Term 3 Week 8
15 September 2016

DIARY DATES
20/9 Twilight fair Meeting 6.30pm
21/9 Festival Choir Evening Performance 7.30pm
22/9 Family Portrait Viewing
23/9 Assembly 10:15
27/9 SAPSASA Metro Athletics
30/9 LAST DAY OF TERM 3 school finishes at 2:30

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INFORMATION SENT HOME LAST 2 WEEKS
• Grandparents Day
• Kanga Cricket
• Year 6/7 Footsteps
• Dancesport

PAYMENTS DUE
Tuesday October 18
Year 6/7 Footsteps Dancesport

Wednesday October 19
Goolwa Animal Farm A5, A1, B1

STAFF CARPARK AREAS
Due to the large number of staff, we have 2 carparks located on Concord Drive and Verdeilho Circuit. Parents are not allowed to park in or drop off students in these areas. The only exception is for parents coaching sporting teams who may park in the Verdeilho Circuit area on training days if space is available. For obvious safety reasons, students are not permitted to walk through either carpark at any time.

PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS DAY
Thank you to the many wonderful grandparents, parents and family members who braved the terrible weather conditions yesterday to join us for our annual ‘Grandparents Day’. Despite the icy winds and rain, hundreds of visitors took time to share in the great learning at Reynella Primary School. From maths problems to science experiments, writing stories to skipping demonstrations, art activities to simply sharing a book, students were very excited to show their special visitors how they spend each day at school.

In touring the classrooms, Ms Russell and I heard lots of interesting comments about the changes to schooling over the years - the amazing technology available to assist with learning and how quickly the students adapt to its use; the layout of the classrooms from straight rows to groupings of all shapes and sizes; and the range of furniture with high and low tables, lounges and wobbly stools. Our visitors were impressed by the resilience shown when the students became stuck in the Learning Pit. Many grandparents admitted to being stuck themselves and not knowing how to answer some of the tricky questions!

For those who were unable to attend, we have included some photos here and on the back page to share this special event with you. Hopefully you will be able to make it next time.

Karen Thorburn
CLASS PLACEMENT FOR 2017
We have already begun our planning for 2017 and it is very important that we know the number of students attending as this directly impacts on the number of staff required and the number of classes to be formed. If your child is currently in Reception to Year 6 and will not be attending Reynella Primary School in 2017 please let the front office know as soon as possible.

Likewise, if you are aware of any students that may be coming to our school in 2017, please ask them to contact us so we can plan for next year.

DRESS CODE
With so much wet weather lately, we realize that it has been difficult for many families to keep up with washing and drying school clothes which has resulted in a number of students being out of dress code. If your child is unable to wear their regular uniform, it would be appreciated if you could include a note in their diary or communication book.

A reminder that all clothing from the waist down must be plain navy blue with no logos or stripes i.e. shorts and skirts (mid-thigh and longer), track pants, leggings (with navy skirt), trousers, tights and parachute style pants. We have noticed a lot of black clothing being worn at the moment and navy pants with white stripes down the sides. These are not part of the Governing Council Dress Code. Socks should be maroon, navy, sky blue or white.

Jumpers, jackets and cardigans should be maroon or navy with the school logo. Many children need to wear parkas or raincoats at the moment. These are not restricted to school colours.

We also have a lot of makeup, nail polish and jewellery being worn at the moment. These are among the items listed as NON ACCEPTABLE DRESS in the policy. For safety purposes, the only jewellery allowed at school are: a watch, studs or sleepers in the ears, and Medic Alert bracelets. No items of jewellery are to be worn when sporting teams represent the school.

Our dress code is flexible, based around the school’s colours of maroon, sky blue and navy blue with a variety of interchangeable pieces allowing for individual preferences. Thank you for supporting this Governing Council policy.  
Karen Thorburn

FUNDRAISING NEWS
Our current total is $7,014.70!

