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No 2/2017

Term 1, Week 4

Thursday 23rd February 2017

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News from the Principal

GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Governing Council Annual General Meeting is on Monday 27th February, 6.00 – 7.15pm in the Resource Centre.

It would be fantastic to see many parents attending.

The Annual General Meeting will largely focus on my report to parents on the 2016 school year; I'll talk about our future direction and have a special focus on our Nature Play project.

We are providing free child care for parents who would like to attend the AGM but may find it difficult because they have young children. The children will be supervised by an SSO in room 18 in the Lower Primary School and will watch a movie and have a snack of fruit and water.

If you would like to attend the AGM and would like child care, please call the office by 9.30 a.m. on Monday 27/2.

Please consider joining the Governing Council. It's a great way to meet other parents and contribute your ideas to ensure that Renmark Primary School remains and continues to be a great school for all children and families.

PUPIL FREE DAYS

The Governing Council has granted our staff two Pupil Free days.

The first is on Monday 27th March; staff will engage in Mindfulness professional learning and curriculum planning.

The second is on Friday 9th June; all teachers will be engaged in Visible Learning professional learning, with staff from the participating schools within the Renmark-Loxton partnership. OSHC will be available for those needing child care.

Parent-Teacher-Student Discussions

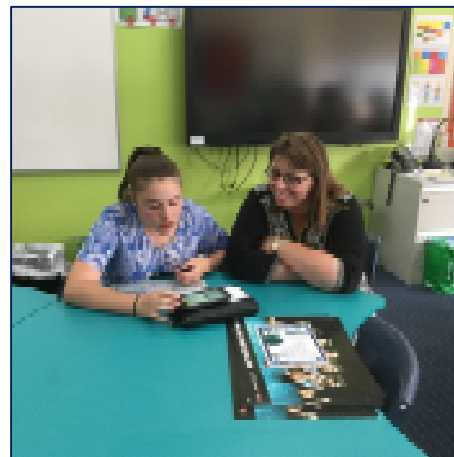
Notes will come home soon. Meetings will take place from 13-24 March. You'll have an in-depth conversation with your child and their teacher about their learning. Please select three possible times and return the note to the class teacher as soon as possible.

MEET and GREET

Thank you very much to parents, students and others who attended our recent Meet and Greet night.

It was fantastic to see so many parents here and so many students taking great pride in showing their parents around our school.

We are very proud of our school. Teachers provide a stimulating, 21st Century learning environment and it is obvious when visiting the classes how very proud students are of their classrooms and learning areas.



Sarah and
Chelsea
in room 11



Tanya, Kane, Caleb,
Anna and Shyla
visiting the Resource
Centre.

Student Counsellors News

Assembly week 3-

On Friday of week 3 RPS held the first assembly of the year. At this event a number of students received awards for showing school values, having an outstanding uniform, achieving high reading levels and having consistently high attendance.

The names of our Student Leaders and Sports Leaders were announced and these students were presented with their badges by Ms Bretag. It was fantastic to see so many parents and members of the school community at the event supporting our students.

The names of our SRC members were announced and the official presentation of their badges will be at the next assembly. Students will be presented their badged by Renmark Paringa Mayor Neil Martinson.

Our next whole school assembly is Wednesday, week 6 at 2.50pm.



Some award winners

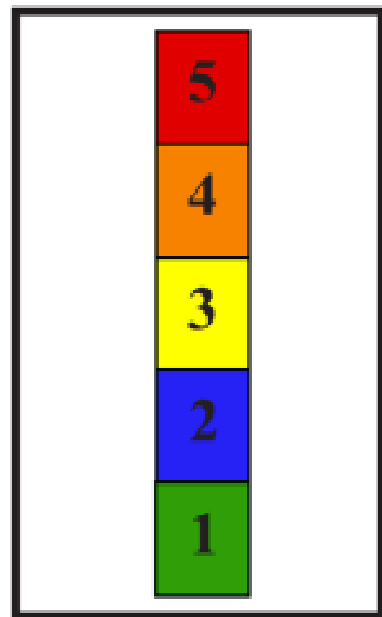
5 Point Scale Parent Session

The 5 Point scale was developed by Special Education teachers Kari Dunn Buron and Mitzi Curtis. It is a tool which assists students to develop emotional self-regulation skills and helps to reduce instances of students feeling overwhelmed; maximising learning in the classroom. The 5 Point Scale “talks in numbers” rather than in socially and emotionally laden words and has been used, with great success, by Autism SA and other organisations to support students wellbeing.

