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Term 4, Week 5, 15th November, 2018

DIARY DATES

Friday	16	November
Thursday	22	November
Friday	30	November
Wednesday	5	December
Thursday	6	December
Monday	10	December
Tuesday	11	December
Wednesday	12	December
Thursday	13	December
Friday	14	December

Hero Day - gold coin donation
School Assembly 12.05pm
Colour Run
Transition visits (Yr 7 students & 2019 Rec)
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Year 6/7 Aquatics Day
Volunteer Morning Tea
Carols
Year 7 Graduation
End of Term 4

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This week marks the mid-point of the term and it has been great to see the sustained effort and dedication students have shown toward their class work since the beginning of the term. The final weeks of the school year are a great opportunity for students to set themselves up strongly for next year. One aspect of school life that continues to be very strong is student representation at local community events and active participation within school that reflects impressive civic mindedness. Today our school choir performed at the opening of the United Care Christmas Appeal which was held at Target. We were appreciative of the opportunity to support this community initiative, as well as showcasing the work of our choir. Last Sunday, our student leaders, accompanied by Ms Perryman, attended the local Remembrance Day Ceremony at Vansittart Park. Opportunities to support student participation in these activities is a priority for our school, not only does it help contribute to our local events, but also builds a sense of community spirit amongst students. Along with these community events we recently have had several groups of students initiate projects to support identified needs both within and outside of the school, these include fundraising activities with the proceeds going toward those in need and holding activities at school to promote an inclusive environment. Well done to all of these students for actively applying our school values of care, courage and respect.

NAPLAN Online Update

Next week our school will be participating in a NAPLAN online trial in preparation for the full transition in 2019. The online trial is intended to check that the school's ICT structure can satisfactorily implement the testing conditions. A variety of classes will participate in the trial

test. The trial test lasts approximately 45 minutes and will have a combination of numeracy, reading, spelling and grammar questions. Student performance in the trial test will not be assessed and the school will not receive any achievement information. Our last newsletter included information around privacy considerations about this trial; if you wish to view this document, it is available on school stream.

Week 8 Transition Information

Later this term in Week 8, on Wednesday Dec 5th and Thursday Dec 6th, our Year 7 students who are moving onto high school and the kindy students who will be attending Reidy Park in 2019, will be participating in district wide transition days. On these days, our Year 7 students will attend the high school that they have enrolled in for next year and next year's intake of Reception students will visit Reidy Park. These transition days do not impact on other grade levels, who will have their normal lessons, however our current Reception students will have their lessons in another classroom to accommodate our visitors. On the last day of term, apart from our Year 7 students, all students will visit their 2019 classroom and be introduced to their teacher for next year.

Stephen Jolley
Principal



Last Sunday, our student leaders laid a wreath at the Remembrance Day service.

Year 7 Graduation

A highlight of our school calendar is the Year 7 Graduation. This year, the graduation evening will be held on Thursday December 13th at Casadio Park and will be an opportunity to farewell our senior students. The format of the night includes all Year 7 students receiving a graduation certificate as well as the presentation of various individual achievement awards. Once the formal aspects of the evening are concluded, students have a disco to conclude the night. Invitations will be sent out to the families of Year 7 students in the coming weeks.

T-Ball 2019

T-Ball is offered to students who will be in Years 3/4/5 in 2019. Games are played in Term 1 on Friday nights from 5pm to 6pm at the Blue Lake Sports Park. Notes will be handed out by Mr. McShane at school to interested students. If your child did not receive a note, please collect one from the Front Office.

Blue Lake Fun Run

Reidy Park has registered for the Blue Lake Fun Run on Sunday 2nd December and we need your help! We are hoping you will join us and participate in the Reidy Park team. **How to sign up?**

Go to the bluelakefunrun.com.au
Register in the 6.8km selecting our team.

U/12 costs \$10

U/15 cost \$15

The Sports Captains will be organising trainings on Tuesday and Friday mornings, starting at 8.30am at the goal posts. They will be setting up individual goals and will help you to achieve your personal best. Trainings are on Tuesdays, and will continue until week 7. Please bring a water bottle and appropriate footwear to join in the fun. Hope to see you all there!

Charlie and Tom, Sports Captains

Hero Day

This Friday is Hero Day for Osteoporosis and Muscular Dystrophy awareness. Students can come dressed in blue for Osteoporosis and red for Muscular Dystrophy, or you can dress as your favourite super hero. Please remember to bring a gold coin donation on the day.

