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Diary Dates:

Term 2

9-11/5	Year 3, 5, 7 NAPLAN testing
10,17,24/5	Small Class Swimming
11/5	Pet Safety Visit Yr R-4 and 3-7s
12/5	Assembly 2.30pm Year 6/7 hosting
15/5	SAPSASA Netball knock out comp
16/5	R-2 Museum Excursion
18/5	SAPSASA Soccer knock out comp
24/5	School Photos
26/5	Japan Day celebrations
1/6	Preschool only Pupil Free Day

Principal's Report

Welcome to Term 2 and we hope that you had an enjoyable holiday break with your children. Teaching roles remain unchanged this term and we have welcomed SSO Linda Sullivan into the R-2 small class for 5 weeks whilst Sarah Martin is on leave.

6 new students have started with us the term – a special welcome to Beau, Jaymee-Lee, Ben, Alex, Summer and Hailee. We hope that you and your families have wonderful experiences at our school.

Sports Day

Our Sports Day on Monday 10th April (Week 11 Term 1) was once again a fabulous whole school event, inclusive of all of the classes and the preschool.

Congratulations to the winning team on the day,

Toltarne. Final scores were:

Toltarne	297 points
Karrara	296 points
Amaroo	295 points
Waringa	285 points

All students participated throughout the day with enthusiasm, had fun and supported each other, no matter which house team they represented.

Considerable planning goes into a Sports Day and we must thank the organising committee of Ms Graham, Mrs Foster and Ms Wood for all of their preparation, as well as the staff and house captains and vice captains for their assistance on the day.

Thank you also to the people who donated goods to sell on the cake stall and helped serve on the cake stall and sausage sizzle.

The Hallett Cove Lion's Club once again assisted our school by cooking the BBQ for us and such support is greatly appreciated.

The students enjoy the occasion even more when so many parents and families come along to cheer them along and we hope you will continue to support our whole school events such as assemblies, Book Week activities and concert.

Our students on 'Behind the News' !

We have recently been invited by the 'Behind the News' ABC children's program to feature our middle and upper primary students in an upcoming episode demonstrating their computer coding skills. In 2015 and 2016 IT specialist teacher Vanessa Whittington, provided instruction for students on coding skills and techniques and students then were provided with the opportunity to complete projects and enter their game creations into the ACMI (Australian Centre for the Moving Image) competition if they wished to do so. In these 2 years we had a team of finalists and a commendation. The BTN reporters became aware of this, as one of the few South Australian schools sharing these skills with authentic audiences. What a fantastic opportunity and affirmation for our school for the excellent learning experiences that have been offered to students. Congratulations to Vanessa and the students who will be showcased. Tune in next Thursday 18th May.

Staff Training and Development

Last Monday, teaching and classroom-based ancillary staff participated in Professional Development related to Behaviour Education and Student Management. The workshops facilitated by DECD Behaviour Coach Cassie Humphrey and Counsellor Vicki Mangelsen, reinforced teaching strategies which can assist students to self-regulate and develop responsible behaviours. Some areas explored included the impacts of trauma, de-escalating behaviours, appropriate consequences and self-calming techniques that can be taught.

NAPLAN testing

This week most of our Year 3, 5 and 7 students are sitting the NAPLAN tests – National Literacy and Numeracy tests. Teachers have prepared students for the tests and are encouraging them to do their best and adopt a 'have a go' mindset.

These tests provide a snapshot of how a child is progressing against their peers nationally and is one of the many ways that we collect data and evidence about the progress a child is making in his or her learning.

Community News and Events

Free parenting seminar

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Tuesday 30 May
When: 7.00 - 9.00pm
Where: Riverbank Room
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3 Way Student-Teacher-Parent Conferences

Towards the end of Term 1, 3 way learning conferences were offered for all students and their parents/carers. We hope you were able to participate in these important discussions to share information on your child's current strengths and progress and together identify future goals. If you were not able to attend these meetings last term we encourage you to follow up with your child's teacher early this term. Parental involvement and interest in a child's learning is a key indicator of a child's ongoing success at school.

Winter Uniform Requirements

Now that the cooler weather has arrived please ensure your child has the correct uniform items to wear in line with the school's uniform code.