Since the start of the term the staff of RPS have been working to build students’ knowledge of their emotions and have been developing individualised student scales. We know that the more students are familiar with their emotions; the more capable they are of expressing them appropriately. The scale teaches students to recognise their own internal emotional states and then to practice successful responses to those emotions.

Erin Stoeckel, our school counsellor, will be offering a 5 Point Scale, parent information session on Wednesday 29th March, 5.30 – 6.00pm.

Please RSVP the school on 8586 5737 if you would like to attend.



HIPPY- AC Care

HIPPY are the Home Interaction Program for Parents and Youngsters

Currently HIPPY are looking for participants to be involved in their free, 2-year program. HIPPY provides resources and information for parents so they can help develop their child's skills and support a successful transition from home into schooling. A trained HIPPY tutor will meet with you and your child for an hour once a week, either at home or at a community organisation. If you would like more information on this great program, please contact Katisha Jackson at A.C Care on 8582 2344



What does learning look like in Room 15?

Room 15 decided to brainstorm all their thoughts about learning in Room 15. We are having great fun with our learning, especially giving ourselves daily word challenges!



- "Using our manners" **Kirrielee**
- "It looks like reading books in Daily 5" **Jack**
- "It's the most beautiful class ever because it is colourful and bright" **Suevanna**
- "It looks like a lot of fun" **Sophie**
- "It looks like sizzling writing" **Jacob**
- "It looks like our brains are stretching" **Jaggar**
- "It looks like helping each other" **Charity**
- "It looks like showing kindness to each other" **Kiana**
- "It looks like making great choices" **Summer**
- "It looks like tricky word challenges" **David**
- "It looks quiet" **Levi**



Art Lessons

with Mrs Harrington!



Did you know????? Mrs Harrington (Rm 5) has a passion for art and is amazing at it too!

Here's proof! ↙

At RPS we are lucky enough to now have an art room up and running where Mrs Harrington can share her amazing talent and inspire students at RPS.



Art lessons are offered on Friday's with a small group of children from classes in year 2/3 - 7, which will be rotated to ensure all students get the opportunity to have a go.

Downstairs classes:
'Introduction to Art'
Upstairs classes:
'Creative Art' and also
'Advanced' drawing classes for yrs. 4-7's.

"Drawing is exercise for a restless imagination"

- Tim Burton



Parent Reminders...



Term 1 PUPIL FREE DAY

Monday 27th March (week 9)

Term 1 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

Monday 13th March (week 7) Adelaide Cup

Friday 14th April (week 11) Good Friday (last day of term)

Assemblies

Week 3 –Friday 17th Feb 9:10am

Week 6 –Wednesday 8th March 2:50pm

Week 9 –Tuesday 28th March 2:50pm

5 Point Scale Info Session

Wednesday 29th March 5.30 – 6pm

Swimming Lessons

Weeks 3-5 (See Insert)

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 ensure all lunch orders have the **CLASS NUMBER** on it, not just the class teacher's name.

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

2017 Swimming Lessons

ATTENTION: SWIMMING LESSON CHANGES - for this Friday 24th February ONLY:

9.30am – room 3

10.30am – room 2

11.30am – room 1

1.00pm – room 17

2.00pm – room 11

Monday 20 February – Friday 24 February Week 4

09.30am – 10.30am	Room 11
10.30am – 11.30am	Room 2
11.30am – 12.30pm	Room 3
01.00pm – 02.00pm	Room 1
02.00pm – 03.00pm	Room 17 ♦♦

♦♦ Room 17 will not have a lesson Thursday 23 February due to the early finish.
– This lesson will be held on Tuesday 28 February 02.00pm – 03.00pm

Monday 27 February – Friday 3 March Week 5

09.30am – 10.30am	Room 10
10.30am – 11.30am	Room 6
11.30am – 12.30pm	Room 5
01.00pm – 02.00pm	Room 18

Governing Council AGM

All welcome – We would love to see you there!

