The weather is too good to be true for so called winter!

At last week’s Governing Council meeting we discussed the purchase of new school tops to be worn at sports days and interschool events. The Governing Council will look at purchasing these from this year’s Wool Show fundraising. Designs will be made available at the wool show for people to vote on. The 35th Annual Wool Show will be held on October 24th at the Sports Centre from 3 pm. Please put this date in your diary.

There will be an Assembly, this week at 10am on Wednesday July 1st, organized by Sheri Lapsley and the Year 2, 3 class. All visitors are welcome.

Last week, Chad Fleming and I attended Leading Numeracy Improvement training module 1 at Lock Area School. The focus was Numeracy Plus which is about value adding to our day to day numeracy activities. The aim for this programme is about improving all students’ numeracy skills and to ultimately increase the number of South Australian students achieving in the higher bands of NAPLAN. All schools across the Central Eyre Partnership will be developing Numeracy Plans.

**THANKYOU**

The Year 4, 5, 6 class fund raising bottle drive raised $520 which will assist with the cost of their camp to watch the whales. A big thank you to everyone who donated bottles and cans to the class.

Congratulations to the Year 9, 10 students for making the brilliant classroom signs in Design and Technology. They certainly brighten up the classroom entrances.

I would like to thank Kate Jervis for her work in the Year 2, 3 class on her teaching practicum which finishes this week. Good luck for the next part of your teaching development.

There are brochures available at the front office or follow the link asg.com.au/nominate to nominate an inspirational teacher or educator for the 2015 ASG National Excellence in Teaching Awards.

The end of Semester 1 Written Reports will be sent home on the last day of Term 2 this week. Teachers have spent considerable time in preparing these reports. I have read every student’s report and am pleased that they are positive and give an accurate account of your child’s learning and achievements for the semester. Please spend some time with your child reading these written reports.

School for Term 3 resumes on Monday, July 20th, 2015 at 9am. Chad Fleming will be Acting Principal for the first five weeks while I take some long service leave. Congratulations to Kristy Newton who will be the Acting Australian Curriculum Coordinator. Tracy Kenny will be working here for four days a week back filling various roles and Sheri Lapsley will return to the Year 2, 3 class all week.

I take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and relaxing school holidays. It has certainly been a hectic second term.

Cynthia O’Neil
Principal

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**2015 DIARY DATES**

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BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE/JULY
29th June  George Wilson
11th July  Rania Eason
21st  Sebastian Weetra
25th  Jarrah Donovan
28th  Ree Martin
28th  Wil Martin
31st  Beau Jacobs

SPIRIT AWARDS  School Team Points
FLINDERS  470
PEARSONS  420

School Counsellor

PROGRAM ACHIEVE
Week 10 – Resilience
• Positive self-talk
• Controlling behaviour
• ‘Bouncing back’ to work and play

SPORTING SCHOOLS/AUSKICK FOOTBALL COACHING
Thursday 3.30pm to 4.30pm at the oval.
Kindy age – 11
Please bring a drink bottle.

WOOLWORTHS – Earn and Learn
The Woolworths Earn and Learn program gives Schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn new educational resources. Simply shop at Woolworths and you will receive one Woolworths Earn and Learn Sticker for every $10 spent and then bring it into your schools collection box. Last year more than 14,500 Schools and Early Learning Centres benefited from the program, boosting supplies in classrooms, libraries, music rooms and science labs.

AUSTSWIM – SWIMMING AND WATER SAFETY Teacher Accreditation
AUSTSWIM is the peak industry body offers swimming and water safety teacher accreditation for those wishing to work in the aquatics industry. Secondary school students can undertake the AUSTSWIM Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety course as part of Stage 2 SACE under the recognised Community Development Program or VET program. On successful completion of all course requirements students can gain 10 SACE points and 7 VET elective points. It will be at the Port Lincoln Pool on Friday 3rd and Saturday 4th of July 2015. For more information please visit www.austswim.com.au or phone 1300885666.

SRC NEWS
On Wednesday, July 1st we will be having our Footy Colours Day to celebrate the end of term and start of holidays especially as many students are going to see the Adelaide Crows game during the holidays. We will also be selling pizzas on this day, so get your orders in early. Have a sensational week on the countdown to Term 3.

