

# NEWSLETTER

RESPECT

CARING

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FRIENDSHIP

Term 1 Week 3  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Principal: Rebecca Pears



## Important Dates

### February

16<sup>th</sup> Parents & Friends Mtg - 9:00am - Staff-Room - All Welcome  
20<sup>th</sup> Assembly - 9:00am - Gym  
27<sup>th</sup> Aquatics at West Lakes - Yr's 6/7 - KG6  
HW9 & JW5  
28<sup>th</sup> Casual Day - Gold Coin Donation

### March

13<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents and Carers,

### Acquaintance Night and AGM

It was fantastic to see so many parents at Acquaintance Night. It was a great opportunity for parents to meet teachers, view their children's classroom and find out about class expectations and routines. I would like to thank our dedicated teachers for their hard work and preparation for the evening.

We also had a number of parents at our AGM. We really appreciate the support of parents and I am looking forward to working very closely with our new Governing Council. Below are the names of people on our Governing Council for 2018:

Meredeth Brown  
Linda Bain  
Christine Manuel  
Russell Hanson  
Stephen Biggins  
Julie Sweetman  
Sue Hutton  
Lucy Parker  
Lara Biggins  
Leanne Rosser  
Susan Gayko-Hombsch  
Ben Walters  
Lee Parker  
Adam Carpenter

Our next Governing Council meeting will be at 6:30pm on March the 19<sup>th</sup> in our school library.

### Attendance

As outlined in our attendance policy, we believe that learning lost due to absenteeism or lateness can never be adequately replaced. So please make sure your child has regular attendance and is on time for school (a student is deemed late if they arrive after 8:50am). If your child is to be absent you need to ensure the school is notified in relation to the reason for the absence. Notifications can be made through Skoolbag. Thank you for your support.

## Pupil Free Day

On Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of March we will be having our first pupil free day for the year. Staff will be working with other, same year level teachers, from across our Partnership to design mathematics tasks. Our students will then complete these tasks and later in the year the teachers will meet again to moderate the work samples. This is a fantastic opportunity for staff to work with teachers from other schools, to ensure consistency across the Partnership and to improve our practice.

## Before School

Just a reminder, that teachers do not begin yard duty until 8:30am. Children at school before this time, therefore need to either be with an adult or in OSHC, so we can ensure their safety. Thank you for your support.



## Lunch Orders From Caffeteca

As the school has split lunchtimes, Caffeteca lunch orders are delivered to the school at 2 different times. Reception, year 1,2 & 3's receive their lunch orders early and year 4, 5, 6 & 7's receive their lunch orders late.

When placing a lunch order for your children at Caffeteca can you please write onto the order bag 'EARLY' or 'LATE'.

## Student Personal Information Data Update

In Week 2, a printout of each child's personal details was sent home for checking and updating. If you have changed your address, phone numbers, emergency contacts, work details or child's medical information, please make a notation on the printout and return it to the front office as soon as possible. If there are no changes, we would appreciate that you please return this printout signed to verify we hold the correct and most up-to-date information on our system. Thank you to the families who have already returned their information.

Kind regards,  
Rebecca Pears

## Assembly Awards 6.2.18

### Respect Awarded to:

Axel (DM/LE); Maddie (KG/JP); Annisa (JW); Lorena (HW/JP); Adelaide (TC); Ellie (MR); Chloe (MK); Silas (MB); Will (TK); Nikalette (PM); Abigail (ML).

### Achievement Awards to:

Bryn (TC) – Your willingness to assist other, without being asked.

Alex (HW/JP) – For an extraordinary effort with our spatial Maths 'Cut & Fold Theorem' Task.

Beau (JW) – Being a positive & respectful class member.

Fraser (KG/JP) – Using sophisticated descriptive words on your 'Mrs Whatsit' character wheel.

Ror (KG/JP) – Settling back into school life at NAPS with a smile on your face.

