From the Principal

This is our final newsletter for the 2015 school year. It has been an extremely rewarding year with a number of highlights including: the fun run, the completion of the Performing Arts room, the increased Be Active structured play outdoors during recess and lunch, the natural play for the early years, the continuing high achievement of EAS students, our second entry into Tournament of the Minds, our 20th win of the State Orienteering championship, our successful young sportspeople and accomplished musicians are but just a few.

We have continued to work on our craft to be the best we can be and to improve student learning outcomes. We have furthered our journey in exploring quality learning through Powerful Learning and Intellectual Stretch. All these achievements and efforts would not have been possible if it weren’t for the dedication and commitment of the staff and the support and belief of our parent community.

I take this opportunity to thank; parents and caregivers, the governing council, volunteers, students and staff for a successful 2015 and look forward to a continued consultative partnership in 2016.

The results of the Materials and Services Fee Poll supported the decision to increase our school fees to $375 per year, which will now be legally recoverable if the need arises. Invoices will be sent home by the end of the third week of term 1.

Letters advising class placements for Reception students in 2016 will be sent home in January.

Term 1 2016 commences Monday 1 February.

$207.50 was raised today from casual day. This money will go to our sponsored children overseas.

On behalf of the staff, I wish students and families a safe and Merry Christmas.

Vicki Stravinski

Dates to Remember

Monday 1 February at 9.00am
Welcome Morning Tea for new EAS families

Friday 5 February at 9.10am
Assembly

2016 Term Dates

Term 1
1 February – 15 April

Term 2
2 May – 8 July

Term 3
25 July – 30 September

Term 4
17 October – 16 December
Staff 2016
Principal Vicki Stravinski
Deputy Principal Kate Martin
Senior Leader Lucia Baldino
Curriculum Coordinator Belinda Robertson
Student Well-being / School Counsellor Lee Hayes

The Vines
Room 1 R Natalie Merino (Term 1)
2 R Heather Douglas
3 R Jasmine Gerace
4 Blue R Andrea Vigare
4 White R Jo Cardone / Anita Matern

Heysen Building
Room 5 1 Vicki Angel / Lisa Groote
6 1 Adriana Mezic
7 1 Julie Day
8 1 Lee Hayes / Lisa Groote
9 3 Dagmar Bevan
10 3 Lucinda Pengilly

Dawson Building (downstairs)
Room 11 4 Belinda Altschwager
12 4 Brad Hoare
13 4 Mark Vigare
14 2 Adriana Sougleris
15 2 Georgina Sarantaugas
16 1/2 Peti Foumakis / Tonia D’Aloia

Dawson Building (upstairs)
Room 17 6/7 Androulla Vagnoni
18 6/7 Lindy Kelvin
20 5/6 Adele Sfyrios
21 5 Belinda Robertson
22 5 Lyndsey Gilmore
23 5 Wendy Jeffrey

Bannon Building
Room 24 2 Kylie Kelly
28 6/7 Sam Hutton / Ali Kimber
(formerly computer suite)

Transportables
Room 25 3 Tanya Kay
26 3 Tracey Merchant

Room 27 6/7 Matt Jessett
(formerly language room)

OSHC
Italian Tonia D’Aloia / Grace Vottari
Teacher Librarian Andrea Tuck
P.E. Aldo Perilli
Performing Arts Larissa Maher
EALD Vicki Ford / Deanne Stephanos
Mandarin (FLMD) Chunghuei Johnson
Punjabi (FLMD) To be confirmed

2015 Staff Farewells
We farewell and thank the following staff who have contributed to the learning programs across the school and at particular year levels:

Eric Kiploks Liz Watkins
Sophie Molyneux Pip Souter
Anella DiBiase Vicky Zappia
Dora Iuliano Justine Smythe
Vicki Cardone Cath McPhillips

We wish Eric Kiploks and Liz Watkins a very happy retirement. Liz is retiring after over 40 years of service as both a teacher and leader across DECD schools. Her passion for teaching children across a range of year levels has been a key feature of her work in our schools.

Eric is retiring after 40 years of service as a teacher, many of those spent at East Adelaide School. His commitment for teaching, particularly a strong emphasis in Physical Education and SAPSASA, has been a feature of his work at EAS and in other schools.

Message from Dora Iuliano
Dear students, staff, parents and the school community
I wanted to thank you all for the wonderful four years at East Adelaide School in my role as Deputy Principal. It has been a privilege working with Vicki, the leadership team, staff, OSHC and Canteen personnel, Governing Council and their sub-committees to collaboratively drive improvements at our site. I will miss our terrific children and their families and I will treasure the relationships that we have developed. The lessons learnt at EAS will be of value in my Principal role at Thorndon Park Primary School.

