

NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 | WEEK 3 | FRIDAY 09/08/19

Korean Homestay Students

Last week, we welcomed 5 students from South Korea who have come to visit Vale Park Primary School for a 3 week study tour. John, Scott, Hong, Hannah and Chae Yun have thrown themselves into learning more about our school, students and Australian culture.

Highlights for students so far have included a visit to Latitude and Gorge Wildlife Park, making (and testing) rockets with Mr Hern and joining in with JP classes for different activities (including collage making, cooking in the kitchen and technology lessons).

The students are being hosted by Mia and Azzi, Ali, Charlotte, Alice and Orson, Will and Molly and Ethan and Lachlan. Thank you very much to these host families – all of the feedback we have received so far is very positive and we are pleased that it has been a great experience for both visitors and hosts.



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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 10/09

Principal Tours

Wednesday 21/08 Wednesday 25/09

All welcome & bookings are required

Pupil Free Day

Monday 02/09

Key Dates Term 3

16/08 - STEM Expo/Grandparents Day

21/08 - Active Travel Day

23/08 - Choir at Magic Millions & Deadline for Sport Forms

29/08 - Father's Day Stall (Day 1)

30/08 - Father's Day Stall (Day 2)

03/09 - Life Ed Commences & SACA Clinics

04/09 - Year 4 Camp Departs 05/09 - Volunteer Moring Tea

06/09 - Year 4 Camp Returns

11/09 - Life Ed Concludes

12/09 - Festival Theatre Rehearsal

14/09 - Choir Performance at Festival Theatre

17/09 - Year 5 Camp Departs

20/09 - Year 5 Camp Returns

27/09 - Last Day of Term 3

2:05pm Finish

growing for the future...











VALE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWS & UPDATES

VPPS Sunsafe Policy

Once again it's time for 'hats on'. Vale Park Primary School's Sunsafe Policy requires students to wear hats in Terms 1, 3 and 4. In the cooler months, hats will also be required if the UV level reaches 3 or above, therefore please ensure all students have a hat kept at school. Hats can be purchased from our uniform shop which is open on Monday mornings between 8:45 and 9:15am.

New Sports Coordinator

Congratulations to Rachael Lau who will be our Sports Coordinator from 2020. Rachael brings with her a wealth of knowledge and an extensive administration background. Angela Horseman will do a comprehensive handover with Rachael in Term 4 to prepare her for the role.

Term 3 Pupil Free Day

A reminder to the Vale Park community that Monday 2nd September is a Pupil Free Day.

School Payments

When making payments for students please note that each student must have their own signed consent form. Additionally, all cash payments must be enclosed in an envelope and must clearly show the student's name, classroom number, what the payment is for i.e. Ballart Camp, SAPSASA Netball how much money is enclosed i.e. \$5 or \$8.80.

A pack of ten payment envelopes can be purchased from the Front Office for \$1.

Arrival Time at Vale Park

A reminder that students are not permitted on the Vale Park Primary School grounds until 8:30am, unless they are enrolled in OSHC.

If you need to drop your student/s at Vale Park prior to 8:30am please contact Happy Haven OSHC to enrol them on 0422 274 649.

Parent/Caregiver Toilets

A reminder that student toilets are for students ONLY. If you are on the Vale Park grounds and need to use a toilet, please use the disabled toilets located next to the Canteen or in the entry way to Room 1. Please ask the Front Office or a staff member for assistance to locate the correct toilets to use.

Meeting with your child's class teacher

Please remember that it is important to make a mutually convenient time if you would like to meet with your child's classroom teacher. Teachers are very busy in the mornings and will not be able to give you their full attention to lengthy conversations. Teachers have a duty of care to students once they have opened their classroom doors for the day. Please email your child's teacher to arrange a time before or after school for these meetings. Alternatively, you can leave a message for your child's teacher at the office and they will call you back when they are able to.

Braving the Elements

To celebrate 150 years of the Periodic Table as part of the **International Year of the Periodic Table**, join the Royal Australian Chemical Institute (RACI) SA Branch's guest lecturer **Dr Peter Wothers** for an exciting and explosive journey through the elements.

This demonstration filled lecture will show you the genius of Mendeleev's discovery from Argon to Zinc. The show is suitable for ages 7+.

