Earlier this year our school was invited to participate in the Safe Routes to School (SRTS) Program. Safe Routes is a road safety initiative that involves the school, the local council and Transport SA. The program has two main parts, an engineering component that deals with making changes to the physical environment and an education component that the school is involved in. Our school made the decision to be part of this program therefore we are committed to the teaching of Road Safety at our school each year. As a school we decided to have a Road Safety Week, so next week all children will be involved in lessons on Road Safety and all children will bring home a yellow folder with “Way to Go” sheets enclosed. These information sheets are designed to increase parent awareness of what is being taught in the school so together we can do all we can to keep our children safe on the roads. We would ask that the yellow folders be returned to school at the beginning of next term.

The beginning of the new term will see some physical changes around the school. A transportable classroom will be delivered next Wednesday. The location of the classroom will be by the hall, resulting in there being no through access of the property except by going on the road behind the OSHC Building. We realise this creates ongoing issues in regards to traffic flow, but we are unable to place the transportable south of the current buildings due to the services not being adequate. The slope of the land means that any buildings placed beyond the southern fence will require services to be brought in from Farnsworth Drive. The services of a traffic engineer will be engaged in the near future as part of the SRTS Program to assist us in developing a better traffic flow and dealing with some of the traffic safety issues we currently face as a school. We appreciate your understanding and patience in the interim.

As we come to the close of the term we can be thankful for a productive and enjoyable time as a school and we know that the new term will bring new opportunities for learning and celebrating life. We are thankful to God for His ongoing love and care for each of us, and as we take the time out from the regular school program we trust God will be with all families and staff and that the holiday period may be enjoyable and restful.

Have a great holiday break.

Christine Clark
COMING EVENTS

Wakakirri Fundraiser
For those people who have indicated that they would like to participate in the Family Portrait fundraiser this Sunday June 29, an appointment card has been enclosed. Thank you for your support.

School Council
The next meeting of the School Council will be held on Monday, June 30 at 7.30pm in the Staff Room.

Parent Teacher Interviews
Wednesday, July 2
For those parents who have requested an interview with their child’s teacher, an appointment card is enclosed. Please wait outside the classroom at your appointed time.

Food Preparation Course
The City of Onkaparinga is conducting a Food Preparation Course at our school on Wednesday, July 2 between 10.00am—12noon. This course outlines the guidelines and safety regulations for the handling of food. This information would be particularly helpful to those parents who kindly donate their time to assist with fundraisers that involve handling food. If you are able to attend we would love to see you.

Last Day of Term
Term 3 finishes on Friday, July 4 at the usual time of 2.30pm. Students may wear casual clothes and bring a gold coin donation to help support our Asian Aid sponsored child.

Wakakirri Wednesday
School Holiday Rehearsal
Please remember that ALL students involved in Wakakirri need to be at the school holiday rehearsal on Wednesday, July 16. Please meet in the Hall from 9.00am-12noon. Any parents who can stay and help with the construction of props, your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Term 3 Begins
Please note that Term 3 will commence on Wednesday, July 23. Monday, July 21 and Tuesday, July 22 are Pupil Free Days as the teachers are attending a Prescott Schools Staff conference. OSHC will be operating, but bookings are essential.

FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE

School Fees
It would be appreciated if all outstanding accounts could be finalised by the end of term. If you are having difficulties with this, please contact Mrs Clark to discuss possible arrangements. Thank you.

Library Books & Readers
Please check at home, in your bag, in the car etc. for any library books or readers that you may still have. These need to be returned to the library or your classroom ASAP. Any library books that are not returned will result in a replacement fee being charged. Thank you for your cooperation.

Vacation Care
Places are filling fast, especially for the excursion days. If you need to make a booking for Vacation Care, please do so ASAP.

After School Sports
Students will be able to participate in the After School Sports activities again next term. The activities being offered in Term 3 are Multi Circus Skills on Tuesdays and Basketball on Wednesdays. The program will run from Week 2—Week 8. Students are supervised from the close of school and need to be collected by 5.00pm or they will be sent to OSHC where the normal fees apply. Enclosed you will find a consent form. If your child wishes to participate, please complete the form and return it preferably by the end of this term, and definitely by the end of Week 1 next term.

Weekly Chess Challenge
Students are able to participate in the Weekly Chess Challenge on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at lunchtime in the Library, commencing in Week 3. The cost is $24 for the term. If your child is not already a regular chess player but would like to join please ask at the front office for a consent form.

Care of Animals
The animals in the Science Room continue to need carers over the weekends. If your family is able to take care of any of the animals at any time during Term 3, please complete the enclosed form and return to school ASAP. A roster will then be organised and sent home. Thank you for your help.
Counselling Term 3
Each year our school provides the opportunity for children to be involved in the Seasons for Growth Program. This is a program designed to assist children who have gone through a significant loss or grief in their life. It may relate to parent’s separating, moving from one location to another, death of grandparent….the list is ongoing. Once again this will be offered in Term 3/4. You will find enclosed with this newsletter a flyer that you need to complete and return to the front office if you wish your child to be involved. Once the groups have been determined you will be notified of the person coordinating your child’s sessions. Currently we have four adults trained in the program - Mrs Christine Clark, Mrs Jean Little, Mrs Donna Palmer & Mrs Kathryn Drillis.

