LETTER FROM KRISTIAN

Principals usually take the opportunity with the letter at the front of the newsletter to talk about the big, important things. With the Term 2 School Holidays at our doorstep I am going to take the opportunity to do just that.

The link to a short article and series of photo’s, begins with the powerful statement:

“No matter their cultural background, no matter their economic situation, kids will always find imaginative ways to have fun”

www.boredpanda.com/happy-children-playing/

Feel free to show your children and talk with them about what it means to them and you. Maybe even remind yourself about your childish hopefulness and imagination!

If you are lucky enough to have some time to spend with your children these holidays, I would encourage you take a few photos of your own children and send them in to us here at school.

As a school staff we acknowledge the rich learning that happens in the home environment and part of our role as educators is to break down the barriers between home and school lives.

We all need to work together to develop and promote skills and capabilities for lifelong learning so that our children can become active, global citizens.

Kristian
OPAL COMMUNITY AWARD

Last Sunday we attended the OPAL Family Fun Day at the Reynella Neighbourhood Centre. Our school was presented with an OPAL Community Award for “creating more opportunities for children to eat well and be active in partnership with the OPAL program”. We have been so pleased to be involved with OPAL as it has enriched the Health program at our school and provided us with so many great resources. The provision of our water fountain, grants to extend our Nature Play Space, several great performances, drink bottles, snack boxes and lots of teacher training opportunities are just some of the great benefits we have been able to access from the OPAL program. Sadly due to the recent state budget, OPAL will not be continuing beyond September so Sunday was their last major event. We would like to thank Marissa Brouwer, Sonya Stanley and their team for all of their support over the last few years. Our school will continue to fly the flag of Healthy Lifestyles for years to come! Thanks also to the Ethan, Marcus and Hannah who came along to help us accept the award. Rachel Bristow and Miranda Neate (Health Teachers).

RM 12 SCIENCE

In Science we have been looking at matter and how it can change. Our pre service student teacher called Leone Shapter is a qualified scientist and did some cool experiments with room 12 and Mrs. Klenk. We have been predicting, experimenting and recording our observations like real scientists. In this experiment we made ice cream from liquid nitrogen. It was delicious too.

JAPANESE

Congratulations to Tayah, Flynn and Jake from Room 21 who has achieved excellence in Japanese and has received their hiragana black belt. Well done! Omani Sensei
Term 2 Fun in Japanese
FESTIVAL OF MUSIC NEWS!

Congratulations to all students who have auditioned for extra special parts in this year’s Festival of Music. We’ve had lots of students who have worked very hard, doing extra rehearsals in their break times and going to auditions and all those who auditioned have done themselves proud.

- 3 students went to Hallett Cove South Primary to audition as Soloists
- 2 students went to Klemzig to audition as Comperes
- More than 50 students from our school auditioned as a part of dance and percussion groups as Assisting Artists

We received the results last week. Well done to...

- Taylor S who has been selected as a Soloist
- Vashti D and Megan S who have been selected as Comperes
- The yr5/6/7 Junk Percussion Ensemble who have been selected as Assisting Artists

Lauren M and Chelsea D have also successfully auditioned to be a part of the dance performance troupe and have already started rehearsals for this.

All of these students were chosen out of LOTS of students from other schools, and will be performing on the Adelaide Festival Theatre stage next term. Now we just have to wait until next term to hear whether our yr4/5 choir have been selected to perform a foyer concert...

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SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

Last Wednesday 25th June, 15 members of the school’s Environment Committee and Environmental Action Group, joined Emmaus Catholic School for a community tree planting morning at the creek near the skate park. The session was organised by the local NRM (Natural Resource Management) board in conjunction with the Onkaparinga Council as part of their “Urban Creek Recovery” program.

Kiralee, Phoebe, Bridget, Sara, Chloe and Tom (Room 38), Michela and Chloe (Room 39), Seiam (Room 20), Trinity (Room 45), Maddison (Room 44), Kodi (Room 24), Lucy and Sam (Room 42) and Ada (Room 41) all worked extremely hard, planting 470 trees along the creek bed – an incredible effort in less than 2 hours! There was even time for some mud ball catch and unintentional water play! All enjoyed themselves and even the weather was kind, postponing the rain until we returned to school.

Also last week we were notified by Colonnades Shopping Centre that we had been successful with our application for an ECOFund grant of $500. This money will go towards the future development of another “Nature Play Space” around the boat which was donated by Rosemount Winery.

