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How high can our fish fly?



NEWSLETTER | TERM 3, WEEK 8

SEPTEMBER 13TH, 2018



FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK

Roll up, roll up!

Congratulations to the students of Ms Warner's, Mr Taylor's, Ms Turley's and Ms Reedy's class who have been performing the stage show "Circus Circus". Ms Natalie Bond has again excelled herself as the Drama and Music teacher. Thank you to all the families who came along to watch the performance. Look out over the coming weeks as more classes perform a variety of productions.

Exploring our surrounds

The Year 6/7 students were lucky enough to visit Oceanic Victor last week where they had lots of fun getting up close and personal

with sharks, tunas and plenty of other marine life. For more on their adventures see page 2.

Staffing update

This is a busy time of year for our teachers with positions being advertised across South Australia for 2019. These positions are highly sought after and referred to as "ongoing", which means the teacher can stay at the school indefinitely. Congratulations to Steven Taylor who has won an ongoing position. There is still at least one Junior Primary position still to be placed. To the other teachers who are awaiting outcomes of their applications, we wish them all the best.

Brenton Hudson

Key Dates

**Girls Football played
at EFS Strathalbyn
Wed 26 September**

**Last Day Term 3
Fri 28 September**

**Great Southern
Swimming Club
Strathalbyn Pool opens
Mon 15 October**



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Oceanic Victor and Granite Island Sculpture Excursion



On September 5th, 28 students had a wonderful learning experience exploring our local environment.

First up, we visited the sculptures on Granite Island. Hamish explained their significance and we learnt all about the international, national and local artists who contributed to the project. The students asked amazing questions and thought carefully about how and why these sculptures were created.

After a session of poetry writing and observational drawings, we boarded the boat to the Oceanic Victor Tuna Swim experience. It was amazing and so wonderful to see the students taking calculated risks and overcoming their fears.

For those who didn't want to get into a wetsuit, there was still plenty to do up on deck! We were able to get up close with a baby Port Jackson Shark and look at crayfish, starfish and a whole range of fascinating marine creatures.

The marine biologist on board answered all of the student's excellent questions and taught us a lot about our local ecology.

Thanks to Hamish and Jocelyn for braving the cold water with the students. Miss King also came along to help out and everyone thoroughly enjoyed this unique experience.

Margie Hancock & Sarah Zadow



Celeste said...

I didn't swim with the tuna, but I did get to feed them! It was kind of hard to grab the fish out of the bucket considering they were floating in a pool of blood and some even had their guts hanging out, it was pretty gross.

The tuna were much bigger than I expected, I thought they were sharks, in fact, the sharks and the tuna were about the same size, the sharks were only slightly smaller.

Ron Blacker's Years 4/5 Class



Greening Up Waterport Reserve

This year our class went on an excursion to Waterport Reserve to begin planting the new local native flora arboretum as part of redeveloping the school gardens with native flora to help attract birds, butterflies, lizards and frogs. Our school grounds will be more attractive, colourful, fun and a more effective learning environment. Thank you to all of our helpers on the day.



We are in need of better blocks, railway sleepers and large old gum logs. If you know of any that could be available for donation to the school, please contact Ron Blacker on (08) 8554 3399.



Sport Report

Student Leadership/ Kindergarten Transition

With Trina's support, the Year 6/7 students were offered an opportunity to run two mini PE skills sessions in Term 3 for our neighbouring Kindergarten students. The last of the sessions were held on Monday and Thursday in Week 8 at 9 am - 9:30 am. The kindergarten students had a great time and learnt some new skills. Congratulations to the Year 6/7 students, they all did a fantastic job!

Year 6/7 Girls Football

On Wednesday 26th September our two Year 6/7 Girls' Football teams will play in a nine a side carnival at EFS, Strathalbyn. We wish the girls well!



