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# PARAFIELD GARDENS R-7

Save the Children United Nations Global Peace School



## Newsletter - Week 5 Term 3 2017

### From the Principal

#### 2018 Enrolments

We are currently taking enrolments for 2018. Recently we offered places for 2018 reception enrolments. There is a waiting list so if you have been offered a place please return the enrolment form by the required date to secure that place for your child next year. We are uncertain what places we may have for other students for year 1—7 students at this stage, however, if you believe your child/ren will not be attending our school in 2018 please inform the front office as soon as possible. As you may be aware our current situation is that we are near capacity, meaning we have to manage current and future enrolments very carefully. Priority is given to families living close to the school and where siblings are already attending the school.

#### Student learning goals

A few weeks ago you would have received a copy of your child's new learning goals. These goals have been negotiated by your child's class teacher with your child. It would be great if you would support this work by having the learning goals somewhere prominent at home and talk about them with your child. These can be discussed with class teachers at the upcoming parent teacher interviews. We hope that this assists you to work together with the school to support your child's learning. If you have not seen this document, it came home with the class newsletter or ask your child's class teacher for another copy.

#### Optional interviews

Please be aware that from Monday 11th through to Friday 15th September we have set aside times for parent teacher interviews. If you wish to meet with your child's class teacher about your child's progress please contact the class teacher to make an appointment as soon as possible.

#### Pupil Free Day reminder

On Friday 1st September Governing Council have approved a School Closure Day to allow families to attend the Royal Show and also a Pupil Free Day on Monday 4th September. On the Pupil Free Day our staff will be working with staff from Mawson Lakes Primary School and Settlers Farm Campus learning about moderation of student work and assessment. The OSHC service will be open on these two days, however there are **very limited spaces available**. If you need to book your children into the service for these 2 days please do so **no later than Monday 28th August**.

**Simon Harding**

#### Vacation Care

We would like to advise our families that the Vacation Care Program will be available soon. Please note that any outstanding accounts will need to be paid before your booking can be accepted.

#### 2017 Material and Services Charges are now OVERDUE

**Please be reminded that it is Governing Council policy that overdue debtors will be sent to the DECD Debt Collection agency this term.**

There are many payment options available including EFTPOS, Centrepay and Direct Debt deductions. If you are on a low income, you may be eligible for School Card and if approved there will be no fees to pay.

**Lynne Lean**  
Administration Officer

### DIARY DATES

**Assemblies this term will be held on Thursdays in Weeks 6, 8, and 10 at 9:00am in the Hall**

**FRIDAY 1st SEPTEMBER**  
**SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY**

**MONDAY 4th SEPTEMBER**  
**PUPIL FREE DAY**

**Wednesday 23rd August, 9th and 13th September**  
**Year 6/7 students visits to**  
**Parafield Gardens High School**

**Monday 11th September to Friday 15th September**  
**Optional Interviews**

**Tuesday 12th September**  
**Governing Council Meeting at 6:30pm**

**Monday 11th to Wednesday 13th September**  
**Year 7 Camp**

**Friday 29th September**  
**Last day of term 3**  
**Casual day with gold coin donation**  
**Early dismissal at 2:00pm**

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## Early Years Swimming

Last week as part of the Health and PE curriculum, all of the Early Years students attended swimming lessons at The Aquadome in Elizabeth. The lessons were conducted by trained DECD swimming instructors. Here are some of the little tadpoles in action.



*We went on the bus. My favourite part was holding my breath. I liked floating with the noodle and kick boards. We had free time with floaties and donut rings. We changed into our swim clothes. My favourite bit was kicking my legs and blowing bubbles. We learnt to keep safe and listened to the swim instructors. Trying to float was hard. I liked going underwater with my goggles. I did a backflip in the water. We got to wear PFDs. Aulona, Sarah, Sahar, Vicki, Claire, Yuvi, Kobi, Jack, Ava in Room 3 and Conna in Room 4.*

## Book Week 2017

Leading up to the Book Week parade, the Primary years classes have been taking part in various activities, rotating to each class over 5 weeks. Each teacher has chosen a book from The Children's Book Council of Australia Short List 2017. Some of the books are: The Snow Wombat by Susannah Chambers, One Photo by Liz Anelli, Go Home, Cheeky Animals! By Johanna Bell, Home in the Rain by Bob Graham. The students have been engaged in literacy based activities relating to these books.



