Term 1 : 3 April 2014

Diary Dates

APRIL
4  Cuppa & Chat
7  Year 7 Shed Mentor Program
10  Sports Day
11  LAST DAY OF TERM—2pm dismissal
28  TERM 2 STARTS

10 June - STUDENT FREE DAY

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School Hours
First Bell: 8:40am
Class Begins: 8:50am
Big Lunch: 11:40am—12.10pm
Little Lunch: 1:50pm—2:10pm
School Finishes: 3:00pm

Finance Office Hours
Mon to Fri: 8:30am—9:00am & 3:00pm—3:30pm
School Banking—Tuesdays

Uniform Shop Hours
Mon & Wed: 8:30am—9:00am
Fri: 3:00pm—3:30pm

OSHC - 8556 6503
Canteen - 8556 6018

2014 TERM DATES
Term 1: 28th Jan – 11th April
Term 2: 28th April – 4th July
Term 3: 21st July – 26th Sept
Term 4: 13th Oct – 12th Dec

Friday 11th April
LAST DAY OF SCHOOL : 2pm dismissal

Monday 28th April : Term 2 starts

Thank you to all parents and caregivers for your great work in:
• Getting your child/ren to school each day and on time: attendance is up for term 1
• Hearing your child/ren read each night or sharing a book together
• Supporting your child/ren with homework tasks
• Setting a sleeping routine and sticking to it (Alert children learn)
• Providing a healthy lunch pack, piece of fruit and a water bottle each day
• Volunteering in your child/ren’s class, and
• Making time to converse with your child’s teacher to share the learning journey and to support future growth steps.

All of these tasks impact positively on the wellbeing of your child and a strong partnership between home and school can make a big difference to the achievements that your child makes in literacy and numeracy. When we return next term, we will be joined with our first group of kindergarten children in the newly opened Children’s Centre. What an achievement this will be, given the 3 year journey we have travelled, not only to build the Children’s Centre (and what a spectacle it is!) but to ensure that the vision for the families in our school and the wider Aldinga community are an integral part of a birth to 7 vision for learning, health and wellbeing.

Staff changes for Term 2
• Belinda Branford is taking maternity leave for the remainder of the year and Allesha Parsons will be with the class.
• Kieran Moors will be working in a leadership role in ICT for Terms 2 & 3 and will be replaced by Ann Dommerdich on a Thursday.
• Jill Harvie is taking leave for four weeks of Term 2 and Jenny Ford will be working as the Special Education Teacher.
• Liz Crowe is having a knee operation during Term 2 and Chrissy Badics will be with the Year 3 class.
• Sharon Penna (Finance Manager) will be on LSL for seven weeks travelling overseas and replaced by Andrea May.
• Congratulations to Nicky Clark who will be getting married to Chris over the holidays. Also to Jacinta Winn (SSO) who is also getting married at Easter.
• Farewell to Steph McLeod who has been an integral part of the success of the kitchen garden program. Her passion, energy and love of good food have provided our children with enthusiasm to cook and to become the next “Master Chefs”.
• We thank Maria who joined us recently for her dedication and commitment in supporting the childrens learning in the garden.
• We thank David Baker & Narelle Virgin (SSOs) for their valuable work in working with the children to assist with their learning.

We wish all families a safe and happy holiday with your child/ren and friends.

Lyn Langeluddecke (Principal)
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**Daily 5 and CAFÉ at Aldinga Beach R-7 - A Quiet Revolution**

Aldinga Beach teachers have embarked on a journey towards producing authentic 21st century learners by changing the way they teach reading. Many classes have begun to use the Daily 5 structure and CAFÉ reading strategies in their classrooms.

Daily 5 is a way of structuring our literacy block that enables learners to develop daily habits of reading and writing. They rotate through read to self, read to someone, listening to reading, work on writing and word work with a focus on developing independence.

CAFÉ is an assessment and goal setting approach to the teaching of reading that goes beyond just setting a reading level for your child. CAFÉ stands for COMPREHENSION, ACCURACY, FLUENCY and EXPANDING VOCABULARY. Under these headings individual goals are set for each child as they work towards understanding and mastering the different strategies used by successful readers.

Over the next few years the teachers will continue to build their expertise in this way of structuring the literacy learning. This term they started with a focus on Read to Self and some of the strategies that come under the CAFÉ headings.

You may have heard your children talking about stamina, reading for understanding or backing up and re-reading. These are all strategies they are learning as they work to build independence by increasing the amount of time they can read to self. They are building their stamina to read independently.