Duration of show: 60 - 75 minutes

Free show but book at:

https://peterwotherslecture.eventbrite.com.au

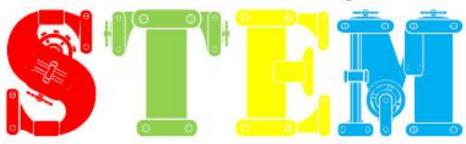
New Anti-Bullying Policy

To view the new Vale Park Anti-Bullying Policy please visit the following link: http://www.valeparkps.sa.edu.au/docs/Policies/AntiBullyingPolicy 2019 A4.pdf

Clothes Donations

The Front Office is seeking donations of <u>clean and good condition</u> pants in sizes 4-8. We don't require any other items at this stage.

Parents, Grandparents and Family Members; You are invited to attend the 2019 Vale Park Primary School



Showcase

Friday 16th August, 1:30pm - 3:00pm

Find out more about STEM learning at Vale Park Primary School

As we are expecting a large turnout, we ask families to please follow this schedule and plan your visit according to your surname;

SURNAME	A-M	N-Z
1:30 - 2:00	Gym	Classrooms
2:00 - 2:30	Classrooms	Gym
2:30 - 3:00	Library & Book expo	

The gym will host a massive display of STEM learning at Valle Park from Reception - Year 7.

Your child's classrooms will have activities, displays and children's work samples for you to see with your children.

A small sample of food from the SAKG Program will be served in the gym by Action Team members.

Book Expo

As part of the STEM showcase this year the library will have books for sale that you can donate to Vale park Primary School with your (grand) child's name in it.

These books will be available in the library, for viewing on the Thursday prior to the STEM showcase and available to purchase on the day. Certificates will be available to stick into the books as a lasting reminder of your child's time at the school.

There will also be information about 'Wipe out Waste' and how to reduce your lunch waste.

It is not necessary to sign in through the front office on this day

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ROOM 5

We have become warriors against waste.

Following the visit from KESAB in term 2 we have been passionately trying to reduce our waste. We have gone from using a 75L large bin to a small 10L waste paper bin. We are aiming for a 250ml bin by the end of term. We undertook some creative art work to show how oceans are being polluted with plastic waste. We also wrote some persuasive texts to encourage people to stop using soft plastic.



STEM/STEAM

We have taken our new found passion for the environment and sustainability and are undertaking a very exciting STEM project to help families become more sustainable. Room 13 are our buddies for this project and we have enjoyed working in small groups with them. We are looking forward to sharing our ideas at the STEM showcase on Friday 16th of August (week 4),

HASS

We undertook some investigations on flags which culminated in each student designing a flag to best represent our classroom community. The underlying themes which ran through the flag designs were friendship, kindness, harmony, belonging, community and love. It is heartwarming that is how the students feel about their classroom community.





Literacy

We are continuing sharing reading with our buddies from Room 16 to build up our reading stamina and fluency. The students really enjoy this special reading time. We are also undertaking the 40 nights of reading challenge, so please encourage nightly reading at home as there will be a class reward for participants. We are learning to write information reports. We will be undertaking some research and looking at the features of an information report.

Mathematics

We are learning to recognise, interpret and represent fractions.

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ROOM 12



Room 12 were very busy over the last few weeks of Term 2 and have definitely kept busy during the first few weeks of Term 3!

We have been busy brainstorming ways we can help the environment. We used the ideas we brainstormed to help us create individual S.M.A.R.T.A.R goals centered around helping the environment.

We love our beautiful new goals tree!







This week we were very lucky to have the Korean Homestay students come to Room 12 for a visit!

They joined in with our spelling rotations and Daily 5 activities. We enjoyed showing them around the classroom and working together on different activities.

Book Week &







Active Travel Day

Wednesday 21st August (Week 5)

It's that time of the term again! Active Travel Day is here! This term we are adding a special event, as Active Travel Day coolincides with Book Week! So to celebrate we are holding a

Decorated Bike or Scooter Competition

Decorate your bike, scooter or skateboard up in the theme of your favourite book or book character and ride it to school.

Each decorated bike, scooter or skateboard will earn you points for your values cup team. At recess time we will have a parade of the decorated bikes around the basketball court for the students to show their constructions to the school.

