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PARAFIELD GARDENS R-7

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Newsletter - Week 1 Term 3 2018

From the Principal

Welcome back to another exciting term and we hope you enjoyed the holidays. This term is off to a very successful start with children settling quickly into their class activities.

Term 3 Staff Changes

Kylie Neilson will be teaching in Room 3 for the remainder of the year whilst Tess Narcys awaits the birth of her first child. We wish Tess and her partner Peter the very best for the future. Emma-Lee Dunstan will be teaching Health/PE until Stephanie Ryan returns from maternity leave later this term. Sharan Kaur will be teaching in Room 24 whilst Darian Tulsi is on Long Service Leave.

Pupil Free and School Closure Days

To help your forward planning, we wish to advise that Governing Council has approved a **Pupil Free Day** on **Friday 31st August**, with a **School Closure Day** on **Monday 3rd September**. These dates coincide with the start of the Royal Adelaide Show. In the morning session of the Pupil Free Day we will be delving deeper into Student Voice - Students As Researchers, looking at how we are supporting students to explore and examine their own learning data. The afternoon sessions will consist of workshops in our other school priorities of STEM, Student Wellbeing and Numeracy.

STEMworks

All the major construction has been completed and the builders are working on a few finishing touches. We are looking forward to gaining access to our new space before the end of August.

Special Events

As part of our Health and PE curriculum all children from Reception to Year 2 will be involved in swimming lessons at the Elizabeth Aquadome Swimming Centre from Tuesday 14th August to Friday 17th August. Lessons will be conducted by qualified Education Department instructors.

The school assembly on 30th August will include the Book Week Parade. The theme for Book Week this year is *Find Your Treasure* and students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite character.

Students from Year 5 to 7 are performing as part of our Festival of Music Choir at the Festival Theatre later in the term on Thursday 20th September. We are very proud of their efforts and we wish them all well for their performance.

Boys' (football and soccer) and Girls' (netball and football) SAPSASA teams will also be taking part in carnivals this term and we wish them well for their upcoming competitions.

Our Year 7 students will be going on camp from Wednesday 22nd August to Friday 24th August to Woodhouse Activity Centre. Here they will engage in structured activities providing new, varied, and physically challenging practical experiences as part of the Outdoor Education curriculum.

Fundraising

Our gold coin donation for Term 2 Casual Day raised \$570. The Animal Welfare League was the charity selected by the students to receive this donation. Thank you for everyone's support.

Vicki Poulain
Acting Principal

DIARY DATES

ASSEMBLIES ARE HELD ON
THURSDAY OF WEEKS 2, 4, 6, 8, 10
At 9:00am in the Hall

Thursday 2nd August
Red Food Day with Showdown Donuts

Friday 10th August
SAPSASA Boys' Football & Girls' Netball

Tuesday 14th - Friday 17th August
Early Years Swimming

Wednesday 22nd August
Science Spectacular

Wednesday 22nd - Friday 24th August
Year 7 Camp

Tuesday 28th August
No Pen Day

Thursday 30th August
Book Week Parade during Assembly
SAPSASA Girls' Football & Boys' Soccer

FRIDAY 31st AUGUST
PUPIL FREE DAY

MONDAY 3rd SEPTEMBER
SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

Wednesday 26th September
Casual Day with Gold Coin Donation

Friday 28th September
Early Dismissal at 2:00pm

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All kinds of awesome.

When: 4th - 5th August 2018

Where: The Adelaide Showground

Science Alive is an annual celebration of science and technology and is proudly presented in partnership with National Science Week.

There's no better place to learn about Science, Technology, Engineering, Maths, Nature, Planets, Food and Astronomy. Take your family and experience all kinds of awesome activities.



SCIENCE SPECTACULAR

When: Wednesday 22nd August

Where: Parafield Gardens R-7

Cost: \$3 per student

Keep a look out for the note

Parafield Gardens R-7 annual Science Spectacular aims to ignite a community passion for Science and develop a thirst for scientific investigation, analysis and inquiry.

On the 22nd of August students will watch a science show presented by Mobile Science, attend an information session facilitated by their Industry Partner, SAAB Australia, and engage in exciting science lessons in their classrooms. **Parents are also invited to attend the afternoon science performance commencing at 1:50 (at no charge).**

Growing Vegetables

Last term the Year 2/3 students in Room 7 learnt about sustainability by growing vegetables from food scraps.

First we got some pots and put stones in the bottom of them so that when we put the soil in the pot and watered our plants, the soil didn't go out of the bottom of the pots. Once the soil was in the pots we dug a little hole for our vegies.

We chose carrots, celery, avocado, lettuce and tomatoes. Before we planted our vegies we put carrot tops, the bottom part of a lettuce, a whole avocado and a celery stalk into some water so that the carrots grew shoots and the other vegies grew roots. We had to wait a while for this to happen. We took the seeds out of the tomatoes to drop them into the soil in random order. (That was a bit messy.) Everyday we checked to see if our plants needed watering by putting our finger into the dirt. I checked them at the end of last term and the celery and lettuce were doing well and even the carrot had sprouted a little bit. The tomatoes hadn't started growing at that stage.