Warm wishes,
Dora Iuliano

Uniform Shop Holiday Opening Hours
The uniform shop will be open prior to school commencing in 2016 during the following times:

- Monday 25 January 8.30am – 10.30am
- Wednesday 27 January 2.00pm – 4.30pm
- Thursday 28 January 11.00am – 2.00pm
- Friday 29 January 2.00pm – 4.00pm

The regular opening times in 2016 will be:

- Monday to Thursday 8:30am – 9:15am

The Try and Buy session will be:

- Tuesday afternoons from 3:15pm – 4:15pm.

Unfortunately, Summer dress stock will be delayed until mid term 1.

We welcome donations of any good quality second hand uniforms, at any time.
**News from Parents and Friends**

The recent Fun Run was our major fundraiser for this year, which well and truly exceeded our expectations of what it could raise. I am very proud and excited to say it has raised over $13,500. Our highest sponsorship winner was in Reception and raised $306, making him the recipient of the ‘Fit Bit’ prize - Well done, Samuel G! There were 3 other children who raised significant amounts and were presented with a double movie pass - Sammy H ($230), Chloe B ($225) and Madison B ($185).


Room 11 was the classroom who raised the most sponsorship money ($895.20 - AWESOME JOB, Room 11!) and they enjoyed a lovely lunch, prepared and served by the P&F Committee members, as their reward.

Also, a special mention for Room 22. They returned the most forms of any class; and they raised the third highest amount ($834.30).

Many thanks to all involved in this process - to the ladies in the office for helping with the paperwork and for counting all the money, to all the volunteers, the teachers, sports committee, and to Todd & Justine for making the morning with their music and sound system.

**Rooms 7 and 8 getting in the Christmas spirit!**

A big thank you to the Sos family for donating the delicious cupcake ingredients.

**Years 5, 6, 7 BYOD Initiative 2015-2016**

**Bring your own ‘ACER or HP Device’**

Dear Year 4, 5 and 6 students’ parents/carers,

Your child has the opportunity to have their own ACER or HP personal digital device at school and at home to complement existing shared devices at the site. The information and BYOD agreement was sent home this week.

The school is working with IP Partners and their IT technicians to support this initiative.

Specifications and purchasing instructions for these devices are available on the website: EAS.IPPartners.com.au

We thank you for your support, feedback and involvement in this initiative.

Useful Cyber safety sites for parents
- www.thinkuknow.org.au
- Cybersmart
- Staysmartonline
- ACORN—Australian Cybercrime Online Reporting Network

For more information please contact Illia or Jodie on 7200 6080 or email isotiropoulos@ippartners.com.au or jspence@ippartners.com.au
**Road Crossing Monitors 2016**

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**Wellbeing at East Adelaide School**

**Parent Information Evening Term 1, Thursday 25 February 2016**

Please pop the above date in your diary for Bill Hansberry’s talk on ‘Raising Beau Kids’. This will be the Thursday night of week 4 and the session will run from 7:00-8:30pm. Information about how to register for this event will be placed in the school newsletter closer to the date. I hope to see you all there.

**Kimochis**

Some classes have been using small feelings characters to develop their emotional vocabulary. The Kimochis encourage children to reflect on their current mood and why they are feeling the way they feel. If you would like to learn more, please visit: [http://www.kimochis.com.au/](http://www.kimochis.com.au/)

**Have You Filled Your Bucket Today?**

You might have heard your child talking about how full or empty their ‘bucket’ is on a daily basis. They are actually referring to how good or bad they feel. Many classes have shared the text: ‘Have You Filled Your Bucket Today?’ This resource suggests ways to ‘fill up your bucket’ as well as those around you. There are a number of free online resources available at: [http://www.bucketfillers101.com/](http://www.bucketfillers101.com/)

**Student Well-being / School Counsellor**

Fortunately, I have been lucky enough to be able to continue in my role for 2016. I look forward to working with classes and their teachers in term 1 to set-up a successful year of learning.

Lee Hayes  
Student Well-being / School Counsellor  
lee.hayes750@schools.sa.edu.au

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**After School Sport**

**The Year 2/3 Blue Cricket Team** braved the hot weather on the weekend and played an unbelievable game of cricket. The team was able to make its highest ever score of 85, with the loss of only 1 wicket. That is an amazing job by these young cricketers, and by far their best performance for the season. Coach **Stuart** is so proud of how much they have improved throughout the season. Well done to the Year 2/3 Blue Cricket Team.

**The Primary Red Netball Team** played a great game over the weekend. Coach **Louise** would like to thank **Sophie** and **Georgia** who filled in for some of the girls who were exhausted from school camp. It was a close exciting game, but the EAS girls managed to stay on top and win the game.

Massive congratulations to all the students who participated in After School Sports in 2015. This year has been a great year for all sports, and I am very proud of how EAS students have represented our school at competitions and trainings.

