Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term 3. We are looking forward to another busy and productive term for our school. Welcome to Alicia Sutherland and Halaena Hogg who have joined our teaching staff this term whilst Ms Sloan is on leave. Halaena will have an ongoing role at the school teaching in the Yr 1 & 2 class on Fridays until the end of year as well as releasing Ms Brumby (on Thursdays) who will be fulfilling the counselling role. Alicia will be teaching in the Yr 1 & 2 class (Mon-Thu) for the first 5 weeks of term.

In this newsletter there is an insert provided that outlines the school’s cyber safety policy. An important component of this policy is the inclusion of a ‘use agreement’. It is a DECD requirement that schools have in place a Cyber-safety Use Agreement in the form of written agreements, signed by parents and students (or for younger students, parents only). Consequently we are requesting all families to read through this information and then sign the attached Use Agreement Form. If you have any queries regarding the policy please contact me at school. It would be appreciated if these forms could be signed and completed as soon as possible.

Later on this term, all students in Years 3-7 will complete an online assessment in the areas of Reading Comprehension and Mathematics. All South Australian government schools are participating in these assessments which is a part of the department’s strategy to monitor and support student learning. The tests will be staggered across several weeks from Week 7 to enable each year level to access a computer/iPad to complete them (each test will take approximately 40 minutes to complete). After all students have completed the tests our school will have access to student achievement information which will complement other existing class based data to help inform student needs and teaching programs.

Regards,

Stephen

Brock and Angus participated in an AUSKICK trip to Melbourne during the holidays.
DATES TO REMEMBER

July
Friday 24th  Hamburger Salad Roster – Simpson Family.
            SAPSASA Golf Day Mount Gambier.
Wednesday 29th  Parent Club Pizza Lunch.
Friday 31st  Rec-Yr3 Netball coaching commences.
            Hamburger Salad Roster – Harding Family.
            Eisteddfod Debating.
            Parent Club meeting, 2pm.

August
Saturday 1st  School Netball & Football commence.
Monday 3rd  Heat Ups Roster – Liza Kirby.
Tuesday 4th  Assembly, 3pm.
Friday 7th  Hamburger Salad Roster – Opperman Family.
            Issue 5 Book Club closing date for orders.
            SAPSASA District Basketball Day Mount Gambier.

Mount Gambier Eisteddfods
In the coming weeks we have a number of students participating in Mount
Gambier Eisteddfod events.

Debating
Our UP class has four teams participating in the Debating Competition which will be
held on Friday July 31st. The entire class will travel to the Wehl St Theatre to
watch the first part of the day prior to returning to school.

Recorder
On Friday 14th August the Years 1-4 students will be participating in the
recorder section. This will also be held at the Wehl Street Theatre and we will be
on stage at 12.30pm. The Year 1 & 2 students and Year 3 & 4 class will form
two groups for their performance.

Families are very welcome to come and watch both of these events. If family
members or friends intend to be an audience member at the Eisteddfod
please be aware that there is a $2 entry fee. Students will be travelling to and
from the theatre by bus (no cost).

Netball Coaching Helpers
We have had a terrific response from Rec – Yr 3 students wanting to participate in
the netball coaching sessions being offered by Jacinta Clark. Due to the high
numbers we are in need of additional parent helpers. Please fill out the reply
slip if you are able to assist. A reminder that the sessions will commence next
Wednesday July 29th, 3.45pm to 4.30pm. It is expected that all participating
students will have a parent in attendance for supervision purposes.

Auskick
During the holidays Angus and Brock participated in the AFL Auskick half time
match at Etihad Stadium.

“When I went to Melbourne it was amazing. My dad was one of the umpires and he got to
go on the oval as well. I was on the black team and I got a few kicks and had lots of
fun. The Geelong Cats were playing North Melbourne and North Melbourne won. My
dad wasn’t happy because he likes Geelong. On the way home we went past Ballarat and
saw some people ice skating and went to a French Café.”  Angus

“On the way to Melbourne we went past the Grampians. When we finally got to
Melbourne we had a drive around to see what Melbourne was like before we went to the
football. We watched the first quarter of the AFL game and then it was time for Angus
and me to get ready to play on the oval. I was on the red team and I was the only one
that kicked the goals and points. When we were finished we watched the rest of the
AFL game.”  Brock

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ASSEMBLIES
Our first assembly for the term will be held in Week 3, Tuesday August 4th (compere: Rec/Yr 1 class). Our second assembly will be held to coincide with the Parent Club 76th birthday celebrations on Thursday August 27th and will be held at the Mil Lel Hall. At this stage we have not determined the assembly time, we will inform you via the Week 3 newsletter once details have been finalised. The final assembly of the term will be held in Week 9, Tuesday September 15th (compere: Year 1&2 class).

TERM 3 NETBALL AND FOOTBALL
A reminder that these competitions for Yr 3, 4 and 5 students will commence next week, August 1st. When further details are received they will be passed on to participating students.

NATURAL PLAY SPACE AREA
In the coming weeks the planning committee will be meeting with the landscape designer to further discuss this project. If you have not done so already, please add any ideas that you want considered in the display book located in the front office. Our classes have contributed their own ideas which are also on display.

SAPSASA GOLF AND BASKETBALL TRYOUTS
Please be aware of the following dates for SAPSASA Golf and Basketball tryouts for students in Yrs 5-7.
- Golf: Monday July 27th
- Basketball: Friday August 7th
If your child is interested in nominating for the basketball tryouts please complete the reply slip in this week’s newsletter. Golf nomination forms are available from the front office.

HIGH SCHOOL TOURS
- Grant High School will be conducting tours for Year 7 students early in Term 4.
- Mount Gambier High School will be offering a school tour on Monday 27th July at 5:30pm for students and parents. Please register your interest by calling the school on 8725 6244.

PARENT CLUB NEWS

Woolworths Earn & Learn Program
Mil Lel Primary has joined the Woolworths Earn & Learn Program again this year. We need your help to collect stickers and post them in the box provided in the front office. We have also placed a box at the Market Place Woolworths Store. The program will make it easy for us to earn valuable resources for our school, so start collecting your Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers today and send them our way! If you can get your children to place the stickers on the sheets provided at the supermarket or the front office it would make Parent Club’s job a lot easier.

Free Pizza Day - NEXT Wednesday 29th July
Please ensure your order is placed by tomorrow. To order, please do so by clearly marking a brown paper lunch bag with child’s name and class and their pizza choice. Two Pieces of pizza will be provided for each child either Ham & Pineapple or Supreme.

Parent Club Birthday
Please place Thursday 27th August in your calendar for the Parent Club 76th Birthday celebrations.

Next meeting: Friday 31st July at 2:00pm in the Library. Hostess: Suzanne Harding. All welcome.

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Mount Gambier Fruit & Veg Swap Meet – July to December 2015 at the Mount Gambier Public Library Verandah, Saturday 10:00-10:30am. Please refer to poster on display in the school noticeboard for dates.

LIMESTONE COAST ROTARY CAREERS EXPO – Friday 7th August 2015 at TafeSA, Mount Gambier Campus, Wireless Road West, 9am-2:30pm. Interactive workshops from various industries, Interactive trade skills demonstrations, Guest speakers, Exhibitors. An action packed program tailored to meet the needs of students seeking information relating to many and varied tertiary study and employment opportunities.
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**Labor Day Holiday – Monday 5th October**
**Mil Lel Show – Saturday 10th October**
**Term 4 commences – Monday 12th October**

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