From The Principal

Leaders facilitate the learning journeys of those they work with; managers buy their staff the package tour.

Harry

Data

The School has a variety of student data available, collected either centrally or internally for use by the School. Currently, student achievement data collected by the School comes from a variety of sources: NAPLAN (Years 3/5/7) in literacy and numeracy, PAT-R (4/5/6/7 literacy), PAT-M (4/5/6/7 numeracy), Running Records (R/1/2 Junior Primary literacy) and Australian Early Development Census (AEDC – Preschool). Our Tatiara-Wrattonbully Partnership has negotiated the use of the MARKiT program to draw data together for easier use by our teachers and improve accessibility for appropriate use. By doing this, teachers will develop a greater understanding of each child’s learning requirements and developmental needs. This should result in specifically targeted teaching to improve student learning outcomes. Teachers at our school are currently trialling the use of this tool and will complete implementation of all relevant data collection by the end of year.

SAPSASA District News

Several of our students have been selected for District Softball competition. Our after-school program over many years facilitates the large number of our students who are chosen to compete in this sport. Congratulations to the boys (Ben Frick, Brad Hayes, Brody Hazel) and girls (Emily Fretwell, Jayde Fretwell, Poppy Moyle-Read) who have earned selection in the Upper South East SAPSASA District team for the State Softball Carnival from 4th to 8th April. Last week the State SAPSASA Swimming Championships were held at the Marion Aquatics Centre. Participants from our School included Maddi Bryson, William Charlick, Patrick Fraser, Karla McCarthy and Poppy Moyle-Read. Several personal bests were recorded and the District competed favourably against much larger Districts from across the State.

In Athletics, Kieron Hicks has conducted two evening clinics and standards trials prior to SAPSASA District Athletics trials. The following students have reached or exceeded the expected standard for various events and will represent the School at the District Athletics Trials in Keith on 30th March. They are Maddi Bryson, Will Charlick, Patrick Fraser, Amelia Frick, Ben Frick, Brad Hayes, Ella Longbottom, Hayden Longbottom, Karla McCarthy and Poppy Moyle-Read. We congratulate these student athletes and wish each well as they compete in Keith.

Buses

A recent event highlights the importance of early notification of changes to routine regarding bus destinations for students after school. Let me be clear, when this School has success it is shared by all, but when something goes amiss it stops on my desk. Having said that, I now believe we have clarity regarding protocols for our students regarding information flows from the School Office to the bus drivers and this is reciprocated by each driver with relevant staff members at the school.

Traffic near the School

This time of year always presents greater traffic volumes past the school. For clarification the speed limit within the school zone is 25 kilometres per hour when children are outside the school gate. When children are at school (and in the playground), but not outside the school gates, the speed limit within the school zone is 50 kilometres per hour. Of course, at all times, common sense should guide our driving routine when near the school.

Staff News

The Australian Council for Educational Leaders (ACEL), South Australia Branch, recently informed the School that Olivia English has
Help children ask for what they want. It means they don’t throw tantrums, whinge, and sulk or expect parents to guess what’s on their minds. While we need to be patient with toddlers, we need also to give older children the chance and opportunity to ask for what they want. Sometimes we need to ignore shrugs and grunts and expect them to articulate their wishes. This is the basis of civil behaviour, as well as a basic human skill.

2. Sharing
Sharing is a basic social skill. Developmentally, very young children like to keep their possessions themselves. As they get older and move into Preschool and beyond, the notion of sharing becomes a prerequisite for playing with and forming relationships with others. Other children like to play and be with those who share their time, possessions and space with them. Sharing is the start of empathy as it shows sensitivity to other people’s feelings.

3. Holding a conversation
Holding conversations with others is a lifetime friendship skill. Conversations require self-disclosure, which can be challenging for some children. Good conversationalists give of themselves, but also take an interest in the person they are talking to. Many children forget that good conversations are two-way events, and tend to focus solely on themselves. Children within conversations need to learn to ask good or interesting questions, to take turns when speaking and to show you are listening by making eye contact and not interrupting.