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: 85802700.
 In an emergency or for after hours advice call: 1800022222.
 Renmark School Dental Closed as of December 2016.
 Dental care is free for most children-SA Dental bulk bill Medicare.

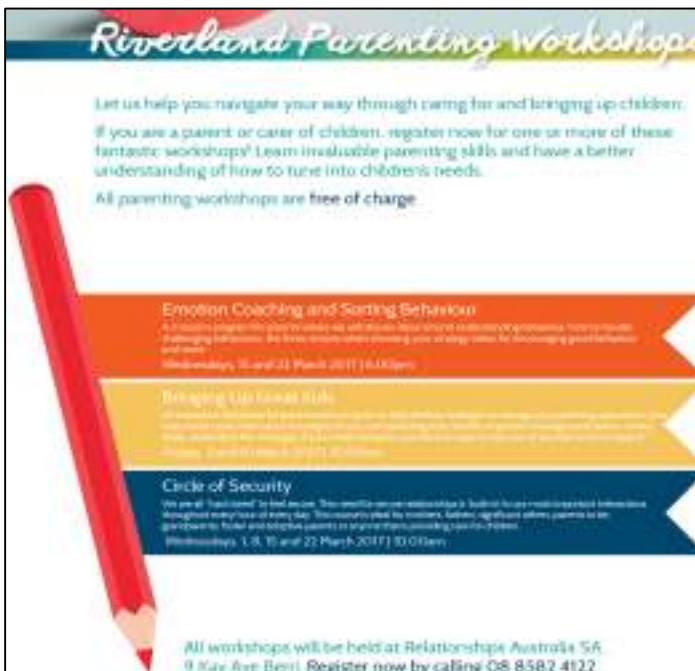
Renmark Out of School Hours Care

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: 85 864 481 for bookings.

National Karate Academies Renmark -at R-7 Hall on
 Wednesdays (enter from 19th St. Renmark). Phone Jeff on
 0417 938 076.

Martial Arts Australia Freestyle Karate – Renmark Primary
 School Hall – Mondays, Renmark High School Gym on
 Wednesdays, Berri Town Hall – Tuesdays.
 Juniors 6:00-7:00pm \$6 and Seniors 7:00-8:30pm \$7
 Ph: Iris on 0404019977. First lesson free.

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 Laura Strout: 0429953495 for more information.



Riverland Parenting Workshops

Let us help you navigate your way through caring for and bringing up children.
 If you are a parent or carer of children, register now for one or more of these
 fantastic workshops! Learn invaluable parenting skills and have a better
 understanding of how to tune into children's needs.
 All parenting workshops are free of charge.

- Emotion Coaching and Sorting Behaviour**
 A 4-week program for parents to learn how to help their children understand and manage their emotions. This program is designed to help parents build their children's emotional literacy and resilience. It is held on Wednesdays, 3, 10, 17 and 24 March 2017 (4.00pm).
- Bringing Up Good Kids**
 A 4-week program for parents to learn how to help their children develop good character and values. This program is designed to help parents build their children's self-discipline and responsibility. It is held on Wednesdays, 3, 10, 17 and 24 March 2017 (4.00pm).
- Circle of Security**
 We are all "hardwired" to feel secure. This workshop explores attachment & builds secure relationships. It is held on Wednesdays, 3, 10, 17 and 24 March 2017 (3.00pm).

All workshops will be held at Relationships Australia SA,
 9 Kay Ave, Berri. Register now by calling 08 8582 4122

Dates to Remember

Term 1

Week 4 + 5 + 6

February	24	SAPSASA Swimming
February	27	Governing Council AGM 6pm

Week 7

March	13	PUBLIC HOLIDAY – Adelaide Cup
March	13-24	Parent- Teacher-Student Discussions
March	17	SAPSASA Sate Swimming

Week 8

March	20	Governing Council 6pm
March	21	Harmony day

Week 9 + 10

March	27	PUPIL FREE DAY
March	29	Parent info Session – 5 Point Scale
March	30	SAPSASA District Cross Country
April	3-7	SAPSASA State Softball

