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**NEWSLETTER**

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## DATES TO REMEMBER

### FEBRUARY

Swimming R-4  
AASC coach training  
Shared 'Celebration' lunch  
Questacon Maths  
Information sessions & BBQ  
OSHC management meeting 7pm  
Sharks' Assembly  
Governing Council AGM – 7.30pm  
Aquatics Yr 5-7

### MARCH

Young Leaders' Convention  
Stans/Edith Sports Day  
Adelaide Cup Holiday  
Aquatics Yr 5-7  
SYP Interschool Sports Day  
Good Friday  
Easter Monday

### APRIL

Last Day of Term 2:30pm dismissal  
First Day of Term 2

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> – Fri 8<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>  
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Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 15<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup>  
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Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup>

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup>  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup>  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

Friday 11<sup>th</sup>  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup>

Different teachers have different routines and also change their routines so it would be valuable for you to attend.

The Henley Beach Surf Life Savers provided an insight into their role and gave our students a taste of some of the activities they are involved in on Friday afternoon. Very few people saw them off on their Great Row on Saturday morning at 5am but they were a news item for their effort in the evening. They are hoping this will be an annual event and I'm sure our students will enjoy another visit.

This year Stansbury Primary School is the host school for the SYP combined sports day. We have the option of running our own canteen. If anyone is interested in coordinating this bearing in mind the Healthy Eating policy, please let me know. Josh and I will be attending a planning meeting on Monday.

*Beth Faulkner*

## FROM THE KINDERGARTEN

This week we have started on our focus on families. We had a lovely dialogue about mums where we tried to answer the questions ...do we have a mum? what's our mum's name? what do you call your mum? do you have a dad? what's your dad's name? how do we draw a mum? and can you draw your mum?... see the drawings displayed at kindy.

Next week David will be attending a full day training session in emergent literacy at Minlaton District School. There will be a replacement teacher to fill in for him. He will also be attending the new DECS first aid training course over the next 2 consecutive Tuesday evenings.

The Stansbury playgroup runs from 10.00am to 12.00pm on Thursdays. All children 0 - 3yrs and their carers are invited to attend. It's a great opportunity to meet other families with young children

The preschool runs an unfunded occasional care program on Monday or Tuesday mornings for children aged 3yrs – 3.5yrs who are toilet trained. The cost is \$5 per session.

Oh Dear.....last week the date of the Governing Council AGM was given as 14<sup>th</sup> February. This was incorrect, the **actual date of the AGM is Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> February**, starting at 6.00pm at the kindy.

*David & Leah*

## ATTACHMENTS

- Receipts for some
- OSHC Invoices
- Active After School Enrolment & Consent form

## FORMS

Thanks to everyone for promptly returning the mountain of forms we had to send out last week.

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I have been impressed with the conversations I have had with both students and staff about the 'Values' program they have been participating in over the last week. Our whole school sessions have been enlightening as I witnessed all our students working together as a team discussing and planning our behaviour code and setting goals for their behaviour. Some comments from students about what they have done to show a particular virtue appear in this newsletter. The general feel about the school has been very positive. Ask your child what they have learnt over the last week. Thanks to the majority of parents who have completed the questionnaire about your child. Your responses help us in our planning. Tonight we are meeting with staff from Port Vincent and Edithburgh to share the outcomes of our program so far.

**On Friday we will have a shared celebratory lunch to end our two week program before the Dolphins and Seahorses go swimming. This will be one of our nominated 'Red' food days for the term. All students are asked to bring a plate of food to share.**

The Governing Council AGM will be held at the school on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February. Everyone is invited to attend. We are looking for interested people to fill our vacancies. I hope there are new people prepared to take on this important role. Please return the form attached to last weeks newsletter.

We hope you will be able to attend the Information sessions next week followed by a beach BBQ (weather permitting).



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## SWIMMING

Swimming lessons for the Seahorse (R,1,2) & Dolphin (3,4) classes began yesterday under Kate Jolly at the Stansbury Holiday Motel pool.

<b>Dolphin Class</b>	Group 1	1.15 - 1.45pm
	Group 2	1.45 - 2.15pm
<b>Seahorse Class</b>	Group 3	2.15 - 2.45pm
	Group 4	2.45 - 3.15 pm



Students can be picked up from the pool at the conclusion of their group session if parents wish. Parents are welcome to watch their children swim however please keep in mind there is limited parking available along the pool fence and possibly a few spaces soon after passing through the arch way. Otherwise you can park on Bay View Rd looking over the boat ramp and walk in from the southern side. Please be considerate of paying guests and do not park by the units. There is no parking allowed on the lawn area in the centre of the drive and the driveway needs to be clear at all times.

