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Term 1, Week 10

Thursday, 5th April 2018

◆ Respect ◆ Excellence ◆ Self Belief ◆ Trust

News from the Principal

Here we are almost at the end of term 1! The weeks have just flown by. With holidays just around the corner, we can look back over the term and feel very satisfied with how the students have settled in and really focused on learning and their improvement.

It's wonderful to walk around the school and see how much progress has been made already. We have prioritised Visible Learning (seeing learning through the eyes of the students" and making sure every aspect of their learning has a clear learning intention, that the success criteria are developed to include every student and that students understand the purpose of their learning. You will see that these are very clearly displayed in the classrooms and corridors and, that students are able to talk with more clarity about where they are in their learning, where to next and how they are going to get there. It is a highly effective strategy for learning improvement. Please ask your child/ren about this and encourage them to really share how they are going. The holidays are a great time to discuss their term 2 goals and how you can support them at home.

WINTER UNIFORMS

If you are shopping for winter uniforms, please remember that students must wear plain navy blue pants (track pants or long navy school pants, a navy blue top (jacket or windcheater) and track shoes. No denim jeans, no logos or other colours on school uniform clothing, thank you.

Please name all clothing as it's almost impossible to return if lost.

If you have uniforms that your children have outgrown, please consider donating them to school, they are much appreciated.

PLEASE CHECK LOST PROPERTY IF YOU ARE MISSING ANY CLOTHING.

NAPLAN TESTING, 15-17 May

Notes and information about the 2018 NAPLaN testing have gone home this week with all year 3, 5 and 7 students.

We encourage all students to participate because the individual reports provide very valuable information for teachers, the leadership team and parents. When this information is shared with students, it helps them to know "where to next". Students are very well supported during the testing and we ask that parents consider NAPLaN as another aspect of school assessment rather than place unnecessary stress on their students.

The school will contact particular parents about NAPLaN and if you have any questions, please contact the school.

One week to go then it's time for a break. Have a great holiday, stay safe and see you all next term!

**FRIDAY 13th April 2018
EARLY DISMISSAL at 2:30pm**

**Term 2 resumes on
Monday 30th April 2018**

Renmark OSHC have another wonderful school holiday program planned (see pg.5) for info.

Bookings essential.

Keeping Safe: Child

Protection Curriculum

Throughout the year students will be engaging with the Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum (KS:CPC). The teachers delivering the program have received explicit training in the Curriculum. It is a Department for Education and Child Development (DECD) responsibility under the Children's Protection Act (1993) and the Child Protection in Schools, Early Childhood Education and Care Services policy to ensure that effective abuse prevention programs are implemented and that all children and young people have access to the approved child protection curriculum.

Although parent permission is not required under the Education Act (1972), we encourage parents/caregivers to seek further clarification if required and to provide the teacher with any relevant information about their child that could alleviate any concerns.

The KS:CPC is an evidence based, best practice curriculum developed collaboratively with child protection specialists, teachers, educational leaders and other professionals. It covers a range of concepts including new additional material on contemporary issues such as bullying and cyber safety. The KS:CPC is divided into 5 documents specific to the year level of the students plus 2 additional documents for educators working with students from cultural or linguistically diverse backgrounds and for students with disability.

There are two main themes and

four Focus Areas:

- We all have the right to be safe
- We can help ourselves to be safe by talking to people we trust.

Years R-2

The right to be safe

- Feelings, being safe, warning signs, risk taking and emergencies.

Relationships

- Trust and networks, rights and responsibilities, use and abuse of power.

Recognising and reporting abuse

- Names of parts of the body, recognizing abusive situations and secrets.

Protective strategies

- Practising protective strategies, persistence.

Years 3-5

The right to be safe

- Exploring the concept of safety, reviewing the concept of warning signs, unsafe situations and acceptable risk taking.

Relationships

- Understanding rights and responsibilities, trust and networks, developing personal identity, power in relationships.

Recognising and reporting abuse

- Privacy and names of parts of the body, recognizing abuse, neglect and unsafe secrets, internet, telephone and media safety.

Protective strategies

- Problem solving and keeping safe, review of networks.

Years 6-9

The right to be safe

- Safety and risk taking, warning signs and emergencies.

Relationships

- Rights and responsibilities in relationships, power in relationships, bullying as an abuse of power.

Recognising and reporting abuse

- Recognizing abuse, identifying abuse and neglect, electronic media abuse.

Protective strategies

- Problem solving strategies, network view and community support.

The KS:CPC fits primarily within the Health and Physical Education learning area of the Australian Curriculum but can also be incorporated across other Learning Areas. Within the Health and Physical Education curriculum two focus areas Relationships and Sexuality, and Safety outline the learning.

