This week we have celebrated Science Week with a number of children bringing along the projects they have worked on over the past few weeks. It has been wonderful to see the variety of tasks that children have been involved in and the support given to them by you as parents. The weather was good to us and a number of families braved the cool weather to view the stars on Tuesday evening. Thank you to Mrs Suzie Crowe for her commitment to the Science program of the school. It has been a positive week.

This Saturday the children who volunteered will be presenting their first church service for the year at the Brighton Adventist Church. The theme for this year is the story of the Shadrach, Meschach and Abednego and the fiery furnace. The focus is on the fact that God is with us no matter what we might be facing in life. Even when a situation seems beyond what we are able to deal with, God is there to provide the support we so often need.

Resiliency as parents is about coping with the changes and stages we go through with our children. I am at the grandparent stage... and even that has its challenges as a parent!! I have enclosed in this newsletter a handout that outlines the changes in our role as parents as our children grow. (Please refer to back page). It is often helpful to keep this in mind that as you are going through the various phases. On Wednesday evening parents are invited to attend a discussion group organised by the Gifted and Talented Reference Committee where we are going to focus on supporting children in their socio-emotional development. All parents are invited to be part of this program.

Have a great week.

Christine Clark
### COMING EVENTS

#### School Council
The meeting of the School Council scheduled for Monday, June 2 has been postponed until Monday, June 30.

#### Parent Support Meeting
**Wednesday, June 4**
**7.30pm in the Staff Room**
Parents are invited to attend a discussion group meeting that will focus on the socio-emotional development of children. All parents are welcome.

#### Pupil Free Day
Just a reminder that Friday, June 6 is a Pupil Free Day. OSHC will be operating, but bookings are essential. Please make your booking ASAP to avoid missing out on a place.

### FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

#### Homestay Families Urgently Needed
There are a number of Korean students that would like to come to Australia for Term 3 or for a 3 week Study Tour. If you are willing to host a Korean student in your home please complete the enclosed form and return to the front office immediately.

#### Book Club
The latest Book Club catalogues are enclosed. All orders and payment must be returned to school no later than Tuesday, June 10. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or credit card. Cheques are to be made payable to Prescott Primary Southern not Scholastic. Credit card payments are made direct to Scholastic, please follow the instructions on the back page. Your support of the Book Club program earns points for the school so that we are able to receive books and resources which benefits all students.

#### Wakakirri Fundraiser
The Wakakirri Committee are planning a fundraiser to help cover the costs of materials and to subsidize the price of the tickets. Everyone has the chance to get involved. On Sunday, June 29 you have the opportunity to have a family portrait taken for only $10. Additional photo packs will also be available for purchase. Please see the enclosed information and complete the attached order form if you are interested. All forms must be returned by Monday, June 23 and then an appointment card will be sent home.

### COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

#### QuitNow Program
This Saturday, May 31 is World No Tobacco Day endorsed by the World Health Organisation. The Morphett Vale Adventist Church is planning a QuitNow Program designed to assist people who wish to give up smoking. If you are a smoker or know someone who is, and considering giving up then this program is for you. Trained professionals and various other health professionals will be presenting this program, which commences next Thursday, June 5. Please see the enclosed flyer for further details.

#### Kids Rally
Saturday, June 14 from 3.00-5.00-m
Prospect Adventist Church, Ballville St, Prospect.
Calling all kids 5-12 years old—Come and hear Pr Dave tell more of his exciting stories. Plus there will be lots of fun activities to help you ‘Look to Jesus’. There will also be a parent forum for those parents who wish to stay. Hope to see you there, you won’t want to miss the fun.

#### Growing Family Seminar Series
The Salvation Army is hosting two special evenings with Steve Biddulph.
**Evening 1: Raising Boys**
Wednesday June 25
**Evening 2: The Secret of Happy Family**
Thursday June 26
To be held at The Salvation Army, 277 Pirie Street, Adelaide at 7.30pm.
Tickets are $25 or $40 for both nights. To book log onto www.salvationarmy.org.au/adelaide or phone 8223 7776. Steve Biddulph is Australia’s best known family psychologist. His talks are highly entertaining, practical and emotionally powerful.