Library Fundraiser

Room 17 is raising money to support the development of the Library!

WHO: Ava, Alana, Ruby, Cody & Lucy of Room 17

WHAT: Stress balls, slime, scrunchies & more!

WHEN: Lunchtime Thursday & Friday of Week 6

WHERE: In the Quad

WHY: To support our school

PRICES: 20c to \$2.00

Room 23 - History

This term during our work in History, Room 23 have been learning about how families, school and the community have changed over time. At the moment, we are looking at school in the past compared to the present and identifying significant changes. Room 23 have found it very interesting looking at uniforms, teaching resources and behaviour expectations from the past. The students were amazed at what the consequences were for bad behaviour in the past!



Vacswim

VACSWIM is South Australia's longest running holiday program giving your kids confidence in & around water!

December 2018 & January 2019

Programs held at over 130 pool & beach locations.

Enrol online at vacswimsa.com.au

Dec closing: 7th Dec
Jan closing: 19th Dec

VACSWIM
WATER AWARENESS - WATER SAFETY - WATER CONFIDENCE - WATER SKILLS - WATER FUN!

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 to be collected. 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 at the end of term will be donated to charity. *Tracy Kain, Administration Officer*

Colour Run Reminders

A note will be sent home shortly with information regarding the Colour Run. Don't forget to find a white t-shirt prior to the event (the colour should wash out or you can keep it as a memory). The student leaders are offering to iron on names for students who raised over \$20. The colour run will be held on Friday afternoon, 30th of November. To make it fun and exciting, the student leaders are organising a range of obstacles for the track. If you have army crawling nets, tunnels, balancing poles, tyres, etc. we would love your help. Please email me at renae.perryman995@schools.sa.edu.au if you can assist with anything. Students not participating in the Colour Run will be supervised by teachers in class areas.

Mt Gambier OHSC



Holidays are fast approaching!!

Please contact

Mount Gambier Out of School Hours Care

For information and booking forms

30 O'Halloran Terrace, Mount Gambier
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Email: admin@mountgambieroshc.org.au



Before school care: 6.30am – 8.30am
After school care: 3.00pm–6.00pm
Early closure: 2.00pm–6.00pm
Vacation Care: 6.30am–6.00pm

Transport for children to and from all school and any adjoining kindergartens, *conditions apply

Come and visit us. Arts and Crafts, Activities, ExCursions, Experiments, Friendships and lots more.

Values in Action Awards

Room	Presented to	For
1	Max J	Being persistent with his learning and trying new strategies.
2	Fletcher M	Being persistent when learning angles.
3	Tayah J	Challenging herself in maths and moving through her multiplication ninja belts.
4	Jehtt H	Working hard in maths.
5	Ainsley S	Working hard to complete her learning.
6	Hannah S	Her amazing recall of facts on Baobab trees.
7	Chloe N	Trying her best in all that she does.
9	Olly B	Proving that a Growth Mindset can help you learn really tricky things!! (Like multiplying and dividing fractions!)
10	Millie S	Her work in digital technologies.
11	Charlotte M	For her descriptive science observations.
12	Amelia L	Her willingness to take on feedback with persistence and resilience.
13	Will C Aramis W	Outstanding leadership during Lego League. Showing courage and resilience during Lego League.
15	Lottie K	Her persistence and hard work in spelling.
16	Lyla B	Always showing respect towards others.
17	Fletcher B	Pursuing his personal best.
20	Callum R	Completing classwork in a timely fashion.
21	Brodie A	Working hard at becoming more resilient and developing a Growth Mindset.
22	Rubi W	Showing care, courage and respect within the classroom.
23	Mitchell O	Being kind and helping his teachers and class mates.
24	Blake C	Growth in his reading and sight words. Being brave and talking in the microphone.
25	Paige We	Amazing reading and writing.

White Ribbon Day

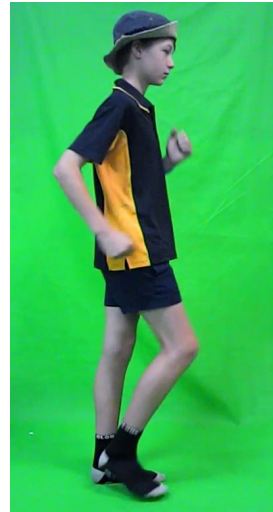
White Ribbon Day next Friday 23rd November. Classes will be participating in activities to understand the White Ribbon message - Together we can end men's violence against women and children in our community.