## SPS INFORMATION EVENING

We hope you have been able to keep next Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February, free for our annual information evening and BBQ. The format is planned as follows –

- 5.00 pm Seahorse class with Jo Davey
- 5:20 pm Dolphin class with Kelly Smith & Wendy Rushbrook
- 5:40 pm Shark class with Josh Coombe
- 6.00 pm BBQ at caravan park entrance (weather permitting)

We hope people take this opportunity to learn about procedures and expectations in each of the classrooms.

## SCHOOL FEES

Thanks to those who have already paid their school fees. A reminder that these fees are due by next Tuesday the 12<sup>th</sup> Feb. If you wish to pay by instalments please see Janet or Jenni in the front office to fill out an instalment card. The last instalment is requested by the end of term 2. If you qualify for School Card and do not yet have a form please request one from the front office or you can access all info and forms from the Gold Book website [www.decs.sa.gov.au/goldbook/](http://www.decs.sa.gov.au/goldbook/) under school card.

## KINDY WORK

We will be focusing our curriculum around Families and building Relationships this term. The Developmental Outcomes from SACSA (SA Curriculum Standards and Accountability Framework.) describe some of the skills and capabilities children may develop in this area. They include:

### Children develop a positive sense of self and a confident personal and group identity

Can be seen, for example, when the child:

- explores different identities and perspectives
- has an understanding and sense of belonging to a family group with traditions, rituals, values and shared responsibilities
- develops and maintains respectful relationships with significant adults and children
- actively includes others in activities
- participates in collaborative activities and contributes to group goals
- develops an understanding of, and contributes to, agreed values and codes of behaviour
- demonstrates interest in discovering the images, ideas, objects, languages, customs and history of others
- accepts and seeks new challenges, persists in whatever they are doing, demonstrates motivation for learning and makes decisions and increasingly initiates, and takes responsibility for, their own actions
- begins to recognise, discuss and challenge unfair attitudes and actions.

### Children develop a sense of being connected with others and their worlds

Can be seen, for example, when the child:

- demonstrates a sense of belonging and contributes within groups
- explores relationships and links with a widening group of people
- demonstrates an increasing knowledge of, and respect for, living and non-living aspects of environments
- has a developing awareness of the impact of human activities on environments and the interdependence of living things, and contributes constructively and with optimism
- engages in play and creative experiences, and explores visual arts, music, dance, drama and literature in their community
- confidently experiments with a range of technologies, and identifies the uses of technology in everyday life
- investigates and develops an awareness of similarities, differences, patterns and changes, and questions why things happen and how things work
- communicates their own needs, rights and responsibilities and respects those of others
- understands the functions and uses of symbols, and has an awareness of the relationships between oral, written and visual representations.

Be prepared for requests for family photos and information about your family, and what your family likes to do

We also hope to have a beach visit while the weather remains good and catch up with a visit to Point Pearce before the end of term. We will continue our Tuesday interactions with the school JP class.



Harry and Harry Co Ltd, builders at work, combining wooden and foam blocks.▶

▼Harry Court catches a shark (or 'plank fish') with his string line fishing rod.



Mia and Mason waiting for customers in their self built food shop ▼



Kirsty, Chelsea and Isabella cooking sand based meals together, chatting about this and that and getting re-acquainted. ▼



## ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOLS BOWLS

Next Tuesday our 2008 AAS program starts at 3.30pm at the Bowling Club. To attend your child needs to be enrolled using the form attached today. The sessions last for one hour and a healthy snack will be provided. Our sun smart policy applies so students will need to wear their hats and have sunscreen applied. They will need to wear appropriate footwear – flat soles & bring a drink. The emphasis is not so much on learning how to play a game but on developing skills through fun activities.

## HEARING IMPAIRMENT SCREENING

Beware of underestimating the impact of a Hearing Impairment. Hearing Impairment of any type is a barrier to incidental learning. Any hearing loss can lead to a student having difficulties in the classroom. If you have a concern about your child, Child and Youth Health Services provide a free screening in rural areas for children from 0-12. The screenings are not a full assessment of a person's hearing, but the nurse will be able to advise if a further assessment is necessary. Please contact 1300 733606 for an appointment.