For more great Parenting tips go to – parentingideas.com.au

Michael Grosse – Parent Educator

Harry

Positive Partnerships
Positive Partnerships will be running a completely new model workshop for both Parents/Carers and Teachers in Mt Gambier on Wednesday 29th June 2016. The one day workshop is focused on working together to support students on the autism spectrum. The workshop is part of a national program funded by the Australian Government Department of Education and Training through the Helping Children with Autism Package.

Please contact the School if you are interested in attending. 

Harry

Fundraising News
Padthaway Primary rallied together to help the Easter Bunny out this year, with him not needing to deliver quite as much chocolate to the following lucky people who won prizes in this year’s Easter Raffle:

1st Karla McCarthy
2nd Eddie Brooksy
3rd Joan Ogden
4th Ariane Goldinch *
5th Bradley Hayes

The baskets were full to the rim of delicious chocolates, so be sure to enjoy…in moderation of course. In total, we raised a whopping $685.50 through the selling of raffle tickets and donations, which would not be possible without everyone’s efforts so thank you very much to all who contributed.

What a stellar start to fundraising for 2016. We look forward to many more fun fundraising events that we have planned throughout the year so stay tuned!

Thank you again Fundraising Committee
*There’s photographic evidence Mr Long drew all prize recipients…it wasn’t rigged 😊*

Ariane Goldfinch, Coordinator
**SRC News**

**Young Leaders Day**
On Tuesday 22nd March our SRC and reserve leaders attended the National Young Leaders Day in Adelaide. The speakers were Nathan “Dubsy” Want (youth speaker), Dylan Parker (paper plane pilot – the Paper Planes movie was based on his story), Manal Younus (story teller, poet, national finalist young Australian of the Year) and Leonie McKeon (intercultural communication expert). We all found their stories very inspiring. They had many good quotes: “Small things add up over time,” “Your story is defined by what you do in life,” “It’s not difficult, it’s just different”. The topic this year was ‘Master the Little’ – explaining what this means is that the small things you do in life add up over time but you might not see the changes right away.

*Maddi Bryson, Bradley Hayes, Poppy Moyle-Read*

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**SAPSASA News**

**Swimming**
On Friday 18th March Patrick Fraser, Karla McCarthy, Will Charlick, Poppy Moyle-Read and Maddi Bryson competed in the SAPSASA Swimming Championships held at the Marion Aquatic Centre. They competed in the following events:

- Patrick – 11 Year Old Boys 50m breaststroke and freestyle
- Karla – 11 Year Old Girls 50m breaststroke

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**Old Scholar News**

**Athletics**
Lara Brown has excelled during the recent Naracoorte High School Standards Day in preparation for the School’s annual Sports Day. Her athletic performance in multi-disciplines was awarded with best overall girls’ performance on the day. At Sports Day William Brown won the perpetual Peter Herold Trophy in the open 100 metres.

*Will Charlick*

**Rowing**
Alex McCarthy was a crew member of the First VIII Seymour Rowing team that won Head of the River on 12th March 2016.

Seymour won by several boat lengths, rowing the team’s best time on the day. They were the favourite team on the day. They also won the State Championships the weekend before. Seymour has not won Head of the River since 2009 when another Padthaway past student Rachel Brown was a crew member.

Alex competed in Sydney at the National Rowing Championships on Sunday. The Seymour team came sixth in the final of the First A Grade Schoolgirls Coxed VIII.

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**PSW Spot**
This weekend I will be celebrating what has been called ‘The Main Event’. And, no, it’s not the start of the AFL season! As a Christian the event recognised over the Easter weekend is the very basis of our faith – without it we have no basis of our faith. Want to know more? Churches throughout the World will celebrate on Easter Sunday; they will first of all relive the agony of Gethsemane on Thursday night and Good Friday. Locally there is a ‘Tenebrae’ service at 7.00 pm on Thursday night and on Sunday the Celebration service to which you are most welcome.

