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Term 3, Week 10

Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> September 2017

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## News from the Principal

Term 3 is over and holidays are about to begin. As I reflect on term 3, I wish to acknowledge our many successes; Festival of Music, ICAS awards, a fabulous Book Week celebration assembly, our Literacy and Numeracy open afternoon, Parent-Teacher-Student discussions, the yr. 5/6 and 6/7 Business Expo today which was outstanding, many sporting achievements through SAPSASA, the Inaugural STEM congress attended by four Aboriginal students in Adelaide this week as well as the learning that's occurring in our classrooms every day.

It's a real credit to our staff and school community that our students have such wonderful learning and extra-curricular opportunities. Without a strong partnership, these things wouldn't happen. School events are well supported by our parents and we are so appreciative.

I look forward to a wonderful term 4. More learning to finish off a very successful and positive year for each student.

I thank our staff for their amazing work with and care for our students. Each one is very dedicated to our students, wanting your child to be the best they can be as learners, friends, in their school community and as representatives of Renmark Primary School.

Have a fantastic holiday everyone and I look forward to seeing you all again in term 4.

### RENMARK PRIMARY SCHOOL UNIFORM

The weather will be warmer in term 4 so the holidays are a great time to check that your child has a full summer school uniform. Navy blue shorts (loose, not tight and length at least 1/2 way between the thigh and knee), navy/navy and white polo top, navy blue bucket hat (\$5 from the office) and sneakers or sturdy sandals.

Students not in uniform must play in Area 1 and those without a hat play under the main shelters.

We do not accept black clothing, navy blue please.

From term 4, students with a SAPSASA top can wear it on Fridays only or for the week after their SAPSASA event. Please ensure a full school uniform Monday-Thursday.

***Donations of school uniforms no longer needed are very much appreciated and we always need more!***

### PUPIL FREE DAY, FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> NOVEMBER

The last of our 2017 Pupil Free days is on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Our partnership teachers will be moderating Maths tasks.

These days are extremely valuable for teachers; I thank the Governing Council for granting our Pupil Free days and valuing teacher professional learning.

### NEW BUS SERVICE OWNERS

On behalf of the Renmark schools and the Renmark Bus Management Committee, I thank Tony Townsend for his outstanding service, partnership and commitment to our school community, over many years. He has always worked with us to ensure the best possible bus travel for students to and from school and on excursions and trips. His staff are a credit to him; nothing has ever been too much trouble.

Townsend's bus company has been sold to Peter Pickering, Bus Biz. I sincerely wish Peter the very best and look forward to the same wonderful service and positive relationship as we've had with Tony and his staff for many years.

We wish Tony all the best for whatever comes next and again, cannot thank him enough for his support and professionalism over the many years he's worked with our schools.

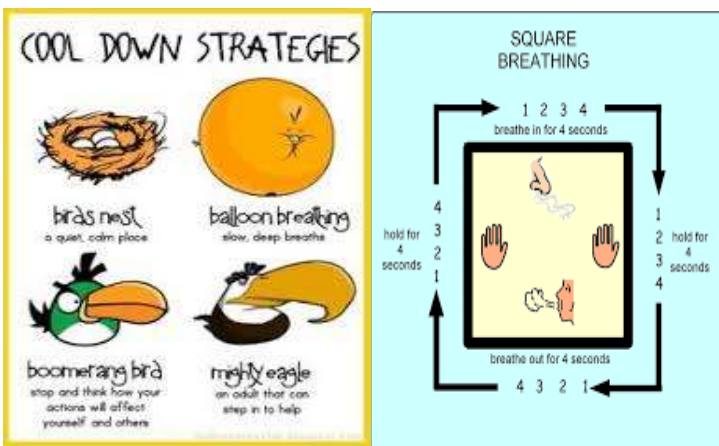
### STAFFING IN TERM 4

Mrs Sluggett is on leave for weeks 1 – 4 and Mrs Penny Golding will teach in room 6. Miss Lauren Dunn will remain in room 12 for all of term 4. Enjoy your leave, Mrs Sluggett!

# SRC/ Little Leaders

## Meetings

Every fortnight, the SRC and Little Leaders meet. During these meetings, students have the opportunity to share and feedback questions and concerns that arise from classroom meetings. It is also a time where we focus on whole school issues and discuss strategies on how to solve those problems. At the start of this term, we discussed all the ways we could solve conflict. Some of these included: using team work and using an "I" message. All students have also been learning ways that they can calm.



