

Beachport Primary School and Preschool Newsletter

TERM 1, WEEK 5 FRIDAY MARCH 2ND, 2018

DIARY DATES:

TERM DATES 2018

TERM 1

29th Jan – 13th April

TERM 2

30th April – 6th July

TERM 3

23rd July – 28th Sept

TERM 4

15th Oct – 14th Dec

UPCOMING EVENTS:

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| Clean up Australia | 4/3 |
| Public Holiday | 12/3 |
| Coffee & Conversation with parents 9:00am @ | 20/3 |
| Governing Council meeting 7pm | 20/3 |
| Early Dismissal | 29/3 |
| Good Friday | 30/3 |
| Easter Monday | 2/4 |
| SAPSASA Athletics (NPPS) | 4/4 |
| Sports Day at Beachport Cricket | 5/4 |

Dear Parents/Caregivers

It is hard to believe that we are now about half-way through the term already! Teachers and Students are in full swing, with classrooms abuzz with learning.

ADELAIDE VISIT

On the 15th and 16th of February I was in Adelaide as part of the Literacy summit and Education Leaders Day. I will be sharing my learning with staff in future staff meetings but wanted to share with you all an important message I heard from Dr Maryanne Wolf. Dr Wolf is an American neuroscientist who looks closely at how the brain learns to read. She strongly emphasised the importance of reading to your child daily. I know how busy life is, believe me! But if it is not something that you already do with your children, please take up the habit of reading with them daily. It really will have a huge impact on their vocabulary, interpreting skills, prediction, fluency and it opens up a whole new world of experiences, knowledge and imagination.

PARENT CLUB

Parent Club recently held their AGM and have a very passionate committee for 2018. Thank you to all those who attended and either joined the committee or have indicated an interest in assisting when needed. We are very fortunate to have a strong parent club that successfully fundraise each year for our students. They have already got a few events planned for this year including an Easter Raffle and Sports Day. If you have any questions about how you can help please contact Sam Uotila, President.

COFFEE & CONVERSATION

On Tuesday 20th February I enjoyed my first Coffee and Conversation session with some parents at the Jetty Cafe. I really appreciated the opportunity to meet with parents in this way and I look forward to the next session on 20th March at the new time of 9:00am. I hope to see you there!

PRESCHOOL EXCURSION TO KIAS

The Preschool children felt very grown up on their recent visit to KIAS. It was a long day catching the bus with all the VERY big high school kids from Beachport in the morning and then riding the bus home again. But their grins from ear to ear showed just how exciting they found the trip. A fun-filled day was had by all. This is just another example of how Jade is assisting the children to widen their social interactions with others through the valuable links within the greater community.

WORKING BEE

Last Saturday we held a working bee for our nature play area. A big thank you to Melissa Reilly for organising. It was a great turnout and it is wonderful to see the vision of the nature play area coming to fruition. Further planned working bees are in the pipeline to enable the area to be completed as soon as possible so that the students (who have been waiting ever so patiently) can use it.

PUPIL FREE DAY

On Monday staff attended a Training and Development day at Millicent North Primary School on the Seven Steps in Writing program. It has been great this week to go into classes and see staff putting their learning into practice. In this newsletter the MP class share their "sizzling starts" - we hope you enjoy and I look forward to reading more of the students writing across the school.

EARLY DISMISSAL FOR EASTER

Governing Council have approved a 2:15pm dismissal on Thursday 29th March.

EXTERNAL REVIEW REPORT

The external review report is now available for viewing on the school website. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at the school.

Kind regards, Di



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Story writing in year 3/4

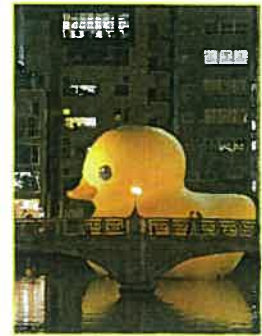
We have been working at improving the beginning of our stories. We learnt that you have only 7 seconds to capture your reader so it has to be exciting.

We start with a picture and write a 'Sizzling start.'