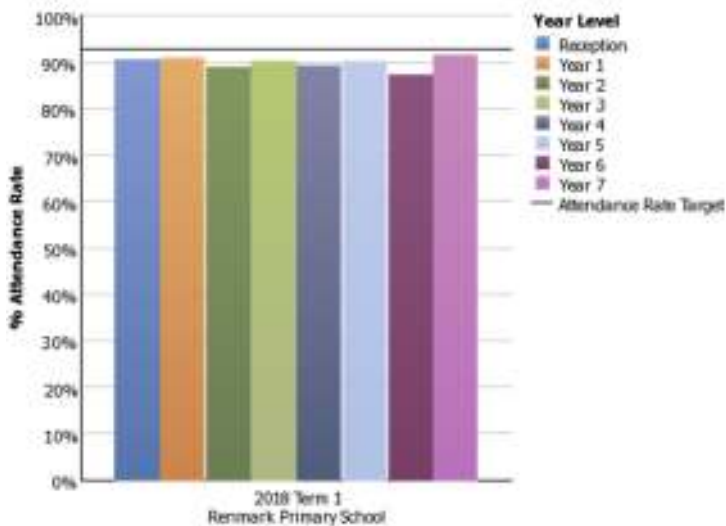
More information can be found on the DECD Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum site:

<http://tiny.cc/DECD-KSCPC>



Attendance

Children are required to attend school from 6-17 years of age (Section 76 of the Education Act 1972). School gives each student not only the opportunity to learn and develop patterns of participation that will set them up for life.



Why is it important for your child to arrive at school on time?

Did you know?

- ✚ The likelihood of success in learning is strongly linked to strong participation in school programs which is linked to arriving on time.
- ✚ It is very important for children to develop habits of arriving on time at an early age, beginning from the time they start school.

Some Gains for Your Child

Arriving On Time for School and Class:

- ✚ Your child doesn't miss out on important learning activities that happen early in the day, when they are most alert
- ✚ Early morning learning activity is often reading or writing; your child can lose opportunities to learn these critical life skills when they arrive late to school
- ✚ Helps your child to learn routines and commitment.
- ✚ Gives your child time to greet their friends before class which can reduce classroom disruptions later
- ✚ Class disruption can make your child feel uncomfortable and upset other children
- ✚ Arriving on time every day makes children feel positive about school and themselves; a strong sense of belonging.

Make regular attendance a priority and let's aim for 93% attendance rate in term 2, we are nearly there!!

PALs (Play At Lunch Time)

On Tuesday 3rd March, 30 students trained to become our 2018 Play At Lunch Time (PALs) leaders.

This program assists year 6 and 7 students to develop skills and strategies in how to organise games for other students, especially younger children, in the school yard at recess and lunch times.

The first part of the day, students learnt how to encourage and motivate participants, provide feedback, how to provide every child with positive experiences of physical activity and how to create a safe learning environment.

As part of the final session, the PALs leaders were asked to work with some of our younger classes to practise these skills. They did a wonderful job! Congratulations!



Parent Reminders...



Last day for term 1

Friday 13th April 2018 – school finishing at 2:30pm
Term 2 Commences on Monday 30th April 2018

Breakfast Club

Just a reminder, Breakfast Club will be held every **Thursday from 8.15-8.45 am**; in the kitchen.
Any coin donation helps!

School Banking

RPS does school banking with Bank SA every Tuesday. Applications to open an account can be found at the front office.

School lunch orders

Are on **Fridays** – orders **MUST** be in by 9am on Thursdays. Front office have menus and order bags.

Please Note – There will be no lunch orders available on the last day of term.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CANTEEN: Please ensure all lunch orders have the **CLASS NUMBER** on it, not just the class teacher's name.

Sports Vouchers Program

The Sports Vouchers program is a Government of South Australia initiative administered by the Office for Recreation and Sport.

The program provides an opportunity for primary school aged children from Reception to Year 7 to receive up to a \$50 discount on sports membership/registration fees.

The purpose is to increase the number of children playing organised sport by reducing cost as a barrier to participate in sport.

All South Australian primary school aged children are eligible for the program.

Sports Vouchers are available at the front office.

Don't forget to check out our School website @

<http://www.remarkr7.sa.edu.au>

And



REMARK PRIMARY SCHOOL OFFICIAL

Free One Day Workshop for Parents and Carers

Berri
Wednesday
16 May 2018

Positive Partnerships is coming to a location near you!

Join us for a day of learning with other parents and carers of school aged children on the autism spectrum, designed to help you foster productive school, family and community relationships to provide the best kind of support for your child. Our workshops are for parents, carers and grandparents wanting to understand more about autism and learn practical strategies using evidence based resources to help maximise their young person's learning.

What will you gain by attending this workshop?

- An increased understanding of the impact of autism
- Further knowledge about how to develop effective partnerships with your school
- Information to help you access further support both inside and outside of school
- An opportunity to be part of a support network where you can share strategies and experiences with other parents/carers
- An understanding of a planning tool that can be used to share key information related to your child

Workshop details

Venue: Berri Hotel
Riverview Drive
Berri SA 5343

When: Wednesday 16 May 2018
9.15 am – 3.00 pm (Registration from 8.30 am)

Catering: Morning tea and lunch is provided. Please advise any dietary requirements upon registration.