So what is the teacher doing while children are reading independently?

This is the truly exciting part because the teacher is now available to work one-to-one with your child or with a small group of children and provide them with personalised and targeted reading instruction tailored to specifically meet the needs of your child. They have their own goals identified by them and the teacher during individual conferences while the rest of the class is independently reading.

Our very skilled and effective Reading Support Teacher, Fiona Takos is leading the Daily 5 and CAFÉ learning for the teacher. Fiona has extensive expertise in this area and has been working with classes R-7 modelling this way of teaching reading. As you all know we are currently holding 3 way conferences and learners are reflecting on what they have enjoyed and felt successful in throughout the term and so many across all year levels have identified Daily 5 and CAFÉ as one of their highlights. So not only is this a highly effective way of teaching reading but children are enjoying it too!

Mel Justice (Senior Leader) & Fiona Takos (Teacher)

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**NEW PROGRAM FOR OUR STUDENTS**

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Kris Mott (Senior Leader)
GOVERNING COUNCIL

Term 1 has been a busy schedule for members of the GC. With three meetings held already this year, including a training meeting, all looks set to continue 2014 in a productive fashion.

Our working parties for this year include Canteen & Healthy eating, OSHC, Fundraising, Sport, Community and Education. We are currently looking at our values and vision as well as our constitution to ensure they reflect not only the changes that have occurred here at ABR-7 since it was last updated in 2008, but also the future needs of our school community.

It has been fantastic to welcome Jane Moore onto Council as she represents the needs of young learners coming through the 'almost opened' Children's Centre! We have found Jane to be a synergistic influence to our discussions and a wealth of knowledge.

Keep your eye out for the Fundraising endeavours this year. Baskets for delivering fruit to classes and fabric for the sewing group have already been purchased. Still to come are some outdoor settings for the year 7's and Big Game equipment to enrich lunchtime activities. To support our fund raisers keep your eyes out for the Mother's Day stall, Show Bag extravaganza and hopefully an Expo later in the year.

Other items of note:
- The school budget has been presented. The school is in a sound financial situation with curriculum priorities being resourced to support current cohort of children.
- All of the toilets have had a fresh paint and all fittings about to be replaced.
- Car parking at front of school continues to present problems. New flow system in place. Will monitor to ensure student safety.
- Utilities over-expenditure ($43,000) a concern for GC. The children's education should not be compromised because of a shortfall in utilities funding. GC to write to Tony Harrison (CEO).
- Student Free day approved for Tuesday 10th June (coincides with Willunga HS)

All the best for a safe mid-semester break.

Priah & Derry ABR-7 Governing Council

NAT'S NEWS

Hi everyone. I read this quote the other day and thought I’d share it with you all. So very true. Have a great week!

"The longer I live, the more I realize the impact of attitude on life. Attitude to me is more important than facts. It is more important than the past, than education, than money, than circumstances, than failures, than success, than what other people think or say or do. It is more important than appearance, gift, or skill. It will make or break a company...a church...a home.

The remarkable thing is we have a choice every day regarding the attitude we will embrace for that day. We cannot change our past...we cannot change the fact that people will act in a certain way. We cannot change the inevitable. The only thing we can do is play on the string we have, and that is our attitude. I am convinced that life is 10 percent what happens to me and 90 percent how I react to it. And so it is with you...we are in charge of our attitudes."

~ Charles Swindoll

FINANCE NEWS

Material and Services Fees
Material and Services Fees are due on the 11th April. Payment can be made with cash, credit card or internet.

**If you are unable to pay by the due date please contact the finance office to make alternative arrangements.

Direct Debit - If you wish to pay using internet banking please contact the Finance Office and you will be given the details you require.

School Card – School Card applications need to be in asap. If you believe you are eligible and meet the financial criteria please fill in the form and send it back to the finance office asap.

Credit Card Direct Debit - If you would like to set up a direct debt by credit card please phone the finance office.

Finance Window – The window is open from 8.30-9.30am and 3.00-3.30pm; No payments will be accepted outside of these hours.

Sharon Penna (Business Manager)
We went to Port Noarlunga Reef. It was a long way. I was really excited. When we got there we went down some stairs. When we got down the stairs we had to wait a long time. To get to the reef we had to go on an inflatable rubber boat. I saw ten crabs and one really big one. I saw some purple mussels with black round the outside and they looked weird. I didn’t like the algae because it was slimy. I saw heaps of big limpets and some of them were covered with algae. I saw three starfish and a sea cucumber. They were slimy.

