



Term 3 Week 9

Friday September 23 2016

### 👍 School Values 👍

**Respect**  
**Responsibility**  
**Excellence**

### 📖 Diary Dates 📖

#### Term 3

#### Week 10

**Wednesday September 28 -**  
Middle School Excursion  
Woodhouse Activity Centre

**Friday September 30 -**  
Last day of Term 3.  
Early dismissal at 2:10pm

#### Term 4

#### Week 1

**Monday October 17 –**  
Back to school

#### Week 2

**Wednesday October 26-**  
Principals Tour  
**Friday October 28 –**  
Halloween Disco

"Education is not preparation  
for life, Education is life itself".

John Dewey

### Leader's Report

We are in the early stages of organising for the 2017 school year and trying to determine classes for next year.

It is vital that our predicted enrolment numbers are as accurate as we can possibly be. Therefore if your child/children will not be attending Ascot Park PS I ask that you provide this information ASAP.

Thanks in anticipation

### End of Term

The last day for term 3 is **Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September**. School will be dismissed at **2.10pm**

### CHOIR

Sincere congratulations to our students representing the school in this year's Festival Centre Primary Schools choir performance. The Saturday afternoon performance was absolutely fantastic and all members of the choir did our school proud! A big thank you and congratulations goes to Heather Smith who took on the enormous job of running the choir, organising practice and performances. Fantastic!!

### SPECIALIST SPORT TRIALS – Soccer, Netball, Gymnastics

On Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September our first of 2 trials were held at school for students wishing to participate in our school programmes. A parent information session began the afternoon at 4pm with trials afterwards. Next year all of our programmes are open to external students, however students enrolled at APPS will have more contact time. Approximately 80 students attended trials which was extremely pleasing. A big thank you to all who assisted in particular Hannah Long for her fabulous organisation.



Miss Aistrope's class have been reading a series of Jill Eggleton books this term. Each week we read the same book, focusing on different reading convention daily; like fluency, expression, punctuation and comprehension. In week 7 we read **Cass the Colour Robber**. About a robber who steals all the colours around him until everything is black and white. He realises what he has done and decides to release all of the colours; creating a land of rainbows. We decided to dress up in our brightest colours. We had a great time exploring colour blending and playing with rainbows 😊



## FESTIVAL CHOIR

Heather Smith



On Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September our choir performed in the Festival Theatre in a choir of 450 students as a part of The Primary Schools' Music Festival.

The festival is enormous, involving 6,000 singers, 200 instrumentalists and dancers, and runs over 10 days.

The girls were a credit to our school both in their excellent performances and in their behaviour.

Our Saturday performers were  
Bec, Olivia, Kaitlyn, Elysia,  
Rosemary, Savannah & Shaylah.

Some choir members could not make the concert due to illness or family commitments.

Many thanks to those family members who were able to attend the concert to support our students.

## OSHC AT ASCOT PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2017!

Dear Families,

The Principal and Governing Council are pleased to announce that we will continue providing an OSHC service to the school community in 2017 and beyond.

We thank Extend for their efforts this year. Governing Council believes we will be able to provide a better tailored and more viable service than what was offered through Extend. Handover date of the service is still being negotiated and we will advise the school community once the date is finalised. There will be no interruption of service to families.

We are currently in the process of initiating a school-managed OSHC service. After feedback from families in the school community, we have already decided upon several changes to the existing service and fees:

- No registration fee
- Both before and after school care will be offered
- You can book into OSHC at the school - you will not need to register online
- Same friendly staff that you know now
- Changes in the fee structure for vacation care with a view to a more affordable service

We will keep you up to date as more information comes to hand and we work through the process. If you have any questions, please feel free to discuss them with our principal, Greg Cox.

We look forward to an exciting 2017 with a more vibrant and active OSHC service.

Greg Cox

Ali Morris

**Congratulations** to the Ascot Park Gymnastics team on their performance at the 2016 Gymnastics for All Schools Challenge!



**School Performance - 1st!**

**Year 3 boys** - 2nd Mini Tramp, 3rd Vault, 4th Bars

**Year 3 girls** - 3rd Mini Tramp, 6th Beam

**Year 4 boys** - 1st Bars, 3rd Vault, 4th Mini Tramp

**Year 6 mixed** - 1st Mini Tramp, 1st Beam, 3rd Vault

## PLAY IS THE WAY CERTIFICATES

**Congratulations** to the successful students who achieved the Play is the Way Award **“Have reasons for the things you say and do”** at assembly.

**Arwa Awaty** – Ms Dunn class

**Alyssa Moore** – Ms Zollo class

**Victoria Cuthbert** – Ms Clifford class



## HALLOWEEN DISCO FRIDAY OCTOBER 28<sup>TH</sup>

In Performing Arts Room

PRE PURCHASED TICKETS QUALIFY FOR DOOR PRIZE  
limited tickets for sale on night

# HALLOWEEN DISCO

Friday 28th October

Years 4-7  
7:00 - 8:30 pm

Years R-3  
5:30 - 6:45 pm

**\$5**

INCLUDES GLOW STICK AND GOODIE BAG

Dress up Prize

Cakes & snacks available for purchase

Community Room open for parents with tea and coffee

## PCW CORNER

Most of us love animals and can enjoy them either in the wild or domesticated. Animals from this latter group can become our pets although some of us are brave enough to try to tame the wild as well! Science is continuing to help us learn more about animals. Because I have a dog, I took an interest in a recent Catalyst program on ABC TV which was looking at scientific research into dog behaviour. You can see this two-part program on ABC iView. What was most interesting was how much pet dog behaviour was determined by their owners'

behaviour. And here lay an interesting difference. Dogs are responsive to clear and short directions so that when training a dog there must not enter into the dog's world confused and timid training as the dog will become overwhelmed and stressed. We humans also like clear thinking and instructions but can also be incredibly caught up in muddled and unhelpful thinking.