Winter tops include royal blue hooded or plain windcheater, royal blue/yellow zip up microfibre jacket or the Year 7 commemorative tops.

Other items of acceptable clothing include:

- royal blue pinafores, pleated skirts, culottes and tunics;
- royal blue track pants, cargo pants, leggings
- royal blue or gold polo shirt, T-shirts and skivvy;
- sandshoes / joggers in plain colours or black/brown school shoes– no brightly coloured footwear

Polo shirts and windcheaters can be purchased from the Front Office.

We currently have some second hand trackpants, polo shirts and windcheaters in the Front Office which can be acquired for a small donation.

Hats are not required to be worn for most of Term 2 and 3 when children are outdoors as exposure to vitamin D when UV radiation is lower is crucial for general health and muscle and bone development.

It is advisable though for your child to still have a hat at school for extended periods spent outdoors or for warmer days.

Mother's Day Fundraising

On Tuesday, students were given the opportunity to purchase small gifts for their mothers, grandmothers, aunties, step mothers to present to them on Mother's Day this Sunday.

The stall was kindly organised by the Fundraising Committee and we thank the members who organised the gifts to sell and managed the stall. There are still some items remaining so if your child missed out please ask them to come to the Front Office to see what is available. Gifts are all priced at \$5 or less.

We are also seeking more members for our Fundraising Committee.

Please contact a current member of the committee or Front Office staff if interested – new ideas are always welcome.

Japanese Term Two Overview

R/1 class

The theme this term is 'Colours & Shapes'.

Students will:

- Learn 7 colours and 6 shape names in Japanese.
- Learn the 'Colours of the Rainbow' song and 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star' in Japanese.
- Learn how to describe the size and colour of a shape.
- Complete Katachi the Clown assessment task

Year 1/2 class

The theme this term is 'Introduction to Hiragana'.

Students will:

- Learn how to recognise the 46 characters of Japan's first alphabet, Hiragana.
- Complete tracing booklet.
- Complete matching assessment booklet.

Year 3/4 class

The theme this term is 'My Day'.

Students will:

- Learn how to read o'clock and half past in Japanese.
- Revise days of the week including how to write them in Kanji.
- Learn common verbs to describe daily activities.
- Learn grammar structures to describe daily activities.
- Complete booklet outlining a typical day in their lives.

Year 4/5 class

The theme this term is 'I went to the Zoo'.

Students will:

- Be introduced to the names of 12 zoo creatures.
- Learn to answer the question 'What did you see?'
- Learn the special sequencing words and how they fit into the basic sentences.

Year 6/7 class

The theme this term is 'Food & Shopping'.

Students will: Compare Australian and Japanese shops.

- Look specifically at 6 types of shops and learn vocabulary accordingly.
- Examine Japanese money.
- Learn how to converse in a shop situation.

R-2 Small Class News

This term in the R-2 Class we are fortunate to have a Pre-service Teacher, Catherine working with us. Catherine has been helping us learn about emotions and everyone made a poster with happy faces. We are all getting better at recognising how we feel.



Mikayla showing her happy poster

We have also been looking around our school for numbers. We went on a big search for numbers and found them in the most interesting places! We all enjoyed being number detectives. We look forward to doing more work with numbers this term and finding out more about what numbers are used for.

Some numbers we found in our school:



SAPSASA Southern Valley Cross Country Day

The following 12 students recently competed in our SAPSASA Cross Country Day at Thalassa Park:

Lynton D	Ethan S	Hailey K-L
Angus E	Ben I	Caity L
Tate P	Joel R	Elise S
Max T	Tiana C	James R

All students competed with persistence, courage and determination. Each of them completed the very challenging course and showed that although we are a small school we are a strong sporting school.

The students were well behaved on the day and a pleasure to take to this event.

A special thanks to our wonderful supportive parents who not only drove students to and from the event but efficiently looked after our parent marshalling station.

A great day and well done to all who participated and helped out.

Congratulations and good luck to Angus for qualifying for the state district day at Oakbank later this term. Run like the wind Angus!!

