy requires volunteers to have a Child-related Employment Screening through the Department for Communities and Social Inclusion (DCSI). Only the DCSI screening is acceptable and forms are available from Linda in the front office.

Volunteers are also required to attend a RAN (Reporting, Abuse and Neglect) and volunteers training. The final training session in term 1 is Thurs 13th Mar at 3.30pm. Please email Linda if you would like to attend linda.fehlandt511@schools.sa.edu.au

All of these expectations are aimed at keeping our children safe.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND THE AUSTRALIAN CURRICULUM (AC)

R-7 teachers are working collaboratively in learning teams with support from our AC Coordinator, Ann Brown to become familiar with online resources, learning design and planning with a focus on integrating ICT capabilities and critical and creative thinking across learning areas.

Working in partnership with Trinity Gardens Primary School we will be exploring ‘Powerful Learners’ on our Pupil Free Day on Friday 7 March.

Staff Meetings and Professional Learning teams are forums for staff to reflect and build on their curriculum and pedagogy to personalise student learning. Some strategies to personalise and connect learning include getting to know the student and how they learn, build on learners’ understandings and make relevant connections to students’ lives and aspirations.

Dora Iuliano
Deputy Principal

ASSET AND LANDSCAPE NEWS

The outdoor natural sandpit area in Yard A should be completed with wooden structures and a sandpit cover by the end of this term.

The OSHC building is nearing completion ready for occupancy on Friday 7 March followed by the demolition of the transportable buildings. The area under this building will be paved as there is soil contamination.

A risk assessment of playground equipment in yard B has been conducted and consequently some play structures will be removed. Newer and safer R-7 play equipment placed under the natural shade of trees will be planned and budgeted for in the future as per our Landscape Masterplan.

Dora Iuliano
On behalf of Asset and Landscape Committee

PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT ASBESTOS REMOVAL WILL TAKE PLACE AT OUR SCHOOL ON SUNDAY 9 MARCH SO NO-ONE IS PERMITTED ON SITE.
RIDE TO SCHOOL DAY
The National Ride to School Day is on Wednesday 19th March. Please encourage your child/children to ride to school on that day to support a healthy lifestyle and promote bike safety.

DEBATING – YEAR 6/7
Does your year 6/7 child wish to try debating this year? We are entering 1 team in the Debating SA schools competition, with 5 debates held during term 2 and 3 at Pulteney Grammar school on Tuesday evenings from 6:40pm. Please contact me via email if you would like your child to have this opportunity. Wendy.Jeffrey429@schools.sa.edu.au

WHOLE SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
The week 7 assembly has been moved to Week 8 and will be held on Friday 21st March to celebrate Harmony Week. It will be hosted by the students in Rooms 3 and 7. Parents and caregivers are welcome to attend.

SA EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC EDUCATION AWARDS
Nominations are now open for the 2014 SA Excellence in Public Education Awards. Don’t miss your chance to nominate an outstanding education professional, care or child protection worker within DECD to recognise and reward their dedicated and inspirational contribution to young South Australians.
To nominate an employee at your school, preschool or corporate office, go to www.decd.sa.gov.au/teachingawards
Nominations close 5pm Thursday 10th April. For further information contact the Awards team on 8226 3079 or email DECD.Recognition@sa.gov.au

SCHOOL CROSSING MONITORS
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KIDS’ PANTRY
Managers: Julie Hannah & Lisa Starkey
Roster Reminder:

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DECD GREATSTART WEBSITE
An excellent new resource has been developed for parents to help give their young children a great start in their learning and development. The GreatStart website www.greatstart.sa.edu.au has been developed as part of the DECD Numeracy and Literacy Strategy to provide ideas and activities for parents to develop their children’s early numeracy and literacy skills.

COMMUNITY NEWS
Magill Road Alive Street Market
The City of Norwood Payneham and St Peters is once again hosting the Magill Road Alive Street Market on Sunday 16th March from 11.00am – 4.00pm along Magill Road and in Richards Park.

This unique community event and family fun day gives people the opportunity to explore and discover the wonders of Magill Road, with a range of eclectic market stalls featuring everything from antiques and art, home wares and lifestyle products, books, accessories, collectables and much more.
Children’s entertainment includes face painting, craft activities, giant games, a bouncy castle and roving entertainers.

Drainage Network – Payneham Road
The City of Norwood Payneham & St Peters Capital Works Program will commence work on a new drainage network in our area. This work will commence in early March and sections of First Avenue and Westminster Street will be closed to through traffic during these works. For further information, contact Matthew Kildea on 8366 4516 or email mkildea@npsp.sa.gov.au

Foster Care – Anglicare SA
Have you ever thought of being a foster carer? Foster carers are needed to provide overnight emergency, long-term, short-term and respite care. Free training and ongoing professional support (including 24-hour assistance) is provided. For more information, or to book into one of our information sessions, please call Linda on 8131 3456.

