Principal’s Report

Sports Day Winners: FLINDERS 1450 by 32 points with the runners up PEARSONS with 1418

How good was the day? It was great to see so many parents caregivers, family and friends during the day supporting their children and assisting staff with events.

I would like to congratulate all students on their enthusiasm, participation and sportsmanship during last week’s sports day. The captains did a great job leading their teams and students supported each other during the various events. Well done everyone on making it a tremendous day.

Congratulations to the following Sports Day Age Group winners -

Sub Junior Girls
1st Rania Eason/Rebecca Wright
R/Up Indi Donovan

Sub Junior Boys
1st Adam Hull R/Up Jacob Newton

Junior Girls
1st Zali Newton R/Up Alyesha Penna

Junior Boys
1st Harvey Fleming R/Up Joshua Nuske

Intermediate Girls
1st Chloe Thompson R/Up Rhiannon Tree

Intermediate Boys
1st Oska Richards \ Yarni Cobby R/Up Luke Hutchinson

Senior Girls
1st Ayesha Cobby R/Up Jade Ryan

Senior Boys
1st Cooper Venning R/Up Ree Martin

Go Flinders. Check out the photos.

There is an assembly today with Adelaide Crows players at 12 noon and our school leaders will be presented with their badges.

On Wednesday March 4th students and most staff will be travelling to Ceduna to participate in the West Coast Interschool Athletics Competition – WCIAC. As most students are in the team, there will be a modified learning programme for the R, 1 and other students here at school on Wednesday with Annie Williams and Dianne Penna. Sheringa/Bramfield bus will run as normal.

Governing Council Annual General Meeting will be held on Tuesday 24th March (Week 9) at 4.30pm in the staff room. All families are invited to attend the meeting and I encourage you to consider standing for the Council. The Governing Council plays an important role in the governance of the school and provides information relating to how the school operates. I hope to see you at the meeting

I have received advice from our Building Management Services that rainwater to the school drinking fountain will also be disconnected. If you wish your child to drink rainwater then please ensure they bring their water from home.

Last week we sent home a printed sheet with Student Personal Data Information. Please check and update your phone numbers and general information and return to the front office as soon as possible.

Please remember to pay your account for the 2015 Materials and Services at the Front Office. Prompt payment would be appreciated.

On Thursday, Chad Fleming and I will be attending a training and development day at Wudinna. The focus is the ACER - Australian Council for Education Research's Progressive Achievement Tests (PAT). These are an Australian, nationally normed series of tests designed to provide objective, norm-referenced information to teachers about students’ skills and understandings. From 2015, students in years 3 to 10 are required to undertake the online PAT Reading comprehension (PAT-Rc) and Mathematics (PAT-M) tests annually in September.

A busy week. Enjoy the long weekend as it is the Adelaide Cup weekend and Monday is a holiday.

Cynthia O’Neil Principal
2015 DIARY DATES
4th March - WCIAC at Ceduna
9th March - Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
16th March - WASSAC Sports Day
30th 31st - Student Interviews
3rd April - Good Friday
6th April - Easter Monday
10th April - Term 1 ends

School Counsellor

PROGRAM ACHIEVE
Resilience
- Positive self-talk
- Controlling behaviour
- 'Bouncing back' to work and play

BIRTHDAYS IN MARCH
2nd Luke Poole
4th Ashton Fleming
20th Jacob Newton
22nd Zali Newton
30th Rhiannon Tree

SRC NEWS
We have registered for Bullying. No Way! on Friday 20th March and the students are invited to dress up as "Freaky Friday" in their stance against bullying. The SRC have purchased wristbands which will be given out to students on the day, and we are also selling ice creams at lunch time.
Annie Williams

UNIFORM CLEARANCE SALE
We are selling some of our uniform stock at a reduced rate. Items and prices are listed below:-
Girls navy shorts - $5.00 sizes 12 and Large
Girls skorts (Stubbies) - $10.00 – size 12
White polo tops with EAS logo and collar piping – size M (x5)
Light Blue polo tops with EAS logo and collar piping - $5.00 Size S (x2), size M (x4)
Please see office staff if you are interested.