Leo (DM/LE) – Being an enthusiastic participant in all aspects of school.

Dimandiw (MR) – For excellent completion of your values work.

Seb (MK) – For showing resilience and persistence when completing the Westwood spelling test.

Minnie (MB) – For a great start to the year and for tackling all tasks with an excellent positive attitude.

Miaomiao (TK) – For writing an entertaining, detailed school holiday recount with accuracy.

Amelia Exley (PM) – For making a fabulous start to the year.

Lucy (ML) – Having a fantastic first week and always helping out wherever she can.



## Visual Art Awards

Grace and Alexey (MB)



## PARENTS & FRIENDS MEETING – ALL WELCOME



At NAPS, we have a Parents and Friends group that meet on a regular basis to organise fundraising activities and plan how to support the school based events, that will be held throughout each term.

If you would like to become more involved in the school community, joining the P&F group is a great way to meet other parents/caregivers, learn what's happening and how you can help. If you are interested, you can ask the Class Teacher, the Class Rep for your area or Lorraine in the office for more information.

As the new school year begins, the new Parents and Friends group for 2018 will be scheduling meeting times at the first meeting which will be held **tomorrow morning (Friday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb) at 9am** in the Staff room. The future dates and times for the meetings during 2018 will be advised later.

We hope to see you there if you can make it.

*Linda Bain*

## CARE & INCLUSIVITY ROLE 2018

This year I am excited to be working in a "Care and Inclusivity" role, with release from the classroom every Thursday in order to pursue this focus with students and staff.

This time will enable me to work with students, focusing on values, positive behaviour choices and strategies for working through issues. We would love every student at NAPS to know that there is a place to go at recess or lunch where there will always be company and something fun and co-operative to do. We are currently developing the courtyard as this place, complete with a range of activities which we will vary as time goes by.

Teachers across the school will be addressing different values and character strengths with the students. These will also feature in some of our newsletters and assemblies, and hopefully in your dinner conversations at home from time to time.

Our goal is for all students to feel safe, included, optimistic, and a valued part of our NAPS learning and social community.

Here's to an amazing year ahead.

*Helen White*

## SRC NEWS

For the first four weeks of the term the SRC have been hard at work looking at many different ways we can improve the school.

We have decided to hold a casual day on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February in week 5. The gold coin donations will go to Diabetes SA.

For further information, due to unforeseen issues the popcorn machine broke down therefore, to compensate for this the SRC have decided to look at 'limited edition' ice blocks for sale.

*SRC Executive*

## OUT OF SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC) NEWS

**Outstanding OSHC Fees** – Please ensure that your OSHC account is up to date and paid on a weekly or fortnightly basis. If you have any concerns in regards to your account please see Deb. See below for payment options.

**How to pay your OSHC fees** – To access BPOINT, log onto the school website at the following address [www.nthadelaideps.sa.edu.au](http://www.nthadelaideps.sa.edu.au) and select [Pay your school fees online with ease](#) link.

When making an OSHC payment, enter the word "OSHC" in the field **Family Code/ED ID**, Students full name, invoice number (located on the left hand side of the invoice) and amount. Please ensure that once the transaction is complete that a copy of the receipt or the transaction number is noted for your records.

### **After School Care & Before School Care Bookings and Cancellations** –

Please note that if your child is away from school sick or taken home early from school due to illness and has a booking with OSHC then it is your responsibility to notify us of your child's absence. We do our best to ensure all children booked into OSHC are accounted for however, sometimes we spend unnecessary time searching for absent children. This takes our attention away from the children in our care. To help us keep your children safe please SMS CASUAL BOOKINGS and CANCELLATIONS to the OSHC mobile – 0418 284 803. We will acknowledge your message with a thumbs up or smiley face.

Permanent booking sheets are available in OSHC for regular bookings.

Cancellations for a Before school care session are to be made before 6pm the previous day, and before 9am on the day of care for an After school care session to avoid fees. Session fees still apply if cancellations are made outside of these times. The charge will be noted as an "Absent" day on your invoice.

