



DIARY DATES

Tuesday	September	24	Grounds Committee	CANCELLED
Wednesday	September	25	Next Assembly	12:00 noon
Wednesday	September	25	Finance Committee	CANCELLED
Wednesday	September	25	Governing Council	CANCELLED
Friday	September	28	Book Week Parade	9:45am
Friday	September	28	Term 3 Ends	2:30 pm
Monday	October	14	Term 4 Starts	
Friday	October	25	School Closure	SHOW DAY
Friday	November	22	Sports Day	

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 3, Week 10, September 25th, 2013

Staff Update

We welcome back Helen Papastamatis, some students will remember her as Helen Georgiou, as part of our JP team for next term. Helen will work with Lisa McKenzie and replace Renae Cliff in Room 21 for Thursdays, as well as supporting Room 17 with their learning on Friday mornings. We wish Renae and her family all the best as she takes maternity leave for the birth of their second child. Please refer to last weeks newsletter to catch up on other staff movement news.

Term 4. Broad Brim Hat Reminder

As part of our 'Sun Safe Policy' we expect that all students and staff wear approved broad brimmed hats while outside at school for Terms 1 and 4. The school has uniform approved broad brimmed and bucket hats for sale (\$7 inc. GST) available from the Front Office. Those children without the correct headwear will be asked to play in the shade.

Great Learning Opportunities

Thankyou to our Upper and Middle Year Teacher Teams and well done to all of the students in these year levels for the amazing work and learning they demonstrated as part of the Year 6/7, 'Night at the Museum' and the Year 4/5 'Science Fair' recently. These opportunities provided a chance for the students to show great ownership and understanding of their learning in an engaging and meaningful way. It was great to see so many parents and families turn up to these events to share the love of learning with their children.

Have a safe holiday, we look forward to more great learning opportunities next term. A reminder that school starts on the 14th October.

CHRIS EDMONDS
PRINCIPAL

LESLEY OKHOLM
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

ANDREW BONE
SENIOR LEADER

Student Placement 2014

Early in Term 4, we begin the task of placing children into classes for 2014.

Many factors are taken into consideration by teachers - friendships; anti-buddies; gender balance; a balance within a class of academic abilities; children with special needs and behaviour issues, etc.

Staff spend considerable time during the staff meetings to organise students in class groups. Once classes are finalised, then teachers are assigned to classes. This may not occur until the end of Term 4 or until the January holidays, if staff are not appointed until that time.

If parents believe they have information, based on educational needs, which will help with their child's placement, please put this information in a letter addressed to the Principal, marked 'Confidential'. We cannot promise that we will be able to meet every request; however the information will be taken into consideration.

I remind parents that this process is NOT about selecting class teachers but rather, information to be considered. Ultimately we need to trust teachers, as professionals, to make the most informed decisions about students' placement.

All requests need to be received, in writing, at the school by Friday 18th October. It is essential that we know as soon as possible of any future enrolments for the school ie: Reception children, children moving into the area, so these children can be included in future class placements. We would also appreciate knowing if any families are planning to leave Reidy Park before or at the end of 2013 so these children are not included in our numbers for 2014 classes.

 <p>Government of South Australia Department for Education and Child Development</p>	<p>Principal: Deputy Principal: Assistant Principal: Governing Council Chairperson: Phone: 8725 3381 Website: http://www.reidyprkps.sa.edu.au</p>	<p>Chris Edmonds Lesley Okholm Andrew Bone Andrew Hunter Fax: 8725 0576 Email: dl.0290_info@schools.sa.edu.au</p>	 <p>learning together, caring together.</p>



No Canteen Services Term 4

Following an intensive review of the financial viability of the school canteen and after consultation with the parent community, and as a result of consistently running at a loss, it is with regret that the Governing Council announces the SUSPENSION of all canteen services from term 4 2013.

We thank Jeanie Clark most sincerely for the amazing efforts she has put in over 5 years to make it sustainable, and wish her well in any new ventures she undertakes. Her happy face and enthusiasm will be missed.

In the interest of exploring all options to provide a canteen service at Reidy Park Primary School the Governing Council invites ideas or proposals regarding providing the provision of a full or part lunch service as a subcontracted venture, please contact Lesley Okholm on 8725 3381 in the near future, for consideration by the Governing Council.

*Lesley Okholm
Deputy Principal*

School Netball

What a wonderful season for all our netballers. Many successes were celebrated and not just on the scoreboard as teamwork and ball skills were other positives to come out of the games. Thanks again for all the support of families and coaches.

*Belinda Say
Netball Coordinator*

School Football

The final game of the season was yet another win for our footballers, this time against St Martins to complete an undefeated season. Well done to all players and especially our coaches, umpires and families for their support.

*Heath McShane
Football Coordinator*

School Sport Second Hand Stocktake Sale

Last Friday saw a highly successful stocktake sale in the Gym of excess sports gear. Almost all of the gear was sold with over \$200 raised. We know that many children and family pets were delighted with what went home.

Heath McShane



Ballarat Camp

We would like to remind all parents of Year 4/5 students that the deposit of \$50 for their child's Ballarat Camp is due this Friday, 27th September. Please forward this payment to the Front Office before this date if you have not already done so. Thanks.

*Gay Brooker
Finance Officer*

Book Week Activities

Lunch time activities are well under way in the Library and many children are eagerly awaiting the big Parade on Friday morning at 9:45 am in the Hall. Our theme of 'Read Around the Universe' encompasses many areas to dress for or just your child's favourite book will do.



**** Please note that all newsletters can be viewed on the website in full colour. ****

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Federal Family Fun Day

Dan Murphy's Car Park
Sunday 20th October 10am-2pm

Entertainment includes:
 jumping castle
 Merry go round
 face painting pony rides
 & much more!

Raising funds for SA ride for Sick Kids. A Ronald McDonald House Adelaide Fundraiser

BBQ, Fairy Floss & Pop corn available

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Royal Life Saving Mount Gambier

Season starts 4:30pm, October 18th at the Olympic Pool, Margaret Street. Our club is dedicated to teaching the essential skills of pool life saving in a fun, friendly and relaxed atmosphere. New members are always welcome. You just need to be able to safely swim 25 metres.

Swimming is a fun, low-impact form of fitness, ideal for the football, soccer and netball off-season. Our coaches will help you correct your stroke, improve your times and get fitter. Why not give it a try.

Contact Robyn Collins
on **0437 268229**
or Sue England
on **0418 828944**

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