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NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 | WEEK 7 | FRIDAY 15/03/19

Pupil Free Day

On Tuesday 12th March all staff were involved in Professional Development for our Pupil Free Day. All of our work was around our Site Improvement Plan.

Our main focus for the day was writing, looking at vocabulary in particular. We were very lucky to have 2 guest presenters for the day

- Sandy Russo from SPELD (Specific Learning Difficulties Association of South Australia) and Libby Brown from SERU (Special Education Resource Unit).

Both of these presenters are experts in the area of literacy.

Staff were able to make deeper connections between oral language, reading and writing. The three tiers of vocab were explored

- Tier one words being the everyday basic words
- Tier two words are targeted for instruction and should increase text comprehension
- Tier three words are low frequency specialised words.

A number of activities were undertaken by staff which will be transferred into classroom programs. Staff also had some time to focus on Mathematics, working through the Processes of Calculating using their resource folders. We finished the day in year level teams, where the writing focus continued.

Vocab or language walls will be appearing in all learning spaces around the school, so keep an eye out.

It was a very productive day for staff learning. We really value the opportunity to work as a staff team to ensure we give the best opportunities for our students.

School Interviews

The parent/teacher interview booking instructions were emailed out to all families. Bookings close on Thursday 21st March at 4pm, so please ensure you have made your booking by this time.

NAPLAN Online

On Thursday 28th March (week 9) all schools involved in transitioning to NAPLAN Online will be undertaking a National Co-ordinated Practice Test. This is to help with the move from paper to the online format, ensuring the national ICT and administering systems are in place before the tests occur in May. Vale Park will be involved in testing on this day – which may include students from Years 3, 5 and 7. This test will not provide student performance information.

All families of students in years 3, 5 and 7 received a "NAPLAN Online - Privacy Collection Notice" outlining this.

The National Practice Test is an opportunity for students to become more familiar with the layout of NAPLAN Online.

Year 2/3 'Our Patch' Excursion Volunteers

Room 4 & Room 12 are looking for volunteers to attend a local excursion with our Year 2/3 students in Week 10, Term 1. We will be walking to 'Our Patch' by the River Torrens on Thursday 4th April at 11:15am and return to Vale Park at 1:15pm. If you are able to help please let the Room 4 & Room 12 teachers know. Please ensure your RAN and DCSI Clearances are up to date.

DIARY DATES

Term Dates 2019

Term 1 29th Jan - 12 Apr

Term 2 29 Apr - 5 Jul

Term 3 22 Jul - 27 Sept

Term 4 14 Oct - 13 Dec

Governing Council

Tuesday 19/03

Principal Tours

Wednesday 27/03

Wednesday 29/05

All welcome & bookings are required

Key Dates

Term 1

22/03 - Harmony Day

25/03 - Interviews Commence

28/03 - NAPLAN Online Practice Test

29/03 - Sports Day

03/04 - Yr 6/7 G&D

01/04 - Photo Day

04/04 - SAPSASA Cross Country

10/04 - Yr 6/7 G&D

12/04 - Last Day of Term 1

2:05pm Finish

Term 2

29/04 - Term 2 Commences

30/04 - Year 6/7 Aquatics

06/05 - SAPSASA Athletics

09/05 - Mother's Day Stall

10/05 - Mother's Day Stall

14/05 - NAPLAN Commences

24/05 - NAPLAN Concludes

29/05 - Active Travel Day

growing for the future...



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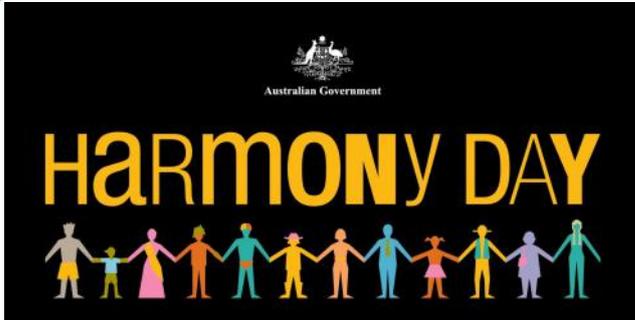
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Department for Education





Everyone Belongs

Vale Park Primary School

On **Friday 22nd March** you are invited to wear an orange t-shirt, pair of socks or hair ribbon to school in exchange for a gold coin donation. (Please note that this is not a casual day and school uniform should still be worn).

Money raised will be donated to a charity that the VPPS Community Action Team decides upon.

Stay tuned for further information about our celebrations.



NATIONAL RIDE2SCHOOL DAY 2019

FRIDAY 22 MARCH

Win Prizes!!

