**Three Way Interview Success**

Over the past four days many of you were involved in the Student Led Interviews conducted by your child and their class teacher. During these interviews, the students had taken on the responsibility to report on their achievements this term and plan their future learning goals for the rest of the semester. Their class teacher was able to support their discussions with data collected from assessments and test results where appropriate. The interviews also enabled you as parents to identify ways to help and support your child’s learning. I am sure that you have found this valuable experience will help you gain a better understanding of your child’s learning. If you were unable to meet with your child’s teacher during the week, please contact your child’s teacher to arrange for an appointment at a later time.

**Sports Day**

Just a quick reminder that our school’s Sports Day will be held on Friday 5th April (next week!). Information about the Sports Day has been sent home detailing the Program, the House colours, the catering for the day and the end of day procedures for early dismissal. For those who are not sure of their House Team, the House Captains have the names of everyone and the house colour that they are in.

Please come along and join us for a fun day with your child and their House team-mates.

**End of Term Dismissal**

Just a reminder school finishes on Friday 12th April with a 2:20pm dismissal (one hour earlier than normal). Parents of students who may need the OSHC service because of the early dismissal may need to book a place for their child / children. School resumes on Monday 29th April. The new Reception students will start their school career on Wednesday 1st May.

From the staff and Governing Council please have a safe and enjoyable holiday break!

**Director’s Visit**

Yesterday, Mr. Richard Costi, the Southern Adelaide Regional Director and Ms. Michelle Spencer, the Assistant Regional Director visited our school. After touring the school, Mr. Costi commented on how impressed he was with our facilities, the curriculum focus and direction that we are taking and the staff and students he met.

**Greg Graham**
At this week’s Governing Council meeting the new 2013 Governing Council office bearers were elected. Congratulations to the following:

- Meg Schroder Chairperson
- Jared Sullivan Deputy Chairperson
- Carol Douglas Treasurer
- Rebecca Sherman Secretary

**2012 Materials and Service Charges**

A reminder: The third instalment for the 2013 Materials & Service Charges is due on FRIDAY 3rd 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 through a Debt Collection Agency.

**PARENT CLUB**

The Parent Club will be providing tea and coffee in the hall on Sports Day. We are seeking donations of home-made cakes and biscuits for the tea and coffee stall. All donations can be brought to the Hall in the morning. Thank you for your support in this activity.

**CANTEEN**

On behalf of the school community, a big thank you to Cherie, Kerrie and all the parent volunteers who organised the beautiful lunches during Harmony week.

Thank you also to all of the families who supported the canteen. Your support ensures we maintain a canteen for our children 5 days a week.

**SCHOOL INFORMATION**

**SPORTS DAY**

April 5 is Sports Day. Students are encouraged to come to school dressed in their team colours. They also need sneakers, school hat, sunblock and a water bottle for the day.

The canteen is offering a special lunch offer; Pies $4, Pasties $4 and Sausage Rolls $3. Order forms came home Tuesday. Parents and family members are asked to pre-order also. Orders will only be accepted with money and only until Wednesday 27th of March. Thank you for your continued support of our school canteen.

**ICAS Curriculum Competitions Reminder**

Each year, students throughout Australia are given the opportunity to participate in the International Competitions & Assessments for Schools (ICAS) formerly University of NSW, curriculum competitions.

The students will receive a certificate of achievement as well as an analysis of their results. The subjects and costs are:

- Computer Skills - $8.80
- English - $8.80
- Mathematics - $8.80
- Science - $8.80
- Spelling - $12.10
- Writing - $18.70

Or $66.00 for all subjects

If your child is interested in participating in any or all of these competitions please see Robyn in the Front Office. The closing date for entries in all subjects is Friday 5th April.

**Supported Software**

To assist your child in being able to show their computer assignments at school they are required to use one of the following programs:

**Microsoft Office**

- Word 2007
- Excel 2007
- Power Point 2007
- Publisher 2007
- Frontpage 2000

**Movie Maker**

**Photo Story** - this is available as a free download off the internet.

**Smart Notebook**

**LITERACY ON THE GO!**

The following guided reading strategy is particularly useful for children with reading levels up to Level 5 (or it sometimes may still be required for higher levels). Look at the beginning letter of a word, say the first sound and think about how it relates to the picture on the opposite page e.g. p is for pig.

The first literacy tip below relates to the above strategy. However, it is another way you can incorporate literacy into everyday life.

The second tip is an example of how you can teach your children to use and interpret the texts of...
charts and lists. By linking it to the needs of your family it provides your child with a real purpose for using such texts.

With your child, write charts or lists of house jobs for each family member.

These tips have been taken from ECLIPSE (Early Childhood Literacy Includes Parents, Staff and Education).

Cheers Naomi Watkins
Reading Support Teacher

**Nude Food Day Part 3**

Our third Nude Food Day for the term was yesterday, Wednesday 27th March. Thank you for supporting our efforts by having all recess and lunches packed in a reusable container to help us reduce the amount of rubbish collected in our bins.

Our next NUDE FOOD DAY is Wednesday, May 15.

**Program Achieve Awards**

Congratulations to the following students who were given the Program Achieve Awards for Week 8:

- Rm. 3: Aisha & Hudson
- Rm. 4: Michael & Jesse
- Rm. 6: Tomhas & Esther
- Rm. 8: Charley & Piper
- Rm. 9: Aidan & Anwar
- Rm. 10: Sophie & Lachlan
- Rm. 12: Jack & Ammaar
- Rm. 14: Bianca & James
- Rm. 15: Margherita & Christian
- Rm. 16: Alaina & Joy
- Rm. 17: Imogen & Alex
- Rm. 18: Kalani & Emma

**R-5 CAMP**

Three pages of forms came home last week to be filled in for students attending camp. Please return these as soon as possible.

