Winner of the 2015 AAS Sports Day is VINCENT!
Above with the shield are Vincent House Captains: Ebony Wheare, Georgia Stratton, Brooke Ottey, Samantha Whalan & Tyson Crowell

Congratulations!
Congratulations to both the Vincent and Yorke teams on their efforts, commitment and enthusiasm at yesterday's Sports Day. It was fantastic to witness the participation of so many students in events and to hear their team mates cheering them on. Congratulations to all participants, the winners of events, the many new record holders and this year's winning team; Vincent. I would also like to take this opportunity to commend the leadership shown by all House Captains and Vice Captains: Hannah Goldsworthy, Seb Lee, Shekia Bockmann, Rebecca Rowntree, Paige Flutey, Aiden Erfurth for Yorke and Brooke Ottey, Georgia Stratton, Samantha Whalan, Tyson Crowell and Ebony Wheare for Vincent. Well done to each of you.

To our senior students and to a number of our staff, thank-you for the example you set in the friendly competition through your involvement in a relay race and the Wheel and Ball. Congratulations to the students in winning the Wheel and Ball challenge. To the staff team of Aimee Nixon, Katie Hocking, Patrick Clark and Andrew Lawless, congratulations on winning the relay race with a time of 1.00. 67 compared to 1.01.95. Fortunately they weren't competing against the Open Boys team with a time of 58.59!

A day such as this does not happen without the hard work, dedication and support of many. Thank-you to Mr Andrew Lawless, Mr Mick Byrne and Mrs Pat Stone for their considerable efforts in the lead up to and on the day. To all other staff and to the many parents who helped out, thank-you also. Thank-you to our Parents and Friends Committee for their efforts in catering and to Mrs Eden and her Home Economics classes for the provision of the many cupcakes sold on the day. Ardrossan Area School would also like to thank Mr Mark Carter for the provision of the large marque, the Wheare family for the use of the truck to transport equipment and to the many sponsors that donate trophies and Federation cups for our winners.

This Friday will be the first of our student free days for 2015. The focus of the day will be updating the school's pastoral care program with particular reference to the Child Protection Curriculum. Several of our new teachers will be attending Child Protection Curriculum training at Yorketown Area School.

In our last newsletter I asked for students who may be interested in being part of the Japanese Exchange program in collaboration with Maitland Area School to please see me. I have had 2 students register their interest. I would appreciate hearing from any other students in Years 8 to 11 who are interested in hearing more about this opportunity by the end of week 7. Please note that this expression of interest is not a commitment, it is a request for more information.

As we move into autumn, more students are arriving at school wearing jumpers or jackets. Thank-you to many of our families for ensuring that their child/children are wearing the school uniform winter top of either the long sleeve rugby jumper or the windcheater. For those that have perhaps discovered that their child has outgrown last year's jumper or windcheater, the school has new tops available for purchase and a limited number of second hand tops are available. Donations of clean uniforms in good repair are most welcome.

I remind parents/carers that on Monday 16th March the Governing Council is scheduled to meet. The meeting will start at 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start and will be held in the staff room. Four more members are still required; therefore I invite interested parents/carers and friends of the school to attend this meeting and consider nominating for Governing Council.

For those parents/carers interested in being involved in the school in another way, please consider attending the Parents and Friends Annual General Meeting scheduled for Thursday 26th March. This AGM will be held in the Library, starting at 9:00am. Parents, carers and interested community members are welcome to attend.

Regards,

Karen Bond
Principal
GRIP Leadership Conference
On Thursday 26th February we went to the Adelaide Entertainment Centre for the primary GRIP Leadership Conference with around 1000 other students from schools across SA. The day involved activities to help us understand how to become good leaders, to listen to other people and to be generous. For some activities we had to get up and ask kids from other schools questions and other activities had one student from each school at the front of the room. Our favourite part of the day was the ‘loud noises’ sessions because we got to be really loud. It was a good experience for us and we learnt lots.

by Archer, Kimberly, Lachlan and Paige

Thank you to Ardrossan Foodland who are donating a box of fresh fruit each fortnight. The fruit will be distributed by the SRC on Thursday mornings of even weeks.
**Ardrossan Kids’ Club**

**Term 1 Dates**
- **Friday, 13th March**
  @ Ardrossan Foreshore
- **Friday, 27th March**
  @ Ardrossan Uniting Church Hall

Meet Kids’ Club Leaders by the Library at 3.05 pm. Collection at 5 pm.
Consent forms are available from Eric, Miss Eglinton or the Library (next to Eric’s letterbox).

Join our Facebook group Ardrossan Kids’ Club to receive information about events.

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**AAS Calendar**

**March**
- **6th**  
  Student Free Day
- **9th**  
  Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
- **13th**  
  Whole school assembly 2:40pm in the Gym
- **25th**  
  Secondary Interschool @ Maitland AS
- **26th**  
  SVP Combined Primary Sports day @ Maitland AS
- **27th**  
  Junior school assembly 2:40pm in the Gym

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**Merit Cards - Week 4**

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**Ardrossan Football Club**

Parents and Players information session and training.
U12’s & Junior Colts
Thursday, March 12th at 4.00pm at Oval

Trainings will now be 4pm to 5.30pm
Information on how the U12’s and Junior Colts will be run and organised for the 2015 season

BBQ Tea and Drinks will follow
Any questions or Queries
Gav Moore 0426854407

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**YP Futsal - (Indoor Soccer)** Team nominations are now open. Games are held Wednesday nights in the Minlaton Basketball Stadium. To obtain a copy of a team nomination form please visit [www.ypfutsal.org.au](http://www.ypfutsal.org.au) or contact your previous club. Team Nominations CLOSE 2nd April. Please contact the YP Futsal Secretary, Tammy Greenwood for any further information or available team enquiries on 0403691115 or at [yp.futsal@yahoo.com.au](mailto:yp.futsal@yahoo.com.au)

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**Ardrossan Netball Club – Junior Training**

Training Dates and Times are as follows:-

**E Grade** (DOB 2000/2001) – Thursday, 5.00pm to 6.00pm 05/03/15

**F Grade** (DOB 2002/2003) – Thursday, 4.30pm to 5.30pm 05/03/15

**G Grade** (DOB 2004/2005) – Thursday, 4.30pm to 5.30pm 26/03/15

**H Grade** (DOB 2006/2007) – Thursday, 3.30pm to 4.30pm 26/03/15

**Net Set Go** – will commence in Term 2 for 5-8 year olds

Any queries or concerns please contact Petrina Winen 0457757359 or Renee Teakle 0407189766.

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**Junior Golf**

Will recommence on Sunday 15th March at 10am. Any new or interested juniors are more than welcome. Enquiries please phone Helen Jacobs 88373959