



DIARY DATES

Wednesday	11	June	Fundraising Committee Meeting	TONIGHT
Wednesday	11	June	Grounds Committee Meeting	TONIGHT
Wednesday	11	June	Governing Council Meeting	TONIGHT
Monday	16	June	ICAS Writing	
Tuesday	17	June	ICAS Spelling	
Friday	20	June	Assembly	12:00 noon
Friday	20	June	'White Lion' raffle drawn	
Saturday	21	June	Monster excess furniture sale	
Thursday	26	June	Yr 6/7 Musical	7:30pm
Friday	4	July	End Term 2	2:30pm

Term 2, Week 7, June 11th, 2014

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Pupil Free Day

Last Friday teachers were engaged in professional learning in the teaching and assessment of reading. The morning focus was on using Running Records as one of the core reading assessments that teachers at our school use to support differentiated learning in classroom reading programs. During this time there was an opportunity for us to work in year level teams and across the whole school to develop consistency and to moderate the way in which we collect and analyse reading skill, comprehension and fluency data.

The afternoon session focused on using the PAT-R reading data that we regularly collect on each student from Year 1 to year 7. The PAT-R assessment provides us with common comparative scale covering the range of year levels and allowing progress to be tracked for each student from year to year.

Together this information gives us an accurate picture of each and every child's reading ability and progress. It ensures accuracy when we are reporting progress to parents and supports us to plan for high quality practice in the teaching of reading.



End of Term Reports & 3 Way Interviews

The end of the term is rapidly drawing near and once again we have reached the time of the year for Term 2 student Reports and Interviews. Over the next few weeks teachers will be offering 3 Way Interviews for all students in Years 1 - 7. At the interviews, attended by the teacher, student and parent/caregiver, the mid year assessment report will be presented and explained. This year teachers are required to assess and report against the Australian Curriculum Achievement Standards in most subjects. There will also an opportunity to share information about your child and talk about the learning opportunities and challenges over the next two terms. We hope that all parents will take the opportunity to meet with the class teacher.

Musical

One of the wonderful things about being principal at Reidy Park Primary School is all of the opportunities that I get to celebrate the fantastic work and achievements of our staff and students. I am really looking forward to attending our annual school musical, 'Don't Stop Believin', in Week 9 of this term. Approximately 80 Year 6/7 students will be



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involved in the production at The Sir Robert Helpmann Theatre. As a result of 5 months of hard work and a Performing Arts Program at our school that is second to none there will be two concerts providing a great display of the talent we have at Reidy Park.

I have been fortunate enough to have a peek at the costumes and sets which are very professional indeed, but I have been banned from the final rehearsals in order to not spoil the surprise when I attend the concert in person! I am pleased to say that the tickets are now on sale and although they are selling rapidly there are some seats left. If you intend coming along please don't leave your ticket purchase any longer or you may be disappointed.



End of Term

School will end at 2.30pm on Friday 4th July for the holidays. School bus runs will be earlier to allow for this.

Chris Sheldon
PRINCIPAL

Lesley Okholm
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Sue Hutchesson
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



I. C. A. S.

Quickly approaching are more International Competitions & Assessments for Schools (ICAS) test days. Monday 16th June we will be hosting the Writing Competition, Tuesday 17th June is the Spelling Competition and Tuesday 29th July is the English Competition. *Good luck to all participants!*

Congratulations

At the end of May, Aanya W completed her fundraising for the 'World's Greatest Shave' with a grand total of \$7 398 of which our school community was a part of. Her total has seen an invitation arrive to an Awards Dinner in Adelaide as the eighth highest fundraiser in the State of S. A.. We look forward to hearing more after the event.

Congratulations Aanya!



