Principal’s Report

It was wonderful to see all classes quickly settle into their daily routines and I have enjoyed seeing lots of fantastic learning taking place throughout the school.

Curriculum
Tania Sweeney the Primary Australian Curriculum Co-ordinator for the Central Eyre Partnership will be working with all primary classes this Wednesday. She will be focusing on the Natural Maths strategy using a variety of techniques and resources to assist our primary staff.

We also look forward to the new Maker Space kicking off this week. This will be a brilliant environment for our students to release their creative potential. For more details please see Mrs Newton’s write up attached to the newsletter.

Radio Station
The SRC students have initiated the idea of running a school radio station during break times. Along with music, which students hope will add to the atmosphere of the school, there will also be student information and important announcements. The Radio Station, yet to be named, will begin at lunch time on Tuesday and Thursday this week with a hope to expand their days as the Term progresses.

Jumpers
There have been a number of NEW school jumpers that have mysteriously gone missing. Could you please take the time to ensure your children’s jumpers are labelled and that they haven’t accidently taken home someone else’s jumper (or even two) by mistake.

Governing Council
A reminder that there will be a Governing Council Meeting on Tuesday the 11th of August at 4.30pm in the staff room.

Ins and outs
Ms Bourke is away on Monday and Tuesday and Mr Dudley will be in the 4/5/6 class. Miss Lapsley is away all week and we welcome Mrs J Romanowycz to the 2/3 classroom on Monday, Tuesday and Friday and Mr Jones on Wednesday and Thursday. On Friday I will be attending a Promoting Performance workshop in Port Lincoln with a focus on classroom observations.

Student Free day
A reminder that on Monday 3rd of August (Week 3) there will be a Student Free Day where our staff will be travelling to Wudinna to attend a training and development with Professor Martin Westwell.

Have a great week
Chad Fleming
Acting Principal

2015 DIARY DATES
3rd August Student Free day
17th August Science Week
26th August Book Week Assembly
31st August Literacy and Numeracy Week
24th October 35th Annual Wool Show

BIRTHDAYS FOR JULY
28th Ree Martin
28th Wil Martin
31st Beau Jacobs

SPIRIT AWARDS School Team Points
FLINDERS 510
PEARSONS 480
**School Counsellor**

**PROGRAM ACHIEVE**
Week 2 – Getting Along
- Being tolerant of others
- Thinking first
- Playing by the rules
- Social Responsibility

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

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**SRC NEWS**
Welcome back to Term 3. The SRC have decided to only have two days this term as there is Literacy/Numeracy Week, Science Week and Bookweek. Which makes for a very busy term.
On Friday 7th August, there will be a Casual Clothes Day with a $1 donation to dress casually.
And during Week 8 we will have the pyjama day.
Classes have been asked what food they would like during week 8. The students are also keen to have a Swap Day, where the teachers are the students and vice versa. Watch this space for further info…
Have a great week, everyone.
Regards Annie and SRC members

**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.

**Children’s Centre News**

There are lots of events and things to remember this week!

1. There will be a kindy closure, so no kindy Wednesday.

2. Catering at the Sports Centre for the footy and netball lunch is this week on Saturday 1st August. All families have been asked to help and a roster went out last term. Please arrange a swap or replacement if you cannot do your allocated time. Volunteers from the community are welcome to apply! We would love some help in the busy time from 11am -1pm.

3. Governing Council meeting: 4pm Thursday to elect new Chairperson and organise catering for lunch on Saturday.

4. Bright Futures will take place in Elliston this Tuesday, 28 July from 10am – 12pm in the Elliston Health Centre.

5. CaFHS visit with Di Habner this week at Playgroup.

**News**

* The children enjoyed the Kimochi story about ‘Cat’s not so perfect sandcastle’ and learning about the colours of the rainbow. Later in the term we will be eating the colours of the rainbow.

* Outside play involved pirates, trucks, ‘babies’, hairdressing appointments and the tyre-swing as well as weeding and watering. Our broccoli and cauliflower are ready to eat. Soon we’ll be able to try the carrots.

* Some fantastic news: the Children’s Centre was successful in their grant submission to Foundation for Rural Regional Renewal (FRRR) for our project called ‘Creative play for little people – wall, stage, sand and water’. $2,905 means that we can order the wood and paint for the blackboards and the new digger, truck, washable dolls and shade cloth.

