Annual General Meeting

Just a quick reminder, that the Governing Council will be holding its Annual General Meeting next Wednesday night (9th March). New parents to our school community are most welcome to come along and find out more about the school and its governance. On the night people will be able to hear from counsellors on the achievements of the Governing Council and the work of the advisory committees.

Involvement in the Governing Council means committing yourself to attend two meetings per term. Nominations for membership to the Governing Council or one of the sub committees is a formal requirement and you will find nomination forms accompanying this newsletter. So, if you believe that you can offer the school something towards helping your child and the school in general please complete a nomination form and come along to the Annual General Meeting.

For further information about the Governing Council and its role within the school, please contact me or one of the council members.

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be starting at 7:30pm in the Resource Centre.

If you are interested in being a member of the Governing Council you can collect a Nomination form from the front office. Nominations close on Wednesday the 9th at 7:30pm.

Governing Council News

At our recent Governing Council meeting the following items were discussed:

Volunteers Policy: Due to changes in the State Government the Governing Council had to amend the school’s Volunteers Policy. Under the DEC requirements, parents who volunteer to support classroom activities do not require a DCSI Security clearance as these activities are directly supervised by the classroom teacher. However, non-family members and volunteers for sports programs, some excursions and camps will still be required to have a current DCSI Security clearance.

OHSC: Fee structure changes to accommodate permanent, casual and emergency bookings. The new structure will have adjustments for families who have more than one child attending OSHC or Vacation Care.

Finance Map: The school has developed an Extra Curriculum spending planning ‘map’. This map identifies extra curricula costs such as camps, excursions, fundraising events etc. The purpose of the help parents plan for future school expenses.

Greg Graham
GOVERNING COUNCIL NEWS

2016 Materials and Service Charges
A reminder: - The first instalment for the 2016 Materials & Service Charges is due on THURSDAY 3rd MARCH.

Dates to remember:-
2nd Instalment – Thursday 7th April.
Final Instalment – Thursday 5th May.
Final payment for upfront payments:– Thursday 5th May.

If families are applying for School Card, please get your applications in as soon as you can.
Please note that the Governing Council will be pursuing outstanding fees after the final payments dates through a Debt Collection Agency.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Term Planner Update
Just a reminder, to update your Term 1 ‘Fridge’ Calendar! The newest addition for your calendar is the Seaview High School promotion visit for Yr. 6/7 students planning on enrolling at Seaview High on Thursday 10th March and the PALS for Yr. 6/7 on Tuesday 29th March. Also 24th March Harmony Day.
Families will be receiving a Term 2 ‘Fridge’ Calendar at the end of the term, however, it is still only in draft form.

Emu Award
Congratulations to the students of Room 4 for receiving the fortnightly Emu Award for making sure that their classroom area and designated yard space is clean of litter and rubbish.
Rusheek & Cleary - Environment Officers

Clean-up Australia
Tomorrow (Friday 4th March), our school will be involved in the annual Clean-up Australia Campaign. Each class has taken on the responsibility to clean up an area around our school and within the local community. We ask if the students can provide their own gloves. They need to be sturdy gloves such as rubber or gardening gloves. Once the rubbish has been collected, it will be sorted, classified and a record of the type of litter found will be documented. This data gets sent off to the Clean-Up Australia organisers for their records.

RIDE2SCHOOL

Ride-2-School Day will be held on Friday 4th March (Tomorrow)
Don’t forget if you live a distance from school, you can walk or ride part of the way.

Program Achieve Awards
Student Achievement awards have now replaced Program Achieve Awards as we no longer practise the philosophies of Program Achieve at Warradale. The Student Achievement Awards are given to students based on our school values of Responsibility, Respect, Caring, Courage and Courtesy which also aligns with the Play is the way Philosophy which we promote at our school.

Play Is the Way
At Warradale Primary School we are committed to the social and emotional development of our students and we believe that ‘Play is the Way’.

