April 7, 2014

Term 1, Week 11

A big thank you to all staff for their hard work throughout this busy Term 1. Enjoy the holidays everyone. Stay safe, relax, refresh and happy Easter to all our families.

Cynthia O’Neil
Principal

REMINDER – Term 2 school resumes on Monday, 28th April, 2014

NAPLAN (Literacy and Numeracy) testing 2014 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held in Week 3, Term 2 on Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th May.

Some photos from last week’s Camp Quality puppets performance which was great.

90% of our families made appointments for interviews which is fantastic. It was great to hear about the deep conservations between staff and families and their child’s learning. Some issues across the board around homework have been raised and we will as staff look at how best we can address what appears to be causing some angst for students after school. A certain time is allotted each night for various subjects across the school and I know that many students are doing far more than is required as they are committed to their learning and achieving at a high level. I understand students have work or job commitments at home as well as the Wednesday sport’s practice. Homework is about developing organizational skills and juggling school and home life demands. Staff have offered for students to access computers after school on weekdays to help with this as most staff are here till 4.30pm.

Congratulations everyone on a very hectic term. There have been some wonderful learning opportunities and these can be seen in the student portfolios that are going home this week. Please make some time to look through these with your child in the holidays.

There will be an Assembly on this Wednesday, April 9th at 10am organized by the Year 4, 5, 6 class. All community members are welcome.

Sheri Lapsley and Trisha Tomlinson will be in Port Lincoln on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for WRAP training at the Port Lincoln Primary School Literacy Centre. This will mean that all our Primary staff have been trained in this excellent phonetic approach to reading and writing. Annie Williams will be working in the Year 2, 3 class over these three days.
**School Counsellor**

**Program Achieve** - Week 11

Organisation
- Being ready
- Setting goals
- Planning my time

**STUDENT I.D. CARDS**
A reminder to all Year’s 7, 8 and 9 students. Student I.D cards are ready to be collected from the front office **ONCE** you have paid $6-50. No cards will be given out unless they have been paid for.

**ANZAC DAY SERVICE**
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2014
ELLISTON MEMORIAL MONUMENT
7am
Following the Service, a breakfast of sausages, bacon and eggs will be served at the Elliston RSL Memorial Children’s Centre. A donation of $5 per adult will be appreciated to help cover costs.

**2014 DIARY DATES**
- **11<sup>th</sup> April**: End of first term
- **28<sup>th</sup> April**: School resumes
- **26<sup>th</sup> May**: Student Free Day
- **18<sup>th</sup> August**: Central Eyre AC T and D
- **15<sup>th</sup> September**: Wool Show
- **25<sup>th</sup> October**: School Closure
- **17<sup>th</sup> November**: Student Free Day

**BIRTHDAYS FOR APRIL**
- **10<sup>th</sup>**: Cedar Richards
- **18<sup>th</sup>**: Rachel Scott
- **23<sup>rd</sup>**: Finn Nunan
- **30<sup>th</sup>**: Melanie Hull

**ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL**
No activities this week.

**Children’s Centre News**

- This week, we continue the sound/letter ‘t’. We plan on making Tomato and Ham Toasted sandwiches.
- We are finishing off our Very Hungry Caterpillar with BINGO and caterpillar collage.
- Our Eat a Rainbow program sees us eating **white and brown** fruit and veg. YUM!
- **Please** return any library books by this Friday for us to sort through.
- **Don’t forget** playgroup this Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April from 10b-12pm. This is the last one as we are breaking up over Kindy holidays
- **Notice** no playgroup on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May, Week 1 as we have a bus tour on.

Thank you.

*Tracy and Teresa*

**Community News**

**ELLISTON COMMUNITY HEALTH**

**PHYSIOTHERAPY**
Monday 14<sup>th</sup> April
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April

**PODIATRY, SPEECH, DIABETIC ADVISER**
Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

**HEARING**
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April

**COMMUNITY COUNSELLOR**
Every Wednesday

**WOMENS HEALTH NURSE**
Isabelle Smith

For appointments phone 8687 9012

**Jessica Duncan** - Community Health Nurse
Email: jessica.duncan@health.sa.gov
**BOAT LICENCE**
The Boat license course is on **WEDNESDAY 16TH APRIL** at 6.30 pm at the Sports Complex. We have over 20 people attending the course which is fantastic. Cost $170-00 which covers the lecture and the exam. Money can be paid on the night. If you are interested in attending please **call Kristy on 0437424051**.

**BRAMFIELD NICHE WALL**
A plan and design has been accepted for a Niche Wall at Bramfield Cemetery. We are looking for all interested people to view the design for approval, so construction can commence. We also have sample bricks to look at. For information please call Kristy on 0437424051 or Caroline on 86870055

**LOST**
A pink “Bali Batik” sarong at Bliss’ ceremony Friday, 21st March. Sentimental value. Please contact Julie on 86879178

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**FOOTBALL AND NETBALL - TRAINING NIGHT TEAS**
YES …. It’s on!
We have Snitzel’s – Beef and Chicken plus Hot Chips and Hotdogs available this Wednesday night at training. Thanks so much to those volunteers who are willing to help out in the kitchen and support the Netball and Football Clubs.

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**ELLISTON FOOTBALL AND NETBALL**
Season will start……
1ST GAME THIS SATURDAY 12TH APRIL v’s Wudinna at Wudinna
2nd Game ANZAC DAY Friday 25th April v’s Central Eyre at Elliston. Tea and Band “Ethnic Cowboys” ($5 door charge) to follow.
All game times as per normal.

**CWA NEWS**
Next Meeting of Elliston CWA, will be held this week on Thursday, April 10th at 10.30am., in our room on Memorial Drive. We will have a practice Table Day set-up after our meeting. All ladies are welcome. Details 8687 9094

**ANGLICAN CHURCH**
The next service for this area will be at St Andrew’s, Elliston on Easter Sunday, 20th April 2014 at 3pm. **Please note: THERE WILL NOT BE A GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE.**

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**ELLISTON GOLF CLUB**
12.30pm every Sunday for a hit of golf. All welcome.

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**NEWSLETTER CHANGES FOR TERM 2**
The newsletter now has an email address of its own. This will mean that any items emailed for the newsletter will need to be sent to the new address otherwise it will get lost as has been happening for some time now. I do apologize to those people who experienced this problem.
The new address is news.letter347@schools.sa.edu.au Could everyone please use word documents and Arial font size 11. This helps to streamline the production of the weekly newsletter.

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