#### Walking Group
Are you interested in a walking group on Tuesday and Thursday at 9.00am, leaving from school? Any age and fitness level. Contact Helen Palmer on 0439 834 683 or leave a message at the front office.

#### For Sale
Guitar Lesson Books: Sagreras Books 1-3. $40. If interested, please call Michelle on 8381 2225.
**HIGHLIGHTS FROM SCIENCE WEEK**

This week has been a busy week with the activities of Science Week. One of those activities was the Sky-Watch Stargazing evening held on Tuesday. Around 40 people, both students and parents, took the opportunity to view the night sky through telescopes. They had the chance to get a view of the stars and planets that we can’t normally see. Mrs Crowe was very excited that she got to see the planet Saturn and all of its rings. It was a successful evening.

On Thursday students were able to come dressed up as a famous scientist or as a science experiment. We saw quite a few interesting costumes. Thank you to those who got into the spirit of it all and came dressed up. Also on Thursday, the winners of the Science Fair were announced. There were 2 winners from each grade (except for Grade 1 where there was a 3-way tie). Congratulations to the following winners:

- **Grade 7:** Deija Waller & Sam Lee
- **Grade 6:** Melanie Clark & Chelyah Paterson
- **Grade 5:** Kate Peterson & Austin Clark
- **Grade 4:** Sophie Doudle & Mikah Peterson
- **Grade 3:** Jordan Clark & Sinead Macdonald
- **Grade 2:** Joshua Doe & Shani Thomas
- **Grade 1:** Warat Baker, Abby Pinter & Emma Kellow
- **Reception:** George Oram & Leesa Trembath

Other awards were presented to the following students:
- **Most Inventive:** Jinae Baker
- **Most Outstanding:** Luke Thomas
- **Scientist of Future:** Nicole Klinck

Thank you to the students for your enthusiastic involvement in the Science Week activities.

![Participants in the Dress-Up Parade](image1)

![Examples of Science Fair Projects](image2)
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**Stage One: The Paranoid Parent**

Having a baby can turn the average, sane parent into a sleep-deprived wreck as they observe every breath the newborn takes. This paranoia initially focuses on the baby until it begins to crawl, and then shifts to the bedclothes, curtains, walls and stairs.

**Stage Two: The Separating Parent**

Wondered what you would do when the kids went to pre-school? Ha! After recovering from separation anxiety, there is the rush to and from creche or kindergarten, reading, playing, drawing. Don’t worry, you’ll get some sleep some day.

**Stage Three: The Relieved Parent**

The beginning of primary school marks the beginning of a brief period of serenity for most parents. As long as you can endure hearing the phrase ‘I’m not going to be your friend any more’, you’ll probably be all right.

**Stage Four: The Anxious Parent**

The late primary to early secondary years bring with them a dose of concern and anxiety as children shuffle their peer groups, boil the world down into basic states - boy’s germs and girl’s germs, and generally get into comparing themselves with everyone else.

**Stage Five: The Embattled Parent**

With the onset of the teenage years, a great debate begins. Hold on to your hats and stick in there for the long haul.

**Stage Six: The Exhausted Parent**

The mid- to late teen years often see the harassed parent meeting the naughty teenager and the results are not always pretty.

**Stage Seven: The Deserted Parent**

Free at last!

**Stage Eight: The Involved Grandparent**

Or so you thought! This used to be an optional stage, but with many families having both parents in full-time work and more single-parent families, the role of the grandparent is increasingly important in providing day-to-day care. The risk of this is that as grandparents become more involved in everyday care, they may lose their role as a kind, wise guide to young people who may be battling with their parents.

**Quote for the Day**

We are an amino to the left of our parents and they are but a haircut to the left of theirs. ‘Things of Stone and Wood’

**IF PARENTING HAS IMPROVED SO MUCH, WHY AREN’T KIDS BETTER OFF?**

Times have changed so dramatically that the role of parents has shifted. When children are young, they need structure and consistency. While they still need these things from you, when they become teenagers, they are not going to admit it. Parenting has become much more complex because young people are bombarded with messages, information and influences from so many sources. Parents are often not the influence in children’s development from peers, school and the media. In surveys of Australian young people asking them what they admire, they often find young people answer ‘my parents’. So while it can be tempting to underestimate your influence, power and capacity to shape your child’s life course and wellbeing, don’t!