



Term 1 Week 5

Friday 3 March 2017

👍 School Values 👍

Respect
Responsibility
Excellence

📖 Diary Dates 📖

Term 1

Week 6

Monday 6-10 March

Swimming Week

Tuesday 7 March – Governing Council meeting 7pm

Please note change of day/time

Week 7

Monday 13 March

Public Holiday –Adelaide Cup
NO SCHOOL

Tuesday 14 March

School Photo Day

Wednesday 15 March

School Assembly @ 2:30pm

Thursday 16 March

Principal's Tour at 9:00am

Friday 17 March

RAA Street Smart presentations



Leader's Report

What a hot start to autumn we've had! Let's hope the warm weather continues when our R-5 students enjoy a week of swimming lessons at the Marion Outdoor Pool next week.

Over the last 2 weeks I've spent time visiting every classroom and have had the opportunity to get to know students better and see what's happening in teaching and learning programs. I've worked with students learning about different phonemes (sounds) by sorting words into groups depending on what sound they make – some great conversations and debates have been had with students justifying their choices! I've also had some really interesting conversations with students when I've asked the question, "**What are you learning about?**" instead of asking them what are they doing? *When students are able to articulate what, how and why they are learning they develop deeper understanding of concepts and are better able to transfer their learning to new situations.* Instead of asking your child, "What did you do at school today?" ask your child the question, "**What did you learn about today?**" and see what response you get!

Teachers Learning together

Teachers have also been involved in their own professional learning recently at our Pupil Free Day. We worked with schools and preschools in the Marion Inland Partnership which included teachers from Hamilton Secondary College, Australian School of Maths and Science, Clovelly Park PS, Forbes PS, Marion PS, Ascot Park Kindy, Mitchell Park Kindy, Plympton South kindy and Forbes Children's Centre. Teachers will work in mixed teams over the year to develop learning and assessment tasks in literacy, numeracy or STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths).

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

Before School Care: 7-8.30am,

After School Care: 3.10-6pm,

Vac Care/Pupil Free Days: 8am-6pm.

OSHC Director: Sarah Marshall

OSHC bookings: Ring 0413 917 590 or
email ascotoshc@gmail.com



REMINDER: For our students' safety we ask that parents **DO NOT** park in the staff car park before and after school.





SOUTH AUSTRALIA POLICE
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SCHOOL CROSSING MONITORS

Recently your child's school took part in School Crossing Monitor Training conducted by the South Australian Police. This involves students in years 5, 6 and 7 being trained by Road Safety Educators from the SA Police Road Safety Section. After the training is complete the student will receive a Certificate of Authority issued on behalf of the Commissioner of Police which, under the Road Traffic Act 1961 authorises the student to work as school crossing monitor. The certificate authorises the student to stop traffic using a Stop Sign or using Pedestrian Actuated Traffic Lights, as well as give reasonable directions to pedestrians for the safe and efficient movement of traffic at or on the crossing as in their opinion is necessary.

The training involves learning how to safely stop vehicles at a school crossing and performing safety assessments on when it is safe for children to cross the road (this includes asking the monitors to check that all vehicles have stopped prior to pedestrians walking onto the crossing). The session also includes safe sign handling techniques and positioning within the crossing.

It is extremely important that all people (including parents) use the crossings and become good road safety role models, by following the School Crossing Monitor's directions, not only for their safety but the safety of all students and road users.

If parents have any questions about the training the Road Safety Section is happy to receive these inquiries on the telephone number 8207 6586.

Road safety is everyone's responsibility.

Thank you

Acting Sergeant Nigel ALLEN
Program Co-ordinator Road Safety
South Australian Police

NEW PASTORAL CARE WORKER

Hello!

My name is Liana Tripodi. I am the new Pastoral Care Worker at Ascot Park PS. I am particularly interested in genuinely engaging with all I come into contact with and facilitating positive relationships by being a listening and an encouragement whenever given the opportunity. I am 'in' on Wednesday mornings for Breakfast Club from 7:30am-8:45am and until 12pm and on Friday's from 11:30am – 4pm. My room is situated in the front office, across from the reception desk. I am still settling in, learning names, faces and getting to know staff, students, families, caregivers and volunteers. I look forward to meeting more and more of our school and community members and have, so far, much enjoyed my role here in connecting and supporting. See you soon!



Kind Regards,

Liana

CYBERSAFETY EDUCATIONAL TALKS

On **Wednesday the 8th March** we have invited the South Australian Police to come to Ascot Park School to present to our year 5, 6 and 7 students about using digital technologies safely and also about the real dangers of cyberbullying. This will be a good opportunity for students to reflect on how they are using digital devices and interacting with one another.



We will follow this student presentation with an **Cybersafety and bullying information session** we are inviting all parents to attend.

- **6pm, 15th March 2017 at the school library**

This session will give advice to parents and caregivers about how they can support the safe use of online technology. There will also be the opportunity to ask questions directly to SAPOL.

We will provide some light food and beverages for the evening.

If you are able to attend this session please let me know via phone or email. 8276 3055 or sam.kennedy967@schools.sa.edu.au

Looking forward to seeing you there,

Sam Kennedy
Counsellor

WATER SAFETY WEEK (School Swimming)

Next week (week 6) we are starting our R-5 water safety week. All R-5 students will attend the Marion Outdoor Pool each day with lessons on being safe in water and building aquatic skills.

We have asked students to come to school with bathers underneath their school clothes to make getting changed quicker and simpler.

Students will need to be sun smart (hat, rashie or t-shirts, and sunscreen) and have adequate footwear for walking.

Please also ensure your child has water and some extra food / fruit for the week as it will be very busy, energetic and hot!

Any questions, please consult the front office or class teachers.



Our school photos will be taken on the **Tuesday 14th March 2017**

For the convenience of our school community, school photos can be ordered and paid for online using a secure online platform. Orders placed online DO NOT require an envelope, cash/cheques or paperwork returned to school.

Envelope Orders: photos can also be purchased in the traditional manner using an envelope, with cash/cheque enclosed.

The preference of our school is that orders and payments be made online, as this reduces the administration and associated security issues related to the return of cash & envelopes on photo day.

To place your order visit www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code- **AV8 3C1 DH7** This code can also be found printed on your envelope. Please be aware that-

1. Sibling/Family Photos can be ordered online or via envelope. To ensure a smoothly run photo day, online orders for *Sibling/Family Photos will be cut off at 12.00 a.m. the night before our photo day* to allow a list of students that require Sibling/Family Photographs taken to be compiled. Sibling photos can still be ordered after the online cut off date by collecting an envelope from the office and returning the envelope on photo day with your payment enclosed.
2. All online orders should be placed on or before our day of photography.
3. The online code above may also be used to order sports and other group photos.

All orders placed online will be delivered to the school for collection