SAPSASA Local Athletics Day

On 29th August, 25 students participated in our Athletics team at Victor Primary against schools in our District. Events included 100m, 200m, 800m, long jump, high jump, shot put and discus. All the students had a great day. We had many place getters and numerous students invited to represent the District at SANTOS stadium in Week 10. As a school we finished overall in 3rd place, narrowly missing out on 2nd place by 2.5 points and 1st place by 9 points. Special mention goes to Thomas who set the SAPSASA District Record for 13 year old boys 200m, at 29.59 seconds - well done to all!

Place getters included:

Logan (1st in Discus, 2nd High Jump, 3rd Long Jump), Jai (1st Shot Put, 2nd Discus), Thomas (1st 200m, 2nd 100m, 3rd Shot Put), Mereoni (1st Discus), Kai (1st Discus), Brandon (1st Shot Put, 3rd 800m), Poppy S (2nd Discus, 2nd 800m), Kobi (2nd High Jump), Cody (2nd Shot Put, 3rd High Jump), Mya (2nd 200m), Elyssia (3rd in Long Jump and Shot Put), April (3rd High Jump), Maddie (3rd 800m) and Jackson (3rd 100m).

Thanks to the adult helpers and Neriah for your help on the day.



Sport Report



On Friday 31st August 33 students attended the Year 4-7 Tennis Day at the Victor Harbor Courts. The students had a great day and learnt a lot about tennis. Heavy rain early in the day meant games and skill-building exercises were held inside the gym. But once the sun came out we got to have a hit on the Victor Harbor Tennis Club courts. Thank you to the adult helpers from Tennis SA, Victor Harbor Tennis Club and the high school. Thanks also to Charmayne and Fiona for their help on the day. Without your support the day would not have been possible.



Local Sporting Success Stories!

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

Flying Fish Awards

Flying Fish Awards were given to Ashley E, Charlotte E, Roman K, Milla P, Elijah M, Lilly L, Kaiden G, L Shaylee L, Ocean B, Kala M, Matisse R, Esther S, C, Leah S, Buddy F, Brodie G-C, Dakota H, Ellie B, Finn G, Charlize H, Tyler S, Rhys A, Jack M, Pearl L, Rose D, Taylah B, Nadia T-M, Daniel B, Blair W, Tailo T, Isaiah B, Keat H, Holly T, Indigo A-D, Amy T, Ruby M, Jasper B, Lochie J, Ryan P, Bailey S, Reilly W, Rylee S, Davis I, Grace O, Luke B, Mereoni M, Jai A, Daniel B, Ava Y, Mya C, Holly T, April S, Erin B, Ella K. Congratulations to all students!

HELP SAVE THE RHINOS

HELP US SAVE THE AFRICAN RHINOCEROS.

ONE RHINOCEROS IS KILLED EVERY 8 HOURS!

Ms Reedy's fabulous class of **Junior Zoo Keepers** will be holding an incredible fundraiser in week 9, **Monday 17th September to Friday 21st September**. Can you please donate **pre-loved toys** to room 5:08 and **bake cakes for us to sell on Thursday the 20th of September?** Colour and return your newsletter rhino picture to room 5:08 to receive a free ticket in our awesome raffle. All families that donate toys or cakes will also receive a free raffle ticket. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THE TOY AND CAKE SALE IS NOW ON THURSDAY 20TH OF SEPTEMBER AND NOT WEDNESDAY.**



CAN THE RHINOCEROS SURVIVE?

IT DEPENDS ON US!

Fundraising Activities

- Loose Change Casual Clothes Day (loose change) **Thursday 20th September**
- Second hand toy sale (cheap) **Thursday 20th September**
- Cake Stall (50c) **Thursday 20th September**
- Free Face painting (free spots and whiskers and stripes) **Thursday 20th September**
- Raffle with fantastic prizes (50c a ticket or 3 for \$1.00) **all week**
- Guess how many lollies in the jar competition (20c a guess) **all week**
- African beaded animal key rings, bracelets and necklaces (\$9.00) **all week**



Raffle Prizes

- 1st **FAMILY PASS TO MONARTO ZOO**
- 2nd **PLUSH RHINO TOY**
- 3rd **MEGA BLOCK OF CHOCOLATE**

Thank You!!!!