I'm looking forward to working in our new STEM area so that we can grow more plants to use for cooking.

Ethan Room 7



Here are our carrot tops, celery and lettuce growing their shoots in water before we planted them into pots to put them outside.



Young Entrepreneurs

Last term the year 7 students investigated Economics and Business as young entrepreneurs. The students conducted market research with the rest of the school cohort in order to develop business plans so that they could create products to sell. They held a special product launch in the form of a market where students had the opportunity to purchase from their stalls. There were a range of treats, baked goods, creative innovations (like slime and mini lava lamps) as well games in which students could participate. The Year 7 students made posters to advertise their goods to encourage people to come to their market. Photos from the market day can be viewed on the back page of this newsletter.

On Tuesday in the last week of last term we went to Room 26's market shop under the verandah. I had no money because I forgot about it and I didn't even know about it, so Miss KK gave me 50c. When we got there I didn't know what to get but when I got to the Mars Bar counter I bought it. I found something that only cost 50c - I didn't think there would be anything there that cost 50c. After that we went into class to have lunch.

Lucas Room 22

Last term we went to Room 26's market. It was lots of fun. I bought a skewer but it had lots of lollies on it.. The second thing I bought was a paper plane. The type was a jet. When I threw it, it was really long and it did not hit anyone. The last thing I bought was a tattoo. I had enough money to buy a medium one. It was a 'Fortnite' one. I loved the markets. Thank you Room 26.

Jayden Room 22

We went to Room 26's market to buy stuff. I forgot to take money but Miss KK gave me 50c. So I got to buy something. I was looking around to find something that was 50c then I found my friend Shamana next to where you could get chocolate and stretch balls. Shamana gave me some of her money, then I got a stretch ball and chocolate. Then I went back to my classroom. It was amazing!

Briannah Room 22

On Tuesday last term we went to a market stall. It was fun. I really wanted the "fluffy slime" but I just got a skewer. I also got a bag of chocolate popcorn. Isabelle got the same things as me because she was hanging out with me. Jada just got a skewer. I really liked it because mine had two marshmallows and my favourite - strawberries. The popcorn was so delightful. It was a

little noisy but lots of fun. I was so lucky that I had enough money to buy a slushy. I had so much fun. Thank you so much Room 26 for holding a market stall. Lots of kisses.

Sneha Room 22

Last term we went to 'Sugar Rush'. I was so crazy because I ate too much candy. The first thing that I bought for \$2 was four lollies on a stick. The second thing that I bought was popcorn with chocolate. It was so delicious! I will say to Room 26 - "Work Fantastic!"

C Jay Room 22

Last term we went to Room 26's market. I bought a stick with a Mars Bar, a strawberry marshmallow and a banana on it. Then I bought a large brownie. The last thing I bought was a large popcorn with chocolate and sprinkles. It was so amazing!

Chase Room 22

Smarty Pants Maths

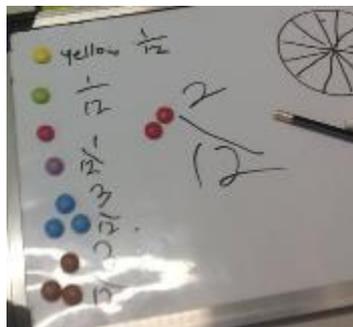
Mini Smartie Box Investigation

We go to Ms Beare for Smart Maths. Last term she gave us little boxes of Smarties as an investigation activity. We used the Smartie boxes to measure the length of the table. We used a ruler too. We opened the boxes and counted the Smarties and there were 12 Smarties in each box. We sorted them into colour groups. We made fractions using the information and Jordan, Ryan and I made a pie graph to show our results. Jayme made a column graph. There was 1/12 green, 1/12 purple, 1/12 orange, 2/12 brown, 2/12 red, 4/12 blue and 1/12 pink. We love this group and Jordan said that it's the best!

Jaiden Room 32



We measured the table with the Smartie box and a ruler.



We sorted them into colours and made fractions for them.



We made a pie graph and a bar graph to represent the colours of the Smarties.



It was a fun activity and we got to eat the Smarties at the end!

Early this term, **Issue 5 catalogue** will be coming home. Please be reminded there is **no obligation to purchase**; book club is an optional service. If you would like to participate, ordering is easier than ever before! Register on the following link <http://www.scholastic.com.au/schools/bookclub/catalogue.asp> or download the relevant App shown

Find Your Treasure

Bookweek 2018

Bookweek Parade

Term 3 Week 6

Thursday August 30th

9am in the Hall

Come dressed as your favourite sport, movie or book character. Remember you need to change into your school uniform after the parade.

There is more treasure in books than in all the pirate's loot on Treasure Island

Walt Disney

Young Entrepreneurs Market Stalls

