Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Move it
I was a very proud audience member last Thursday when our Room 5 and 6 students performed at The Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre in “Move it”, an event which showcases dance across all year levels and schools in the Limestone Coast. Our staff members, Rikki Helps and Sandi Wilkens should be justifiably proud of this achievement, given that they choreographed the routine and kept the audience spellbound as they journeyed from the 1950s into 2013. It takes an immense amount of work and patience both from staff and students, to put together 6 minutes on stage, and we thank them for ensuring every student was a star!

School Uniform
I would like to remind all families of our uniform policy. Our uniform is practical, easy to work in, and enables all children to be equal, avoiding the competitiveness of name brands. We have second hand items available from the office from $5.00 as well as most other uniform items available to purchase new. Governing Council has endorsed the wearing of the following uniform:

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Scarves and beanies must not be worn inside the classrooms. This enables students to dress more warmly when going outside at playtimes. Brightly coloured scarves / beanies will not be allowed once school commences each day. Those which blend with our school colours of navy and gold will be allowed. Clearly naming every item of clothing is really important also, especially ensuring that second hand clothes are renamed. Our office staff spend many hours sorting lost items, and in future, any item which continually appears in lost property, will see its owner sorting for us!

Raffle
A last minute return of raffle books on draw day, saw us make a profit, all going to the Junior Primary Playground Project, and nine lucky people won the great prizes. They were:

1st Holiday Rosemary Mullen
3rd L'Oreal Hair Products Debbie McDonald
5th Gym Passes S. Holmes
7th Hair Cut & Blow Dry Brett Lawson
9th Book Voucher Marion Pfitzner

2nd Sports Bag Lisa Naismith
4th Children’s Bike Kobe Bannon
6th 1/2 Hour Massage Jacqui Wilson
8th Canopy Interiors Voucher Jo McNaughton
Many thanks to all families who bought or sold tickets, and our local businesses for adding prizes to the raffle. Your support is much appreciated.

**Parent Interviews**

Our staff are working long hours this week to meet with parents and students for '3 Way Interviews'. This time is a fabulous opportunity to establish learning goals together. At the close of bookings, almost 500 interviews had been allocated. Please contact your class teacher directly if you missed the cut off and would like an interview. At your interview you will receive your child’s mid-year grades. The interview itself will give you a vast amount of information about how these grades were allocated and how your child has been working.

**School Closure Day Reminder**

Please remember that our school will be closed on Monday 22nd July for staff Training and Development on the Australian Curriculum.

**End of Term**

School will end at 2.30pm on Friday 5th July for the holidays. School bus runs will be earlier to allow for this.

LESLEY OKHOLM    BRONWYN PHILLIPS             ANDRE W BONE

ACTING PRINCIPAL   ACTING DEPUTY PRINCIPAL    ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

**Fundraising News**

We are proud to announce that our recent Fundraising efforts have produced some good results. As previously mentioned a late surge in raffle book returns saw us bring in a profit of $3 760 while the Art Show raised a creditable $1 617. These funds will all be put to good use throughout the school.

**Jelly Baby Month**

Just a little reminder on Wednesday 5th of July (Week 10), we will be having a "Dress As Your Favourite Jelly Baby Colour Day." We are encouraging all students to wear bright colours and bring a gold coin donation. All money raised will go to the J.D.R.F. (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation). We are also continuing to sell Jelly Baby Merchandise. We are selling this at lunch times on the stage in the Quad. During Week 10 we are also holding a school wide game of “Guess The Staff As A Baby” Competition. The cost of each guess is 5 cents. This game will end Thursday 4th of July (Week 10).

Merchandise includes: Jelly Baby Confectionary $2 Stamps $2 Badges $2 Lip Balm $3 Magnets $3 Coloured Pencils $3 Pencil Case $4 Pens $4 USB/Phone Charm $4 Key Ring $5

All merchandise is available in a range of different colours. Thanks!