Vale Park Primary School

are excited to be celebrating National Ride2School Day on Friday 22 March 2019.

In the spirit of embracing a healthy and happy start to the day, we encourage all students and their families to leave the car at home and give riding, walking, scooting or skating to school a go.

National Ride2School Day is the perfect opportunity to kick-start new healthy habits and promote the many benefits of active transport for our community.

If you can't actively travel the whole way, consider parking the car nearby and riding or walking the rest of the way.

It's going to be a wheelie good day and we hope to see you there!

See Mr Goldney & Miss Rivett for tickets



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Pre-order to enjoy these bonus offers

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!
Vale Park Primary
Trish Scoot
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WILDERNESS MOB EXCURSION

On Friday 8th March, students from the Wilderness Mob went to the city for a Fringe performance. After lunching in the Botanic Gardens, we headed to Tandanya to see 'Spirit', performed by the group 'Yellaka', which means Old Wisdom, New Ways. The performance combined music, dance and storytelling and was thoroughly enjoyed by all who attended.





FUNDRAISING NEWS

Welcome to our new families who have joined us at the school and welcome back to our existing families!

LAST YEAR - Colour Run

Well we finished off 2018 with a bang... and with lots of colour!

We hope all the children enjoyed taking part in the Colour Run on the last day of school! It was such a colourful and messy event that provided a lot of laughter and smiles on the student's faces!

To top off a great day we raised over \$10,000 for the school! A fantastic achievement!

A huge thank you to the students who took part, and to their sponsors who donated money for them to compete.

An even bigger thank you to all the volunteers that helped on the day, to the staff who organised their students to be ready, and to Mr Goldney and Ms Rivett for assisting us with organising the obstacle course.

Thank you to Kmart Ingle Farm and Big W Brickworks who sponsored the event, and thank you to Mr Ian Black for providing the PA system on the day!



But the biggest thank you of all goes to 'Mother Nature' who made it stop raining for 2 hours so we could have some fun!

TERM TWO - Mother's Day Stall

The Mother's Day stall will be back at the beginning of Term 2.

We will have gifts available from \$1 to \$8 for the children to purchase for the special women in their lives!

Stay tuned for more details and your child's allocated shopping day.

Members/Volunteers

If you are interested in joining the Fundraising Committee and assisting with organising events during the year then please contact us at valeparkfundraising@gmail.com or leave your details at the Front Office. Volunteers will need to have DCSI clearance and have up-to-date RAN Training.

The group currently meets a few times each term on Thursdays at 3.15pm (straight after school), and we try to organise around 4 big events during the school year.

Donations

Many of our fundraising events rely on the generous donations of local businesses and our school community.

If you have products or services that you are able to donate to our future events then please contact us via email at valeparkfundraising@gmail.com. We would be very grateful for any support you can help us with.

Suggestions

If you have any suggestions for future events that the Fundraising Committee can organise then please let us know! We take all suggestions to our meetings to discuss and take into consideration.

If you also have suggestions where our fundraising money needs to be spent around the school then drop us an email at valeparkfundraising@gmail.com

Thanks,
The Fundraising Committee

valeparkfundraising@gmail.com



Swimming in Room 8





Room 13 - Year 2/3

With our Buddy Class, we completed a Harmony Day activity where we learnt about the cultural diversity of our class. We accept that 'Everyone Belongs'.