*Every Tuesday afternoon that's when we go to our book week rotations. We move to other classes and the teacher reads us a short listed book. Some of the activities include using glue, scissors, pencils, textas and glitter. Sienna Room 34B*

*For Book Week, we have been moving to other classes to read some shortlisted books. After the teacher finishes reading the book, we do an activity which can include artwork, cutting, drawing. We go to the other classes after lunch. Dipak Room 34B*



## SAPSASA Boys' Football

We had a large number of boys try out for the Para District football carnival held at The Salisbury West Football Club in week 3 this term. We started training for the event 7 weeks prior due to the numbers being so high and many of the boys involved had never played

football before. As we got closer to the carnival date our team started to take shape and included the following students: Shane (Captain), Justin (Captain), Riley,



Zachary, Solo, Cooper P, Braydon, Mory, Billy, Latrelle, Cooper B, Aidan, Irfan, Kiah, Josh, Brodie and Alex. As usual our school was in Division 1 and competed against the following schools – Greenwith, Gulfview Heights, St Augustines and Burton. It was great to see how much our students learnt and grew in confidence throughout the day. The boys organised themselves extremely well before each game, continually changing

positions, offering advice and all taking a turn as a reserve with no fuss. The sportsmanship and encouragement was also impressive, especially when our team played 4 games and unfortunately did not win any. The boys still enjoyed themselves and kept on trying against strong opposition. Whilst our team lacked experience,



the focus on the little things such as pressure, chasing, tackling, smothering the ball and overall effort throughout each game was also a positive when looking ahead to next year's carnival. Well done boys.



Mr Kite Health & PE Teacher

### SAPSASA Girls' Netball

On Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August, Ms Waugh and I took 15 students to the SA Districts Courts in Golden Grove for the SAPSASA Girls Netball carnival.



The girls had been training hard in their two teams for the last 3 weeks and it definitely paid off, as on the day they showed fantastic cooperation, team work and determination.

Each team played seven games and by the end of the day the girls were very tired, but extremely happy.

In Mrs Ryan's team, the girls took turns in the various positions, many finding new 'favourite' positions as the day wore on. Nitradi, Alana and Urvi were stand outs in



*Mrs Ryan's team  
(Back row, L to R) Chloe, Urvi, Nitradi  
(Front row, L to R) Senglyn, Hayley, Sarah  
Absent: Allana, Hayley*

defence, intercepting numerous passes and stopping many goals from being scored against us.

Sarah and Hayley P were fantastic mid court players- showing skilful defending and attacking skills. These girls did not stop running, even in the last game where they were at their most tired.

Hayley B.S and Senglyn were fantastic around the goals, helping to score

points which allowed our team to win 6 out of the 7 games!

Overall, the day was a fantastic success, the team came 2<sup>nd</sup> in their division and every single player showed fantastic growth in their personal skill level through each game.

A special mention to Chloe, who was unable to play on the day due to illness, but who trained very hard and showed lots of improvement from that alone.

Ms Waugh's team also improved throughout the day, sharing positions and displaying great team



work and energy! This team came third in their division, which is a fantastic achievement. Jasmine, Zoe and Talea moved with speed around the court to help play flow easily. Samantha, Bianca and Hayley used their height to defend their opponents and help in attacking positions to score goals which enabled their team to win



more than half of their games! Shewit

*Ms Waugh's team  
(Back row, L to R) Shewit, Yana, Bianca  
(Front row, L to R) Samantha, Jasmine, Talea.  
Absent: Hayley, Zoe*

and Yana were great in defence, clearly becoming more confident and bold as the day wore on.

The teams were brilliant ambassadors for Parafield Gardens R-7 showing their opponents and officials respect, care and compassion and playing with integrity and a lot of enthusiasm. We were also so lucky to have four students from Parafield Gardens High School who volunteered to umpire our matches- thank you Jordan, Tahlia, Kamellia and Emily for your fantastic work! We really appreciate you giving up your Friday Maths to come and help us! Well done girls- you should be extremely proud of yourselves, as we certainly are!

Mrs Ryan & Ms Waugh Health & P.E. Teachers

### School Crossing Monitors for 5 & 6

**Week 5: Room 29:** Fanta, Rishab, Cassandra, Tisha, Alex, Belinda, Jack, Kalan, Amos, Sangha, Erin

**Week 6: Room 28:** Talea, Jared, Brianna, Vidhi, Josh, Zoe, Tristian, Raihan



### 18 to 22 September 2017

Parents in Education week promotes and highlights the importance of parents being engaged in their child's education from birth through school. There are FREE speaker sessions for parents to learn practical tips and easy ways to support your child's learning at every age and stage.

For the full program of events please go to: <https://www.decd.sa.gov.au/pieweek>

If you have any queries please contact Parents in Education Week by Phone: 82263734 or Email: [DECD.ParentsEngagement@sa.gov.au](mailto:DECD.ParentsEngagement@sa.gov.au)

# Wakakirri "FOOTLOOSE"

Wakakirri Story Dance is a primary school dance festival that promotes health and wellbeing. The festival is based around our dance curriculum and is a great way for children to build their skills and self esteem. The students have been rehearsing each week since the beginning of last term. 'Wakakirri' is a word from the Aboriginal Wangaaypuwan people meaning "to dance". The students performed their piece, "Footloose" at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre, along with performances from other schools.

*We had so much fun. It was the best experience of my life. After months of practicing and rehearsals we finally got to perform on stage. We were so excited, the adrenaline was pumping when we were performing. We also got to see the other schools do their performances.*

Andy, Krisaa and Bianca Room 24

