From the Principal’s desk...

Professional Learning

I will be attending a Department of Education and Child Development Leaders’ 2016 meeting in Adelaide today. Principals and Preschool Directors from across the state will be addressed by Professor John Hattie and Professor Martin Westwell on latest educational research.

Tonight, I will be attending the South Australian Primary Principals’ Association launch of the ‘Building Our Nation Through Public Education’ by Professor Alan Reid from the University of South Australia. This is an open Community Meeting with various politicians attending including the Minister for Education, the Honourable Susan Close.

The Assembly is on Wednesday, April 13th at 10am and is organised by the Year 6, 7 students. All family members are welcome.

Our Education Director, Rowena Fox will be visiting on Thursday, April 14th. We will be discussing our School Improvement Plan, Robyn Wohling, our Principal Consultant will be meeting with Chad Fleming around Professional Development.

We will hold the National Ride2School Day on the last day of term, Friday, 15th April. ‘National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity for Australian students and school communities to embrace a healthier start and to try walking and riding to school for themselves. I hope all students can participate in this event. If you don’t have a bike organise to borrow one from a friend. An invitation is extended to parents and caregivers to join in. We will meet at 9am at the town playground and the bus will drop students off there. Some families may be able to provide bicycles for the bus travellers. As an alternative, some people will be walking. We hope to explore a section of the new walking trail.

We have had a fun filled term of learning including special events like aquatics and sports days. The Student Portfolios will be coming home for students from Reception to Year 6. Written Assessment statements will be sent home for students in Years 7, 8,9 and 11. Please spend some time with your child discussing their learning achievements from Term 1.

I hope you all have a safe and relaxing holidays to recharge the body and brain ready for Term 2.

Cynthia O’Neil

NAPLAN dates

Students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 will undertake NAPLAN in Term 2, Week 2 - May 10 Writing and Language Conventions, May 11 Reading and May 12 Numeracy.

Premiers Reading Challenge is on again....

Students have been given Reading Record Forms. Students can read a combination of books from the challenge booklists and books of their own choosing. All the information about the Premiers Reading Challenge can be found at www.prc.sa.edu.au. Trisha, Dianne and Kerry
Second Hand Couches - WANTED
Do you have an old/second hand couch you would like to sell (cheap) or donate to the secondary area? We would love to take them off your hands. Please contact Chad 0488 546 188

School Uniforms
All sizes are now available in new and old fabrics. Call in and check them out.

Sporting Schools Tennis
At the tennis courts.
Thursday 3.30 to 4.30pm
Kindy age 4 – 11 yrs

Please bring a hat and drink bottle. Healthy snack provided.

Elliston RSL Memorial Children’s Centre News
- Wow! The end of the term already! Where on earth has that eleven weeks flown by to?
- We are looking at Autumn, and last week we played in leaves, and then created an autumn shaving cream picture. This involved some marvellous sensory experiences.
- We also completed some painting with marbles with Teresa. To complete the painting the children needed to grasp hand eye coordination.
- Today I am in Adelaide at a Leaders Convention.
- Thursday the children are baking some autumn muffins with Teresa and then we will be having a picnic in the park to celebrate the term.
- Our second Bus Tour is this Friday at the Kindy. Thank you in advance for the support of the rostered parents.
- We finish at normal time on Thursday, for the holidays.
- We have some new books for the library. Once catalogued they will be able to be borrowed by the children.
- We are still in need of some old rubber boots to create herb gardens, so if there are any members of the community that have old ones they no longer use, we would love them.
- We would also love some clean shoeboxes with a lift off lid, (if possible) to start next term.
- The Preschool newsletter is coming out this week, getting us ready for Term 2!
- Playgroup is on Friday from 10am till 12.30pm. All welcome to attend.
- Anzac Day is in the holidays. This is a very important day on our calendar.
- The children’s Learning Stories go home this Thursday. Enjoy reading about all our adventures this term and have a wonderful holiday.
- A huge thank you to Julie Tree for organising the 2016 local Telephone booklets. Julie has completed this fundraiser for the Kindy on her own. Thank you also to the businesses for agreeing to sell them for us. We really appreciate everyone’s support.

Regards
Annie, Teresa, Sonia, Julie, Lari, Zali and Ayesha

Community News

Ayurvedic Massage
Available every day at new location, 7 Waterloo Bay Drive. A pamper package now available which includes foot spa, facial, and massage all with quality essential oils of your personal choice. Book now and treat yourselves ladies.
Tanya Tesselaar 0428 827528.

Mid-West Health, Community Health Services (Elliston)
PHYSIOTHERAPY
Monday 18th April

SPEECH, DEITITIAN, OT

COMMUNITY COUNSELLOR
Every Thursday

HEARING
Having trouble hearing, need your hearing checked Contact Robyn and we will arrange and appointment.

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

For appointments phone Robyn on 8887 9012

2016 Flu Vaccinations
When: 26th April
Where: Elliston Medical Centre
This Clinic will be run by Merle Weetra
Please call Jane to Book in an appointment
Mid-Eyre Medical Elliston: Ph 8887 9110
This is only for the patients eligible for a FREE Vaccination
If you are not Eligible for a free vaccination please book in to see Dr Parker as normal to get a script.

Elliston Golf Club — AGM
The AGM is to be held on 15th May at 12 O’clock at the Golf Club. All positions are vacant and all are welcome, it would be great to see some new faces!

ELLIStON NETBALL & FOOTBALL CLUB
Only 2 weeks until the first game at Streaky Bay on 16th April.
We look forward to seeing you for a snitfa on Thursday at the sports centre.
GO ROOSTARS

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SRC News

Paper aeroplane competition results;
R/1- Jennifer (4.40m)
2/3-Jarrah (7.85m)
4/5-Taja (9.20m)
6/7/8/9- Marli (11m)

There were some interesting designs and the students had a ball!

A big thankyou to all of the SRC representatives that have helped out this term.

Ride to school day this Friday to finish off the term. We will be meeting at the town playground at 9:00 am.

Hope you all have a happy and safe holidays

Thanks Kristy
Puzzle time

Seven up!

Put the numbers 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 in the circles so that each straight line of three numbers adds up to the same total.

I expect you found this one not too tricky. And no wonder! There were several different ways of doing it! Amazing eh, but you could have 7 in the middle, or 4 or even 1. I've shown you one way above, can you work out others?

These lines all add up to 14.