SA Chamber of Mines and Energy 2014 Treasure Hunt – Wednesday 16th April, 10.00am
The South Australian Chamber of Mines and Energy (SACOME) is celebrating the 6th year of its annual mineral resources Treasure Hunt. We will be rocking things up with interactive rock music sensation Rock Chick, who will be making a guest appearance!
The Treasure Hunt is a FREE interactive discovery trail for primary school children (age 8-10) and their parents. This year prepare to be wowed in our inflatable star dome, where you will learn where elements come from. Then delve deep into a 3D world under the earth’s crust in the Santos Petroleum Engineering 3D suite. Junior Explorers will have to seek out the answers to come cryptic clues!

Bring along your picnic lunch and rug to enjoy the outdoors Rock Chick concert on the Barr Smith Lawns at the conclusion of the hunt.

Bookings essential at http://sacomettreasurehunt2014.eventbrite.com or phone 8202 9999

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Konnective is a mobile app solution that will allow us to communicate with you, our parents, straight to your smartphone. We will be sending news, events, photos and more so that you can be even more connected with your children’s activities and events at the school. Using the Konnective app, you can add events directly to your phone’s calendar, set reminders for things you need to do and receive important alerts (similar to a text message) as soon as they are released.

Via the app, we can send communication to specific groups, so you will receive information specific to your child’s class as well as general news, events and updates that will go to everyone. This will extend and enhance our existing communications including the school newsletter and website.

For those without a smartphone there is a web mobile version as well as a website version. Once we launch we will provide you with further instructions on how to download the Konnective app and connect to our school.

The Norwood Morialta High School Open Night-Tuesday 1 April

- Tours,
- Demonstrations,
- Displays
- ‘Meet the Principal’

The Norwood Morialta High School Open Night of the Middle Campus on Morialta Road West Rostrevor will be held on Tuesday 1 April from 5.00pm until 7.00pm, so that prospective parents may gain an understanding of the types of programs that our school offers.
**PARENTS AND FRIENDS NEWS**

**Kytons Easter Fundraiser**
The Parents & Friends Committee will be holding an Easter fundraiser with Hot Cross buns and lamingtons from Kytons Bakery. Please keep an eye out for order forms which will be sent home with children soon. Orders will be required by Tuesday 25th March for delivery on Thursday 3rd April.

**Movie Screening - The Lego Movie**

The Parents and Friends committee is pleased to present an exclusive, private screening of The Lego Movie at The Regal Theatre (old Chelsea Cinema), 275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park, for the friends and families of East Adelaide School.

It will be held on Sunday 6th April. Doors open at 10.30am. Film commences at 11.00am sharp.

Tickets are just $10 each (adult or child), or for $15 your ticket will include a bag of lollies and a bottle of water.

Please complete the form below and return it together with the ticket money to the front office by Friday 28th of March.

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**East Adelaide School**

**The Lego Movie**

Child’s Name: ................................................................. Room No: .................

No. of $15 Tickets: ..............................................

No. of $10 Tickets: ..............................................

Total cash enclosed: $.................................

_Please return money and slips to the Front Office by Friday 28th March_
Activating Prior Knowledge in our Study of the Solar System

One of the goals of learning is to incorporate new information into pre-existing memory and understandings. The role of prior knowledge activities, therefore, is to help discern what students already know about a topic as well as identify any misconceptions they may have.

The Year 5 students of Rooms 20, 21 & 22 have participated in both individual and group prior knowledge activities about the Solar System this term. All classes have embarked on an exploration to find out what they already know, what their peers know while determining what remains to be discovered!

All Year 5 students were asked a range of questions including:

- What does the solar system consist of?
- What is the relationship between the Sun and the planets in the solar system?
- How did the solar system form?

Below is an example of student’s brainstorming about these questions:

### Bringing it down to scale

The Year 5 students have participated in a variety of activities over the past few weeks involving bringing the solar system down to a scale that is more easily comprehensible. Using the scale of 100 million times smaller, the Year 5 students plotted the solar system on a map of Adelaide and surrounds.

Using the same scale, students were assigned a planet to research and construct a 2D version. They soon realized how different the sizes of the planets are compared to each other.

Later this term, all Year 5 classes will be going on an excursion to the Adelaide Planetarium at UNISA to further explore the many wonders of our Solar System.

*Lindy Kelvin*