



Term 1, Week 7  
Friday 17 March 2017

### 👍 School Values 👍

Respect  
Responsibility  
Excellence

### 📖 Diary Dates 📖

#### Term 1

#### Week 8

Tuesday 21 March

Harmony Day

#### Week 9

Monday 27 March

Table Tennis Clinic - Years 4-7  
9:50am – 1:30pm

Tuesday 28 March

Choir begins – Rehearsals  
at SASVI

Governing Council meeting 7pm

Friday 31 March

JP Easter Performance at  
2:00pm in the library

#### 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](mailto:ascotoshc@gmail.com)

### Class Mottos

During the first weeks of school everyone was involved in activities to build good working relationships and team work. One of the activities was to develop a class motto and these are what we came up with:

#### Ms Clifford's Reception class

Good learners look, listen, think and do the right thing

#### Ms Dunn's Year 1/2 class

Let's be positive, polite and productive

#### Ms Johnston/Ms Kanakaris's Year 2/3

Happy to Learn

#### Ms Zollo/Ms Hannah's Year 4/5 class

Learning, worth coming to school for

#### My Ly's Year 6/7 class

Try your best, never give up

#### Ms Aistrophe's Year 4/5/6 sports class

We work in a team in a field of green

#### Ms Hannah's PE classes

Never give up. Try your best. Be a team player

#### Ms Smith's Performing Arts/Chinese classes

Just have a go!

#### Staff

Collaboration, Commitment, Conversation

*If your family developed a motto, what would it be?*

### School Uniform

I've been very impressed seeing students at Ascot Park wearing their uniform with pride and respect. Governing Council endorse our uniform policy which is the wearing of our school colours black, green and yellow. All students need to come to school in the correct colours, and must ensure that if they participate in specialist sport that they go back to class in the correct uniform too. Thanks for your support.



**Thank you** to those parents/carers who are not driving into the staff carpark at drop off and pick up times. It is much safer for our children!



## SAPSASA City South and Southern Heights Swimming Carnival

Congratulation Cooper who came 1<sup>st</sup> place in all of his swimming races last Friday night.

On March 3<sup>rd</sup> Cooper participated in the Twilight SAPSASA Southern Heights and City South Swimming Carnival held at the Marion Outdoor Swimming Centre. He represented Ascot Park Primary School as a team of one in under 11's 50m Butterfly, Breast Stroke and Freestyle. Cooper broke two of his own PB's (Personal Best) and won all of his races. Well done Cooper!!!



### Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading and to improve literacy levels. The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and 8 September. Recording forms have been given out to all students. For more information visit [www.prc.sa.edu.au](http://www.prc.sa.edu.au) or ask your child's teacher.



### Literacy Pro

Our school uses a web-program developed by Scholastic called 'Literacy Pro'. It is aimed at students reading beyond the reader levels and is a fun way for them to track their reading progress. Letters have been sent home to students in year 3-7 with details about how to access their page from home and complete quizzes on books they read. For more information contact me via the school.



*Michelle James-Martin*

Teacher-Librarian/Literacy teacher



Congratulations to our first award winners for our regular Play is the Way virtue certificates. In our recent assembly we focused on the virtue: *Treat others as you would like them to treat you.*

- Chloe Moore (year 3)
- Tiana Bevelander (reception)
- Bella Laube (year 5)
- Jasmin Tedmanson (year 4)
- Taylah Williams (year 2)

All students who receive a certificate will have their name included on the Play is the Way Honour Board next to Ms Hibell and Mr Kennedy's offices.



### Kids Matter at Ascot Park

This year we are excited to be involved in the Kids Matter initiative. Kids Matter helps schools focus on supporting the positive mental health of all students by focussing on three areas:

1. Making sure our school is a safe and welcoming place for everybody.
2. Learning about how to develop good mental health.
3. Knowing how and where to find help if you need it.

An important first step in our work with Kids Matter is asking parents to complete a short survey. You can do this by going to <http://www.kidsmatter.edu.au/primary>, clicking on 'School Surveys' then 'Parent Survey' and following the prompts. If you would rather a paper copy you can collect one from the front office. They are also available in Arabic and Chinese if needed.

Your input is very important to us. Please take a few minutes to complete the survey or see one of the KidsMatter Team for more information.

**Thank you from the KidsMatter Team:**

*Sam Kennedy, Michelle James-Martin, Di Johnston and Renae White.*

## March 21<sup>st</sup>: Harmony Day!

Harmony Day is a celebration of cultural diversity. It is held every year on Tuesday the 21<sup>st</sup> of March and has a message of "Everyone Belongs".