This is where the education of the science of dog behaviour comes into play. The program showed three participants with their dogs. The scientists are exploring the happiness of dogs and how to increase this. All the owners loved their dogs but were ignorant of the negative stresses that they put their dogs under - despite loving them. The scientists worked with the humans to produce amazing results in just two weeks. Both the dogs and their owners became less stressed as clear thinking owners produced willing and responsive dogs. And they were all enjoying themselves so that the happiness levels were greatly increased from previously. Maybe there are some lessons here for the way we humans treat each other too. Reflective thinking helps our relationships but muddled and confused thinking has its consequences.

So education is the key to opening so many doors! Our formal school education is ending for the term but home education is always continuing. Enjoy the October school holidays!

Til next time

Karen

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**PLYMPTON BULLDOGS**

### JUNIOR SOCCER CLUB TRIALS SEASON 2017

*"It's not the size of the dog in the fight; it's the size of the fight in the dog"*

**Held at Pasadena High School – Daws Road, Pasadena**

**MON 26<sup>th</sup> Sept | TUES 27<sup>th</sup> Sept | WED 28<sup>th</sup> Sept**

<b>6PM – 7PM</b> Under 12 (born 2005) Under 13 (born 2004) Under 14 (born 2003)	<b>7PM – 8PM</b> Under 15 (born 2002) Under 16 (born 2001) Under 17 (born 2000)
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**PLEASE NOTE:** Preference for squad selection will be given to those attending all three trials

**ENQUIRIES**  
Claire Lewis  
0450 256 898

**PLEASE ARRIVE 20 MINUTES EARLY TO REGISTER**



## COMMUNITY OP SHOP

Joint project with the Lions Club of Edwardstown & AEA Association

Cnr Albert & Charles St Ascot Park.

Please donate!



We are looking for donations of clean, good quality items.

If you have saleable items you would like to donate please contact Frank or drop them off to the Shed Friday mornings from 10am. Don't forget to ask friends & family.

Friday mornings 10 -12pm have been allocated to the preparation and sorting of goods. All members are most welcome to come along and enjoy a coffee & chat.

**The Community Op Shop will be open Wed**

**10 am – 12 noon**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the Month 9am – 1pm.**

**Closed Long Weekends**

**Dates for 2016 are:**

**Sept 10<sup>th</sup> – Oct 8<sup>th</sup> – Nov 12<sup>th</sup> – Dec – 10<sup>th</sup>**

**Dates for 2017 are: Jan 7<sup>th</sup> –Feb 11<sup>th</sup>**

## Extend After School Care at Ascot Park Primary School



### TERM 4 LAUNCH: COME ALONG TO RED25 WEEK AT EXTEND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

*A week filled with exciting science, craft, cooking, and sport activities based around giving blood, and general health and well-being.*

Extend is coming together as a community with a goal to raise 100 blood donations by the end of October this year. To encourage everyone to get on board, Extend Director Stevenson will complete one of three possible dares if we reach 100 blood donations! Visit [darrensdare.com](http://darrensdare.com) to watch our launch video and see further information.

Your child can get involved by coming to *Red25 Week* in Term 4!

Discover what blood is made of by creating a sensory model, learn about the different blood types and which are compatible during a fun science experiment, put your chef's hat on and join us in making the World's Greatest Biscuit...and much more! Speak to your Team Leader to find out when Red25 Week begins.

Attention families and teachers: Be part of our goal to reach 100 Blood Donations!

Visit [darrensdare.com](http://darrensdare.com) for further info.

### EXTEND OSHC FORTNIGHTLY RE-CAP

We have been busy these past few weeks in OSHC. We have been doing science experiments, making coca cola explosion, cooking in the kitchen and making delicious pizza pinwheels, painting and being creative using resources taken from nature, playing competitive and exciting Uno tournaments and having a blast with outside play!

**Our EXTEND super star is:  
Taylah Williams**

**Taylah** has been extremely helpful during our cooking activities, and always actively participates in all our activities. **Well done Taylah!**

**HOLIDAY CLINICS**

**Year 4-7 Holiday Clinic** Adelaide Storm

**WHAT:** Year 4-7 School Holiday Clinic run by our AVL team the Adelaide Storm. For kids in years 4-7 looking to stay involved over the School Holidays by learning the basic skills of Volleyball. Great for those looking to try a new sport!

**WHEN:** Thursday 6th October 9:00am—3:00pm

**WHERE:** Brighton Secondary School—S.I.V. Gym

**Year 6/7 Development Clinic**

**WHAT:** Year 6/7 Development Clinic is for those who already have a basic volleyball skillset and are looking to further enhance their game through specialist volleyball coaching.

**WHEN:** Wednesday 12th & Thursday 13th October 9:00am-3:30pm

**WHERE:** Brighton Secondary School—S.I.V. Gym

**FOR FURTHER INFO or TO NOMINATE:**

[WWW.VOLLEYBALLSA.COM.AU/HOLIDAYCLINICS](http://WWW.VOLLEYBALLSA.COM.AU/HOLIDAYCLINICS)