HAPPY HAVEN OSHC Vale Park Vacation Care Program



Vale Park OSHC April 2019 Vacation Care Program: Week 1		Vale Park OSHC April 2019 Vacation Care Program: Week 2	
Monday 15th April Construction and Technology Day 	Menu: Afternoon Tea – Fruit Platter Standard 5.2.1 Collaborative learning: Children are supported to collaborate, learn from and help each other. Today the children will be able to put their design and construction skills to the test with individual and group challenges plus building and making activities. Children can also bring along their favourite piece of technology...maybe their iPod, remote control cars, iPad etc. They can share with friends or even set up comps and challenges. We will also have our technology and gaming consoles available for use throughout the day!	Monday 22nd April 	Public Holiday: Easter Monday CLOSED
Tuesday 16th April Multicultural Day 	Menu: Afternoon Tea – Cooking Creations Standard 6.2.3 Community Engagement: The service builds relationships and engages with its community. Today we will be embracing the multicultural world that we live in by offering a wide variety of cooking, arts and crafts, games and activities from around the world. Families are encouraged to bring along anything they would like to share from their culture such as recipes, activities or games	Tuesday 23rd April That 70s Day 	Menu: Afternoon Tea: Pizza Muffins Standard 5.1.1 Positive educator to child interactions: Responsive and meaningful interactions build trusting relationships which engage and support each child to feel secure, confident and included. Today we will be stepping back in time to the 70s! We will be doing some awesome tie dying (a pair of socks will be provided), musical games with 70s music and making pet rocks. Come dressed in your best 70s costume for the day! Please note: You are welcome to bring any other personal items you would like to tie dye such as t-shirts or hats
Wednesday 17th April Excursion: National Railway Museum  Port Adelaide	Please arrive by: 8:30am Return Time: 3:30pm Menu: Afternoon Tea – Fruit Platter Standard 5.2.1 Collaborative learning: Children are supported to collaborate, learn from and help each other. Today we are off to the National Railway Museum at Port Adelaide. There will be many different trains to explore and learn about and we will also get to go a train ride through the museum.	Wednesday 24th April Excursion: Sports Day at The Pines 	Please arrive by: 9:00am Return Time: 4:00pm Menu: Afternoon Tea - Fruit Platter Quality Area 5.2.1 Collaborative Learning: Children are supported to collaborate, learn from and help each other. Strap on your running shoes and bring along your team spirit as The Pines host the Happy Haven Sports Day. Make sure to wear YELLOW to show your support for Vale Park! Will it be Vale Parks' turn to bring home the trophy home? There will be minute to win it games, individual challenges, team games and more.
Little Heroes Charity Event – 17th April - 6:00pm at the Salisbury Football Club Register at http://www.happyhaven.com.au/charitydinnerregistration/ Entry - Gold Coin Donation – See attached invitation for more information		Thursday 25th April 	Public Holiday: ANZAC Day CLOSED
Thursday 18th April Excursion: Latitude 	Please arrive by: 9:30am Return Time: 4:00pm Menu: Afternoon Tea - Fruit Platter Standard 1.1.2 Each child's current knowledge, ideas, culture, abilities and interests are the foundation of the program. Today we are heading off for an active adventure at Latitude, where children will be able to bounce, climb and explore everything the facility has to offer! Socks will be provided on the day at Latitude	Friday 26th April Excursion: Semaphore Cinemas 	Please arrive by: 9:00am Return Time: 4:00pm Menu: Afternoon Tea - Fruit Platter Standard 2.1.1 Wellbeing and comfort: Each child's wellbeing and comfort is provided for, including appropriate opportunities to meet each child's need for sleep, rest and relaxation. Today children can spend the day relaxing in the comfort of the Semaphore Cinema. Children will be able to choose between some of the latest movies. Make sure to pack lots of yummy snacks to enjoy while you're there! *movie choices will be made available on the day*
Friday 19th April 	Public Holiday: Good Friday CLOSED		

For further information on Happy Haven's Vacation Care Program please visit the link <https://www.happyhaven.com.au/wp-content/uploads/Vale-Park-April-2019.pdf>

All bookings need to be made with Happy Haven. They can be contacted on 0422 274 649

ROOM 15



The students in room 15 have made a great start to the year.

In Technologies students designed and made fashionable outfits using only newspaper and tape. They prepared scripts and music to accompany their parade. Some of these wonderful outfits were showcased at a school assembly.

In Science students have been learning about electrical circuits through making quiz boards and wire loop games and have summarised their learning through writing a practical report detailing their aim, materials, procedure and results.



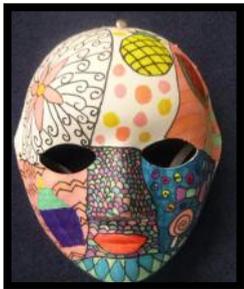
Other activities students have enjoyed include researching a famous Australian and making a model of the person, and making rain gauges which have used to measure and record rainfall.

Students have been learning what it means to be a global citizen and developing their intercultural understanding. Through this students have the opportunity to prepare a 'shoebox of love' which will be provided to an orphanage in Thailand. All students have written a letter for the boy or girl who will receive one of the boxes.



We recently celebrated International Women's Day in English by writing articles and creating newspaper front pages. The students also prepared questions and conducted an interview with an influential woman in their lives.

Room 18, Year 5



Art:

As part of the Growing for the Future program students had the opportunity to create a mask in class that represents them in some way. They all turned out fantastic as you can see from the pictures.



Swimming:

In week 6, students took part in swimming lessons at the local Payneham pool. They learnt survival swimming techniques, beach & river safety and other essential skills related to being safe in the water.



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SAKG KITCHEN?

It's certainly been a busy start to the year in Kitchen. We have been blessed by a bountiful harvest of summer and autumn produce from our garden. We have prepared dishes such as handmade fettuccine and gnocchi, vegetable frittata, spiced eggplant and cucumber salad, herb damper, peach muffins and peach cobbler (just to name a few!). It has been great to see so many students gain their "knife licence" this term.