Children’s Centre News
- This week has seen lots of action at our renovated work bench. New hammers, nails, saws and a new working vice on the new table top made it all the more fun.
- A big thank you to Bunnings’ representatives, Jessica and Anthony, who came up on Monday last week with a ute load of wood, plants, a hose and lots of other bits and pieces to help us with the outdoor curriculum.
- While Anthony and Jessica made the frame and fixed the table, the veggie garden was turned over, the little stove got a coat of fresh paint and so did the turtle house door and chimes. Thank you Mel and Jake, Kate and Marley, Jo, Jessica and Archer for your help on Monday. Thank you to Jess Jacobs and Amanda Schlink for the delicious morning tea.
- We’d also like to thank the Council for the sand and rocks delivered to the kindy last week.
- This week we are looking forward to Thursday when Mrs Penna’s R/1 class will visit us at kindy.
- At the AGM Mel Davey was elected as Chairperson. Tracy Kenny, Sarah Pickett, Jo Ormsby and Jay Dudley form the committee and there are a few people to ask if they'd like to be members. The Secretary's position is not filled at this stage. Thank you to the retiring members of Governing Council. A copy of the Annual Report will be circulated soon.
- PLAYGROUP will be running again this Friday. All families with children from birth to school age are really welcome. The session runs from 10am – 12pm. Your Playgroup Representatives on Governing Council are Jo Ormsby and Jay Dudley.

Anne, Teresa, Julie

Community News

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER is to be held in the Anglican Church, Sixth Street, Elliston on Friday March 6th at 2pm. The country is "The Bahamas". There will be a shared cuppa afterwards, so a plate of afternoon tea will be welcome.
All denominations welcome to attend.
Thanks Audine
ELLISTON COMMUNITY HEALTH

PHYSIOTHERAPY
Monday 2nd March

PODIATRY & SPEECH,
Tuesday 24th Feb

COMMUNITY COUNSELLOR
Every Thursday
For appointments phone Robyn on 8687 9012

FAMILY DAY CARE
Are you interested in being a Family Day Care Educator?
To be one you require a Certificate III in Education and Care.
It's being funded FREE through TAFE!!!

Streaky Bay Visitor Information Centre
Thursday 12th March 10am-12pm
or
Wudinna TAFESA Campus
Friday 13th March 10am-12pm

Please attend if you would like to be considered for one of the limited funded places in either of these qualifications and training programs.

Please bring any certificates and/or resumes on the day.

Selection will be considered on the day. If you are attending or unable to attend but would like to be considered please register your interest with Eleanor at the Wudinna campus on 8680 2212.

It's a fantastic opportunity!

FIRE PERMITS
Fire permits are now needed to burn. If you are planning to burn please give Rally or Kaye a call to obtain your burning permit on –
:86879009 – 9.00-11.00am
:86879007 – 11.00am – 7.00pm
:86879009 - 7.00pm onwards
or mobile 0429879170 (it’s not very mobile)

PRESEASON Netball Fitness
Meet us down at the oval on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday this week at 5.30pm sharp. Netball training will probably begin next week
Thanks Rosie

ELLISTON TV FUND – DISTRIBUTION OF SURPLUS FUNDS

On 12 June 2014, a public meeting was held in the Elliston Community and Visitor Information Centre so that Elliston ratepayers could indicate their preferences for the application of the surplus funds held by the Council following the cessation of rating to maintain the old terrestrial analogue television services.

At that meeting it was agreed that Council advertise, seeking registrations from all community groups in the Elliston area who may be entitled to a share of those funds. It was also decided that Council determine a draft formula to distribute those surplus funds and then publically advertise that draft formula. If community members have any objections to that proposal, a further public meeting is to be arranged to agree on the formula.

At the Council meeting held on 20 January 2015, Council resolved to adopt the criteria and processes contained in its Community Grants Policy as the formula for distribution of the Elliston TV Fund excess funds. It was also resolved to advertise the Council’s decision, seeking Elliston community comments on the proposal. If no opposition is received to this proposal, those community groups that have registered an interest in projects to be funded from this fund will be invited to submit formal applications.

Please provide any comments on Council’s proposed distribution formula and process to the Council Office by Wednesday, 18 March 2015.

NEWSLETTER Prices for 2015
Paper copy - $25 for the year
Email - $11 for the year
Advertising- $15 for the year
Or $2 per ad
Any enquiries please call Kerry

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To launch the 2015 Season
Elliston Front Beach

Saturday 21st of March
Training information to follow

BBQ Lunch at 1.00pm
BYO picnic lunch, swimming togs, runners if ya training, boogie board, fishing rod, boat, jet ski, goggles, shade, chair, drinks etc.

Tug of War, Beach Volley Ball, Games for the Kids

All players and supporters welcome
Enquiries to: Jess 0408 249 544 Tony 0400 441 585

Training for Seniors & Colts
begins
Thursday March 5th
at Rooster Park.

Juniors Training kick-off at 4.30pm.
Bring your Parents along for registration, pie night & meet the new coach.

Seniors Training kick-off at 6.00pm

All Parents & Support Staff very welcome.

Put the word out that the Roosters are looking for fresh player talent & encourage all old Roosters to return for season 2015.

6 weeks still the Season Opener
Sports Day Highlights