

COMMUNITY | CONFIDENCE | RESPECT How high can our fish fly?

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Upcoming Events

MARCH

11th Harmony Day Crazy Hair Day

14th PUBLIC HOLIDAY

15th STUDENT FREE DAY

25TH GOOD FRIDAY

28TH EASTER MONDAY

APRIL

1ST Interschool Surf Comp. 4th. 5th. 6th. 11th. 13th

SWIMMING Classes -

5:08,5:02, 7:01 and 8:02

(3's-4's-5's)

13th 2/3's Classes Art Show

15th Murputja Forms back

Newsletter



Barney at work installing the friendship bench.

FRIENDSHIP BENCH

Last year many of our Year 6/7 students worked with Tracey Grivell to build a friendship bench that promoted our school values of *Community, Confidence* and *Respect.* Thanks to Hamish and Barney, the bench is almost ready for use! This project was part of our ICAN initiative (Innovative Community Action Networks). It looks fantastic!

This Friday there will be an official opening held by our Counsellor Karen Robinson.

LEADERSHIP

It has been fantastic to see so many people coming to volunteer training. To all who have attended their Work Health and Safety Induction training can you please return to the Front Office all completed and signed forms A.S.A.P.

Our next Induction will be on Monday 21/03/16 in the Library at 9.00am sharp.

The next Responding to Abuse and Neglect training will be held on Tuesday 22/03/16 in the Counsellors Room. Also at 9am.

Les Cameron Deputy Principal

STUDENT
FREE DAY
TUESDAY 15TH
MARCH

COUNSELLOR Flying Fish Awards

Congratulations to Cooper R, Zachary B, Axel H, Maddison W, Emilee C, Lilly B, Jordyn L, Luke B, Malakye M, Harper P, Tanisha B, Mia S-B, Emily B, Jemma L, Ella K, Ebony T, Will S, Celeste H, Sophie L, Sienna B-S, Sebastian E, Kosta D and Coen B.

*ids Matter www.kidsmatter.edu.au About Friendships

Now that we have been at school for six weeks, friendships between each other are being solidly established.

Relationships skills are important to a child's future success as an adult as well as their day-to-day life. We need to know how to make and maintain friendships, resolve conflict, make decisions and solve problems to get along in the world.

Children aren't born with these skills. Like many skills, they are learned and improved with regular practice as children mature.

With positive and effective guidance from families, children can develop these life skills and experience good mental health and wellbeing.

Children choose friends who have similar interests and enjoy similar activities. During primary school close friendships are most often with a child of the same sex. This is related to children's preferences in play.

Boys tend to prefer active kinds of play in groups whereas girls typically prefer enter games in pairs or threes and use talk more than action. Such preferences may be especially strong around the ages of eight and nine when many children become more aware of social expectations regarding girls' and boys' behaviour.

These expectations can create difficulties for boys who are interested in gentler kinds of play and for girls who prefer the kind of active play that is usually associated with boys.

Friends cooperate and communicate more with each other than with other children. They also have conflicts more often, but usually manage to settle them without upsetting the friendship. Friends can influence each other's behaviour. Over time they may take on similar mannerisms, language and preferences. Although friendships usually have positive effects, friends who have behavioural problems may encourage problem behaviour in one another.

As children's interests and developmental needs change, their friendship patterns may also change. By the middle of primary school it is common for children to form small friendship groups based around similar interests. These groups often establish their own rules about who can join them. Setting rules and learning to negotiate them is important for helping children to develop their understanding of social relationships. However, when children lack cooperative relationship skills it can lead to friendship groups being dominated by some children and excluding others. Children and Friendship... www.kidsmatter.edu.au

Please see your child's teacher, Brenton, Les or myself if you have any concerns about your child's friendship. Have a great week! Cheers Karen.

SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Families.

This **Friday**, **March 11th**, we are holding a fundraising event. Lynne James/Julie Walsh's class will be holding a bake sale to raise funds for The Southern Fleurieu Cancer Support Centre - this is where Stella is receiving support for her journey.

We are also combining Harmony Day with Crazy Hair Day and have organised an amazing day for our students. What a great Friday.

What to do:-

Wear Orange - this colour supports Harmony Day



© Crazy Hair style - this will support the Leukaemia Foundation



Gold Coin Donation - these funds are for the Fleurieu Cancer Centre



\$\$ for the Cupcake Sales at recess and lunchtime these funds are for Fleurieu Cancer Centre.



Cricket for Cancer on the oval at lunchtime.



An assembly will be held at 3pm in the gym to announce our fundraising efforts totals and to watch Ms Bond have her hair shaved off!

We welcome parents to join in the fun of the day and share lunch with us on the oval as a school.

See you on Friday. Natalie The Arts Teacher

INDONESIAN

In Indonesian this term middle and upper primary classes reworked a story that focussed on 'tutup pintu' (close the door) & buka pintu' (open the door).