Be the master, not the victim of your feelings
It takes great strength to be sensible
Pursue your personal best no matter who you work with
Be brave- participate to progress
Treat others as you would like them to treat you
Have reasons for the things you say and do

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were given Student Achievement awards for Week 4:
Rm 3 – Fatonah & Ashley
Rm 4 – James & Charley
Rm 6 – Tyler & J.J.
Rm 7 – Ezra & Cailin
Rm 8 – Emma & Jourdan
Rm 9 – Chloe & Harrison
Rm 10 – Tyson & Sara
Rm 11 – Charlotte & Xander
Rm 12 – Josh & Jordyn
Rm 14 – Aika & Ella
Rm 15 – July & Jarvis
Rm 16 – Chaise & Josie
Rm 17 – Luc & Kate
Rm 18 – Thomas & Lexi
A WORD FROM EMILY.....
I’ll be back in the library Tuesday lunch times this term with **LEGO Club**
L - Learn
E - Engage
G - Grow
O - Openly
**Kindness Club** has also started again and will be on Wednesday lunch times. If you would like to join feel free to come along or drop your name and the words 'Kindness Club' into my letterbox in the office.

**Free Community Meal**
5.30 - 8pm Friday 11th March
You are invited to come and enjoy a family fun night with good company, good food, and a warm welcome. For more info or to RSVP talk to Emily or call Karen on 0403932278
At Faith Lutheran Church, 2 Ailsa Ave Warradale.

“Do no let kindness leave you, write it on the tablet of your heart.”
Emily Dummin
emily.dummin302@schools.sa.edu.au
Pastoral Support Worker

**Honourable Mention**
I would like to publicly thank Sam Mathews and Lukas Hawke for assisting me in cleaning up the upturned rubbish bins that were vandalised last week. Sam and Lukas demonstrated outstanding Community service and school pride without being asked. Well done gentlemen!
Ms Davidson

**Kiss and Drop Zone**
As you are aware, there is a kiss and drop zone on Keynes Avenue. Parents/Guardians are misusing this zone. This zone is for children to quickly get out of a vehicle and walk into school. We completely understand if you would like to stop and watch your child walk through the school gate for safety reasons. There is to be no parking in this zone. If parents have to get out of their car, they must go and find a different park. If you’re using the kiss and drop zone we ask you drive up as much as you can, if you stop straight after the crossing zone this will lead to traffic banking up over the crossing. We have had police come and monitor the parking zones and many have been fined. We ask you, please follow our school rules.

Jade and Jackson - WPS Student Leaders

**Community News**
**Brighton Secondary School Open Day**
When: 11th May, 2016
Open Day program runs throughout the day. Contact the school for tour details. Ph: 8375 8200

**Mitcham Girls High School Open Day**
When: 9th May, 2016 9-11am and 5-8pm

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**Changes to screening requirements in DECD**
DECD’s relevant history screening requirements have changed, effective immediately, to make it easier for parents and guardians to volunteer their time. Screenings are no longer required for parents or guardians if your child is in direct receipt of your services (excluding overnight camps, billets and homestays). Parents or guardians who are governing council members do not require screening unless the governing council is the employing authority for an out of school hours care service.
We do ask that you still negotiate with the school when you are thinking of volunteering, as you are required to complete a volunteering agreement and take part in a RAN training which is facilitated by the school.

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**Winter Sports**
Due to the early registration dates, we are calling for expressions of interest for term 2 and 3 winter sports already. Please look for this tomorrow for your child to play Soccer or Netball this year. Teams registered depend on the number of forms I get back. Students who do not return their form by the due date will not be placed in a team and cannot attend training.
Library News

Premier’s Reading Challenge

Information for Parents

The Premier’s Reading Challenge is a literacy engagement program that was introduced by the Premier in 2004 to encourage students to read more books and enjoy reading and to improve literacy levels. The Challenge requires students to read 12 books between the beginning of the school year and early September.