All students who walk, ride or scoot more than two blocks to school this day can see Mr Goldney or Miss Rivett when you arrive at school for your "Values Cup Points". It will be a "Wheely" good day!

Active Travel Day supports Vale Park PS involvement in the Way2Go project in conjunction with the Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure. We encourage all students to select active pathways to school every day.



Prizes









Prizes will be on offer for the

best decorated bikes and scoters

Can you represent a character or theme from a book

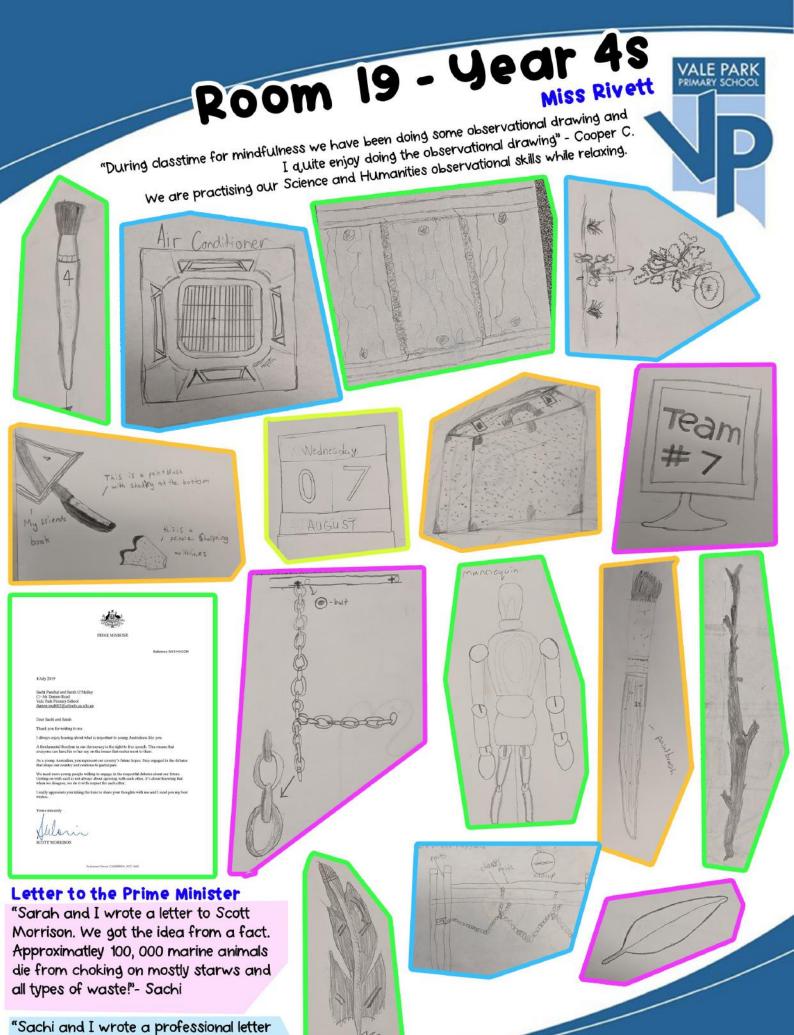
that you love to read? A book about dinosaurs, a pixie

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tale, or a monster truck could inspire your construction.

Additional prizes available for sustainably constructed

bike or scooter constructions.



to the Prime Minister of Australia. We got

a response form him too." - Sarah

SAPSASA SPORT

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SAPSASA Basketball

Congratulations to our boys team who won 5/5 games; and then won the Grand Final to finish in 1st place. They will now go to the State Finals against the top schools in the state. We wish them the best of luck in September when they play at Pasadena.

Well done to our girls team who won 3/5 games and finished in 3rd place out of 6 teams. Considering most of the players have a netball background and have had to adapt quickly to basketball, they did exceptionally well. Very proud of both teams and their excellent results.

SAPSASA Netball

Our girls team ventured down to Seaford for their Round 2 fixtures again All Saints Catholic Primary School and Eastern Fleurieu School. The girls did really well beating All Saints 45/5 but lost to Eastern Fleurieu 21/43. Eastern Fleurieu beat All Saints meaning Vale Park won't progress to the next stage of the competition.