FATHERS’ DAY STALL
Thank you to everyone who supported our Fathers’ Day Stall on Friday 2 September. We hope that all the fathers and grandfathers were happy with their carefully chosen gifts. While the stall is a service to our community, we are pleased to note that $1,215.58 was added to our fundraising total for the year. A special thank you to the following mums who helped at the stall: Natasha Drury, Belinda Mathews, Karina Matson, Jodie Stockman, Jodi Waters, Jade Wilson and Jasmine Wilson. Thank you also to our former Deputy Principal, Kathy Rowland, who returned to help out on the day with her granddaughter Hayley. Kathy had to make an emergency dash to the shops at recess time to ensure we had enough stock for the last few classes!

FAMILY PORTRAITS
Thank you to the 37 families who participated in our Family Portraits fundraiser on Saturday 3rd September which has contributed another $555 to our total. A reminder to all that you can view your portraits on Thursday 22nd September at the agreed time between 2.30 and 6.00pm in the annexe off the staffroom. Michael will send a reminder text of your booking time the day before.

TWILIGHT FAIR
Please make sure you save the date now: 
FRIDAY 25 NOVEMBER 
3:00 - 8:PM
Thank you to the families who have donated empty plastic pots. If you would like some pots to plant cuttings ready for our fair in November, please collect them from the front office. Don’t forget to keep any books you no longer want for our second hand book stall. We will be calling for them next term.

Our next planning meeting is Tuesday 20th September from 6.30-7.30pm in the library. Following that meeting, we will be inviting members of the community to run their own stalls, provide entertainment and to share information. School families with their own businesses will be given first preference.

Karen Thorburn
REYNELLA CRICKET CLUB
Girls Years 2-5 are invited to sessions Saturday 5th November. Reynella Oval, Oval Road Reynella between 9.00-10.00am.
Phone Trish Pinder 0411 116 300

Years 6/7 Trials: Monday 26, Wednesday 28 September and Wednesday 19 October.
For more information Phone: Matthew Hehner 0422 641 425
Jonathan Grant 0402 435 855

SOUTHERN VALLEY TENNIS TRIALS
O’Halloran Hill Tennis Club
Trials are on Sunday 25 September 1:00 - 3:00pm
Sunday 23 October 1:00 - 3:00pm
For more information please phone: Dean Carter (Coach) 0439 861 983
Jonathan Grant (Convenor) 0402 435 855

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Please check our community noticeboard on the library wall for more information about the following.

CANTEEN ROSTER

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VOLUNTEERS WELCOME
Deb and Amanda are always looking for new volunteers for the canteen. Drop in and see us!

HELP!
Deb and Amanda desperately need help in the canteen on Friday. If you can spare a couple of hours it would be very much appreciated.

Could your home do with a $25,000 makeover?

Take out a new Allianz Home Insurance policy through Credit Union SA for your chance to WIN $25,000 cash towards a home makeover

Call your School Community Representative
Northern area
Dimitri Carapetis 8202 7673
Southern area
Mark Kohler 8202 7675;
or visit creditunionsa.com.au
TOURNAMENT OF MINDS
On Sunday 11th September seven students competed in Tournament of Minds at Flinders University. The seven students were Cassidee Franks, Zac Herold, Chloe Jezierski, Jamie Mullins, Campbell Plenty, Cameron Prior and Nathan Wyatt. These seven students have been working very hard for the past 6 weeks on their long term problem which was “Ground Control to Major Tom”. The subject area was Science and Technology. For the long term problem we presented our solution in venue 2 and for our spontaneous problem we presented in room B. For our solution to our long term problem, we had to use non-verbal communication because we had lost our hearing due to a major catastrophe and we had to respond to a message which we received from a mysterious man. We decided that the mysterious man was also a doctor so that he could fix our hearing. Thank you to Mr Freeman and Ms Russell for guiding us and thanks to all the parents who supported us on the day. Campbell and Nathan.