Week 11

April	10	SAPSASA District netball/football
April	12	Reports and Learning Journals home
April	13	Last Day Dismissal at 2:30pm
April	14	PUBLIC HOLIDAY –Good Friday

Please Note: Dates are subject to change

Don't forget to check out our School website @ <http://www.renmarkr7.sa.edu.au>

And



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RIVERLAND SAPSASA



Jazmyn's Fun Run

Raising Awareness Against Meningococcal Disease

Meningococcal C is FREE BUT Meningococcal B you NEED

Save The Date Sunday 2nd April 2017

2km, 5km, 10km Fun Run/Walk along the beautiful Murray River in Renmark.
Bring the whole family for a fun morning, there will be Music, Jumping Castle, Face Painting, Food, Coffee and Meningococcal Australia tent with all up to date information about signs and symptoms.

To Book go to: jazmysfunrun-eventbrite.com.au
Facebook Page: Jazmyns Fun Run - Raising awareness for Meningococcal.

Music By
Mick Kelly



Riverland S.A.

Domestic Violence Forum

SAPOL, TOGETHER WITH OTHER AGENCIES ARE HOLDING A FORUM IN THE RIVERLAND AREA ON DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND THE SERVICES AVAILABLE TO VICTIMS AND FAMILY MEMBERS TO PREVENT/PROTECT THEM AGAINST VIOLENCE.

WHERE: Berri Town Hall,
Wilson Street
BERRI

WHEN: Wednesday, 22 March 2017

TIME: 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm
(Doors open at 6.30 pm)

GUEST PRESENTERS

Senior Sergeant Sharon Walker-Roberts – South Australia Police

Desi Alexandridis – Senior Manager Domestic Violence Services

Professor Sarah Wendt – Flinders University

Guest presenters will join Superintendent James Blandford on a panel at the end of the forum to answer any questions on domestic violence.

Light supper available on the night.



The Riverland Domestic Violence Forum is proudly hosted by Scorpion International of South Australia



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Renmark Triathlon

February 25th - 26th 2017

Renmark Club, Murray Ave, Renmark, South Australia

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CAN'T SWIM? GRAB A FRIEND AND MAKE A TEAM!

WIN \$500
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SIMPLY ENTER THE EVENT TO GO INTO THE DRAW

DISTANCES:
SPRINT RACE: 750M SWIM 200M BIKE 50M RUN
SURF RACE: 300M SWIM 100M BIKE 2KM RUN
TRIFOLD RACE: 100M SWIM 2KM BIKE 3KM RUN

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Celebrating 60th MARDI GRAS LOXTON

2017

Friday 24th February

6:30pm Scouts SA Family BBQ - Rotunda
7:00pm Free Family Film "Oddball" - Every underdog has his day
Hosted by Scouts SA

6:30pm Gala Dinner, Loxton Hotel
Guest speaker: Russell Bower

Saturday 25th February

9:00am Craft & Food stalls & Kids activities - Rotunda area
Quilting Display - Uniting Church Hall
Craft in More Falls - Anglican Church Hall

10:45am Parade Opening

11:00am Parade begins: Vintage cars, Bands.
Route: Drabich St, East Toe, then east on Backumung Toe to Martha St cross-over, East Toe and Drabich St.

Bands: SA Police Band
Nuriootpa Town Band

1:00pm Winner Announcements - Rotunda
*Flora
*Shop Window
*Previous Queens & presentations
*Crowning of the Ambassadors

5:00pm Nippy's Loxton Gift
Loxton Oval. Free entry

Kids Activities from 9:00am
*Bingo
*Mardi Gras parade
*Face painting
*Bunny race
*Egg hunt
*Puzzle - nature art workshop

Chief of Mardi Gras - Heather Lagerstrom (2016)

Sunday 26th February

8:25am Mardi Gras Appreciation Service - Rotunda
Military Street Name - WWII Sister Gertrude Armstrong.
Unveiling new plaque and audio tour of Loxton's Military Streets.
Laying of wreath, Ode, Last Post.
Presentations to Mardi Gras Flag Bearers - Peter and Julie Mangeldorf.

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