Emma R and Cassidy F

**Positive Tracker Awards**

Congratulations to Leila C who received an award for her honesty in returning a USB she found after school hours. Also, congratulations to Lockie B who led by example, helping a reception child to find her friends during break time. What wonderful children we have!

**Golden Dustpan Awards**

The children of Room 7 (Ms Mannion) were our recipients this week in the golden Dustpan Awards with their efforts in keeping our environment clean and tidy.

**Visual Arts in Term 2**

We are concentrating on the 3 dimensional form. Year 6/7 students have designed and are currently creating a representation of a human form showing some movement. They began with a wire ‘skeleton’ or armature, covered that with newspaper using a winding technique to show proportion, then they posed their figure in their chosen position. The students then inserted a dowel, drilled and sanded a wooden base plate as a stand for their structure before the final stage of Mod Roc. Mod Roc is a plaster of Paris impregnated gauze which is wetted and moulded onto the figure. The Mod Roc dries within minutes, so the students have had to work quickly and efficiently. I am very pleased with their efforts and look forward to displaying them in the front office area. Other classes have engaged with 3D using papier Mache and cardboard to make bowls, trees, and 'vicious fish'.

Leanne Syron

Visual Arts Teacher
State Champions - Hockey
Congratulations to both Olivia T. and Claudia E. who represented the Lower South East in the S.A. Hockey Carnival in Adelaide during the June long weekend. Their Under 13 team won the championship!!! Well done girls.

State Champions - Karate
On Saturday 22nd June Mitchell and Madeleine P. competed in the South Australian Open Karate Competition in Adelaide. Mitchell placed third in the 12 - 13 boys Kumite (fighting) winning a bronze medal. Madeleine also placed third in the 12 - 14 girls Kumite (fighting) winning a bronze medal. Congratulations! We are very proud of you both.

Groovy! - The Production
Congratulations to all students involved in the performance ‘Groovy’. Two weeks ago, approximately 80 Year 6/7 students were involved in the production that was at The Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre. There were many fantastic performances from individuals which came together to make two wonderful concerts. This was the end result of 5 months of hard work and was a great display of the talent we have at Reidy Park. The students represented their school in a great way both on and off the stage with some excellent comments being made by the professional Theatre Staff regarding the students behaviour and respect to others in the theatre. Thanks to all the Reidy Park staff who were involved, for giving up their time and putting in the extra effort. Thanks also to the parents who helped out with our costumes and sets. The whole thing was just... ‘Groovy’!

Cupcake Stall
Rooms 19, 20 and 21 held a very successful and much anticipated cupcake stall today at recess time to raise funds for the endangered Red Tailed Black Cockatoo as part of their studies into endangered species. The children were made more aware of their situation after a recent visiting display and guest speaker. Delicious! A special thankyou to our wonderful parents for their support.

A. C. Care Blanket Appeal
Our children are not the only charitable group of people here at Reidy Park. After a recent appeal for blankets aired in the community, our staff were asked to donate to this worthy cause where blankets are purchased for those in need. Tremendously, $200 was raised and together with a very generous discount from our friends at Dimmey’s, 25 brand new blankets were purchased and donated to the appeal. Thanks must go to all teachers, ancillary, canteen, cleaners and visiting music teachers who contributed. Stupendous!
Andrea Wright

Digital Reputation
All internet users will have a digital or online reputation. This digital reputation is the opinion that others hold about the user. Your digital reputation is informed by content that you post online and how you communicate online. The concept of digital reputation is difficult for young children to grasp. By reinforcing internet safety with our children, at all ages, we are helping them to develop appropriate online etiquette and to learn appropriate ways of responding online. At home and school, we can help our children develop an understanding that they should behave the same way online as they do offline; other people can see what they are doing online and they should take care with what they say and do online.
At primary school age children’s internet use should still be closely monitored. To help with this try to keep the computer in a shared or visible place in the home. Children need to remember that the internet is a public place; the information they share may be online for a long time, so it’s important to think carefully about what they post. Check the websites your child uses to see if they are able to post information and images. Monitor their use of these websites and be aware of the age guidelines, privacy policies and terms of use. Help children understand and use privacy settings to limit who can see their information. For more information visit http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/
Rikki Helps
Coordinator for ICT Research, Innovation & Engagement

