



NEWSLETTER

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Chairperson – Gene Lassaline

PLEASE FIND THE FOLLOWING INSERTS WITH THIS NEWSLETTER

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- Middle Primary Class Work
- Parent Club Wine Drive order form

Dear Parents,

An area that I have recently had discussions with staff and families about is the taking of photographs of our students during school activities, such as Sports Days, assemblies, class events etc. Upon enrolment and also at the beginning of the year, families are given the opportunity to sign a permission form for children's photographs to be taken by staff for authorized school purposes which may be published in places such as the newsletter, year book or school website.

This is different to parents taking photographs of school activities for their own use. Whilst this is a great way of capturing moments and building a memory of these experiences, we do need to consider the broader consequences of doing this, especially in relation to the use of social media and websites such as Facebook. In particular, families may post photos of their children that could also include other children as a part of the photo. Whilst the decision to upload pictures of your children is a parental choice, we do need to acknowledge that some parents would have reservations about their children appearing on the internet via Facebook or other means without their knowledge and consent.

There are no formal laws that guide schools in this area and fortunately our school has not had to deal with any inappropriate issues in relation to this, but I encourage the school community to be vigilant about this issue. Whilst we don't want to discourage or ban the taking of photographs we do encourage you to show caution when taking a photo during a school event. Consider taking a photo of only your child, or if other children are in the picture do not post it online unless you are sure that the parents of the other children approve. It is also appropriate to you ask your child's teacher if it is okay to take photographs prior to doing so.

If you would like to discuss this matter with me further I would be more than happy to.

Regards,

Stephen

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DATES TO REMEMBER

October

Friday 26th

Loud Shirt Day.
World Teachers' Day.

Monday 29th

Lunch Roster – Fiona Pearson & Amanda Simpson.

Tuesday 30th

Pupil Free Day.

November

Thursday 1st

Fruit Day.

Monday 5th

Lunch Roster – Karen Douglas & Julie Baldock.
Yr 4/5 Growth & Development session, 6.30pm.

Tuesday 6th

Heat Ups Roster – Tania Virgo.
Yr 6/7 Growth & Development session, 6.30pm.

Saturday 11th

Sausage Sizzle fundraiser at Masters.

STAFFING UPDATE

Adam Branford has applied for another 12 months leave from his position as Upper Primary teacher. Consequently, a process is now in place to find a replacement teacher for 2013. This process should be completed later this term.

SCHOOL UNIFORM UPDATE

At our Governing Council meeting on Tuesday our current school uniform policy was discussed. No significant alterations have been made to the current policy, however the following expectations are in place:

- No denim to be worn (shorts and jeans). The decision to not allow denim was based on the fact it may become a 'fashion' issue for both students and families in regards to the many different denim brands and styles that exist.
- Only bottle green jumpers to be worn by students (except for those students who have a SAPSASA jumper).
- Shorts/skirts to be approximately $\frac{3}{4}$ length of thigh.
- Jewellery to be kept to a minimum (eg. do dangly ear rings).
- No make up.

MILLICENT MUSIC FESTIVAL

Last night a number of our Upper Primary students sang at the Millicent Music Festival. Since the beginning of the year our students have been a part of a choir composed of students from Glenburnie and Suttontown also. At Millicent, this choir combined with

choirs from other schools in the district for their performance. Well done to our students for representing the school in such a positive manner.

CERTIFICATES

Amalia Oehms for remembering classroom routines so well.

Noah Harfull for showing a lot of bravery.

Shaylah Cole for being very neat and tidy in the classroom.

Jessica Douglas for excellent listening.

Joshua Potter for following instructions so well.

Zac Shanks for playing fairly with others.

Abby Joyce for putting a lot of effort into her reading.

Bill Kuchel for offering to help others.

Crystal BaTu for excellent efforts with learning your poem for home work.

Caitlin Crouch for really improving in writing, handwriting and maths.

Estelle Paul for great improvement in writing, handwriting and page layout.

Tyler Cook for showing enthusiasm and optimism in his transition visits to Mount High.

Keisha Pearson for outstanding commitment and dedication in Maths.

Katelyn Nitschke for success in spelling week after week.

SCHOOL VALUES AWARD

Amy Innes for splaying a cooperative attitude during play time.

Josh Saxby for displaying a positive awareness of others.

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BUNNINGS BBQ ROSTER

Thanks to everyone who volunteered to help at the Sausage Sizzle fundraiser at Masters on Sunday 11th November. Currently the roster is:

9.30am-11.00am (setting up at 9.30, cooking from 10.00am)	Gaffney Family Kirby Family Burn Family
11.00am-12.30pm	Chadwick Family George Innes Lassaline Family
12.30pm-2.00pm (includes packing up)	Simpson Family Storck Family Stephen Jolley

FROM THE STUDENT WELFARE WORKER

Relationships skills are important to a child's future success as an adult as well as their day-to-day life. We need to know how to make and maintain friendships, resolve conflict, make decisions and solve problems to get along in the world.