A big thank you to all the coaches, team managers, scorers and umpires throughout the year. Without your support we would not have the success we do in providing the Sports Programme to our students. Your help is invaluable and we appreciate everything you do.

Now on to 2016 where we will continue the growth of After School Sports, and continue to offer a variety of sports that cater to a wide range of student interests.

I hope you all have a happy and safe Christmas, and a wonderful new year. See you all next year for another fantastic year of After School Sports.

**Catherine Natale**  
After School Sports Coordinator  
Catherine.Natale738@schools.sa.edu.au  
Monday / Wednesday / Friday

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**News from Reconciliation Working Group**

The Reconciliation Working group would like to thank everyone for their generosity towards the toy drive. The quality and quantity of toys was great. The pictures represent about half of what was donated. Another load was taken earlier. Because we had so many toys, they will be sent to Coober Pedy, Oodnadatta and a residential care facility for Aboriginal children in foster care. Thanks again and all the best for the holidays.
News from Pastoral Support

Happy Holidays!
What an amazing term we have had here at East Adelaide School. Term 4 has flown by, but I have loved working with you all and will definitely miss seeing your happy faces every day.

A highlight for me this term was definitely the Christmas Program which was offered to the Junior Primary students; we had such a fun day and I am sure your craft activity will look gorgeous hanging on your Christmas tree this year. Thank you for coming along and making it the success that it was.

I have also had the opportunity to attend some camps and excursions this term which was really rewarding and I loved being able to join in on the excitement of those events. I have managed to spend more time outside with our students this term which has been amazing, and I am looking forward to keeping those lunchtime activities going in the New Year.

For our year 7 students who are about to embark on a new journey, I want to wish you all the best. High school is such a fun experience, and I just know that you will excel in all that you do. We are always here for you if you need us. Please let me know if you would like me to put you in touch with the Pastoral Care Worker at your new school as we want to support you through this journey.

I wish everyone a safe and happy holiday season, and I hope that the time you spend with friends and family refreshes you and provides many opportunities for fun and laughter together. If you would like some information about school holiday programs or where to go for assistance over the break, feel free to send me an email at Amy.Willcocks430@schools.sa.edu.au I will be checking this regularly over the holidays.

Have a very Merry Christmas everyone - looking forward to seeing your fresh faces at the start of Term 1 2016!

Amy
Pastoral Care Worker

Term 4 | Musical Evening

On Wednesday 2 of December we had our term 4 Musical Evening. It was a great evening full of our school's musical talent. We would like to congratulate all the children that performed. We would like to thank Dora for opening the night and all the music tutors, Michael, Sandi, Jasper, Casey, Jean, Anthony, Jakob, Margi and Michael B.

Also a big thanks to Miss Larissa. Without our wonderful teachers, this fabulous night wouldn't have been possible. Congratulations to all students who performed.

From the hosts Emily and Finlay.

2016 enrolment forms are now available for new students wishing to start learning an instrument next year. Lessons are offered for piano, keyboard, clarinet, saxophone and guitar. Prices start at $19/lesson. The yellow forms are available at the front office, or alternatively please contact Michael on 0403 004 733 or email michaelbeare@adam.com.au or Jasper (guitar) 0401 245 917 for more information.

News from OSHC

Limited spaces are still available for Vacation Care; to book call 8362 6585 or email steph.thomas139@schools.sa.edu.au

Cancellation of Vacation Care Bookings will incur a $10 non-refundable fee.

Please ensure 2015 accounts are finalised as soon as possible.

OSHC wishes the year 7 graduates all the best for the future, and we wish everyone a safe and happy Christmas break.

Kids Art Studio

After school art classes with Maxine Cavaggion will continue next year in the art room on Mondays from 3.10 - 5.00pm.

Also, there will be two days of school holiday workshops at the Payneham Community Centre on Wed 16th and Thurs 17th Dec from 9.00am to 4.00pm.

If you are interested in more information or enrolling in any of the above, please contact Maxine on 0414981096 or maxine@art-ed.net.au
News from Year 7 Graduation Class of 2015

Valedictory Speech by Chiara B-E

Good evening special guests, staff, teachers, parents and fellow graduates. Welcome to the 2015 year seven graduation. I would like to point out that the confusing conversations about what shoes to wear and what hair style is in fashion these days is all about, now, this moment, under the spotlight, this is what it is for… I am grateful and honoured to stand here tonight. I thank the middle years’ teachers and the graduates of 2015 for their devoted support.

Life is like a book. Some people judge you by your cover and put you down. Some take the time to peel back the pages and really get to know who you are and what you are about. It is with great pride that I can honestly say I am a book that people have found interesting to read. I feel that every staff member has peeled back the pages of who I am and have challenged me when I needed to be challenged and allowed me to shine.