Register Online: www.positivepartnerships.com.au Registrations open on Friday 23 March 2018 and close one business day prior to the workshop. Register early as places are limited!

Questions? If you are not able to register online please call the Positive Partnerships Infoline : 1300 881 971 or email parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au

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Rhythmic Drumming Riverland



Childrens Rhythmic Drumming Sessions

ASG Building – 3 Wilson Street Berri

Monday's 4:15pm – 5:00pm, in line with school term,

Commencing Monday 30th April 2018

Contact Mick on 0435 852 390 or mscordo9@gmail.com

\$15 per session, or \$120 to book in for all 10 sessions



WHAT'S ON ???

Community Notices

Riverland Oral Health Centre (school aged dental)

Address: 10 Maddern Street, Berri SA 5343. Open Monday to Friday 8:30am-4:30pm Phone: 8580 2700.

In an emergency or for after hour's advice call:1800 022 222.

Renmark School Dental Closed as of December 2016.

Dental care is free for most children-SA Dental bulk bill Medicare.

Renmark Out of School Hours Care

Open out of school hours 6:30am-8:30am & 3:15pm-6:30pm, Pupil free days and School Holidays 6:30am-6:30pm. Please Call: 8586 4481 for bookings.

National Karate Academies Renmark

For R-7 at the RPS Hall on Wednesdays (enter from 19th St. Renmark). Phone Jeff on 0417 938 076.

Fun Fitness Sessions with Iris

Renmark Primary School Gym on Thursday's 6:30-7:30pm. Cost is \$5.

All ages & abilities welcome. For more info Ph: Iris on 0420552626.

Renmark Music & Movement Group

Is for 0-5 yr olds and their carers! Held every Monday during school term (except the first week back) from 9:30 – 10:30 am at the Renmark Uniting Church hall. \$2 a family per session. BYO water bottle and fruit snack. Come along when it suits your family.

Contact Susy on: 0430017553 for more information.

Rhythmic Drumming Riverland

Children's Rhythmic drumming sessions. ASG Building – 3 Wilson Street, Berri. Monday's 4.15pm – 5:00pm, in line with school term. Commencing Monday 30th April 2018

Contact Mick Scordo on 0435852390 or mscordo9@gmail.com \$15 per session or \$120 for all 10 sessions.

School Uniform Donations

Do you have any second hand school uniforms; particularly T-shirts that you would consider donating? Any school uniform donations are very welcome. Second hand uniforms can be purchased from the front office for a gold coin donation.

2018 Term Dates

Term 1: 29 th January – 13 th April	(11 wks)
Term 2: 30 th April – 6 th July	(10 wks)
Term 3: 23 rd July – 28 th September	(10 wks)
Term 4: 15 th October – 14 th December	(9 wks)

Dates to Remember

Term 1

Week 11

April	9-13	State Softball Carnival
April	13	Last day Term 1 – 2:30pm dismissal

Please Note: Dates are subject to change



Vacation Care April 10th - 27th 2018

Bookings Essential 8586 4481

Email: renmarkoshc@airmail.net.au
Facebook: [Renmark OSHC School Events](https://www.facebook.com/Renmark-OSHC-School-Events)

Monday 14th	Tuesday 17th	Wednesday 18th	Thursday 19th	Friday 20th
American Day  Special Lunch Located in village and Juice box Cost \$5.00	Movie Peter Rabbit We will be leaving for the Chaffey Theatre at approx. 1.40pm and returning by 4.00pm cost \$12.00. 	Slime and Gloop Day Come and have a go at making Slime and gloop! Analogs of other messy arts and crafts. Setting at Community House Walking to the Community House Leaving at 1pm returning by 3pm 	Break up day And Opp shop operation (Good chance at your favourite character) (We will be having a model runway to the Chaffey at 1pm and 3pm)	Construction/Disassembly Day Today we will be pulling our appliances apart to see how they work. We will also be building cubbies out of boxes and other resources. 
Monday 23th  (Crazy from Renmark will be coming in to run a session of nature craft. We will also be doing other cool activities using recycled materials.) 	MONARTO ZOO  We will be traveling by Bus to Monarto Zoo leaving OSHC at 7.15am and returning by 6.55pm Cost \$30.00. Please bring a packed lunch, water bottle and hat. Please book early as places are limited. See parent letter for more information. 	OSHC CLOSED 	Movie Sherlock Gnomes We will be leaving for the Chaffey Theatre at approx. 1.40pm and returning by 4.00pm cost \$12.00. 	Thankful to Be Ugly Come dressed in your hippy outfits for a chilled out day of activities. Lunch provided by OSHC. Lorraine and Juice Box 