We were very fortunate to have two new ovens installed in the kitchen during January, just in time to start our cooking year. The new ovens (and new fridge purchased last year) are a result of the successful fundraising of the SAKG program. A big thank you to all the students and volunteers involved in our fundraising events, and also to the wider school community for your support.

We will be busy during the next few weeks with a Harmony Day inspired menu, Sports Day preparations and finishing the term with a "Burgers and Bliss Balls" menu.

Please remember to visit our SAKG Sports Day Stall on Friday March 29th. We will be running a sausage sizzle as well as an SAKG menu (vegetarian options) and mini market stall. All proceeds will go directly to the SAKG program to fund the purchase of kitchen and garden equipment.

As mentioned in previous newsletters, the SAKG Program relies heavily on volunteers. Some of our kitchen and garden lessons have been particularly short on volunteer help this term. Without sufficient volunteers sometimes activities need to be reduced, modified or cancelled. If you would like to help in either the kitchen or garden please contact Lisa or Claire, or speak with your child's teacher. Grandparents and other family members are also very welcome to volunteer. Parents who volunteer ONLY in their own child's class do not need a Working With Children Clearance. All other volunteers need to have a clearance. ALL volunteers need to have completed RAN training for volunteers (this can be done online and takes around 90 minutes).

Donations of excess garden produce and kitchen staples are always gratefully accepted and well used. We have been fortunate to receive donations of flour, gluten free pasta, scrubbing brushes and egg cartons this term. Thank you to those kind donors for thinking of us!

If you ever have any questions about the program, or would like to know more about how you can help, please contact myself (Lisa.Hedges899@schools.sa.edu.au) or Claire (Claire.Creighton173@schools.sa.edu.au) anytime.

Happy Cooking and Gardening!

Lisa Hedges

VPPS SAKG Kitchen Specialist





PCW UPDATE

I hope you enjoyed your summer holidays with your families. My husband and I have four children of our own and we loved having a break from the school routine. With six of us at home, it can feel like a full house. To avoid too much screen time we worked on a deal where if they read a novel they get 40mins screen time, I can tell you it was pretty quiet! This is my second year here and I have qualifications ranging from counselling, mental health to business admin and accounting.



My Fam

'What's the buzz?' a social skills program, Parent's and Caregivers morning tea and our first yard play action team meeting will be commencing in week 7. I have various lunch and recess time activities on Tuesday's and Thursday's in the southern yard focusing on Lego and imaginative play. On Friday's at lunch I run craft in the library each week varying from origami, colouring, beading and felt play.



'Vale Park's Got Talent' will be happening again this year, auditions will start in term 3. Please encourage your children to start having a think about whether they would like to join in as term 2 would be a great time to start practising.

My role as Pastoral Care Worker includes:

- Pastorally support the school to be a safe learning environment
- Contribute through involvement in a range of activities such as mentoring, camp, excursions, and recess and lunchtime groups.
- Provide support to individual students with the consent of their parents.
- Link families to community resources and services by providing information about support and services provided through community groups, agencies and church groups.

Please email the school on dl.0967.info@schools.sa.edu.au if you do not consent your child to participate in any of the activities or small groups. Please do not hesitate to contact me for further information.



Bron Jory



CANTEEN NEWS

Come along to the Canteen to celebrate Harmony Day on Friday 22nd March. We are selling special orange treats – Orange Crisp Cookies, Carrot Muffins and our favourite 'Nice and Joosey' Orange ice blocks. Why not enter the Canteen Harmony Day Colouring-In Competition?

CELEBRATE HARMONY DAY

Enter the Canteen

Harmony Day Colouring-in Competition

Categories are: Reception and Year 1, Year 2 and 3, Year 4 and 5; Year 6 and 7.

Entries must have **your name and room number on the back** and need to be at the Canteen by lunchtime Wednesday 20th March.

Winners will be announced by Friday 22nd March

Canteen is open from 9.00am on Sports Day

There will be a selection of hot foods, cold drinks, snacks and ice blocks.
Vegetarian and gluten free available.

Xpresso coffee van available from 9.00am

The Baker's Stall will be operating at the canteen.

Come along and support your team.

Buy a treat in your team's colours.

Reminder: Bakers please deliver your special nut free treats to the canteen between 8.30-9.00am.

Please Note: The Canteen and SAKG Stall are cash only.

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE NEEDED ON SPORTS DAY

No clearance required

Please see Kathy or Angela at the Canteen to put your name down.





