



Term 2, Week 7
Friday 16 June 2017

School Values

Respect Responsibility Excellence



Don't forget to download our free Skoolbag app to get all the latest news, events and much more. You can also use it to notify us of student absences or change of details.

Diary Dates

Term 2

Week 8

Tuesday 20 June –

**Governing Council Meeting
at 7:00pm**

Week 10

Friday 7 July –

**Last day of Term 2. Early
dismissal at 2:10pm**

Out of School Hours Care (OSHC)

Before School Care: 7:30-8.30am

After School Care: 3.10-6pm

Pupil Free Days: 7.30am-6pm

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

Staff professional learning

On our pupil free day on Friday we worked with teachers from other schools to discuss learning and assessment tasks that we design for our students. It's important that not only are we consistent with our expectations of our students but that we are also challenging and supporting them to achieve the best they can.

Our remainder pupil free days which have been approved by Governing Council are as follows:

- Term 3 Week 6: Friday 1 September
- Term 3 Week 7: Monday 4 September (school closure for Adelaide Show)
- Term 4 Week 6: Monday 20 November

OSHC will be open depending on numbers, so please book in early.

Road Safety - Way2Go

At a Governing Council meeting last term we talked about traffic congestion at drop off and pick up times and the safety of our students. Jaimy and Hannah recently attended a Way2Go workshop which is a statewide SA program promoting [safer, greener and more active travel](#) for primary school students and their communities. It uses a [whole school approach](#) built on a [partnership](#) between local councils, school communities and the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure (DPTI).

Over the coming months a site investigation of the school area will be conducted with local government officers to determine the accessibility for active travel (walking and cycling) and community safety. Locations are identified for installation and/or upgrade of signage with required upgrades to footpaths or crossings recorded.

As part of this process we need to survey our school community – staff, students and parents/carers. If you have a QR scanner on your phone or device we ask that you complete this short survey. Alternatively you can go onto the website,

http://www.dpti.sa.gov.au/Way2Go/home/creating_change#surveys

It's important that as many parents/carers complete this survey as possible!



Lost property

We have shifted the lost property to the wet area near OSHC, just inside the door so that it is more accessible to students and families. Please make sure you label your child's hats, jumpers and jackets so that they can be returned promptly.



Gymnastics

India competed in the Victorian Championships 2017 last weekend and her overall score was 6th place! Individually she scored 5th place on beam, bars and floor. The girls did SA proud with GymJets coming in at 3rd place as a team but India was the only one to place individually. A great outcome for the team and our own India!

OSHC – IMPORTANT NEWS

We are advertising again for an OSHC director as we didn't fill the position in the last process and unfortunately Reece is unable to continue in a permanent role. Reece has been doing a fabulous job in providing a consistent and fun program and our numbers are gradually increasing. Fees for before school care are \$10.50 and after school are \$21, however with the child care rebate/benefit you may only have to pay as little as a few dollars so it is definitely a value for money service, and one which the children now love! A testimonial to this is a recent email we received from a parent...

"They have mentioned how fun the afternoons are because there are a range of activities and everything seems more organised and planned. These are the kids' comments which they have told me and I thought I must share this with you. They enjoy OSHC so much and they don't like to be picked up early now!"

Please share the ad below with anyone you may know who would be suitable and interested in applying.

OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE DIRECTOR LEVEL 6.1

Details

Part-time position for 27.5 hours per week

Qualifications:

Must have a Diploma or Degree level qualification as approved by ACECQA and relevant first aid, RAN and DCSI screening.

For further information and a copy of the Job and Person Specification please telephone: 8276 3055 or email julie.hibell840@schools.sa.edu.au

Applications must be submitted by close of business 10/07/2017.

Wellbeing

Talking about disasters with kids

After the recent terrorist attacks in London and Manchester, *many children may be feeling uncertain about what is happening*, especially with the amount of information that is spread via TV and the internet. Some kids will naturally ask questions about the events whilst others may store up unsafe feelings to the detriment of their wellbeing and mental health.

A recent article by **Michael Grose** discusses ways parents and carers can talk about these issues with children. I encourage you to have a read to consider if this is a conversation you could have within your family.

<http://tinyurl.com/y87e9mw3>



If you would like more information or support in this area please feel free to contact your child's class teacher or myself.



Kids may feel unsafe when hearing about global political issues - we need to listen to their concerns

Breakfast Club

I would like to thank Linda Durbidge and the Lions Club of Edwardstown for the generous donation of \$100 to the Ascot Park Primary School Breakfast Club. Our volunteers, along with school leadership and VOK, will come together to best discuss how we can put this to best use for the kids that come each week.

It is lovely to see so many faces at breakfast club. We have parents joining us and helping out or just enjoying a coffee, kids chatting happily and getting some tasty pancakes and spaghetti, and volunteers getting up early and feeling good about helping out! We encourage all to come along: *Wednesday morning from 7.45am!*

Tristan from Marion Life has been attending the breakfast club also. He is hosting a weekly Youth Meeting at Marion Life Community Centre (887 Marion Road) every Friday night. Kids can meet and have free food, play video games and chat. Please see the flyer at the back of the newsletter and let me know if you go along!

Foodbank

We have access to food from the Foodbank and Kickstart programs. These help to support the breakfast club and other in school programs including OSHC and canteen lunches when kids need something extra. This week I have received some extra supplies including:

- Tins of spaghetti and fruit salad
- Vegemite and Jam
- Long Life Milk
- Breakfast Cereal



If you are interested in taking some please contact the front office or myself and I will organise to have some go home with your child!



Sam Kennedy

Counsellor (ph: 8276 3055)

Play is Way Awards

Congratulations to our award winners for our regular Play is the Way virtue certificates. In our recent assembly we focused on the virtue: *Pursue your personal best no matter who you work with.*

- Sophie (year 6)
- Salma (Reception class)
- Harry (year 3)
- Queenstar (year 4)
- Austin (year 1)



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.

Excursion Year 5/6

On the 25 May, Miss Hannah's Year 4/5s and Miss Aistrope's 4/5/6 classes visited the Dream Big Festival in the city. The students caught the train into Adelaide, and had the opportunity to participate in the "Paper Planet" workshop. Here they were able to create various objects and contraptions out of paper. As you can see by the photos, their only barrier was their imagination.

After a quick bite to eat and a brisk walk to the Adelaide Festival Centre, students watched an energetic show called "Jump now, Ask Later". The show was a mixture of parkour, adrenaline pumping moves matched with stories of first and second-generation Australians overcoming social isolation and stigma.

A short trip back to school on the train ended an action packed and exhausting day. All students showed outstanding behaviour and were great ambassadors of Ascot Park Primary School.

Ryan Koch

Pre-service teacher



Canteen News

Hi everyone,

Just a little note to let you know the canteen now has Homemade Hot Soup daily for \$3.00 a cup with a buttered bread roll.

We also have Hot Chocolate for \$2.50 a cup. Perfect for a cold winters day!!



Don't forget to order your toasted sandwiches. Please just use the sandwich prices on the menu as there is **NO** extra cost for toasting. Another good winter warmer!! So order up.

Just a reminder of our Celebration Platters that are available, please feel free to speak with the Canteen Manager Janine if you have any queries. Also don't forget to keep an eye out for our Friday Specials, and the new menu that is coming out soon.

Take care and thank you for supporting our canteen.

Regards

Janine

Canteen Manager