Congratulations

Lauren Suggate welcomed her baby daughter Livia Mae on November 8th. We extend our congratulations and best wishes.

Upper Primary Performing Arts

Currently in Performing Arts, some upper primary students are working on their own music videos. They have been looking at dance elements and have choreographed their own moves to the song Mamma Mia. Once they have rehearsed the moves, they are filming each member of their small group individually on a green screen. Using video editing software, they will add all the members of the group together to make it look like they are performing at the same time. They will also add in their own backgrounds so each group could be dancing anywhere in the world. The more creative the better!



Room 2 - Class Mayor Elections

Room 2 has been learning about our local community and the local council elections. On the 9th of November, we held our own election for class mayor. First we had to design a poster with all the important details, such as a picture of ourselves, our name and what we are aiming for in the election. Next we wrote out a speech that included positive things about us, like our personality and how we would help our Room 2 community. We then had to present this speech to the class using the assembly lectern. All the speeches went really well and the results ended up being very close. We had to put a voting slip in to the election box to see who the mayor and councillors would be. We had to write 1, 2 and 3 next to the names of the people we would like to be mayor. After the votes were counted, we elected our mayor and 4 councillors. Everyone did a great job with their speeches and posters. We all enjoyed everything about the election.

Room 2 Mayor: Sam B

Councillors: Jasmine R, Raquel B, Jasper S and Wil F



Year 7 Graduation Awards Information

Year 7 graduation is held on Thursday December Dec 13th at Casadio Park. As a part of the proceedings, awards are given to graduates who excel in a variety of areas (described below).

Last year a new award was introduced; the 'Reidy Park Sports Achievement Award', which acknowledges a graduating boy and girl who have achieved outstanding success in sport during their primary years. Nomination forms for the Sports Award are available at the Front Office. If you have any queries about the Sports Award, please speak to Heath McShane. For any other queries, please speak to Ms Helps, Mr Bannister and Ms Perryman.

Award	Purpose	Criteria
Lions Club Graduate of the Year	This award recognises a graduating student who has maintained and achieved an excellent level of academic achievement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Student achievement in a range of academic areas, including consistency of achievement, subject grades, performance in assessments and attitude toward their schooling.
Reidy Park Award (Between 1 - 4 Students) <small>*Awards donated by Green Triangle Electronics</small>	This award recognises a graduating student/s who have displayed a strong commitment toward making an excellent contribution to the school community.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The level of progress and achievement a student has shown in their Academic effort, volunteering (eg. Canteen, school crossing monitor, library), Leadership (eg classroom, sport, playtimes), Initiative, Organisation, Communication (toward all members of the school community), Attitude, Extra-curricular activities and relationships with others.
Sue Mouat Music Spirit	This award recognises a graduating student who displays a strong passion and spirit for music	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The student displays enthusiasm and passion for one or more areas of the Performing Arts. This award is not dependent on achievement or the level of involvement but this could be part of the consideration. This award reflects the idea that a student may have found success or 'passion' in the area of Performing Arts where they may struggle or have little success in other areas of their schooling.
Dale Cleves Music Award	This award recognises dedication/effort/achievement in the area of Performing Arts at Reidy Park	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The major criteria is the student's involvement in multiple Performing Arts programs possibly including Instrumental Music / School musical / School choir. This criteria also takes into account the number of years the student has been involved in each of the above programs The student has shown significant achievement in the above programs possibly including major roles in the school musical / soloist roles in the school choir or significant development in playing a musical instrument. This award generally recognizes dedication and support for the opportunities at Reidy Park
Reidy Park Sports Achievement Award <small>*Awards donated by Intersport Mt Gambier</small>	This award, donated by the Muller family, recognises outstanding achievement in sport. The award will be presented to a Year 7 boy and girl who have excelled in school sporting activities during their time at primary school.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The student displays the qualities inherent in good sportsmanship and is a positive role model to their peers and consistently demonstrates our school values. The level of sporting participation and achievement (inclusive of their primary schooling), including the level of competition achieved eg local, regional, state, national /international. The student's general behaviour during these activities and at school.