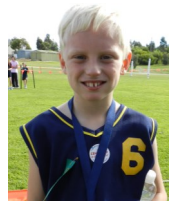
SAPSASA Netball

During May, seven Reidy girls participated in the Lower South East Netball squads competing in Adelaide with quite mixed results however all girls represented their region and our school in an exemplary way. *We are proud of you!*

Cross Country

In our last newsletter we neglected to mention another medal winner. Congratulations Will E who ran a great cross country race to finish third in his division. *Well done, Will!*

Heath McShane
P. E. Coordinator



Reidy Park Café

Reidy Park Café Lunch orders are sent out to teachers on Monday. Please help your child complete their lunch order and send it to school complete with payment in a clearly labelled, sealed envelope to the FRONT OFFICE by 9:00am the Wednesday prior to that Friday to ensure your order has been placed. As all meals are freshly made on Friday, orders are collated on Wednesday so that fresh food can be delivered in time. There will be a special order box placed in the Front Office which will be removed at 9:00am Wednesday mornings. Please ensure that your order is in there before then! Whole families can place all their orders in one envelope. Please ensure your child asks for an order form from their teacher by Tuesday.



Friday Meal Deal prices (Large \$8, Medium \$7 and Small \$6) includes a main, side and drink so please ensure you tick one from each column. If you just want to order a main (Small \$2, Medium \$3 and Large \$4) order below the special Meal Deal box. Please don't pay \$8 for a main. As it is a short week this week orders can be placed by 9:00am Thursday this week only.

We value your feedback on our food, and any future ideas! Thanks.

Kate McDonough
ILC Coordinator



White Lion Fundraising Raffle

Please note that the White Lion 'Bail Out' Raffle of which many of you have purchased tickets, will be drawn on Friday 20th June. All tickets and money need to be returned to the Front Office by Monday 16th June.

Gay Brooker
School Business Manager



W. O. W. - Wipe Out Waste

Tip #8 Use re-usable containers to pack lunches

There are approximately over 9 million disposable ziplock bags going to landfill from S. A. Schools EVERY YEAR!

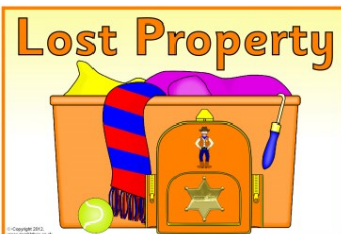
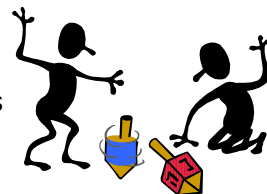
For more tips go to <http://www.wow.sa.gov.au/wow-newsletter-tips.html>

Play Support Roster

Tomorrow's activity is Sponge Painting while next Thursday will be Cooking. If you are interested in these activities held in the Art Room with the Peer Support Leaders and Miss Mouat, speak to your class teacher for a Classroom Pass.

Sue Mouat

Play Support Coordinator



Lost Property

The large pile of lost property has been sorted and those articles that were named have been returned to classes however there is still a huge amount of unnamed articles. If you have any items that may still be missing, please visit and have a look through the basket in the Front Office. Any items left over at the end of term will be donated to charity.

Tracy Kain

Admin Officer

Monster Excess Furniture Sale

Book this event into your diaries for Saturday 21st June. We are having a cleanout of storage areas in and under the school and all excess furniture will be priced to clear in a massive furniture sale in the quad. At this stage pricing, times and actual stock is still to be listed. *Stay tuned!*

Lesley Okholm

Deputy Principal



Scratch Day

Several of our Year 6/7 students recently participated in a fantastic 'Scratch Day' at Mount Gambier High School. Scratch is an online computer game program where students create their own games using computer code. As you can see by the photos, they were completely engrossed in what they were doing.

Daniel Castle

Year 6 Teacher



STOP PRESS!

Congratulations Claudia E! Part of the U/13 State Girls Hockey side to win in Adelaide recently. A fantastic effort as the only Reidy student and to do it two years in a row. *Woo Hoo!*



Reidy Park Primary School now has a Facebook page. Here you will find posts about what's happening in our school, up and coming events, newsletter links and so much more.