How can you find out about the Challenge?

All information about the Premier’s Reading Challenge can be found at: www.prc.sa.edu.au

Who can participate?

All students from Reception to Year 12 are encouraged to participate.

What can students read?

Students can read a combination of books from the Challenge booklists and books of their own choosing. The book lists are available on the Premier’s Reading Challenge website. Reception to Year 7 students select at least eight books from the booklists on the Premier’s Reading Challenge website and four books of their own choice. PRC books are labelled in our library.

Awards for completing the Challenge are:

Certificate – first year
Bronze medal – second year
Silver medal – third year
Gold medal – fourth year
Champion medal – fifth year
Legend medal – sixth year
Hall of Fame medal – seventh year
Reader for Life – eighth year
Reader for Life Bronze – ninth year
Reader for Life Silver – tenth year
Reader for Life Gold – eleventh year
Reader for Life Champion – twelfth year
Reader for Life Legend – thirteenth year
Reader for Life Hall of Fame – fourteenth year

Easter @ the canteen

Wednesday 23rd March

Sweet treat specials

Easter eggs
Mini hot cross buns
Easter cookies
Bunny cakes (cupcakes)

Hop in quick before they all sell out...

Thurs. 24th Mch – WEAR SOMETHING ORANGE FOR HARMONY DAY!
The Year 4/5s are building up their persistence, resilience, team work and problem solving skills through circus and Play is the Way.
FREE seminar – Toddlers and touch screens: what should I do?

Touchscreens have become part of our everyday world. Parents are amazed at how quickly toddlers become adept in using them and how easily they hold a child's attention. However, they are also unsure if it is safe for toddlers to use touchscreens regularly.

Come and hear nationally recognised parenting speaker, author and researcher Dr Justin Coulson talk about:

- the pros and cons of the digital age for children 0 to 5 years
- how and when to introduce touchscreens and games
- how to manage electronic media use.

The event will be webcast to accommodate parents and carers who cannot attend in person.

**Date and time:** Tuesday 5 April, 7.00 to 9.00pm  
**Venue:** City Rooms, Adelaide Convention Centre, North Terrace

Register online at [http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au](http://parentingsa.eventbrite.com.au) to attend, or to view the webcast.


**Contact:** Senior Health Promotion Officer, Parenting SA, Dorian Marsland-Smith, phone 8161 7159

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**FREE seminar – Children, teens and pornography: what every parent should know**

The seminar is filled with risks for children and families. Come and hear nationally recognised parenting speaker, author and researcher Dr Justin Coulson talk about:

- the alarming statistics regarding children's access to online pornography
- the impact on boys and girls
- how parents can guide their child or teen.

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**DOES ATTENDANCE REALLY MATTER?**

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‘Every Day Counts!!’
**Warradale Primary School Governing Council**

**NOMINATION FOR ELECTION FORM**

**2016**

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**PROPOSER**

I _____________________________________________________________ (full name)

of __________________________________________________________________ (address)

Nominate

_______________________________________________________________(full name)

of __________________________________________________________________(address)

to be elected as a member of the Warradale Primary School Governing Council.

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**ACCEPTANCE OF NOMINATION**

I _____________________________________________________________ (full name)

of __________________________________________________________________ (address)

I accept the nomination and hereby declare that:

- I have not been declared bankrupt and do not receive a benefit of a law for the relief of insolvent debtors
- I have not been convicted of any offence of dishonesty, or of a sexual nature involving a minor, or of violence against a person.

I understand that should I be declared bankrupt, receive a benefit of law for the relief of insolvent debtors or be convicted of any of the offences listed, my membership of the Warradale Primary School Governing Council will cease.

Signed ………………………………………………………………….   Date / /2016

**Brief statement about my experience which may contribute to the role of the Governing Council**

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**NOMINATIONS CLOSE AT THE SCHOOL OFFICE AT 4.00PM ON FRIDAY 18TH MARCH 2016**