Their reworked stories are great. Here is year 3/4 Taylor class' story about Horrid Henry!

Ada laki laki dan nama laki laki Horrid Henry. Horrid Henry mau berenang di Victor Harbor. Horrid Henry berkata kepada Spongebob, "Sampai jumpa SpongeBob." Horrid Henry buka pintu tetapi tidak tutup pintu. SpongeBob berkata, "Horrid Henry! Tutup pintu!" tetapi Horrid Henry tidak tutup pintu.

SpongeBob tutup pintu.

Horrid Henry berjalan kaki ke Victor Harbor. Horrid Henry lihat Batman di Victor Harbor. Horrid Henry buka pintu dan berkata, Halo Batman!" Batman berkata, "Tutup pintu!" Horrid Henry berkata, "Tidak mau tutup pintu."

Batman telpon polisi! Polisi datang dan tangkap Horrid Henry. Polisi tidak tutup pintu juga!

Batman berkata, "Astaga!" dan tutup pintu!

The junior primary classes have had fun with a story which involves fainting!

This story has focused on students learning how to say, "My name is....." in Indonesian.

The story goes like this:

SpongeBob dan Jack di MacDonald's.

SpongeBob dan Jack makan hamburger.

SpongeBob dan Jack minum Sprite.

SpongeBob berkata, "Halo! Apa kabar? Nama saya SpongeBob. Siapa nama?"

Jack berkata, "Nama saya Jack."

SpongeBob berkata, "Jack? Jack from Port Elliot Primary school? Astaga!!!!

Autograph??"

SpongeBob faints!

Feel free to drop in on our lessons. They are lots of fun!

Terima kasih, Bu Cathy Indonesian teacher



OSKAR

Do you have excess Vegetables or Fruit in Your home garden patch!

Our school garden cart would love to have it. We would like to have the cart going all year. All donations collected are put straight back into the garden. Please bring your excess produce to our garden cart near the staffroom.

Thank you Garden Committee

PE AND SAPSASA NEWS

In PE we have continued to focus on learning the games and skills required for successful team work and participation in our Sports Day events. We have also been practicing our chants, warm up, 800m and sprint races. Tryouts have occurred for the School Relay team, the School Tug of War team and Class Sprint teams.

SPORTS DAY DATE

Our school Sports Day has been set as **Week 10**, **Friday 8th April**. Every student should know which House Team and colour they are in. If you need to purchase a top for the day so that your child can be dressed in their Team colours, please speak to Jo or Judy in the office.

BOOMER

COMMODORE

FREEMAN





SAPSASA GIRLS' SOCCER - COACH NEEDED

Thank you to all the adults who have volunteered to coach the SAPSASA events this year. I am currently still in need of a Girls' Soccer coach. If you are interested please see me at school for further information. Thanks.

SAPSASA DISTRICT SWIMMING

Congratulations to Neriah, Jobe and Kenny who have been selected in the Southern District Swimming Team to compete in the SAPSASA State Country Championships on Friday 18th of March at the State Swimming Centre Marion. We wish them all the best and an enjoyable experience.

Local Sporting Success Stories!

If you have any local success stories involving our students, please let me know so they can get a mention in this section of the newsletter.

Please refer to the school website for further PE News, SAPSASA dates and for a link to the SAPSASA website.

Trina Doig
PE and SAPSASA Co-Ordinator



PARKING

It has been great to see the bike shed over flowing with bikes ridden to school lately which help alleviate some of the parking issues. It also is a good time of the year to enjoy a walk to and from school.

However if you do drive to School please do not park in front of our neighbours driveways. We encourage people to use the drop off and pick up zone in front of the office area (see photo) but if your child is not there please drive on and do a lap of the block. This is not a parking area between 8-9am and 3-4pm.





Also the footpath closest to school is not for parking on as this provides access for the students walking and riding their bikes. Please do not park on this footpath.



Parking on a corner is also unsafe and illegal. This is designated by a yellow painted line. If you park on the line it is unsafe and you may be fined.

We appreciate the difficulties with drop off and pick up but hopefully if we all work together the busy periods can flow more efficiently.



Thank you for your support with these matters.

Brenton Hudson Principal

SOCCER

The Southern Breakers Soccer Club is a family friendly club based at Port Elliot Oval (corner Tottenham Court and Port Elliot Road). We encourage all new and continuing players to join us for season 2016. For players aged 4-8 'Come and Try' will be held at the Port Elliot oval on the 6 and 13th of April from 4-5pm. For players aged 9-16 a registration day will be held at the clubrooms on 16th March from 4-6pm. Senior players (ages 17+) are also needed and invited to attend training. For more information please visit www.southernbreakers.com and or like us on Facebook. Club contacts: Josh Peters on 0438095840 or Rick Cooper on 0418894969.





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