Students from Room 5 said that they are able to use a variety of strategies to calm including...

- Using the 5 point scale
- Quiet reading, drawing or colouring
- Listening to music
- Counting back from 10
- Think about the positives in the day
- Drink water
- Have a break
- Sit in the calm corner
- Fidget with mindfulness toys
- Students also discussed why it was important to remain calm and how did remaining calm impact of their learning.

Students from Room 17 & 18 said that it was important to remain calm so you...

- "Don't get angry."
- "It was good for your heart."
- "So you didn't hurt anyone," and
- "So you could solve problems."

Room 12 students said that it was important to remain calm... as it helps with your concentration and you can remain focused on your learning.

# Yr 7 Transitions

This year, some of our Year 7 students have already began their transition to high school program. This has involved meeting the Student Wellbeing Leader, Mr Matt Abbott and Pastoral Care Worker, Ms Pammy Main.

Students were involved in either cooking, art or PE lessons. On Friday 27<sup>th</sup> October, all year 7 students from the four primary schools will meet up again for a treasure hunt of the high school and activities.

More information about this day will go out on the first day of Term 4.



## RPS Choir

Earlier this term, our choir participated in the Riverland Primary Schools' Music Festival.

This marked the end of all our hard work over Terms 1 and 2, and a great night was had by all. We are now beginning to prepare some more exciting things for Term 4, including a few pop songs for end of year celebrations, Christmas Carols, and the latest song for our Music Count Us In event, which will be held on November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

*Here is a snap of us practising on the day of our big performance.*



## Renmark High School Dresses

During Week 3 (30<sup>th</sup> Oct – 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov) all Yr 7 girls will have the opportunity to try on and order a RHS dress.

If students/families want to place an order, forms will be available to fill out on the day. A full payment of \$80 or a \$20 deposit (with the remaining amount due on collection) will be required.

Dresses will be available to collect from Renmark High School once orders have arrived.

For more information, please refer to Renmark High Schools' **Uniform Policy** on their school website: <http://www.renmarkhs.sa.edu.au> – Parent Information page.



## Parent Reminders...



### CASUAL DAY

Students can wear casual clothing/ football colours on the last day of term.

### Breakfast Club

Just a reminder, Breakfast Club will be held every Thursday from 8.15-8.45 am; in the kitchen.

### 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:

**Friday WEEK 10, 29<sup>th</sup> September and**

**Friday WEEK 1, 20<sup>th</sup> October**

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

Don't forget to check out our School website @

<http://www.renmarkr7.sa.edu.au>

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# Important Dates

## for Term 4

**Week 2:** Year 7 Leadership day Friday 27<sup>th</sup> Oct

**Week 3:** Pupil Free day Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov

**Week 5-7:** Pre-school Visits each Tuesday morning

**Week 8:** Let's Celebrate Concert Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Week 9:** Yr. 7 Graduation Monday 11<sup>th</sup> Dec

# Relationships Australia®

## Upcoming Parent Sessions

### Bringing Up Great Kids

An Interactive Workshop for parents and carers  
Presented by Relationships Australia South Australia

Learning more about the origins of your own parenting style  
Identifying important messages and how to convey these  
Understand the messages of your child's behaviour  
Discover ways to take care of yourself and find support  
Develop strategies to manage your parenting approach, in your busy world

**Session details:**  
Thursdays, 19 & 26 October and 2 & 9 November 2017  
12.30pm - 2.30pm  
Relationships Australia SA, 9 Kay Avenue, Berri  
To Book call us on 08 8582 4122 or email your details to [berri.intake@rsa.org.au](mailto:berri.intake@rsa.org.au) and we will call you to arrange a booking.

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### Developing Resilient Children

Resilience is an important skill in being able to cope with and overcome adverse situations and experiences. The Developing Resilient Children course helps parents build and strengthen their children's resilience to cope with challenges in their lives.

Parents will benefit from the course by becoming more reflective, pro-active and in tune with their children's needs. The course is **FREE** and is for parents of children 12 and under.

**When:** Wednesday, 20 September 2017  
10.00am to 12.00pm

**Location:** Relationships Australia SA  
9 Kay Avenue, Berri

**To book:** Call us on 08 8582 4122 or email your details to [berri.intake@rsa.org.au](mailto:berri.intake@rsa.org.au) and we will call you to arrange a booking.

### Circle of Security

#### A Relationship Based Parenting Program

We are all "hard wired" to feel secure. This need for secure relationships is "built-in" to our most important interactions throughout every hour of every day. This 3 session course is ideal for mothers, fathers, significant others, parents to be, grandparents, foster and adoptive parents or anyone that is providing care for children.