Hot cross buns are meant for eating on Good Friday and the eggs should wait until Sunday although both have been in the shops almost since Christmas! An excellent children’s resource is www.lostsheep.com.au with lots of stories to download. Great Easter stories are Dave the Donkey which the children at school will see at Christian Outreach on Thursday and two new ones based around Peter the fisherman called Peter and the Big Breakfast and Peter and the Rooster. Easter is also a popular time for a camping trip and the weather is looking almost perfect for this. I am sure whatever happens both staff and students will be re-energised by the four day break.

Cheers, Stephen

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**Tuck Day**

**Reminder**
29th March (Week 9)
Hot Chicken and Gravy Rolls

*Helper*
Megan Charlick

*[Kim Doecke – watermelon wedges]*
5th April (Week 10)
Crunchy Crisp Fish Fillet Wraps
Helpers
Ariane Goldfinch
Kate McGregor
[Cate Orton – muffins]

Please note bracketed person to supply muffins only.

Kim Doecke, Tuck Day Coordinator
Ph 0488 190 972

Community News

Padthaway Playgroup
Dates for Term 1 2016: Friday Week 10 (8th April).
For more information contact Kylie Pethybridge on 0417 862 861.

Padthaway Medical Clinic
The Padthaway Medical Clinic will be open every Tuesday from 10.00 am – 12.00 pm or until the last appointment.
Please contact Keith Surgery on 8755 1766 to make appointments.
Immunisation and all Health checks are available.

Padthaway Uniting Church Easter Services
Thursday night 7.00 pm Tenebrae service – a short contemplative ‘Service of Darkness’ (the word tenebrae comes from the Latin for darkness or shadows).
Sunday 10.00 am Easter Day service – Jesus is risen!

Kim Doecke
Secretary, Uniting Church

Naracoorte United Soccer Club
For those interested in joining the Club, the training sessions are as follows:
Under 12 & Under 14 – Every Wednesday 4pm to 5pm
A & Reserve Grade & Under 17 – Every Tuesday and Thursday 6pm to 8pm.
Please feel free to contact us if any further information is required.

Dominique Armoogum
NUSC Secretary

Community Art Framework
Input is being sought on how you would like to see art incorporated into the community across the Council area.
You can have your say by completing the Community Art survey online at https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/NLCC_CommunityArtsSurvey
The survey is available on Council’s website under community consultation or paper versions are available from Council offices, the Naracoorte Public Library and the Naracoorte Art Gallery.
DeGaris Place (Box 555), Naracoorte, SA 5271
Phone 08 8760 1100
Email council@nlc.sa.gov.au
Web www.naracoortelucindale.sa.gov.au

Migrant Resource Centre of South Australia

The Migrant Resource Centre of South Australia is the leading settlement service agency in South Australia. We are seeking applications from experienced multi-skilled professionals who have human services qualifications to provide community services to migrants and refugees in the Limestone Coast.

Multicultural Community Services Officer

In the first instance, a casual contract of 7 hours over 2 days per week until 30 July 2016

Based in the Naracoorte Migrant Resource Centre

To obtain a copy of the job and person specification contact
Victoria Bannon, General Manager
on (08) 8217 9544 or email victoria@mrcsa.com.au

Please forward via email a covering letter addressing the job and person specification, a current CV, and the name, address and contact number of three referees to victoria@mrcsa.com.au

Applications close: 5.00pm Friday 1 April 2016.
All applications will be kept strictly confidential.
For more information on the MRCSA, visit www.mrcsa.com.au
AAIC INVITES MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY TO ATTEND:

A PUBLIC FORUM ON ICE AND OTHER DRUGS

WEDNESDAY 13TH APRIL 2016 AT 7PM
AT: WESLEY HALL, UNITING CHURCH (CNR FOSTER & LOVEDAY STREET)

For further information, contact AAIC on 87 5665 6063 /
admin@australiananticecamapign.org.au

TOPICS PRESENTED
AAIC IN-SCHOOL & COMMUNITY EDUCATION & AWARENESS OF THE DRUG ICE AND ITS EFFECTS ON OUR COMMUNITY
OPTIMAL HEALTH GROUP - DUAL DIAGNOSIS TRAINING
PROVIDING COMMUNITY TRAINING FOR EARLY INTERVENTION AND FAMILY SUPPORT GROUPS
DETOX, COUNSELLING AND TREATMENT
RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION

GUEST SPEAKERS ALSO INCLUDE POLICE, SOCIAL & PERSONAL MANAGEMENT LEADERS, SUPPORT SERVICE PROVIDERS, MEDICAL STAFF & COMMUNITY MEMBERS

EDUCATION IS PREVENTION.
KNOW WHAT ICE IS, WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE, HOW IT AFFECTS THE BRAIN... HOW TO HELP A LOVED ONE
WITH THE INCREASING AFFECTS OF ICE IN OUR COMMUNITY, KNOW THE FACTS
AND HELP EDUCATE YOUR LOVED ONES BEFORE ITS TOO LATE.

LET'S UNITE TO CURE THIS EPIDEMIC
TOGETHER WE CAN
“PUT THE FREEZE ON ICE”
www.australiananticecamapign.org.au

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Supporting Children’s Learning

TAFE SA Education Support team is offering short courses to assist parents and caregivers to develop and encourage their child’s learning.

We have available for you to attend a variety of short courses designed to share with you specific skills to assist with supporting your child’s learning. These short courses are being run using video conference technology—allowing you to participate at a TAFE SA campus near you, and are facilitated by highly experienced educators. Gain valuable skills and confidence over a range of topics. To apply for one or more short course please click directly on the following link Short courses guide.

(Alternatively type the following web address into your internet browser: http://www.tafesa.edu.au/courses/education-languages/library-teaching-support.aspx)

Education Support Program – Creating better opportunities for our children to grow through inspired educators, supporting futures and strong communities

For more information about short courses – or nationally accredited qualifications - contact the program at education@tafesa.edu.au
SA ATHLETICS ACADEMY

STARTING SUNDAY, 10TH APRIL 2016

LOCATION: SA Athletics Stadium, 145 Railway Terrace, Mile End 5031
SQUADS: Bronze, Silver and Gold
TIMES: Gold (9am-2pm), Silver (9am-12:30pm), Bronze (9am-12:30pm)

WHY SHOULD YOU BE INVOLVED?
1. Open to all athletes from 9-11 years old.
2. Commitment of only once Sunday a month for 8 months.
3. Catered for all athletes - beginners to elite.
4. Coaching delivered by highly skilled and experienced coaches in all track and field events to improve the athletes overall athletic ability.
5. Educational theory sessions for Silver and Gold Squads.

FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO REGISTER VISIT:
sala.org.au/SAAthleticsAcademy
athleticssa.com.au/SAAthleticsAcademy

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Essentials for Coaching Children

Accessing a Course

About the course
The Essentials for Coaching Children is a practical, interactive, brief survival course for coaches. The three-hour course aims to give new or aspiring coaches of any age the basic skills, knowledge and tips needed to provide an effective, enjoyable sporting experience for the children or youth they coach.

Course Content
- Coaching Children
  - Who do children play sport, why do they play? What makes a great and not-so-great coach?
- Your Coaching Philosophy
- Creating a Safe, Positive Environment
  - Safety considerations, legal requirements, respect for officials, involving parents.
- Making the Most of Training Time
  - Pre-session checklists. Considerations before every training session. Planning a training session.
- Coaching Techniques
  - Keep children active - maximum participation. Keep it clear and simple - demonstrations and progressions.
  - Make it like the real game - game-centred approach.
- Getting the Best from Your Players
  - How does the sport impact on man's children? Feedback.
- Improving your Coaching Culture
  - The many ways to be a better coach.

Attending a Course at ORS
The 3-hour ETC course is conducted 9-4 times per year at the Office for Recreation and Sport (ORS) to which individuals from any sport are welcome.

Individuals: $25 per person. Register and pay for up to 4 people online.
Chiefs and4 - 6 people: $140 per person. Contact ORS to register more than 4 people, and/or have your organization invoiced following a course.

Course dates and registration are at: