From the Principal

Computational Thinking
With the increase of STEM related professions and the increasing demand on STEM related skills, East Adelaide School continues to provide quality STEM and IT learning opportunities for students.

Recently some of the senior students have been focusing directly on computational thinking. This requires students to look at a problem and determine innovative solutions that can be implemented through emerging technologies. They need to look at a task from a variety of headsets. They may need to consider “How would an engineer set out to solve this problem?” or “How would a programmer work out a solution to this problem?”

Solutions can take a variety of forms. Sometimes it requires students to code through Scratch, program a robot such as a Sphero, or use Makey Makey to connect programming to real world tasks. The method of delivery is less important than the students learning to problem solve as a team. They learn how to break a problem down and work collaboratively to achieve an outcome. The process of implementing a solution to their problem teaches students useful skills that remain relevant even when technology progresses and new technologies emerge.

Coding links to the national curriculum in a large number of areas. It is an explicit teaching area of the Technologies curriculum but also links well with the Science, Arts and Mathematics curriculum areas.

Matt Jessett, Year 6/7 Teacher

Year 7/8 STEM Collaborative Inquiry Project
You are invited to attend our showcase of STEM learning, on Wednesday 5 July, 2.30pm – 4.30pm, at Norwood Morialta Senior Campus, Ivan Coward Hall.

Casual Day: Monday 3 July
Gold coin donation to be given to the class teacher for our sponsored children overseas.

Pupil Free Day
Monday 14 August is our next pupil free day. Please ensure you have booked your children into OSHC if you require this service for the day.

Student Progress Reports
Mid-year student progress reports will be sent home with your child on the last day of Term 2, Friday 7 July.

Teachers have been busy writing the reports which provide a formative assessment of achievement for the first half of the year, and also give indications of areas for growth in Terms 3 and 4. A-E Grades provide an assessment of your child’s achievement for each of the Australian Curriculum Learning Areas, with a “C” grading indicating satisfactory achievement of what is expected at the child’s year level.

At East Adelaide, we have agreed to use the word equivalent of Excellent, Good, Satisfactory, Partial and Minimal. The Satisfactory in our reports indicates to parents that their child is demonstrating work at the standard expected for students in that relevant year level.

Written Reports for Primary and Secondary Students information for parents is attached to this newsletter.

Term 3 is always the time for optional interviews which can be organised by either teacher or parent. If you have any concerns related to your child’s progress, please ensure that you make a time directly with the teacher. This is an opportunity to discuss the child’s mid year report.

Vicki Stravinski
Procedures for Severe Storm Weather
Information can be located on the EAS website.

Road Crossing Monitors

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School Crossing
Please use the Second Avenue crossing when entering or exiting the school from this side. DO NOT cross at the Westminster Street intersection, as this teaches children to ignore the crossing and increases their risk of being struck by a vehicle when you are not there to look out for them.

Term 3 Volunteer Training Sessions
New volunteers are required to attend Responding to Abuse and Neglect (RAN) training. Training is on offer across the Morialta Partnership schools during 2017. Please contact the relevant school to book into a session.

At Magill Primary School
Monday 7 August 6.00pm – 8.00pm

At East Adelaide School
Tuesday 15 August 6.00pm – 8.00pm

At Vale Park Primary School
Tuesday 12 September 6.30pm – 8.30pm

2016 Carols Evening Photos
We have received digital images of the photos taken at the 2016 carols evening. Proof sheets are available for viewing at the Front Office. Parents may complete an order form to indicate which images they would like. Please provide a USB with your order form, and the school will copy the images for you. Collection dates will be advised at time of ordering.

Student Personal Information Update
A print out of each Reception to Year 6 student's personal information has been sent home. If you have changed your address, phone numbers, emergency contacts, email address, work details or child's medical information, please make a notation on the print out and return it to the Front Office as soon as possible. If there are no changes, we would appreciate that you sign and return this print out to verify that we hold the correct and most up to date information on our system. Thank you to the families who have already returned their updated information.

Canteen
The Canteen is running down stock of ice cream/ice blocks, drinks and chips so please give a second choice for over the counter orders. The Qkr! app will be amended accordingly.

We are always looking for new volunteers, so even if you can only spare a couple of hours, please call in to see us or you can phone 8362 5221 or email canteen.manager615@schools.sa.edu.au

Please watch out for the Showdown Donut Order forms coming home Week 1, Term 3.

We hope you all have an enjoyable break.

Lisa and Diane

OSHC
The OSHC Vacation Care program is available on the school website.

Vacation Care and Pupil Free day bookings may be emailed to Benjamin.

Excursion / Incursions
Monday 3 July
Adelaide Magistrates Court (Year 6)
South Australian Museum (Year 7)

Tuesday 4 July
Phil Geia Island Dreaming Incursion (Reception, Year 1 – Room 7 and 14; Year 2, 3, 4 and 5)

Lost Property
Please see Front Office staff if you have lost any of the following:
- Fidget Spinners
- Beyblade
- National Pharmacies Membership card

The school lost property baskets are overflowing! Please check the baskets for items before the holidays.
News from Parents and Friends

Bogan Bingo Fundraiser
The Parents and Friends Committee is putting together a casual Friday night drinks affair, on 4 August, for the East Adelaide parent community. Bogan Bingo theme so think denim, thongs, ugg boots, mullets, flannelette shirts and 90s rock disco! Finer details to follow. At this stage, if you have some time and the inclination to help out with some of the organizing, please let us know. There are lots of little jobs that need to be done – many hands make light work!

We are also looking for donations from within the community as prizes – please get in touch if that is something you might be able to help with. Contact Carrie on carriephillis@hotmail.com

Despicable Me 3 Movie Fundraiser
Make sure you have bought your tickets for Despicable Me 3 on Sunday 9 July at the Regal Theatre.

Dates for Term 3
In Term 3, we celebrate Father’s and Grandparent’s Day at East Adelaide School. Please put the following dates in your diary, and look out for opportunities to help!

Father’s Day Stall
Wednesday 30 and Thursday 31 August

Father’s Day Breakfast
Friday 1 September

Grandparent’s Day
Friday 15 September

Debating News
EAS won against Burnside PS at Pembroke on Tuesday evening. The topic was "That homework should be given the Heave-ho". We were very convincing because of the research that we managed to find and quote in support of our argument.

Many thanks to Andrew McAlindon for chairing the debate. Well done, Thomas, for getting into the spirit of the traditional "Crazy Hair Round". Wendy Jeffrey and Andrea Tuck (Debating coaches)

Celebrating our Strengths
Do you ever feel like sometimes the little people you live with are a complete mystery? You are not alone! There is no doubt that our children have their own personalities which can bring challenges and joys to the family. However, when we begin to understand each child’s character strengths, it opens up new opportunities for dialogue and celebration.

In Room 23 we are exploring the Character Strengths of each student to identify and celebrate the similarities and differences that the students share. This has enhanced positive interactions within the class and gives us a language for encouraging the students to be their best.

During the holidays you might like to complete the survey that we used with your family. The results might surprise you. To find the link search VIA characterstrengths.

Have a wonderful holiday.

Kate Argue, Pastoral Care Worker

Konnective
GET THE LATEST SCHOOL NEWS AND EVENTS ON YOUR PHONE
DOWNLOAD THE FREE KONNECTIVE MOBILE APP
For iPhone users - get Konnective from the AppStore
- Download the App and click Register to create your account

For Android users - get Konnective from the Google Play Store.
- Download the App and click Register to create your account

For other smartphone devices or if you don't have a smartphone, use our website version.

Once you have registered and logged in, go to My Connections to connect to the relevant school feeds.
STEM learning at East Adelaide School

The Year 7s of East Adelaide School are currently involved in the Year 7/8 STEM Morialta project. Teacher teams from East Adelaide School and Norwood Morialta High School undertook different macro STEM projects using challenge-based learning approaches. The project included 5 visits to the high school and countless opportunities for the students to collaborate on a STEM project with high school students. The students explored critical and creative thinking through looking at STEM learning spaces, exploring ways to be more innovative and utilising resources more effectively. Students built their innovative designs using online design tool floor planner and created 3D models of furniture designs using 3D printers. Their work will be displayed at the upcoming expo on Wednesday 5 July 2017 in the Ivan Coward Hall at Norwood Morialta High School. Parents are welcome to come along and see not only what East Adelaide School has been working on but also local schools from the Morialta Partnership. We hope to see you there.
AusKick 2017
This year’s East Adelaide Auskick program comes to a conclusion tomorrow. Our Centre continues to grow in numbers with 75 registrations in 2017, including 60 participants from our school.

Highlights of the season included another amazing run of Saturday morning weather, and the involvement for some of our lucky boys and girls in half-time Auskick matches at Adelaide Oval during the Port Adelaide vs Brisbane match a few weeks ago.

Thanks to our Norwood Development Officer Ben Mesica, the School Sports Committee and to Claire Merrett for their ongoing support of our Auskick program. Thanks also to all of our parents and guardians for their help every week, and particularly our dedicated school parent coaching team of Wayne Pryor, James Wilson, Kristian Holling, Richard Foster, Laidley Poulton, Tom Pontt and Lisa Clark.

We congratulate all of our boys and girls on consistently showing the East Adelaide values during our sessions, and for embracing and honouring our three Auskick Rules. Best wishes to those who will progress on to school football or to other AFL pathways next year. We look forward to sharing a heap more fun and fruit on Barry Messner at Auskick in 2018.

Stuart Clark (Coach Stu)

After School Sports
Most of our team sports and skills programmes are currently now halfway through their seasons. Congratulations on all your efforts so far. I enjoy hearing about players showing great skill development and resilience in their sport, while also displaying the school values. Thanks to all the coaches who organise, train and support our students and teams. Thanks also to all the parents who wake up early in the winter weather to take their children to cold and wet ovals, pitches and courts. Enjoy the holiday break coming up and we look forward to your participation again in Term 3.

Summer Netball
Summer Netball Registration forms are now available at the Front Office and on the school website. These will be due back on Friday 4 August (Week 2, Term 3). This allows me time to meet with the coaches and formulate teams ready for summer. Please note that summer netball is played on Friday nights, not Saturdays.

Summer Sports
All other summer sports registrations will be available in early Term 3 to commence in Term 4. Summer Sports include Basketball, Cricket and Volleyball. We are also looking at the possibility of Kelly Sports returning for Term 4 also. An alert will be added to Konnective when these registration forms are available.

Volleyball
In an After School Sport Survey last year, some parents indicated that their child was interested in participating in Volleyball. Unfortunately the registrations for Volleyball in Term 1 did not confirm this interest. However, with the fantastic support of Volleyball SA, great local facilities and volleyball clubs, we are determined to try and get a team happening in Term 4. Volleyball is for girls and boys in Years 4 to 7 and a team consists of 4-6 players over a badminton size court. The modified game called “Spikezone” is about maximising participation from all players and is a fun way to get involved in competitive volleyball. It is run from the ARC at Campbelltown with many local schools involved in the competition. More details will be available on the summer registration forms available in early Term 3.

Auskick 2017
Thanks to Stuart Clark and all the fantastic, committed parents for again making Auskick at East Adelaide such a success. It is great to see so many young children involved in learning Aussie Rules Football! We look forward to seeing the children playing school football next year or returning to Auskick.

Konnective
Konnective is a great way for us to communicate information regarding After School Sports. Therefore, please ensure you download this app so you are up to date with the latest information. The school also uses Konnective for various school information, so it is a helpful app to have on your device.