**Late Fee** – Please note that children must be picked up by **6pm sharp**. A \$1:00 per minute/per child late fee applies for every minute after 6pm that children are collected. We advise arriving by 5.55pm to allow time to sign your child/ren out.

**Lost property** is a big problem during the vacation care period as children's casual clothing is often not labelled. Please make a point of labelling clothes especially jackets and jumpers. We also have many unnamed drink bottles that have not been claimed. These will be thrown out at the end of the term if not claimed and casual clothing sent to goodwill.

### **Lid ART**

A big thank you to the families and children that collected all the lids over the past year to contribute to our lid art masterpiece. We made an amazing piece of sustainable art using all different shapes and coloured lids. It is waiting to be hung up in the OSHC room. The children helped to design it and then use the electric drill to attach them to a backing board. We are very proud of everyone's efforts and being persistent using the electric drill.



**Family Feedback** – OSHC has a community feedback book that we encourage families to write in. What goes in this book? Positive comments, ideas for improvement, information you would like to share and any special news.

**Pupil Free Day** – The next pupil free day is Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> March. If you require care for this day please see the following program and book in as soon as possible to secure a place. Booking forms can be collected from OSHC or the front office, and completing one is essential to participation.

**Dancify Dance workshop**- Dancify is a children's dance company that provides children with the opportunity to participate in Dance workshops where they learn the importance of warming up the body, using yoga elements to build strength and flexibility. They will have the opportunity to learn dance techniques, create their own moves and learn choreography. OSHC is able to provide this opportunity as part of our After School Care program encouraging children's health and wellbeing. Please note the following dates and times of these sessions and encourage your child to participate.

#### ***Session Dates and Times as follows -***

- Week 6: Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 4:00pm - 5:00pm
- Week 7: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March, 4:00pm - 5:00pm
- Week 8: No Dance
- Week 9: Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> March, 4:00pm - 5:00pm
- Week 10: Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> April, 4:00pm - 5:00pm

**Deb Benger - OSHC Director**



# PUPIL FREE DAY



## "ON SAFARI"

Tuesday the 13<sup>th</sup> of March 2018

7.45am - 5.45pm

Cost is **\$47** per day per child less CCB entitlements

Please bring Recess - (Lunch & Afternoon Tea Provided).

**Program:** Come dressed as your favourite animal (or wear animal prints!!)  
& dance to some cool African tunes

Help prepare a delicious African lunch, Paper beading,  
& Tribal Face Painting

### COMMUNITY NEWS



To the Principal,

With the new school year commencing, as in previous years, I am writing to all School Principals within the City and North Adelaide to reiterate our concerns regarding the number of drivers who park illegally in the vicinity of schools and the safety issues that this causes. This is not a new issue, the main problems occur at school start and finish times and I am hoping for your support to educate drivers around schools. It is often parents of children attending the schools that put their own children at risk.

I would like to take this opportunity to be proactive and prevent any major incident rather than having to react after the event. I believe that providing information to educate all parents and a warning that vehicles parked illegally will be expiated, is the best way to manage the situation. Both the Adelaide City Council Parking & Information Officers and the South Australian Police recognise the importance of this issue and will monitor the situation and deal with breaches accordingly. It would assist us if you could include information for parents to be mindful of their own behaviour around schools, whether in relation to where they park or the respect shown to Officers trying to ensure pedestrian safety – parents are our children's greatest role models. It would be appreciated if you could include the following information in your school newsletter:

*Parking Zones around the school are put in place to ensure pedestrian safety. Children are in particular danger near schools because:*

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- Their small size makes it hard for drivers to see them between traffic, parked cars, stobie poles and other obstacles.
- They are easily distracted and may not be aware of traffic.
- They may suddenly run onto the road - eg to meet a parent.

