



NEWSLETTER

Term 2 No 10

Thurs June 21st 2012

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Principal – Stephen Jolley
Chairperson – Gene Lassaline

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Dear Parents,

Next week our mid year reports will be sent home. This year our teachers are using the Australian Curriculum achievement standards to report in Mathematics, English and Science. These standards are different to the South Australian curriculum outcomes which are being used to assess all of the other curriculum areas. Because there is some difference in the achievement standards in the Australian Curriculum and the South Australian Curriculum you may find that your child's results may vary from previous reports. If you have any queries or concerns arising from your child's report please make a time to speak to their class teacher.

This week students will be bringing home subject books in a number of curriculum areas. The purpose of this is to give you an opportunity to look through and discuss aspects of your child's learning whilst also giving you an opportunity to gain an insight into the learning programs occurring in each class. This is also complemented through other areas such as Parent Teacher Interviews, Assemblies, Class newsletters, Class visits and Mid and End of Year Reports.

Regards,

Stephen



This week the Upper Primary have been presenting Book Reports to their class.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

June

Friday 22nd

Monday 25th

Tuesday 26th

Thursday 28th

Friday 29th

Salad Roster – Opperman Family.

Lunch Roster – Anne Gaffney & Karen Douglas.

Heat Ups Roster – Deb Burn.

Mid Year Reports sent home.

Salad Roster – Beck Family.

End of Term, 2.30pm dismissal.

July

Monday 16th

Tuesday 17th

Thursday 19th

Friday 20th

Monday 30th

Term 3 begins.

Lunch Roster – Anne Gaffney & Kerry Henningsen.

Heat Ups Roster – Anne Gaffney.

Parent Club Welcome Morning Tea.

Salad Roster – Staff.

SAPSASA District Golf Day.

August

Thursday 23rd

Upper Primary Netball Carnival.

END OF TERM DISMISSAL

A reminder that Term 2 concludes next Friday June 29th at 2.30pm.

LOST PROPERTY

Once again the lost property basket is overflowing. Named items can be easily identified and returned however not so with un-named items. Please check to see if any of these items belong to your children before unclaimed clothing is handed to Parent Club for their second-hand clothing supply or forwarded to a charity.

STAFF TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT

Last week staff attended a workshop on Mathematics that focused on links to the Australian Curriculum and specific teaching strategies in this area. Mathematics is a growing focus for our school in terms of staff access to professional development. Over the past few years much of our work and staff professional development has focused on Literacy, in particular reading and writing. Whilst this will be an ongoing area for improvement, it is clear that progress has been made in this area, as evidenced by our students' positive growth with their reading and writing.

CLASS VISIT FEEDBACK

Thank you to the families that provided feedback regarding the recent class visits. It is evident that the visits were found to be valuable by those who attended. We will endeavour to provide a similar opportunity next term.

ROTARY DICTIONARY PRESENTATION

At our assembly on Tuesday the Rotary Club of Mt Gambier West presented dictionaries to our Year 3 students. We thank them for this ongoing initiative.



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MOUNT GAMBIER EISTEDDFOD PARTICIPATION

The MP and JP classes will each perform a group item in the Recorder Section of the Mount Gambier Eisteddfod to be held next term. The school will enter for this category. Solo, Duet and Trio categories are also available for interested students however we will require you to enter your child in any of these sections. Go to this website www.backstageinc.org.au

We would also like to know any students who have entered in the Speech and Drama section or are intending to enter in the Music section (including recorder); please fill out the reply slip in this newsletter. If required, students will be given the opportunity to practice their item/s at school.

SCHOOL SPORT

Saturday morning school netball and football concludes this weekend. Thank you to all parents who have assisted during the term, your help is much appreciated.

Netball

"We would like to thank Mrs Kirby for coaching us for school netball. We would also like to thank Ella's cousin Emma and Sarah Ramage who umpired our games. They took turns each week. We have had lots of fun and lots of wins!"

By Zoe

"Thankyou to the parents who came and watched us play and who supported us. We loved the lollies and oranges each week! Thank you to the Upper Primary girls who helped us at training at school each Thursday."

By Eliza

Football

"On Saturday mornings some students from Year 3, 4 and 5 have been playing school football. It has been great fun. Our team was made up from boys from Yahl, Glenburnie and Mil Lel."

By Ben

"Last Saturday our team played very well. Darren, a parent from Yahl, was our coach and dad (Mr Opperman) coached us as well. We practised at Frew Park on Tuesdays. We enjoyed having Mr Jolley come to watch us play."