* We hope our families enjoyed reading and looking through the Learning Story folders over the holidays. Please bring them back this week.
We have missed Teresa and hope that she soon feels well enough to return to kindy. Thank you to Sonia and Julie for making sure the days have been covered.

* Thank you Lucy for doing such a thorough holiday clean, especially the windows, bathroom and blue chairs.

* Kindy closure is so staff can attend two workshops to be held at Cleve: Asthma training; Acting Up or is it?

* Playgroup this Friday from 10am – 12pm. CaFHS visit. All welcome!

Anne, Teresa, Julie and Sonia

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**Community News**

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**PODIATRY, SPEECH, DIETITIAN**
Tuesday 28th July (Bright Futures)

**HEARING**
Monday 27th July

**COMMUNITY COUNSELLOR**
Every Thursday

**COMMUNITY NURSE**
Elliston – Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday
Wudinna – Monday and Thursday

For appointments phone Robyn on 8687 9012

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**ELLISTON SPORTS CENTRE TEA ROSTER**
August 1st
**Elliston vs Wudinna United**
4.00 - 6.30

**Larissa Carter**
Ella Jurek
Tash Bascomb
Jayde Howell

6.30 - 9.00

**Tracy Kenny**
Lachlan Custance
Nathan Smith
Ian Dudley

**Cooks:**
Butch & Mick

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**KIDZ CLUB**
Starts 27th July at the Sports Centre after school until 4.30pm
Thanks Inga

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**ELLISTON CAMERA CLUB**
Meeting to be held Tuesday night July 28th 7pm at the School Library.
Short meeting followed by an activity on “Refraction” and how it works. Bring along your camera & tripod. All welcome

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**THE BEACHES HAIR SALON**
Therese will be here next week on Wednesday 5th August through to Friday the 7th August.
Therese will be back again on Thursday 27th and Friday 28th August.
For appointments please contact Therese on 0478057918

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Welcome to Term 3

We have a fun and exciting Term ahead of us. Included in this Term is Science week, Book Week and Literacy and Numeracy week. We have challenging and invigorating activities associated with each week. The Book Week theme is “Books Light up our World.” Included in the shortlist of books are a range of excellent reading genres with fabulous illustrations, which can all be found in our library. We are having a Book Week assembly on Wednesday in Week 6, and are encouraging all students and staff to dress up. The dress up theme can of course be related to any book or character. The winning books will be announced on Friday 21st August. During Week 5 we are having a “Crazy Science Afternoon” to celebrate the theme ignite your imagination in Science week and Numeracy activities during Week 7. It is all happening!

http://sylviashow.com/
http://superawesomebook.com/sylvia/

After attending the recent Edutech conference and listening to the presenter “Awesome Sylvia” we were inspired to embrace some of her ideas and set up a “Maker Space” in the Primary Art Room.

A little bit about Sylvia…..

“Super-Awesome” Sylvia started making and tinkering when she was 7, and loves to try new things. One year after visiting a nearby Maker Faire, she and her dad were inspired to create a Web show about making things modestly titled, “Sylvia’s Super-Awesome Maker Show” where she shows kids and adults that making things can be fun, easy and more rewarding than just buying something. Millions of views later, Sylvia has covered everything from hobby rocketry to sewable soft circuits. The show has garnered attention from parents and educators the world over. Learners of all ages report that the show inspires them to make things and learn lots along the way. She is a girl scout and has three younger siblings. Sylvia has been profiled on network news, People Magazine, and in the New York Times.

We are asking families if they have anything at home that they could contribute to our maker space. This could include:

- Cardboard rolls, small boxes and any recycled resources
- Meccano sets and magnets
- Building blocks, old lego
- Any unused craft resources
- Jars of all sizes
- Small pieces of timber
- Screws
- Film canisters
- Old CD’s, discarded headphones
- And old toy cars or any toy with axels and wheels

We are looking at starting small and building on the space over the Terms 3 and 4. These resources can be dropped at the Front Office.

We are wanting to challenge our students to create, develop, experiment, explore and design in a range of activities, and take risks. We want students to think outside the box and realise that experimenting and making mistakes is all about the learning process.

Looking forward to a fantastic Term.
Regards Mrs Newton