Week 5  Term 3 – Wednesday 19th August 2015

Reconciliation Week

Errappa Camp

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Department for Education and Child Development

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Late last week Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 NAPLAN Reports were sent home via the post. Each family with a child who participated in the 2015 NAPLAN assessment program will have received two reports; the National Individual Student Report and the South Australian supplementary Individual Student Summary Report.

It is important to note that the NAPLAN reports achievement in relation to your child having met the National Minimum Standard in the aspects of Reading, Writing, Grammar and Punctuation, Spelling and Numeracy. At the school level, we also reference their achievement to the DECD Standards of Educational Achievement. If you have questions about your child’s performance, I encourage you to contact your child’s teacher/s to arrange a time to discuss your questions. For students in year 9, discussion of their NAPLAN results will be part of the subject counselling process.

This week has once again been a busy one. A number of our Year 8 and 9 students are attending the ERRAPPA Camp at Iron Knob and our choir have been to Adelaide to attended Magic Millions and continue to prepare for their performance at Festival Theatre on Tuesday 8th September. I look forward to hearing from the students about these events.

On Tuesday 25th August the Amazing Race will be held at the school. This year the race will involve both Literacy and Numeracy tasks. Each station has a task that draws on the student’s literacy and/or numeracy skills and understandings that must be completed before progressing to the next station. The first team that successfully completes all stations wins the race.

This event will involve all students from Reception to Year 9 and the children from the Ardrossan and Districts Kindergarten. Year 10 and 11 students will assist on the day on the various stations and act as guides. To ensure that the race has adequate time for completion prior to lunch, recess will occur earlier than usual. Parents and Friends are cooking a free sausage sizzle that will be available at the conclusion of the race. Thank you to P and F for their continued support of the school.

I look forward to seeing parents, carers and friends of the school on the day, cheering the students on.

In our last newsletter I informed you that in week 5 of term 4 Ardrossan Area School will participate in an External School Review. As part of our continuous school improvement we will be involved in an external school review with a review panel. The purpose of external school reviews is to support schools to raise achievement, sustain high performance and provide quality assurance to build public confidence in government schools.

All government schools will be externally reviewed over the next four year period.

The focus of the review is to evaluate schools’ performance.

*How well does the school improve achievement, growth, challenge, engagement and equity?*

The external school review will be held at our school on Monday 9th November and Tuesday 10th November. The review panel consists of a review officer and a trained review principal. We will find out the aspects of the school’s performance which have been validated through the review processes as well as the improvements that we need to make in the future.

During the external school review, some students, parents, governing council members and staff will be asked to provide information to the review panel in a number of ways. These include:

- individual interviews
- focus group discussions (with students or staff or parents)
- meetings (usually governing council, staff meeting)
- observations of student learning

We appreciate your support and time in helping us with this external school review process. Please complete the reply slip below and return to the front office by if you do **not** want your child to participate.
If you would like more information please contact Karen Bond on 88373025

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**EXTERNAL SCHOOL REVIEW PROCESS**

**NAME:**

I **do not** want my child ………………………………… to be involved in the external school review discussions.

Name: ……………………………………………… Signed: ……………………………

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On the 2nd of August the state hockey team woke up at 4:30am to get to the airport by 5:00am to catch a plane to Perth. The trip was long and boring but we lasted. When the team landed in Perth at 9:30am we collected our bags. We drove 10 minutes up the highway to our apartment called West Beach Lagoon we found out that there was a pool that was cold but lucky there was a spa. We went up to our rooms and settled in. After a few hours we had to get ready for the Opening Ceremony at the Western Australian hockey stadium. All the states were there except for the Northern Territory. After the ceremony there was a hockey game on so most of the team stayed to watch some of the Australian players. We also had to wait for Archer’s brother Fergus who was in an umpire meeting. After that we went back to the apartments and prepared for the week ahead.

On Monday we played NSW. Archer was selected to captain that game. The whistle blew and the team was nervous for our first game. Bradley intercepted a pass and ran down, dragged the goalie and scored within the 1 minute of the game. The team was happy and excited but ended up losing the game 2-1. We all put in 100%.

On Wednesday we went to the Fremantle jail for an excursion. The team went around in a big group and it was a fun and amazing day. After the jail we went down to the Fremantle footy oval and watched Fremantle train. Then we went up to Kings Park. It had a lovely view of the city.

Thursday we played Queensland at 9:00am we played really well as a team but ended up losing 3-1. Later on in the day we played Australian Capital Territory. The score at half time was 1-0 ACT’s way, but we came out firing in the second half and scored a goal to draw the game 1-1. The team was relieved.