Children aren't born with these skills. Like many skills, they are learned and improved with regular practice as children mature. We all need friends. Positive friendships are important for children's mental health, as they provide a means of support and help to develop their social and emotional skills.

To have good friends, children need good friendship skills – like being able to communicate, cooperate, and manage feelings. Parents, carers and teaching staff have important roles to play in helping children develop friendships. They set examples for children to follow through the ways they manage relationships. They can also act as coaches and mentors for children, teaching them helpful social skills and talking through friendship issues to help with solving problems. As they learn how to manage social situations, having opportunities to talk about relationships with parents, carers and teachers helps children feel supported and develops their communication skills.

SCHOOL SUPERVISION.

A reminder that our teachers officially commence yard duty at 8.30am and request that students do not arrive at school before this time (except for bus students). The afternoon yard duty concludes at approximately 3.50pm once the bus has completed its drop off.

PARENT CLUB NEWS

Fruit Day

There will be a fruit kebab morning supplied by Parent Club on Thu 1st Nov. Any parents available to help make the kebabs would be welcome. This will begin after morning drop off until recess.

Melbourne Cup Luncheon

Parent Club will be holding a Melbourne Cup Luncheon at Liza Kirby's home, Mingbool Road, Mingbool (please see Liza for directions) on Tue 6th Nov from 11.30am. Please bring drinks, plate of food to pool for lunch, change for Sweeps and a chair. Dress for the races. All parents (and pre-school children) are most welcome.

Wine Drive Fundraiser

Enclosed with this Newsletter is our Wine Drive order form. Please ensure your order, with payment, is placed by Mon 19th Nov for delivery on approximately 28th Nov. Labelled with our school logo, this is a great Christmas gift. Spare order forms are available from the Front Office.

Growth & Development Sessions

Sessions will be run by Jacinta Clark from 6.30-8.00pm on:

- Monday 5th November – Year 4/5
- Tuesday 6th November – Year 6/7.

Jacinta is an accredited Health & PE teacher and has all the resources needed.

Date to Remember

Parent Club Christmas Dinner will be held at the Commodore on Wednesday 28th November at 6.30pm. Please note this on your calendar. More details will follow in future Newsletters.

Next meeting & AGM: Thursday 22nd November at 9am with AGM to follow in the French/Art Room. Hostesses: Vanessa Lassaline & Fiona Pearson.

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MICHAEL SALMON VISIT

"I liked it when Charlie drew Michael Salmon." **Bill**

"I liked it when Michael Salmon drew my sister." **Brad**

"Michael Salmon drew an embarrassing picture of me in front of all the students at school. It's now hanging up in the Assembly Room. He explained how he got ideas for his books. He once saw his dog Bobo hop on a skateboard and ride down the road and that inspired him to write 'Bobo the Super Dog'. **James**

"I thought it was cool that he could draw so fast. He also involved us by choosing Charlie to draw a picture of him. He told us that he once received a phone call from Parliament House regarding one of his books." **Maddison**

"Michael Salmon was really creative and I really liked his humorous pictures of the students." **Jennieva**

"Michael Salmon inspired me to make my own cartoon characters up." **Saige**



COMMUNITY NOTICES

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

RIDDOCH ART GALLERY – TAKE A FLIGHT INTO ART - ART FOR KIDS

Sunday 4th November 1.00-2.30pm. "Licorice All Sorts" painting led by local artist Krystyna Moore. Bookings 8723 9566 or admin@riddochartgallery.org.au

SOUTH EAST ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE ANNUAL FUNDRAISER

PAWS AROUND THE BLUE LAKE DOG WALK & FASHIONS ON THE FIELD – FOR DOGS

Sunday 4th November. Registration on the Day from 10.00am.

\$10 Gift Voucher for all new Bank SA Accounts

For the start of Term 4, Bank SA is offering all students who open a new Incentive Saver Account via the School a \$10 Gift Voucher, which will be deposited into your child's account once opened.

All children under 13 years who open an account with Bank SA will also receive a Digger the Wombat Money Box, Little Savers Calculator, Little Savers Library Bag and a School Bank Wallet. Little Savers is Bank SA's special saving club for kids and it's all about having fun and learning how to save! Take a look at the Little Savers website www.littlesavers.com.au

SA WATER VACSWIM – 3RD – 11TH JANUARY 2013

Enrol on-line now www.vacswimsa.com.au

DOUBLE HELIX SCIENCE CLUB "Rocket into science"

Thursday 1st Nov. Tenison-Woods College Science Lab. Age 5+, \$1 for members/\$3 for non members. Call 87 25 5455 to book a place or for more information.

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