My biggest fear was Maths; all those numbers seemed confusing and out of reach, however with the support of my teachers, I am now a capable problem solver. The Arts showed me how to express myself in unique ways. Italian helped me catch up on some basics before my Nonna came and asked me terrifying questions. My mother tongue group is like my extended Italian family. I can’t wait to meet up and have an espresso with them in twenty years time. Without P.E., I might be twice my size and the activities are so fun we are coming back for more. I know I will be successful anywhere with the lessons learnt from this very school.

Next, the Middle Years. This was one scary moment, where we were going to be the eldest of the school. In the Middle Years I was able to have the same teacher for two years in a row. This gave me the opportunity to work with Mrs. Vagnoni. I feel like I have benefitted from this because she has got to understand my strengths and weaknesses and supported me to grow in a comfortable and safe environment. Also in the Middle Years we support our school by doing community service such as road crossing and helping out with our various leadership groups. These opportunities have enabled us to demonstrate the graduate qualities. I used my leadership role as school Ambassador to enable me to demonstrate the graduate qualities such as being a graduate who is able to work independently and successfully with others. My Ambassador role also enabled me to work with Vicki and I thank her for guiding me to develop from a shy young individual to an experienced leader, showing respect towards others and making lovely relationships. I definitely feel that these opportunities have helped me to improve my confidence and talking skills.

I was also able to use my creative skills to design the 2015 year seven jumper as well as the Harmony Day poster for 2014.

In closing, my fellow graduates, I would like to conclude with a parting thought… Here at East Adelaide School we are a force of positive, creative and inspiring energy that can succeed at many things in life. Have a vision, like getting a degree at university or getting the amazing job you’ve always wanted and stick to it, make it your dream. I am a graduating student that is ready to move on to whatever life throws at her. Celebrate your achievements, don't cry because its over, smile because it happened.

I stand here before you as a proud and determined graduate of 2015….Thank you!
Christmas has arrived in Room 10 with Christmas craft activities and poetry
A cinquain – which, by the way, is pronounced “sin-can,” is a form of poetry that is very popular because of its simplicity. It was created by American poet Adelaide Crapsey about 100 years ago, and is similar to Japanese poetic forms, such as haiku and tanka. Cinquains are just five lines long, with only a few words on each line, making them easy to write and the best cinquains tell a small story.

Christmas
Jolly fun
Unwrapping, eating, singing
Excited, grateful, joyful, delighted
Silly season
By Room 10
(Cinquian poem)

We also had fun writing –ing poems. Enjoy!!
Christmasing!!
Carolimg
Celebrating
Visiting
Decorating
Sharing
By Room 10
(-ing poem)
Keep your kids smiling

Dental care is FREE for most school-aged children and ALL preschool children at the School Dental Service. All babies, children and young people 0-17 years are welcome to attend.
School Dental Service clinics are open during the Christmas school holiday break.
Phone your local School Dental Service clinic now for an appointment. For clinic details visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au.

Sgt John and Humphrey say – Road Safety Around Schools Begins With You.

Parking rules apply around schools, especially around school entrances. In a school zone, parking restrictions may be stricter than normal. Some schools have designated pick-up and drop-off areas where parking is not allowed—but where you can collect your children in a fast and safe way. Drivers must not stop at any time for any reason in an area marked NO STOPPING or NO STANDING or in a bicycle lane. You cannot stop in a NO PARKING zone unless for the immediate purpose of picking up or dropping off passengers. The driver must remain with their vehicle and be in the zone for no more than 2 minutes.

If the road is a two-way road, you must position the vehicle parallel, and as near as practicable, to the far left side of the road. If you are not in a marked parking bay, you must position the vehicle at least 1 metre from the closest point of any vehicle in front or any vehicle behind you, so the vehicle does not unreasonably obstruct the path of other vehicles or pedestrians. You must also leave a three metre clear space between your parked vehicle and a continuous white line or median island to provide adequate road space for other vehicles to pass.

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Yellow No Stopping edge lines may be installed adjacent to driveways where vehicles frequently park and can impede resident access or create sight line hazards. Schools are busy areas, where there are often lots of children, who do not always understand the danger of roads and vehicles. Make sure to take extra care when parking on school grounds and on the roads and streets around the school and follow the signed parking rules at all times.

Adelaide Strikers – Milo T20 Blast – Holiday Clinics
Sessions from 7 January – 28 January
For more information and to book go to adelaidestrikers.com.au/fans or contact programsofficer@saca.com.au or phone 0408 753 316

Taught and Bowled | Cricket Clinic
The clinic will be held at Parkinson Oval on Tuesday January 5th and Wednesday January 6th 2016 from 8:30-11:00am each day. Activities will include catching, throwing, batting and bowling skills as well as fun games and matches. The clinic is ideal for a child who is currently playing Kanga Cricket or Club U/9s. For more information www.taughtandbowled.com.au or contact Ben Johnwood on 0438 860 048