FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last night a group of children represented our school at the Wakakirri singing competition. It was a change in pace for the students who had previously been involved and required Mrs Suzie Crowe to write a piece of music and then put words and choreography to it. It was a great effort on the part of Suzie and the students. They represented our school with pride. Thank you students for your commitment to the program.

The Reception children have moved into their new classroom this week. There is still a little work to be done in the arranging of a whiteboard and interactive whiteboard but the space is greatly appreciated by Mrs Buckley.

Plans are well underway for our Prescott Fair to be held in Week 2 of next term – Sunday October 18. It was ten years ago that we had our last School Fair… and we had just 70 students!! Our classroom teachers will be requiring your support in manning a range of stalls for the day and we hope that you will be able to make yourselves available to assist your child’s class in their fundraising efforts. The performance program is well under way and if your child is part of a dance, drama etc type group and would like to perform… it is not too late. Please complete a registration form from the front office. It promises to be a fun day with pony rides, a range of wheels to ride, rock climbing, dunk the teacher… as well as preloved toys to buy and delicious foods to eat. Plan now to attend. We need your help in advertising the event so we have given you a few flyers for distribution in your local area. If you need more please contact the front office.

Our school is continuing to grow and we need to make plans for staffing for the new year. If you have a pre-schooler you have not yet enrolled could you please contact the office and arrange the completion of the relevant forms so that we can make the necessary arrangements for class placements for 2010.

Have a good week.

Christine Clark

CALENDAR

Monday-Friday
24-28 August
Book Week
Book Fair in Library

Wednesday
26 August
School Photos
Full Winter Uniform

Thursday
27 August
Parent/Grandparent Morning Tea in Hall
10.30am
Mask Parade in Hall
11.00am
Sausage Sizzle
12.00noon

Monday
31 August
Prescott Fair Committee
7.30pm

Monday-Friday
31 August-4 Sept.
Fathers Day Stall on Colonnade

Tuesday
8 September
School Council
7.30pm in Staff Room

Wednesday
9 September
Pupil Free Day
Royal Show Holiday
OSHC Visit Show

Thursday
17 September
School Concert
**COMING EVENTS**

**Book Week** 24—28 August

Next week we take our “Safari” through reading during Book Week. The Library will be open from 8.30-9.30am & 3.15-4.00pm for you to visit the Book Fair. Students will be visiting the Library on Monday to make their “Wish List” so parents will know what books their children are interested in.

Students will be making masks during class time and the teachers will choose 2 students from each class who have put in the best effort at making their mask. These winners will be announced at the Parade on Thursday, August 27. Children are able to come dressed in fancy dress, but the judging is only on the mask.

**Book Week Celebrations Thursday, 27 August**
10.30am Parent/Grandparent morning tea served in Hall. Entry by gold coin donation.
11.00am Mask Parade in Hall, winners of best mask announced.
12.00pm Parent/Grandparents served lunch in Hall. Order forms in communication books.
Hope to see you there.

**School Photos**
School Photo day is next Wednesday, August 26. Please ensure that your child is dressed in complete, clean and correct winter uniform. For those students who participate in After School Sports, please make sure you are in school uniform NOT sports uniform.

**Prescott Fair Committee**
The next meeting of the Fair Committee will be held on Monday evening, August 31 at 7.30pm.

**Pupil Free Day—Show Holiday**
Please mark your calendars for Wednesday, September 9, this is a Pupil Free Day. OSHC will be visiting the Royal Show. Bookings are essential so please complete the consent form enclosed.

**FROM THE SCHOOL OFFICE**

**Vacation Care**
The Vacation Care program for the next school holidays is enclosed. Bookings are essential, so please complete the booking form and any relevant excursion consent forms and return to school ASAP. Places fill fast so get your bookings in now.

**Book Club**
Scholastic Australia is one of the sponsors of Book Week. Enclosed is a special Book Week edition of the Book Club catalogues. If you wish to place an order, please return your order and payment by Monday, August 31. Cheques are to be made payable to Prescott Southern, not Scholastic. Credit card payments can be made by following the instructions on the back page. Thank you for your support.

**Magazine Subscription**
Enclosed you will find a free copy of the Signs of the Times magazine which is a monthly magazine published by the Seventh-Day Adventist Church. It features interesting articles on a wide variety of topics. If you enjoy what you read in this magazine then you are invited to receive a complimentary one-year subscription. If you are interested in this offer, please complete the enclosed form and return to school no later than Friday, September 18. You will then receive your monthly copy via mail over the next year.

**School Concert Hire Fee**
The students will be charged a $3 hire fee for use of costumes for the school concert. We find this arrangement works best for us as a school and rather than parents needing to buy the necessary items, we are able to provide most things as a school. We trust this takes away the stress for parents in this matter. This amount will be charged to your school fees.

**Help Sewing Costumes**
If you are able to assist by sewing costumes for the school concert, please contact the front office immediately. We need your help!

**SRC—Jeans for Genes Day**
On Friday, August 17 the children participated in a fundraiser called “Jeans for Genes Day”. I am proud to announce that we raised $399.20 for all our efforts. Thank you for your generous support and the children enjoyed participating in the special day.