Sue Cox – Coordinator “Science and Environmental Sustainability”
SAPSASA SPORTS

Districts Sports Day

Woodcroft had 51 students compete in the district sports day athletics event held at Reynella East College. Our participants were fantastic on the day with many winning individual ribbons and will now go on to represent our district at Metro Athletics later this year. A combination of these fantastic individual performances resulted in Woodcroft winning the Division 1 shield! It was pleasing to see that everyone demonstrated our Woodcroft values throughout the day, encouraging each other and showing a great team spirit. A special mention has to go to Bella M and Latysha F who accepted the shield and spoke on behalf of Woodcroft. Both girls showed a lot of courage and proved their exceptional leadership qualities in front of a large audience. Congratulations!

SAPSASA Knock Out Soccer

Over the last term we have had a 6/7 boys and girls soccer team competing in the SAPSASA Knock Out soccer competition. The boys’ team played their first match against Woodend at home comfortably winning 4-0. They came up against a tough and well organised Hallett Cove East team in the second round. The game remained scoreless for most of the match before a late strike unfortunately put us out of the competition. Conner H worked particularly hard, often playing from last man in defence up the pitch to support our strikers.

The girls’ team played their first match against Thiele at home also winning 4-0. Their second match was against Marymount College who they beat comfortably 3-0. Nikki H curled in a 20 yard free kick to send Mr Best into Tim Cahill-esque celebrations at the corner flag. The girls will play Westbourne Park in the first week of term 3. Hopefully our girls’ solid defence can help them progress into the final few stages of the competition.

SAPSASA Knock Out Netball

We have started our 2014 campaign with two great wins over Reynella East and Reynella. We are looking forward to our next game week 1 term 2.

LOST PROPERTY

There is a large amount of lost property on a table by the front office. We have hats, jumpers, drink bottles & even lunch boxes.

This week will be the last opportunity to be reunited with anything that your child may have lost at school.

On Friday 4th July it will be sorted by us & anything found to be unnamed will either be donated to charity or thrown away. Please take the time to look through it before Friday.

Lost property is sorted frequently & we ask that you please name as many things as possible to aid us in getting property back to its owner.

Many Thanks, The Uniform Committee
PAYMENTS DUE

As a general rule payments are due 1 week prior to excursion/camp etc unless stated on invoice. Payments can be made at Front Office 8.30 to 9.30am, via classroom in named envelope or over the phone with credit card for payments over $10.00. Please include cvn no if paying via credit card.

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If you have any concerns meeting the above payments please contact Sue Reeves or Trudi Lawley in the Front Office.

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- 28 – 29 School Photos
- 29 ICAS English test
- 31 Year R/1 Assembly 2.40 PAC
- 4 PUPIL FREE DAY
- 7 Yr 7 camp KI parent info session
- 7 Year 6/7 Assembly 2.40 PAC
- 12 ICAS Math test
- 14 Year 4/5 Assembly 2.40 PAC
- 21 Yr 7 camp KI student info session
- 25-29 BOOK WEEK
- 28 Year 2/3 Assembly 2.40 PAC
- 4 Year R/1 Assembly 2.40 PAC
- 5 SCHOOL CLOSURE
- 8 – 12 R-5 Swimming
- 8 -12 Festival of Music
- 11 Year 6/7 Assembly 2.40 PAC
- 14 Tournament of Minds
- 15 – 19 R-5 Swimming
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- 22 – 26 R-5 Swimming
Hello everyone

We are getting ready for our winter holiday break!!!
COMMUNITY NEWS

School Holiday Brochure

Flyer attached

Relay For Life - McLaren Vale 2014

Relay for Life is more than just a fundraiser it’s all about celebrating the courage of local people affected by cancer and spreading hope. It is a unique event where teams of 10 to 15 people challenge themselves to take turns to keep a baton moving in a relay style walk or run overnight to symbolise that cancer never sleeps.

This year we are working towards holding a Relay for Life at McLaren Vale Football club. We are looking for people to help make this spectacular event happen. Absolutely any help will be needed and greatly appreciated. You can get involved with your community to help to make a difference this October. The first information night.

For more information about how to get involved please contact Emma Cockram on phone 0400064083 or email: emmacockram@hotmail.com

Help us fight cancer!!

Register a team today at: http://www.relayforlife.org.au/

Auskick program starting July 24th at Kangarilla Oval at 4.30pm
the program will run for 6 weeks
all details available on Auskick website www.aflauskick.com.au

Aberfoyle Park Bright Sparks Program

Flyer attached

Adelaide Planetarium and with SciWorld!

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