## STUDENT COMMENTS ABOUT VIRTUES

### Caring :-

*I cared for my brother because he got splashed  
Helping others to the office when they are hurt  
Being friendly to everyone I*

### Courage :-

*When I was scared to come to school I used courage and came.  
I helped others to read a book  
I showed courage to go up into the Sharks class*

### Kindness:-

*I saved Shaun from getting out in four squares  
I spoke kindly to other people.  
I included some other people in the game I was playing*

### Trust:-

*I trusted Ned with my football.  
I went to the shop and got the groceries.  
I trusted her when I thought she was out in four squares*

### Honesty:-

*When we did oval runs we ran out of straws so we had to be honest with our tally.  
I was honest when I needed help and asked for it.  
I have been truthful to everyone.*

more next week.....

## ICAS COMPETITIONS

The University of NSW are again offering students the opportunity to participate in the ICAS Computer Skills, Science, Maths, spelling, Writing & English Competitions. These competitions provide a chance for all students to gain a measure of their achievement in an external assessment situation. Students receive a Certificate and detailed results describing their performance in each question and skill category as well as a comparison to the average measure in their state.

**As students in Years 3,5 & 7 will be involved in LAN testing each year the school has decided that students in Yrs 4 & 6 will all be involved in doing the ICAS Writing Competition. This will be funded by the school and will be invaluable, giving staff an assessment of all Yr 3-7 students writing levels.**

Competitions all cost \$6.00 except for the writing (which is \$11.00) & spelling (\$8.00), as these require individual hand-marking. If you are interested in your child participating in any of these, please fill out the reply slip and return to school with the appropriate money by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> March.

## COMPUTERS

We have computers for sale for \$150. If you are interested please contact the school.

## BOOK CLUB ORDERS

We were only sent minimal numbers of order forms for the first issue of Book Club. Therefore we have only attached these to those families who regularly ordered last year. We do have a few spares in the office, so if you are interested please ask or come in and order from our copy. I will order more for next issue.

## TISSUES

From time to time your child will need to use a tissue during school time. As these are a personal item and often the child does not have them available when needed, we ask parents to send in a box of tissues for each child to their class room teacher. Thanks to those who have already sent theirs.



## CPSW NEWS

Hi. Welcome to term 1 2008. I hope you all had a fantastic holiday and found time to relax, enjoy and spend some valuable time with your children. It was great to get back to school and catch up with everyone again and to hear how the kids spent their holidays. Thanks to all the parents who have returned their consent forms. It was great to see such positive responses!! I will be planning some lunch time activities soon so I will keep you informed as to what we are doing. At the end of last term I met with several people from Community Health at Minlaton. It was great to find out more about their specific roles and the way in which they can assist parents and students. I am currently working on an information stand through Parenting SA. This will have varying brochures, phone numbers and contacts which you will be able to access if required. Tonight I will be meeting with members from the Stansbury Churches to look at the year ahead. This is a new and exciting learning curve for all of us. The Stansbury Churches are in the process of becoming incorporated which is a wonderful thing not only for the churches but for the community as a whole. More info about the outcome of this meeting in next weeks newsletter!! Hope you all have a great week!! **Di**

CPSW - Thought For The Week

The secret to friendship is being a good listener!!

## COMMUNITY NOTICES

### ENDEAVOURERS

This Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February there will be a Beach Sports Afternoon. Meet at the beach after school 3.15pm to 4.45pm. Bring your bathers. School Age children welcome. Any queries call Leanne 88524130.

**AEROBIC, STEP, CIRCUIT, WEIGHT LOSS and 50+ CLASSES** at Minlaton Warooka & Yorketown. Child Minding is also available. For more info Phone Leanne 0408857750 at SYP Fitness

Email : [lobrien@chariot.net.au](mailto:lobrien@chariot.net.au) Personal Trainer, Reg. Fitness Aust.

**TAE KWON DO** Learn a traditional or Olympic Martial Art and Non aggressive self defense skills. Fun Fitness or Self Defense for all ages & all fitness levels for men & women. Enhance & improve your current sport improve aerobic fitness. No fitness required for beginners. Enrolments now being taken for children classes 5yrs & over 6.00pm and Adults classes 7.00pm. Monday and Wednesday nights at Minlaton District School Gymnasium. All enquireies welcome. Ph. Kathy on 88532211. If no time suits you why not try private lessons or get a group together. Reasonable rates & fun! Yorke Peninsula TaeKwonDo Centre – over 35 years experience.



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