Liz Graham PE Teacher



SRC NEWS

The SRC have been planning some more 'Lunch Times Rock' activities. This Friday we will hold a Lunchtime Disco in the Hall, with Year 6/7 students being DJs. In Week 3 we will be skipping and teaching some routines. We have discussed ideas for our next casual day and are waiting for feedback from classes. We will be holding an evening Disco in Term 3 now that we have the use of the hall again. We also discussed Student Leadership in our school and community. We talked about different ideas and projects that we can be involved in and activities that we can organize to help improve our school. **By Heath**

Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease alert

We have recently been advised of a confirmed case of hand, foot and mouth disease. This is a viral infection which if diagnosed, requires a child to stay away from school or preschool until all blisters have dried. Symptoms can include fever, tiredness, and blisters in the mouth and on the hands and feet and possible loss of appetite.

If these symptoms appear please seek advice from a medical professional. Spread of the virus is through contact with fluid from the blisters, which are usually airborne. Teaching your child hygiene practices like hand washing procedures can prevent the spread of the infection.

Bottle Tops Required



The above mural has been made using recycled bottle tops from milk, juice, cream and soft drink containers and bottles. Can families please save all of their plastic bottle tops and send them into the art room. I will work on a design with the students once we have amassed a collection of plastic tops. **Thanks, Vicki Mangelsen**

International Day of Families

The 2017 Theme is 'Families, education and well-being'.

The International Day of Families is observed on the 15th of May every year. This year the focus is on the role of families and family-oriented policies in promoting education and overall well-being of their members. This designated day is to raise awareness of the role of families in promoting early childhood education and lifelong learning opportunities for children and youth.

The day highlights the importance of all caregivers in families, be it parents, grandparents or siblings and the importance of parental education for the welfare of children. It focuses on good practices for work-family balance to assist parents in their educational and caregiving roles. Your family unit plays a vital role in the wellbeing and education of your child. We as a staff at HCSPS feel honoured to be included in the educational journey of your child and hope that you celebrate and enjoy both Mother's Day and International Families Day. Hopefully everyone can take some time to reflect on what makes their family and mum unique and special.

Below are some tips from the National Families Website on ways to recognise and celebrate your family unit.

For families and individuals, perhaps you could:

- Give children lots of hugs and smiles
- Take time just to be with children
- Remember to look after adult relationships
- Ask for help if you need it

- Have a family movie marathon, games night, sports carnival, talent quest
- Tell each other what makes your family great!
- Be active and eat healthy foods together
- Have a special family breakfast before work and/or school
- Let the children make dinner for the adults
- Take some family photos or create a family album or book.

Vicki Mangelsen - Counsellor

Celebrating Mothers

To all the mothers in our school community, I wish you a happy Mother's Day for Sunday.

Mothers are very special people. They often aren't thanked for everything they do, and they do far more than their children will ever realise. It is important that we take the time to let them know that we appreciate them and everything that they do for us. Mother's Day has been celebrated in Australia for almost 100 years. People from around 80 countries will be celebrating this coming Sunday. Globally and individually we say: Mothers are important!

Mother's Day however, can be a difficult day for some people who don't have the relationship with their mother, or children, that they would like. We need to remember to be caring towards them. It is wonderful how we can also celebrate additional important females in our lives: stepmothers, grandmothers, aunts, and female role models.

I wonder how you will choose to spend the day? Different people feel loved in different ways. Maybe there is a particular way that you, or your mum, would feel most loved. If your family doesn't know what makes you feel most loved, then you should let them know, it is a wonderful investment in your relationship.

- Words of affirmation: a card or poem telling mum how much you love her
- Acts of kindness: breakfast in bed, give mum the day off and everyone else help out
- Receiving gifts: a thoughtful homemade gift, a bought gift to spoil mum
- Quality time: a family adventure, a meal together with multiple generations
- Physical touch: a big hug, nestling on the couch to watch a movie together

Enjoy the special day, and make sure to show your family that you love them throughout the whole year. **Joey, PASTORAL CARE WORKER**

at HCSPS on Wednesdays and Thursdays

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Pupil Free Days- Advance Notice

Wednesday June 1st (Week 5, Term 2) **(Preschool)**

Thursday 27th July (Week 1, Term 3) **school and preschool**

Friday 1st September (Week 6, Term 3) **school only**

Please remember to make alternative care arrangements for your child on these dates.

A school closure day is still to be determined dependent on date for the admin reopening.