DRAGONBOATS SA

F I E R C E F A S T F U R I O U S

2019 AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL DRAGON BOAT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Bethany Wells-Parker on her selection for the South Australian State Junior team to compete at the National Championships in Canberra for the SA team known as The Dragonmites.

Bethany will represent South Australia at the National Championships held from 17th to 22nd April at Weston Park, Yarralumla (on Lake Burley Griffin) in Canberra.

Bethany is hoping to raise funds to support her first major event. All funds raised will help cover her travel and accommodation. We thank you in advance for any donations you make.

Please visit Bethany's Go Fund Me Page to assist her, even for a small donation will help her reach her target of \$1500.

[GOFUNDME.COM/MISS-BETTY-TO-THE-DRAGON-BOAT-NATIONALS](https://www.gofundme.com/miss-betty-to-the-dragon-boat-nationals)



Open Day

For prospective students
Wednesday 10th April 2019 9:00-11:00am and 5:00-8:00pm
 Principal's address and school tours during opening times

We specialise in:
 • Girls' Education
 • Gifted and Talented Program (GTT) Academic
 • Gifted and Talented Program (GTT) Dance
 • STEM Collaborative Inquiry

Parent Information Evenings

Thinking of enrolling your daughter in an all girls' school?

Mitcham Girls High School is an outstanding public school that is unique. We welcome interested families to join us at any of the following locations, from 5:00-7:00pm, to hear more about our wonderful school.

Wednesday 13th March Mitcham Memorial Library
 155 South Road, Torrens Park
Wednesday 20th March Woodcroft Marryat Vale Neighbourhood Centre
 175 Bates Road, Marryat Vale
Wednesday 27th March Papentans Community Centre
 574 Papentans Road, Papentans
Thursday 2nd April Mitcham Girls High School Performing Arts Centre

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R-12 OPEN NIGHT

21st March 2019

Principal's Address
 Resource Centre 6pm & 7pm
 each followed by College Tours

Charles Campbell College

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Waste Free Wednesdays

VALE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



Disability Policy and Programs PARENT FORUM

2019 SAVE THE DATE

PLEASE KEEP THESE DATES FREE FOR 2019

Parent Forums

To be held at the co-located site of Fulham Gardens Primary and the Special Education Resource Unit from 9:30am to 2:00pm

Term 1 Friday 22nd March

Term 2 Friday 21st June

Parent Conference

To be held at the Adelaide Hilton

Term 3 Wednesday 25th September

For parents and carers of children and young people with a disability at preschool or school



OPEN DAY

Demonstrating students' learning and showcasing our facilities

- Music and Arts Program
- Hospitality - Café and Commercial Kitchen
- Science and Technology Labs
- Sports Education Pathway
- Pedal Prix
- Early Years Program
- Primary Years Program

Wednesday 10th April 2019

4.30pm - 6.30pm

McKay Ave, Windsor Gardens

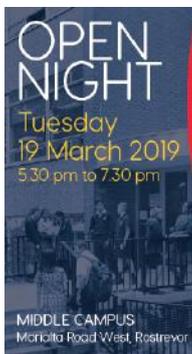
For more information please phone: 8261 2733

or visit: www.avenues.college.sa.edu.au

Families are invited to join a school tour of the Middle Campus to:

- Explore our exciting learning opportunities
- Discover our 2020 Special Interest Programs
- Hear about our new facilities
- Meet the Principal, Staff and Student Leaders

Visit us to see the Senior Campus 'in action'
 Tours at 11:00am and 1:00pm on Thursday 4 April 2019
 Register for the Senior Campus tour on 8364 2299.



MIDDLE CAMPUS
 Marilla Road West, Rostrevor 5073



Marryatville High School Special Interest Music Centre INFORMATION EVENING

Thursday 21 March 2019

7.00 - 8.00pm

The Forge Theatre
 Marryatville High School
 170 Kensington Road
 MARRYATVILLE

Information about the Special Interest Music Centre, course structures, curriculum and selection process.

For information about the event call 8304 8431



OPEN DAY FOR PROSPECTIVE YEAR 8 STUDENTS

TUESDAY MARCH 19TH 2019

2 hour programme (9:30 - 11:30am or 1:00 - 3:00pm or 5:00 - 7:00pm)
 Includes Application Information, Farm Tours and School Tours

Students wishing to enrol at Year 8 level in 2020 and their parents are invited to attend. Planning on the School Oval with access via only 10' air stairs. Placed to the Gym.

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Uniform Shop

Open Tuesday Mornings 8.30 - 9.15

Kristina: 0434 354 144

Mon - Fri 8am - 4.30pm