*Kathy Drillis, SRC Coordinator*
SRC Representatives
It is great to see the students getting involved in their school community through the Student Representative Council. The Term 3 representatives are:
Class 3  Dylan Kevern & Kristina Pascoe
Class 4  Tim Braslavskiy & Amanda Nyunt
Class 5  Peter Sandelin-McCann & Melanie Clark
         Jasmine Werneburg—President
         Karan Sabharwal—Vice President
Class 6  Tori Ackland
         Jett Rayner-Wilkinson
Class 7  Michael Webster
         Sophie Doudle
Class 13 Dylan Hutton
         Lucabella Clifford

School Fair Donations
Do your children have any pre-loved toys, books, CD’s etc that they would like to donate for our fair...if yes, please send them along to Student Reception. Thanks for your support.

Knitting Club
Sonya would like everyone to know that knitting club is back from next Wednesday at lunchtime. She will be showing the students how to knit finger puppets. Sounds like fun! See you there!

FUNDRAISING

Chocolate Drive
Well done everyone for your efforts in selling lots of boxes of chocolates. All money must be returned by Friday, September 4. Any unsold chocolate must be returned by this date as well. There are still a few boxes left if you would like to sell more. Without your support this fundraiser would not be such a success.

Toys and More Fundraiser
Don’t forget to browse through the Toy Catalogue that was sent home in the last newsletter. There are some great ideas for all ages and the school earns up to 20% of total orders. Why not start your Christmas shopping now! To order complete the order form in the centre of the catalogue and return to school no later than Friday, September 4. Payment is by cheque, money order or credit card. Please DO NOT SEND CASH. Delivery should be early in Term 4.

 Fathers Day Stall
It will soon be Fathers Day and we are planning our annual Fathers Day stall during Week 7 (31 August-4 September). Come and find something special for Dad from a wide range of gifts with a wide range of price tags.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parent Forum Against Cyber Bullying
Monday, August 24, 6.00—7.45pm
Adelaide Festival Centre Banquet Room, with guest speaker Jody Melbourne, Information Security Expert. Harassment by text and online destroys young lives. To find out how to protect your children, join us at the free forum for all parents. To register call 8226 0247.

Girls and Boys Tennis (Year 6/7)
Morphett Vale Sports Complex are holding trials on Wednesday 9th, 16th & 23rd September from 3.45-5.00pm. Practices commence in Term 4 with carnivals held in November. For information please contact Yvette Finae on 0430 427 488.

Boys Cricket (Year 6/7)
Trials held at Cricket Nets, John Morphett PS, Highway Ave, Morphett Vale on Thursdays 10th, 17th & 24th September from 3.45-5.00pm. Practices commence in Term 4 and carnival dates are in November. For information please contact Yvette Finae on 0430 427 488.

Woods Panthers Netball Club
Seeking girls aged 5-10 years old to join our club and develop their netball skills. Training sessions with qualified coaches will be on Thursdays 3rd, 10th & 17th September from 6.00-7.30pm at the Club Courts, Adey Road, Blackwood. Cost is $25 which includes a free T-shirt. Contact Jackie on 0438 376 176 or download a registration form from our website: www.woodspanthers.com.au.

Amy’s Recreational Bike Ride
Bicycle SA are excited to announce the 2nd Amy’s Ride on Sunday, November 1. The Amy Gillett Foundation campaigns to raise awareness of cycling safety issues with both cyclists & motorists. Online registrations are available at www.bikesa.asn.au. The ride takes place along the Southern Expressway (closed to other traffic!) with a variety of distances to choose from, depending on your riding skills and fitness. Any queries contact the team at Bicycle SA on 8186 9999.
Baseball
Last week during sport time the students participated in a Baseball Clinic where they were taught the basic skills necessary to enjoy the game of baseball. Here are a few shots of the children ‘having a go’.

The Southern Districts Baseball Club is conducting coaching clinics in schools in the Fleurieu area to promote the sport and attract new players to our club. We have been able to attract interest during the past twelve months and have progressed to the stage of establishing an inter school competition with schools playing competition games at our Flaxmill Road facility. We also conduct a T-Ball competition at our club on Friday evenings for children in the Under eight and Under ten age groups. There are approximately 120 children playing in this competition and we are keen to increase numbers to at least 150 during this season.

Any student who is interested in playing at club level should have their parents contact me at the phone numbers below. We urge you to consider becoming involved in a skilful, non contact sport which has given many children lots of enjoyment.

Peter Martin, School Coaching Coordinator
Phone: 8387 9326 or 0421 931 504.

Prescott Primary Southern

"Sea Wars"

A battle of Good vs Evil in the year of financial crisis

A search for the World's Wealth

Long, long ago in a Sea far, far away, sailors set forth to find the world’s missing wealth as Lord Euro brings financial crisis upon the people.

Will the wealth be found and will the hopes of the people be restored? Come to our concert and find out!

Thursday, September 17 in the Church 10.30am & 7.30pm.

There will be two sessions of our annual school concert. The evening session will commence at 7.30pm for parents. Be early to get a seat! Refreshments will be for sale in the foyer, with proceeds to the school's fundraising projects.

A special morning session will be presented for grandparents and friends, commencing at 10.30am and will be followed by morning tea.