Regards,
Annie and SRC members

PIZZA ORDER WEDNESDAY 1st July
Name: ____________________________
Year Level: ________________________
$2.50 each
___ Ham and cheese Pizza
___ Ham, cheese, pineapple Pizza
___ Supreme Pizza single
Total: _$____________________

Children’s Centre News
• The sun shone long enough this week for us to try out the fantastic new playground at the Sports Centre. The children really enjoyed the new equipment and had fun jumping into the sand from the round steps and the platform.
• Another new experience was playing musical chairs. The children and the staff laugh a lot as the chairs disappear and all the children have to fit onto the remaining ones. Ten children on one chair was quite a challenge! We look forward to playing again this week.
• The Very Brave Bear by Nick Bland has been the focus for a couple of weeks – an opportunity to talk about what things we are brave about now and the things that used to worry us. Literacy kits are also providing opportunities for repetition of stories and are fun to share in small groups.
• This is the last week of Term 2. Enjoy the holidays!
• First day of Term 3 is Tuesday 21st July.
• There is a performance of Snow White and the 7 Cool Dudes in Pt Lincoln on 11th September at the Nautilus Arts Centre which families might be interested to go to. The flyer on display in the Centre.
• Brighter Futures will take place in Elliston on 28 July from 10am – 12pm in the Elliston Health Centre. Parents with children 0-4 years old please mark this date in your diaries. More information will be sent out soon.
• Playgroup this Friday from 10am – 12pm. All welcome!
  Remember that any parent or caregiver can collect the key from the shop to open up. Just sign it out and make sure that it is signed in when playgroup finishes.

Anne, Teresa, Julie and Sonia

Community News

ELLISTON BRANCH SACWA
Thursday July 9th at 9.30am in the CWA rooms on Memorial Drive, Elliston. All Welcome.

ELLISTON PHARMACY
Cold Feet!!!
The Pharmacy is now stocking EMU Ugg boots. Pop in to see Andrew for the sale price.

ELLISTON ROOSTER JUMPERS
New Rooster jumpers have arrived so if you have ordered one with Kristy or myself then please phone 0428 446 157 or see me and I will drop it off. MUST HAVE $45 ready before I hand over the jumper. Cheers Monica

ELLISTON SPORTS CENTRE
TEA ROSTER FOR JULY 11TH

Elliston vs Wirrulla
4.00 - 6.30
Kendall Poole
Mel Davey
Kathy Smith
Mandy Kelly

6.30 - 9.00
Jess Bascomb
Ella Boylan
Frank Kenny
Scott Bascomb

Cooks:
Smithy and Larry

ELLISTON CAMERA CLUB
Meeting to be held Tuesday night, 30th June at the School Library, 7pm.
All welcome!
Bring your torch, camera, and tripod, rubber boots and a warm jacket as we are going to venture out into the swamp.

For appointments phone Robyn on 8687 9012
BRAMFIELD STATION

LEARNER SHEARER/WOOLHANDLER COURSE
TAFESA

Monday 27th to 31st JULY
Students to supply own meals and accommodation
at own expense.

Contact: Kym Gillett 0429879055 or 86879055
Or Greg Pittaway, TAFE Lecturer, 0411326793

Students are able to participate in both
Shearing and Wool Handling, or elect only one
preference at time of enrolment.

Numbers are filling fast and locals are encouraged
to enrol, ASAP

THANK YOU MV - Mark
For the donation of car wash cloths.
We will put them to good use.

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Year 4/5/6/English

Students have been studying poetry, in particular, how language features can create coherence, add detail and show how ideas can be extended and used for emphasis. They have used the format of Haiku poetry to express an opinion based on information in a text, select information, ideas and images from a range of resources, and show how specific detail can develop a point of view. Student were asked to create a Haiku poem in a new context, by using the story *The Donkey who Carried the Wounded* by Jackie French, to show the emotion of fear, from the point of view of the donkey, or anger from Jack’s point of view.

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*The Donkey who Carried the Wounded* by Jackie French.