Some road rules you particularly need to be aware of are:

- You must **not** stop in a **NO STOPPING** Zone, even for a few seconds to pick up your child.
- You **may** stop in a **NO PARKING ZONE** for a few seconds to pick up a child who is waiting near by. You must **not** park or leave the vehicle.
- You must **not** double park, or stop in the line of traffic, to pick up or drop off a child.
- You must **not** stop in a bicycle lane.
- You must **not** stop within 20 metres before a crossing or 10 metres after a crossing.
- You must **not** stop within 10 metres of an intersection or junction without traffic lights.

If you have any enquiries regarding this information please contact Adelaide City Council on 8203 7203.

Adelaide City Council Parking and Information Officers and SAPOL are aware of these issues and will monitor the situation and deal with breaches accordingly to ensure children's safety, and *expiations* will be issued to any vehicles contravening these rules. Please be mindful of your own behaviour around schools, whether in relation to where you park or the respect shown to Officers trying to ensure pedestrian safety – you are our children's greatest role model.

## GiFT Dance at Mitcham

The GiFT Dance Program at Mitcham Girls High School offers girls the opportunity to develop their skills and passion for dance performance. Students develop creative, technical and physical understanding and an appreciation of dance as an art form.

With intensive and skilful coaching students become successful performers. Our GiFT dance teacher is recognised as a leader in Dance Education. She has had professional experience with teaching expertise in ballet, contemporary dance and jazz dance technique, including choreography for musical theatre productions and national choirs. She has also played a significant role in the development of the SACE Dance curriculum and the management of Dance assessment in South Australia.

For those of you who love dance and want to share and develop your gift, GiFT Dance at Mitcham Girls High School is for you.

### Entry by Audition:

Year 7 students: Monday 19 March, 9:15am & Tuesday 15 May, 9:15am  
Years 8, 9 & 10 students: By appointment

Please register your interest at

[www.mitchamgirlshs.sa.edu.au](http://www.mitchamgirlshs.sa.edu.au)

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# FosterCare

Join the Family.

Foster Carers can be single, couples, people at home, working full-time, part-time or studying. Free training and ongoing professional support (including 24-hour assistance) is provided. Find out more at one of our upcoming information sessions:

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**  
**St Matthews Church**  
**146 Kensington Road**  
**Marryatville SA 5067**  
**6.30-8.30pm**

Free parenting seminar

## Raising brilliantly behaved children



Parenting SA



Are you the parent of a 5 - 12 year old?  
Want fewer behaviour dramas at home?

Hear psychologist, parenting author and commentator  
Jodie Benveniste talk about:

- dealing with challenging behaviour in ways that bring out your child's strengths and true character
- alternatives to discipline and punishment
- encouraging cooperation rather than conflict.

Wednesday 21 March

When: 7.00 - 9.00pm

Where: Adelaide Convention Centre  
North Terrace, Adelaide  
Riverbank Room 7 & 8  
(easy access via West end)

Register to attend in person or view the live webcast at:

Online: <http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au>  
Phone: 8303 1660  
Email: [health.parentingsa@sa.gov.au](mailto:health.parentingsa@sa.gov.au)

Presented by Parenting SA.  
For more information about raising  
children visit  
[www.parenting.sa.gov.au](http://www.parenting.sa.gov.au) or  
[www.cyh.com](http://www.cyh.com)

*For the benefit of all participants we request no babies and young children.*

Helping parents be their best



# Does your child or teen have a SLEEP PROBLEM?

Does your child:

- refuse to go to bed at night
- have trouble falling asleep
- wake up and cannot get back to sleep
- have trouble waking up or getting out of bed in the morning
- often sleep in their parents' bed or bedroom or need a parent present to help them fall asleep
- miss school or feel fatigued throughout the school day



The **Child & Adolescent Sleep Clinic** at Flinders University offers treatments for children and adolescents of all ages (including infants from 6 months of age). To book an appointment, please call or email us on the contact details below.



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