Entertainment Books 2017
The 2016/2017 Entertainment Book expired on 31 May. Purchase your new 2017/2018 Entertainment Book or the Digital Membership. Forms are available in the Front Office or on Konnective, and they can be purchased via the Qkr! App.

Digital membership is only available when purchased online: http://www.entbook.com.au/16050y4

All profits from the sale of this year’s Entertainment Books will go towards uniforms for After School Sports, so be sure to order extra books for family and friends.

Claire Merrett
After School Sports Coordinator
claire.merrett595@schools.sa.edu.au
Thursday / Friday
**STEM Learning at East Adelaide School.**

The ICT student technicians are working on the finishing touches of their projects demonstrating their amazing skills using Information Technologies. They intend to present their projects as a part of the Young ICT Explorers competition coming up on Saturday 19 August.

Each group started with a problem that they wanted to solve.

One group wanted to encourage younger students to code by creating an obstacle course for a “Sphero” to complete in the fastest time possible.

Another group worked on building a communication device that can be used by non-verbal students and more closely resembles a PODD (A physical book used for communication).
Another group created a large gaming pad by using metal and wood plates which players stand on to control the game. The game requires people to move between the plates and is used to promote a balance between gaming and physical activity. The plates were wired with Makey Makey and programmed with Scratch. The group demonstrated the game to students in Room 25 who were working on a younger version of a similar project Coding Through Dance.

The final group is developing a project that uses virtual reality through particular VR device called Google Cardboard.

All of the students are putting in an amazing effort and I wish them the best of luck for the competition day.

Matt Jessett
Sgt John and Humphrey say – Road Safety around Schools Begins with You

School zones are areas around schools where reduced speed limits apply. White zigzag lines are marked on the road, to show that you are approaching a school zone. Signs indicate the start and end of school zones, which all have a speed limit of 25 km/h at any time when a child is in the zone, including outside of school hours. Whether a child is on the road, footpath, median strip or even if they are on a bike, school zones apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week throughout the year. A child is any person less than 18 years of age and includes a student of any age wearing school uniform.

Whenever pedestrians cross the road in a school zone they should use the STOP LOOK LISTEN THINK procedure. All drivers, bike riders and motorcyclists must travel at no more than 25 km/h between the signs, to keep children, parents and carers safe.

There are two authorised part-time pedestrian crossings for use by school students.

A Koala (flashing light) crossing is identified by twin yellow flashing lights on red and white signal posts and signs advising drivers that a 25 km/h speed limit applies when the lights are flashing.

An Emu (Flag) crossing is what we have at East Adelaide School. It operates as a pedestrian crossing when one or more red/orange “CHILDREN CROSSING” flags are displayed on the red and white posts. The Emu crossing is situated within a school zone (as above), with signs indicating that a 25 km/h speed limit applies at the times shown.

As adults, children look to us to provide guidance. We all have a responsibility to educate our children about road safety. If you’re driving with children in the car, demonstrate good habits by driving safely at all times.

Gemini Netball Club Inc
Expression of interest for U13 and U15 grades, Summer 2017/18. Register your interest now at www.gemini.sa.netball.com.au

YMCA School Holiday Camp
What could be better than a campfire, good friends, exciting activities and yummy camp food in Winter?

Our Winter Fun School Holiday camps are an awesome way to spend the July school holidays! YMCA South Australia's three-day holiday camps are now open for bookings. Get in quickly, because these camp spots are hotter than a delicious toasted marshmallow!

Ages 8 - 13 (primary school aged)
Monday 17 to Wednesday 19 July 2017

For further information and to secure your spot on camp today visit the website.

Come ‘n Try Water Polo
Free coaching. Pool entry payable. Every Sunday 30 July to 24 September. Adelaide Aquatic Centre 4.00pm to 5.30pm

Strong swimmers only, 9 to 17 years.
For more information call 8342 0110