Friday we had only one game against Victoria. We knew it would be a tough game because they were undefeated. The score at half time was 4-0 and the end score was 9-0 Vic’s way. We stayed until the closing ceremony and then went back to our motel to relax after the big week. By Archer and Bradley

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**State SAPSASA Hockey news**

**THE ARDROSSAN AREA SCHOOL AMAZING RACE**

**Who:** Kindergarten—Year 9

**What:** Literacy & Numeracy Challenges

**When:** Tuesday 25th August 2015

Commencing at 10.45am

Free Sausage Sizzle, provided by Parents & Friends

at 12.30pm

**Where:** Ardrossan Area School

**Why:** Have fun, learn something, be active

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**From the Deputy’s Desk…**

**Amazing Race:** The AAS Amazing Race will be held next Tuesday. We are still seeking parent volunteers to assist with the running of the event. If you are able to assist, please advise your child’s class teacher. Parents, family members and friends are invited to come along and encourage the students as they participate in the challenges.

Note this year, the Parents & Friends are providing a Free sausage sizzle for students, following the race. Thank you to Parents and Friends for their support.

**Interviews:** Information regarding R-6 interviews will be forwarded home next week. Interviews will be held on Monday 7th, Tuesday 8th and Wednesday 9th September.

**PAT Assessments:** This year we will be conducting online PAT assessments for Reading Comprehension (Years 2-10), Mathematics (Years 1-10), Vocabulary (Years 3-10) and Punctuation & Grammar (Years 3-10). The assessments will be undertaken during Week 9 (14th - 18th September).

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**SACE Information Night**

This is an important night for all Year 9, 10 & 11 students and their families. It will be held on Wednesday 26th August at 6pm in the senior learning area.
**Merit Cards - Week 3, Term 3**

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**August**

18th
- Reception – Gym Jams
- Magic Millions – Choir
- Whole school assembly @ 2:40pm. Hosted by Yr 9
- Amazing Race
- SACE Information evening 6pm

21st
- Whole school assembly @ 2:40pm. Hosted by Yr 9
- Amazing Race
- SACE Information evening 6pm

25th
- Amazing Race
- SACE Information evening 6pm

26th
- Amazing Race
- SACE Information evening 6pm

**September**

4th
- **SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY**

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**Yorke Peninsula Drug Awareness Evening**

“empowering our community to say NO to drugs”

Wednesday August 26th

6pm start

CY Cougars Football Clubrooms, Maitland

Speakers include:

- Kate Amoroso - mother of three, former sports woman and model, former ‘ice’ addict tells how she has reclaimed her life
- Dr Tim Bromley - Medical HQ Maitland
- Karyn Hodson - DASSA
- Christopher Goulding - Psychologist
- SAPOL available to answer any questions

FREE ENTRY

LIGHT TEA PROVIDED

BAR FACILITIES FOR PURCHASE OF DRINKS

GOLD COIN FOR TEA/COFFEE

RAFFLE

Please RSVP interest to Lindi Brokeshire on 0417588526 or Megan Sayers on 0439859396 to assist in catering. Tables of 10 available for those who RSVP, sitting or standing room for arrivals on the night.

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**Jump Rope for Heart 2015**

Once again AAS has decided to undertake the highly popular JUMP ROPE FOR HEART fundraiser - which will be run on the 1st Friday of Term 4 (Oct 16th).

R-7 students will all receive sponsorship booklets by Friday to start fundraising. A great way to do this is online, relevant details are listed on the booklets. In addition to this, the first 15 students to raise $30 (online only) will receive a mystery prize. Posters will go up in primary classrooms outlining all prizes and the jump off date. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact Mr Lawless at school.

**Andrew Lawless, Physical Education**

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**East Coast Basketball Club**

**AGM**

Tuesday August 25th

7.30pm at Clubrooms

Players, parents of juniors, supporters all welcome.

We will require umpires and coaches for all teams this year.

Names of interested players unable to attend to Lisa Cooney 0409 512 501, Tammy Haylock 0459 157 238.

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**Ardrossan Tennis Club**

**AGM**

Monday August 24th

7.30pm at Clubrooms

Players, parents of juniors, supporters all welcome.

Names of interested junior players aged 5-15 to Andrea Kuhndt at the school or Petrina Winen 0457757359

Any apologies or interested senior players names to Andrea Kuhndt 0417405187 or Paul Roads 0419039872

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**Kids club 28th August - Bonfire at Petersville Hall. Meet at the Ardrossan Uniting Church Hall at 4pm**