Our school also offers the Friends Program to children in Year 3 as part of their social skills curriculum. This is a program aimed at assisting children in dealing with anxiety in a healthy way and confronting those feelings that can cause us to avoid or not cope with certain situations. Further programs have been developed for junior primary and upper primary that we are planning to offer as needed. If you think the programs would be helpful for your children please complete the enclosed form. We will follow up registrations of interest with further assessments to determine the appropriateness of the program for your child, so if you are unsure please don’t hesitate to nominate your child for the program.

Book Week
Book Week is coming in Term 3
August 18—22.
Plan to be there!
This year’s theme is “Fuel Your Mind”. On Wednesday, August 20, there will be a special day full of fun activities.
10.30am Morning Tea—Parents & Grandparents
11.00am Dress Up Parade
11.50am Book Display
12.30pm Lunch for parents, grandparents and students
Put this special event in your diary and plan to be there! Look for more details in the next newsletter, early next term.

URGENT NOTICE
From Mrs Crowe
Thank you to those people who have brought in empty milk cartons, but we still need another 200 1 litre milk cartons for the Wakakirri props. If you can bring some into school that would be appreciated. We need them before this term ends, so they can be constructed into props during the holidays.

Also, if anyone has any suit bags that they could donate that would be greatly appreciated. We need as many as we can get to transport Wakakirri costumes.

For the Science Room we are needing air filters for the fish tanks. If you have one that you would be willing to donate we would love to hear from you.
Thank you.

No Lunch Orders
Monday June 30
Please note that the Reynella Canteen will not operating on Monday, June 30 so there will be no lunch orders that day. Soup and noodles will be available from Kids Canteen.

Student Achievements
Chess Tournament
Earlier this week 10 of our students had the opportunity to compete in a chess tournament against students from other schools. There were 126 students participating altogether. Our students did very well, among their results were 2 credits (finishing in 25% of players), 3 distinctions (finishing in top 10%) and 1 high distinction (finishing in top 5%). Those students who participated include: Simon William, Klyde Goding, Luke Hutton, Nathaniel Hutton, Tim Braslavskiy, Jalen Croxton, Jett Rayner-Wilkinson, Jordan Clark, Michael Webster and Luke Thomas. Great effort!

Soccer News
One of our students, Bradley Leaford, plays for the Reynella South Soccer team. Congratulations to the team for winning their first game of the season, with the final score being 2—1. Bradley scored one of the winning goals. Well done guys and best of luck for the rest of the season.
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Autism & Aspergers Support Group**
High Functioning Autism & Aspergers School Boys Group “The Inventors Friendship Club” are celebrating their 1st birthday on July 20. We will be having party games and party food for the boys. Bring along yourselves, sons, and a plate of food to help celebrate this wonderful occasion. All welcome.

**Tennis Lessons**
Free Introductory Tennis Lesson
Dover Square Tennis Club & Port Noarlunga Tennis Club
We play all year round!
Contact: Justin 0415 289 733 or check out our website www.just2tennis.com

**Science Olympics Holiday Program**
Exciting hands on experiments with mystery solutions & chemical challenges—plus make a Super Bug that can swim, walk & fly! For ages 7-14 at $12 per child.
Date: Wednesday, July 9
Location: CSIRO Science Education Centre, Milner Street, Hindmarsh
Bookings: Phone 8463 5937 or email rona.sakko@csiro.au
Choice of 90 minute sessions at 10.00am, 12.30pm or 3.00pm.

**Piano Tuition**
Tuition for the serious student or for pleasure.
As a qualified and registered music teacher, I can offer a high quality of piano, electronic organ, keyboard and theory tuition at all levels. These are offered from my home studio situated in Morphett Vale. Phone Peter on 8382 5843 or Piano/keyboard and theory are available at the school during school hours.

**From Morphett Vale Church**

**Adventurers**
There will be no regular Adventurers meeting in July due to a special program being held in the Hall on July 5. All Adventurers and their families are invited to this special event which launches the Avalanche Ranch week.

“Ranch Night” July 5 from 6.00pm in the Hall
Lots of fun, food, frivolity, fab times.
Food and drinks provided. Entry is $5.00 adult, $2.50 child or $15.00 family. There will also be a fundraising cake stall, as well as prizes galore.
Hope to see you there.
The next regular meeting for Adventurers will be on August 2.

**Avalanche Ranch**
For a wild ride through God’s word join us in the Morphett Vale Adventist Church during the first week of the holidays.
July 7—11 from 10.00am to 1.00pm daily. Cost is $3 per session per child. Third or subsequent child per family free.

Finale program in the Church on Saturday, July 12 from 11.30am-12.30pm followed by a luncheon in the Hall. See enclosed flyer for all the details.
Registration forms can be collected from the front office.

We would love to have some more helpers for this program, especially as Crew Leaders, who supervise a group of children as they move through their activities. We can use junior helpers, but you must be in Year 7 or older. If you can help, please contact Liz Hill on 8322 3052. Thank you.

Hope to see you there.

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