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**SCHOOL SPORT**

**After School Soccer and Netball**

We will be nominating teams next week so if you want to play, you must get your form in to Ms O'Reilly Tuesday. There will be a Soccer meeting for parents who are able to help with coaching, managing or assisting at training next Thursday (April 4) at 3:30 in the library.

**Netball Update**

Netball starts Term 2. Practice sessions will begin Monday, Week 1, Term 2 for Years 5/6 & 6/7 Teams. The Year 3/4 Team will have their practice sessions on a Tuesday, starting Week 1. Matches will commence in Week 3.

**SAPSASA Football and Netball**

This week we had a number of Year 6 and 7 students try out for the South West District SAPSASA Football and Netball squads. Congratulations to John, (Yr. 7), on his selection to the SAPSASA Football squad. He will be going to further selection trials at the beginning of Term 2.

Thank you to the parents and teacher who helped out with the organisation and transportation of the team members to the sporting venues.

**Casual Clothes Day**

The Student Voice Events Team have organised a Casual Clothes Day on the last day of term. A gold coin donation is the ‘fine’ for wearing casual clothes. The money raised will be going to ‘Canteen for Kids’ to support kids with cancer.

Caitlyn & Lauren - S.V. Events Officers

**Ride to School Day**

Last Friday was National Ride to School Day where children are encouraged to ride their bicycle or scooter to school.

Altogether, 166 people at Warradale Primary School used active travel on National Ride to School Day, held last Friday, 22nd March. 89 rode and 77 walked. Last year, 94 people chose active travel The Class with the most Active Travellers was Room 9 Congratulations!
Harmony Day Assembly

Last Friday's Harmony Day Assembly was a great success with many of our students wearing something orange, (the theme colour for Harmony Day). We also had a number of students wearing their cultural dress and costumes in recognition of the theme of cultural diversity. In our school we have students representing 11 different countries of birth and another 20 different countries with cultural links and family heritage. Australia is truly a multicultural society and from last week's assembly we at Warradale, certainly do embrace a community of cultural diversity!

A Word from Elaine

I read an article the other day about self-esteem and thought that it was very good and would like to share it with you all over the next few weeks.

'Building your self-esteem is one of the most important things you can do to achieve good mental health. If you have a healthy self-esteem, you will cope better with the times when life isn’t easy and will be able to take the credit when things go well. It is important to be honest with yourself and others. You need to follow through on promises you make, even to yourself. Do not promise what you cannot deliver. Guilt from breaking promises eats away at self-esteem. Also if you force yourself to keep your promise you may feel resentful which again eats away at self-esteem. You need to be honest and say whether you can or cannot do what has been asked of you. There is nothing wrong with saying ‘no’ to someone when you know you will not be able to follow through with what they want from you.’

I know at times it is difficult to say no to family or friends but it is better for all involved for you to be honest with them and yourself. Being honest with yourself is essential for you to feel good and happy with whom you are.

Until next time, keep safe.  Elaine

Coles Sports-for-Schools Dockets

Congratulations to the Warradale School Community for their excellent achievement in collecting 19.7kgs of dockets which amounted to more than 60,000 tickets. As a result the school was able to choose a significant amount of new sporting equipment for our students. Thank you to all those who participated in collecting tickets for the school.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Guitar Lessons Available

Guitar lessons are available at school. If your child is interested in learning to play the guitar please contact:
Kym Skurray ph:82969957
HIGH SCHOOL INFORMATION

Brighton Secondary School
Special Interest Volleyball Program

Trials for the Special Interest Volleyball Program for OUT OF ZONE students and students who do not have a sibling currently at Brighton Secondary School will be held on Monday 13th May 2013. If successful in this initial trial, students will be invited to participate in the Final trial on 27th May 2013.

Please ring the school on 8375 8200 to book an appointment time and to request your information package.

Trials for students who are in the zone or do have a sibling currently at the school will be held on 12th August, 2013.

Remaining Secondary School Visiting Dates & Times for 2013

Outlined below is a list of district Secondary Schools that our students may be eligible to enrol in 2014. These visiting days enable parents to find out more about the school and the programs they offer. Please note that Secondary Schools are zoned and entry to an out of zone school is not guaranteed.

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All other DECD Secondary Schools will also be conducting Information sessions and School Tours. Lists of schools and tour times are available on the DECD website: - DECD.sa.gov.au and then follow the links

JAPANESE STUDY TOR VISIT

Last week we had a group of Japanese study tour students from the Marioko High School visit our school to meet some of our students who study Japanese. The Japanese students are part of an annual study tour organised by Brighton Secondary School, where the visiting students are hosted by an Australian family to enable them to get a ‘taste’ of the Australian way of life. This is the first time that the any study tour group has visited our school and it enabled the Japanese students to practice their English and our students to practice their Japanese. Both groups really enjoyed the experience and we hope to continue such an exchange in the future. One of our students hosted an exchange student and here is her story:-

“For the last 2 weeks I have had a Japanese student staying with me. Her name is Reina, she is 16 years old and lives in the countryside of Japan. We went to a lot of places with her like Monarto Zoo, the Fringe and Noarlunga Beach.

She loved them all and loved seeing all the animals at the zoo. She taught me some origami. I made a camera, a heart, a star and a crane. It was fun and I loved it. Each night my family would cook different food for her to try. She helped my sister to make sushi and gyouza, which are traditional Japanese foods.

I found the experience very rewarding and learnt a lot more about Japanese culture. We hope to keep in contact with Reina through email.”

By Sarah, Room 12
Our Year 6 & 7 Students learning the art of Origami from the visiting Japanese Study Tour Students