We will celebrate Harmony Day this year by encouraging all students, teachers and families to wear something orange. It could be orange hair, clothing or some decoration (such as headband, badge or hat).

After recess (from 1:30) all students will meet and with a buddy class play a shared outside Play is Way game on the netball courts by the big gym. We will then make a Harmony Day paper chain with our class and bring them to an assembly at the big gym at 2.40. We will combine our paper chains and share the message of Harmony Day together. Parents, families and careqivers are welcome to attend.



Shaylah, Yara and Bailey at last year's Harmony Day celebration

### Anti-Bullying Awareness

As a Kidsmatter school we are very aware about the importance of creating strong mental health for all involved with our school. This means having strong preventative measures to help create safe places for kids at school. One area which can impact on children's wellbeing is bullying. Unfortunately we do see bullying in society (as much as we all hate to see it) and on occasion at school.

Simply, we are against all forms of bullying at Ascot Park School and we will take all incidents of bullying seriously.

Some of the preventative actions we take to do with bullying are:

- Embedded **Play is the Way** philosophy across whole school: *Manners* and *The Golden Rule!*
- **Life raft** social and emotional curriculum to teach
- Twice yearly **Bully Audits**
- Run an annual **anti-bullying assembly and day** (last year we had a super heroes fighting against bullying theme)
- Use outside services such as **Baptist Care's In School Workshops** to help support friendship issues
- Promote positive school culture and friendship through events such as **Harmony Day**
- **Kids safe: child protection curriculum** delivered in all classes
- Leaders follow process for dealing with behaviour incidents which includes reporting and recording of information and then passing this back to class teachers and parents
- Students involved in incidents are provided counselling from leaders and teachers and are encouraged to reflect on actions using restorative justice strategies
- Whole school training in **KidsMatter Mental Health initiatives** which provide awareness of importance of wellbeing for learning and social outcomes of kids

We are also in the process of updating our schools **Behaviour Code** which directly translates to safe learning environments and better learning outcomes for all students.

This week and next week we are conducting **Bully Audits** for term 1. This will provide some data and information on how kids are getting along with others in the yard and in class. We act on this information by looking across classes to see if particular people, times and places are conducive to anti-social / bullying type behaviour. We can then plan whole class or individual activities to help support all involved in the process.

Recently we hosted two **CyberSafety/CyberBullying** sessions run by SAPOL (SA Police). One session was delivered to all year 5/6/7 students in school time and then a supporting parent information session was run after school (as advertised on Skoolbag and through the Newsletter). The night was very informative. SAPOL provided us with some information sheets on being safe with smartphones and scams, which are available from the front office if you are interested.

*Sam Kennedy - Counsellor*

# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Zumba Fitness with Emma

Join the party every  
 Thursday 7:30 PM  
 Sunday 10 AM  
 Ascot Park Primary School

**First Class FREE**

Book now your first class!  
 Ph: 0422 933 321  
 Web: [emmasoubrier.zumba.com](http://emmasoubrier.zumba.com)  
 /Zumba-Fitness-with-Emma

**ZUMBA**  
 FITNESS

## LIVING KAURNA CULTURAL CENTRE YOUTH EVENT

We are excited to announce our next Youth events at Living Kaurna Cultural Centre.

Warriparinga Youth Event

## Kumungka Paringa

Wednesday 19 April, 9.30am-3pm

**LIVING KAURNA CULTURAL CENTRE**  
 Warriparinga Way (Off Sturt Road)  
 Bedford Park SA 5042

Ages 10-22  
 FREE (lunch included)  
 Bookings Essential  
 Maximum 20 places  
 T 8357 5900

- 9.30am Registration
- 10am Fire/Yarning Circle
- 11.30am Cooking with Katherine Australian Wattlebush Catering
- 1pm Lunch
- 1.30pm Art
- 3pm Finish

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- 10am Uncle Moogy - Carving, Boomerang Throwing & Spear Throwing
- 1pm Lunch - LNCC
- 1.30pm Southern Elders Weavers
- 3pm Finish

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**Nippys SPIKEZONE**

# NEW!

## Hub Recreation Centre

TERM 1, 2017

**FREE COME & TRY SESSIONS!**

**WHERE:** The Hub Recreation Centre  
 Park Ave (opposite Mitre 10), Aberfoyle Park.

**WHEN:** 3 FREE come and try days, 28 March, 4 & 11 April  
 from 4:00-5:00 pm. Weekly competition will follow in Term 2.

**WHO:** Any one in years 4-7, experienced players and newbies!

**HOW:** Get a team of 4-6 together and nominate online OR enter as an individual and we will help you find a team!

[www.volleyballsa.com.au/spikezone](http://www.volleyballsa.com.au/spikezone) OR phone 8363 1265

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