<https://www.facebook.com/reidyparkprimarieschool>

***** Please note that all Newsletters are available in full colour on our website. *****

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS



TED Film Evening

Community Action for Sustainability invite you to a film evening with 6 short talks and discussion on 'Ideas Worth Spreading'. TED is a non-profit organisation which began in 1984 and was initially about Technology, Entertainment and Design, but today covers almost all topics - from science to business to global issues.

On Friday 30th May at the Main Corner Dress Circle, 1 Bay Road. Doors open at 7:00pm and the film evening begins at 7.30pm. Entry is by gold coin donation and is supported by the City of Mount Gambier. For more details contact Dr Catherine Pye on **08 87253821** or cas4sustainability@gmail.com

Tantanoola Wind Farm Bus Trip

Community Action for Sustainability invites you to join them for their Tantanoola Wind Farm Bus Trip on Saturday 21st June from 1:00pm - 4:00pm. Meet at the Mount Gambier Library at 1:00pm or Tiger Hotel, Tantanoola at 1:30pm. Enjoy spectacular views and great photo opportunities while listening to a presentation by wind farm expert in midst of wind farm. Cost is \$10 - RSVP 18th June with Kristi Leamey at the Mount Gambier Library on **87212540** or cas4sustainability@gmail.com or **0428399441**



Project Recycled Runway



The Mount Gambier Library is thrilled to announce that they will again be coordinating 'Recycled Runway' as part of their Environmental Month program. The project is to create a fashionable, wearable garment/outfit from a pre-packed bag of second hand clothes which have been donated by Anglican Church Pre-Loved Clothing.

All garments are then to be modelled at the 'Recycled Runway Fashion Show' on Thursday 3rd July 2014 which will be open to the public as a ticketed event. For full terms and conditions of entry and further information please contact Kristi Leamey, City of Mount Gambier Library Events Coordinator on **08 87212540** or email kleamey@mountgambier.sa.gov.au

Healthy After School Snacks

Looking for healthy after school snacks the kids can prepare themselves? Bring the kids along and see demonstrations and enjoy taste testing with local Chef, Jen McCourt. Mondays 16th June & 23rd June from 4:00 - 5:00pm.

Please register with staff at Mt Gambier Children's Centre on **8725 7375**. These sessions are free and available to the whole Limestone Coast Community.



Free parenting Expo

Hear special guest Andrew Fuller speak about building resilience in children and raising real people. Get helpful tips from local service professionals on Autism Spectrum Disorders, Recognizing signs of Anxiety and Depression in children and How to use Mindfulness

Techniques in your parenting on Thursday 19th June from 6:00pm - 9:00pm at the City hall with supper provided. Seats are limited and can be made by calling **87213500** or emailing care@accare.org.au by Monday 16th June.

'Bringing Up Great Kids'

A four week program based at the Family Relationship Centre from 9:30 - 11:30 am for parents of children from birth to ten years. Learn new skills and build confidence in your parenting. Better understand your child's behavior, Communicate more effectively, Build a positive relationship. Discover the importance of your child's self esteem and how to improve it. Become the parent you want to be. For more information or to register to attend this workshop, call the Family Relationship Centre on **8721 3500** or **1800 880 913**

Week 1 - Monday 28th July, Week 2 - Monday 4th August, Week 3 - Monday 11th August, Week 4 - Monday 18th August 2014. This program was developed by the Australian Child Hood Foundation.

Double Helix Science Club - Sense-sational?

How much do you rely on your senses? Can your eyes actually deceive you? Can you tell what something is by feeling it? How is your sense of smell? Can you identify different foods just from tasting them? Find out how well-developed your senses are and see which one works best for you.

Thursday 26th June at 6.45pm in the Tenison Woods College Science Lab. Available to children 5+ years at a cost of \$1 for members, \$3 non-members, \$5 family.

Parents are welcome to stay and assist children. To book your place, phone Vanessa Courtney on **8725 5455** and leave a message, or email [courg@tenison.catholic.edu.au](mailto:court@tenison.catholic.edu.au).