By Jacob

FACILITIES UPDATE

The final work has recently been completed under the National Solar Schools Program for which the school received a grant for. The projects that were carried out under this program included the installation of the solar panels, additional rainwater tanks, roller shutters for the new classrooms and energy efficient lighting being fitted throughout the school.

GARDENING

Tomorrow a group of parents will be tidying up some garden beds around the school during lunchtime. If you would like your child to assist please send them along with a pair of gloves.

CHOOK HELP

During the upcoming holidays we are looking for families that may be able to assist with feeding and collecting the eggs. If you can, please indicate on the reply slip.

UPPER PRIMARY NETBALL CARNIVAL

Next term on Thursday August 23rd an Upper Primary Netball Carnival will be played. If your child is interested please fill in the reply slip. We will also require parent help with coaching and umpiring duties on the day. If you are able to assist please let us know. We expect that students will need to travel by private car to the carnival. More details will be sent home once they are provided to us.

SRC HAMBURGERS

SRC will be organising hamburgers with cheese and salad on each Friday during Term 3 at a cost of \$2.50 each. Please refer to the reply note enclosed with this Newsletter.

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REMINDER

The \$50 deposit for each child attending our whole school camp in Term 3 is due by the end of Term 2 (Friday 29th June).

CERTIFICATES

Jorja Mitchell for always getting started with her work so quickly.

Brad Scanlon for putting so much effort into practicing his reading.

Zoe Simpson for great efforts in your work, especially writing and maths.

Ryan Smaling for trying hard to write neatly.

Hamish Paul for very creative narrative writing using vocabulary from 'Light From Nowhere'.

Ella Davies for helping others in class.

Patrick Mitchell for continuously using his initiative.

Keisha Pearson for always doing her best.

SCHOOL VALUES AWARD

Rachel Mitchell for achieving great progress with her reading.

Brianna Simpson for being a responsible and helpful student.

PARENT CLUB NEWS

Welcome Coffee Morning

There will be a coffee morning held on Thursday 19th July in the Library from 9am. All parents are welcome to join us for a coffee and chat, especially new families to the school.

Birthday Luncheon

The Parent Club 73rd Birthday Luncheon will be held in the school Library at 1pm on Tuesday July 24th. All are welcome to attend and guests are invited to stay and view the school assembly at 3pm. Please bring along a small plate of food to share.

Term 3 Fundraiser

Parent Club will be holding a Pie Drive as the Term 3 fundraiser. Order forms will be distributed in Week 1.

Next Meeting – Thursday 2nd August at 9am in the Art Room/French room.
Hostess: Amanda Simpson.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

You will find further information regarding the following on our Notice Board or by contacting phone numbers or visiting websites provided.

Blue Lake Y Swim Club

Interested swimmers are invited to attend Come and Try Sessions Monday 25th June and Wednesday 27th June at Swimskool, Mount Gambier from 5pm-6.30pm. For further information please contact Merrilee Clarke 0431 157 112 or Bec Spicer 0418 989 540 or visit www.bluelakey.swimclub.com.au

Mount Gambier Police Blue Light Committee Present the Screening of Ice Age 4

Thursday 28th June at The Oatmill Cinema for ages 7-12years
6.00 – 8.15pm (children can be collected from 7.55pm)

No pass outs, children must be collected by parent or guardian at the end of the night.

Tickets available from Mount Gambier Police Station – Ticket only \$5 or Ticket+Popcorn+Drink \$9

TafeSA Kitchen Kids Course

Monday 2nd & Tuesday 3rd July, 10am-3.30pm Cost \$130 for children between 10 and 16 years.
For enrolment information, contact Lynette 8735 1504 or email lynette.sage@tafesa.edu.au or just call into the Hospitality Office, Wireless Road West, Mount Gambier.

Friends of the Library Mount Gambier Quiz Night

7pm Friday 13th July in the Library. The black cat challenges you! Make up a table of 6 or come as a single. Bring your own nibbles and a basket of supper to share. Tickets \$5 each at the Library.

Riddoch Art Gallery

Time to register! Children Art classes

Take a Flight into Art, Sunday 1 July 1.30-3.00pm, Printmaking.

School Holiday Program – 4 sessions, Nature in Art – Wednesday 4th, Thursday 5th, Thursday 12th and Friday 13th July. Each session includes a tour of current exhibitions, and introduction to new materials and techniques. Bookings 8723 9566 or admin@riddochartgallery.org.au

Mount Gambier Children's Centre for Early Childhood Development and Parenting

What's on – Term 3 2012

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