Katie Bell (YE11)

On Monday 31st March our class went on a reef excursion. First we got on the bus, then we put on life jackets and went in the boat out to the reef. We had to keep our life jackets on. Then we saw some crabs, mussels, sea stars and sea cucumber. We felt some. Then we sped back and got in the bus and played on the wooden playground. Finally we drove back and had little lunch. It was excellent!

Scarlett Young (YE10)
The experience to be in a real courtroom and role play was great. Enjoyed by everyone.
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**SAPSASA DISTRICT ATHLETICS RESULTS**

**STUDENTS NEED TO BE IN CLASS BY**

**Well Done Students**

**SCHOOL SOCCER**
First training for school soccer, Thursday 3rd April 3:15pm—4:15pm
Meet on the Primary Oval.

**Community Notices**
(notice board located in the courtyard)**

**STUDENTS NEED TO BE IN CLASS BY**

8:40am
"On Saturday 22\textsuperscript{nd} & Sunday 23\textsuperscript{rd} March, Mid Coast Little Athletics Centre athletes competed in the State Individual Championships at Santos Stadium. Dylan Kay won a Silver medal in the U11 Boys 60m Hurdles and a Bronze medal in the U11 Boys High Jump. Congratulations Dylan on your medal winning performances. Well done to all athletes from Aldinga Primary School whom competed at the championships, the centre is very proud of all your performances."

\textbf{Darren Grigg}  
(PRESIDENT Mid Coast Little Athletics Centre Inc.)

\textbf{CHEAPER SKI-ING HOLIDAYS}  
South Australian Ski (SASKI) offer reduced rates for school children at Mt Buller in the July Holidays. Further information at www.saski.org.au

\textbf{2014 YOUNG LEADERS}  
\textbf{Executives}  
Blake Lovett, India Hamdorf, Zac Dean, Colby Jones, Savvy Smith, Dylan Reynolds, Brock Petersen, Harry Lowe, Phoenix Hamdorf, Kaytlin Matulick

\textbf{Classroom Representatives}  
YE01 - Sara Blight, Jack Anderson  
YE02 - Charlotte Smith, Bailey Young  
YE03 - rotating  
YE04 - rotating  
YE06 - Laileena Shaw, Tom Gray  
YE07 - Layla Vizgaudis, Hayden Thornton  
YE08 - Tahlia Stanton, Samuel Morgan-Bilsborough  
YE09 - Naieema Hampton, Tayla Warnock, Antonio Koutas  
YE10 - Heidi-Jayne Lasscock, James Godson  
YE11 - Charlee Kennedy, Jamie Kennedy  
WE19 - Mackenzie Jones, Mark Williams  
WE20 - Ella Stapleton, Sam Leane  
BL31 - Chloe Scott, Tristan Krockenberger  
BL32 - Jaz Ruehlemann, Brodi Thornton  
BL33 - Lily Schuberg, Tom Pilmore  
BL34 - Caitlin Vandertuuk, Jaiden Koevoets  

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Break 1 2014
Week 1 April 15th to April 19th

Monday April 14th
Pajama Party
Relax into the April Holidays
Then after lunch get moving with some cool party games!

Tuesday April 15th
Wheels Day
Children require safety equipment

Wednesday April 16th
A Medieval Comedy
The Dragon’s Egg
All tickets $10

Thursday April 17th
Easter Craft
Create some cute Easter crafts & gifts to pass onto your family or friends.

Friday April 18th
No Care
Good Friday

Hopgood Theatre
Noarlunga
Come dressed as something medieval (a King or Queen, dragon or Knight—be creative)
Prize for our best dressed
OSHCLing (EXCURSION)

Week 2 April 21st to April 25th

Monday April 21st
Easter Monday
No Care

Tuesday April 22nd
Wallis Cinema
Noarlunga
Or

OshCers Camp Out
Bring in your tent and we will have a good old fashioned Campout
$3.50 optional Baked spud lunch
Children still require recess
Roast marshmallows & play camping games

Friday April 25th
No Care ANZAC Day
Last We Forgot

OshCers Camp Out
Bring in your tent and we will have a good old fashioned Campout
$3.50 optional Baked spud lunch
Children still require recess

BEACH DAY
Walking Excursion
Come down to Aldinga Beach and join in some beach cricket/volleyball & Sandcastle competition
NO HAT NO PLAY

NO SWIMMING
$3.00 optional Sausage sizzle lunch
Children still require recess