Our boys team played Norwood Primary School & Parkside Primary School at Vale Park in their Round 2 fixture. Unfortunately Vale Pak lost to Norwood by 4 goals. Vale Park beat Parkside by 16 goals, but Norwood beat Parkside by 2 meaning that the boys team also wont proceed to Round 3.













CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen

Winter Warmer Special

Fish Bites

4 FOR \$2.00

Available **Week 4 and 5** at recess and lunch from the pie warmer or order through the QKR App.



Reminder: Cutlery is available to purchase from the Canteen if you have left yours at home. Cost 5c per piece. If you are unable to pay on the day an account will be sent home at the end of term.

Please note: The canteen supplies cutlery with all of the meals that we sell.



THE FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE IS HOLDING A FATHER'S DAY STALL FOR THE STUDENTS TO PURCHASE A GIFT FOR THE SPECIAL MEN IN THEIR LIVES.

EACH CLASS WILL BE ALLOCATED A SHOPPING TIME ON

THURSDAY 29TH AUGUST OR FRIDAY 30TH AUGUST

GIFTS AND CARDS ARE AVAILABLE FROM \$1 TO \$8



Children's Book Council of Australia (CBCA): **Book Week 2019**



Every year, the CBCA brings children and books together to celebrate Australian children's literature. From the stories and illustrations, to favourite bookshops and of course, our amazing network of public libraries. This year's theme is: Reading is my secret power. All the nominated books

will be on display in the Walkerville Library during Book Week and there will be a special arts activity for children to draw their own secret power and put their creations on display.

Saturday 17 August -Friday 23 August 2019

www.cbca.org.au/cbca-





Felixstow Community School is pleased to welcome back Madhavi Nawana Parker, behaviour consultant and published author, to run series of three parent workshops in 2019. Topics covered over the three nights include:

Supporting young people to regulate their emotions and increase resilience

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- · Wellbeing
- Anxiety
- · Positive behaviour support

These workshops are free to parents and friends in the Felixstow Partnership of schools thanks to a Parent Initiatives in Education grant, however spaces are limited so bookings are required.

Term 3, Week 4, Thursday 15th August Term 3, Week 9, Thursday 19th September

Term 4, Week 6, Thursday 21st November Time:

Where: Felixstow Community School (5 - 11 Briar Road, Felixstow, SA, 5070) Cost: FREE to attend Creche: A creche is available, please book in your child/ren when registering to

attend using the email below. Cost is \$2 per child.

Please email Chantal with your name and the number of people attending Chantal.rainsford418@schools.sa.edu.au

For further information please call 8365 7183

Facebook: Solutions for kids www.madhavinawana.com.au www.theresilienceandwellbeingtoolbox.com.au







pack a waste-free lunch

Waste Free Wednesdays



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Creating a positive experience online for all Australian families.

the Carly Ryan foundation.

Parent

Online Safety

Presentation

Presented by Sonya Ryan, CEO

St Martin's

Catholic Primary

Community Centre

66-80 Princes Rd, Greenacres

Wednesday 21st August 2019

7.00pm

The presentation explores

Online Safety Opportunities vs risks

Opportunities vs risks
Privacy settings
Awareness
Managing self
Emotional intelligence
Resilience
Critical thinking

Understanding the law Image based abuse Respectful relationships Communication Practical guidance

Connection to support services

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Wipe out Waste www.wow.sa.gov.au

Fill a plastic bottle with small plastic items.

Clean plastic items that are too small to be picked off the recycling conveyor line can be contained in a plastic bottle then placed in the recycling bin.





Contact Phone Numbers

OSHC: (after 3pm) 8266 0439

Mobile: 0422 274 649

Uniform Shop

Open Monday Mornings 8.45 - 9.15

Kristina: 0434 354 144 Mon - Fri 8am - 4.30pm

Vale Park Pre School: 8261 0228



PARENTS AND FAMILIES ARE THE DIFFERENCE THAT MATTERS

FREE COMMUNITY FORUM

Thursday 22nd August 2019, 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm Education Development Centre, 4 Milner Street, Hindmarsh

Click here to register



KEYNOTE SPEAKER: PROFESSOR MARTIN WESTWELL