Practical tips to help parents manage online risks with their children (Part 3)
**Acacia Kindergarten**
Do you have a child who is turning 4 years old by the 1st May 2014? Have you enrolled your child at your local kindergarten? With the new ‘Same First Day’ Policy, a child who turns 4 between 1st May 2013 and 1st May 2014 starts kindergarten in Term 1 2014. Please visit Acacia Kindy or ring and fill out a Pre-Enrolment form for 2014.

**Double Helix Science Club - Building Challenge**
Teams will use given materials with a challenge to build something, such as the highest tower or the longest bridge. Who can build the best in each category?

**WHEN:** Thursday 27th June at 6.45pm
**WHERE:** Tenison-Woods College Science Lab
**AGE:** 6+
**COST:** $1 for members, $3 for non-members, $5 for a family. Parents welcome free. To book your place, phone Thea Shaughnessy on 8725 9051 and leave a message, or email tshaughnessy@stmartins.sa.edu.au

**Mt Gambier Community Centre Term 3 2013 Timetable**

**Monday - Cooking**
Join Cheryl each week for 10 weeks in our kitchen at the Community Centre to learn how to cook low cost nutritious meals. Take home a meal for one! 1:00pm - 3:00pm. Cost is $5 per week commencing 22nd July.

**Tuesday - Basic Computing**
Join Pam & Heather in this 10 week course to assist you with the basics of computing. 10:00am - 12 noon OR 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Cost is $70 (+GST) per term commencing 23rd July.

**Wednesday - Basic Computing**
Join Pam & Heather in this 10 week self-paced course to assist you with the basics of computing. 10:00 am - 12 noon OR 1:30 - 3:30 pm. Cost is $70 (+GST) per term commencing 24th July.

**Scrapbooking**
Want to develop your creative side? Then this is the class for you! Join Lorraine each Wednesday from 12 noon - 3:00 pm. Cost is $4 per week commencing 24th July.

**S. A. Netball Holiday Program**
School Holiday Clinics will be held at Netball S.A. Stadium on July 15 & 16 2013 for ages 5 - 16 years and will include ‘NetSetGO!’ and ‘Come and Try’. Have fun while learning new netball skills, drills and techniques! Book Now by going to www.netballsa.asn.au or telephone 08 8238 0500. Registrations close C.O.B. 10th July.

**Kitchen Kids at TAFE**
TAFE will again be offering there Kitchen Kids Course during the July School Holidays from 8th to 11th July from 10:00 am to 2:00pm for children between the ages of 9 and 16 years. Help your kids learn to make yummy food and have fun at the same time. For enrolment information phone Lynette on 8735 1504 or email lynette.sage@tafesa.edu.au Only 16 places are available so book now!

**Holiday Program at the Library**
In addition to our forthcoming July School Holiday Program, we would like to highlight an amazing event that the Mount Gambier Library has secured. Marc McBride, Illustrator of Emily Rodda’s ‘Deltora Quest’ Series will be our guest speaker and will be demonstrating how he creates his amazing illustrations using airbrush techniques, explaining how he puts colours together to create shadows and light effects. This one off occasion will be held Wednesday 10th July with two sessions running at 10:30 am and 2:00 pm. Cost is $2 per child with parents free. We encourage you to book early as places are limited. Contact Kristy Leamey on 8721 2591 or online at www.mountgambier.sa.gov.au

**Safety For Young People**
The South Australia Police Community Relations Section develops strategies to prevent crime and the fear of crime within the community. We work in partnership with the community to ensure that South Australia is a safe place to live, visit and conduct business. All students have the right to be and feel safe and it is important, no matter what your age or circumstances, that you discuss with your parents strategies on staying safe. To view their fact sheet logon to www.police.sa.gov.au