This course will cover:

- What your child's behaviour might mean
- How to help your child regulate their feelings
- How to help your child feel secure in their relationships
- How to help your child engage more in play and learning
- How to support you in your role as a parent when times are tough
- How to support your child in managing difficult behaviours, tantrums, attention-seeking, clinginess.

**When:** Tuesdays, 7, 14 and 21 November 2017  
10.00am - 12.00pm

**Where:** Relationships Australia SA  
9 Kay Ave, Berri

**Cost:** Free

**Enquiries:** Call us on 08 8582 4122 or email your details to [berri.intake@rsa.org.au](mailto:berri.intake@rsa.org.au) and we will call you to arrange a booking.

## Rose Festival Institute Display Children's Competition "On The Farm"

**Age Groups 6-8 9-12 13 & over**

Floral container no bigger than 30 cm x 30 cm.

Must contain roses!

**Age 5 and under**

Decorate a floral plate.

**1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes!**

Deliver your arrangement to the Renmark Institute between 4-5 pm Thursday 19th October

Winners will notified Friday 20th October

Prizes to be presented at the Rose Festival Fair Saturday 21st October

Phone Suzie for more information  
0403 740 324



## 2017 Term Dates

Term 3: 24<sup>th</sup> July – 29<sup>th</sup> Sep (10 wks)

Term 4: 16<sup>th</sup> October – 15<sup>th</sup> Dec (9 wks)





# Vacation Care October 2nd - 13th 2017



## Bookings Essential 8586 4481

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Facebook: [Renmark Outside School Hours care](#)

Monday 2nd	Tuesday 3rd	Wednesday 4th	Thursday 5th	Friday 6th
<p>ROSHC closed for Public Holiday</p> 	<p><b>SPRING</b> Let's celebrate the arrival of spring with some gardening and pretty spring crafts.</p> <p><b>SPRING</b> 8 AND UNDER LIVE PERFORMANCE AT PUBLIC LIBRARY</p> <p>We will be walking to the Public Library to attend the performance "The Animals of the Magical Mountain" leaving OSHC at 1.30pm returning by 3.30pm</p>	<p><b>The Emoji Movie</b> We will be leaving for the Chaffey Theatre at approx. 1.40pm and returning by 4.00pm cost \$12.00 plus \$1.00 for 3D glasses if required.</p> 	<p><b>Art with Jacqui</b> Jacqui from Jacqui Mason Art will be coming in to run an art workshop with us.</p>  <p><b>Special Lunch</b> Ham and Salad Wrap and Juice Box Cost \$5.00</p>	<p>Cultural Day with Daniel Daniel is going to share his Aboriginal culture with us.</p> <p>Arts and crafts Music and Cooking.</p> 
<p><b>Monday 9th</b> <u>Cooking and Tech from Home day</u> Today we will be cooking up a storm in the kitchen. <u>Children are able to bring Tech from Home</u> please make sure they only contain G and PG content</p> <p><b>Special Lunch</b> Spaghetti Bolognese and Juice Box Cost \$5.00</p> 	<p><b>Tuesday 10th</b> <b>Loxton Playground</b> We will be traveling to Loxton Playground by bus leaving ROSHC at 10.00am and returning by 2.30pm.</p> <p><b>Special Lunch</b> Pie, Pasty or Sausage roll and Juice Box. <b>(Lunch Paid for by ROSHC)</b></p> 	<p><b>Wednesday 11th</b> <b>AM</b> <b>YOGA WITH JADE</b> Jade from Yoga Balance will be coming in the morning to run a Yoga workshop with us.</p>  <p><b>PM</b> <b>Drumming with Mick</b> Mick Scordo from Rhythmic Drumming Riverland Will be coming in to run a drumming workshop with us.</p>	<p><b>Thursday 12th</b> <b>CAPTAIN UNDERPANTS</b> THE FIRST EPIC MOVIE</p> <p>We will be leaving for the Chaffey Theatre at approx. 1.40pm and returning by 4.00pm cost \$12.00 plus \$1.00 for 3D glasses if required.</p> 	<p><b>Friday 13th</b> <b>Woodwork and Construction Day</b> Come and try your hand at wood work. We will be making all kinds of amazing things.</p>  <p><b>Special Lunch</b> Hamburger and salad and Juice Box <b>(Lunch paid for By OSHC)</b></p>