One cold, sunny day,
he sat and froze like
an ice-cream in a bait
freezer. Ahhhh I'm
frozen. *Riley H*



Hey ,why doesn't
this giraffe have any
suit on? where did
it go. *Cooper*



Back far, many, many,
many years ago there was
a giraffe named Charlie.
Leni

Crikey, it is so dang
cold out there I thing
I am going to freeze.
Isaac

I looked out my
window and saw
something big,
round and yellow.
Hannah

Deep, dark in the cave there
was a crunch. What was that?
Arghh! *Jimmy*



Thump...thump, what
are you? *Sonny*

"Shhhh! Said Jake.
"What's that?" said Blake
Hudson

Grunt! It was the first day of
troll school and I failed the
TEST so I went home to my
dark cave to grunt! Sniff, sniff,
is that eyeball stew? *Eve*

Hey ,where did my
troll shoe go. H e l p
where did it go.
Tommy

Help!!!! There is a troll in a
cave with green teeth and
green eyes. *Chloe*

" What was that?" said Bill.
Ohh it is a troll. Run! Then
there was silence. *Ethan*

"Perfection," said Jeff, Jeff was
a tree artist and he liked
making bushes and other
things. *Jacob*

Oh my gosh, it was
the scariest
Halloween night. *Lily*

Aargh! I just want this rain to
stop! Oh, my name is Nick. I
am a troll. *Laura*

Governing Council

I would like to present the Governing Council for 2018 -

- Melissa Reilly (Chairperson);
- Tom Thorn (Vice Chairperson);
- Cass Norton (Secretary);
- Rachel Fry (Treasurer);
- Morgen Lindner (Staff Rep);
- Sam Uotila (Parent Club Rep);
- Allan Oschar;
- Heidi Prouse;
- Danielle Bish;
- Jo Murray;
- Shaun Uotila and
- Matt Thorpe.



A warm welcome to those joining Governing Council for the first time and welcome back to past members. I look forward to working with you all during my time at Beachport Primary and Preschool.

Thank you to past Governing Council members Richard Cassidy and Dale Altschwager for their time and support on Governing Council over the years.

THANK-YOU



C.A.R.E. AWARD WINNERS

At our recent mid-week meetings this last fortnight I have had the pleasure of presenting C.A.R.E awards to the following students -

- ♦ Tilly Prouse for helping to keep her classroom clean;
- ♦ Tommy Atkinson for helping to keep the yard tidy;
- ♦ Reef Cresp for helping to resolve conflict in the class;
- ♦ Isla McKenzie for being kind and considerate towards her peers; and
- ♦ Declan Thorn for assisting younger students in the yard.



Congratulations and thank you to all these students!

SAPSASA



Congratulations to Elly Redden, Kyah Carruthers and Cooper Walters for making the squad of swimmers representing the region at the Adelaide SAPSASA swim meet. All the best and we look forward to hearing about your experiences.

Thank you

THANK-YOU



We are very fortunate at Beachport Primary and Preschool to receive donations from local businesses. We hope that just as these businesses support us, our parent community will support them. This week we say thank you to Landmark for donating fertiliser for our oval and Fosters Foodland for their generous support of our Sports Day and other school events.

Community News

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY Centennial Park (the Lagoon)

Sunday 4th March 2018 10.30am till 12pm

Beachport District Development Association are organising this year's Clean Up Australia Day followed by a sausage sizzle for volunteers.

Children and parents from Beachport Primary and Preschool are invited to participate in this community event.

Contact Dianne on 0427358388 for further information.

Please bring gloves for added protection

MILLICENT SCOUTS

Scouting helps our children and youth develop confidence, self-reliance, good friendship and a concern for the world in which we live in. The aims of Scouting are to encourage the physical, intellectual, social, emotional, character and spiritual development of young people so that they take a constructive place in society as responsible citizens and as members of their local, national and international communities.

1st Millicent Scout Group is currently under going some changes and as such some of our contact details have changed:

Group Leader: Patrick Smith

Preferred contact is by email: millicent@sa.scouts.com.au

Preferred contact for new membership inquiries: 1800 726 887

Please update your records.

We are currently running programs in our Joey Scout, Cub Scout and Scout programs in Millicent with a Venturer Scout program in Mt Gambier and Rover Scout programs across SA and Victoria.

Request for Printed Newsletters and Notes

Please complete and return to school if you wish to receive notes and newsletters from school in a printed form.

Family Name: _____

- I don't have access to a smartphone/device to receive school stream
- I prefer not to receive the information from the school on my smartphone/device
- Other (please specify)