A Term That Was...

What a busy term it has been! During the term our students have been involved in a broad range of learning experiences. On the sporting front we have had students involved in SAPSASA events such as Softball, Football and Netball and of course our own Sports Day. The Harmony Day assembly was again quite successful. Community projects such as the "Ride to School" and "Clean-up Australia" campaign were also well supported by our school community. The Family Fun Night at the beginning of the year was another success story along with our Three Way Interviews where each class had over 90% attendance! The extension of the Nude Food healthy eating and recycling program has also been well supported across the school. A new innovation was the visit from the Japanese Study Tour where some of our students were able to meet and chat with the visitors from Japan. Hopefully we will be able to expand this cultural exchange with other study groups coming to Adelaide next term.

Term 2 looks like it is going to be just as busy and interesting for the students and staff, especially with a series of school camps starting the term off! We also have the NAPLAN testing program happening in Week 3. With many of these events, their success has come about by the work that the staff have put in leading up to the activity and the support given by you, the parents. We hope that this support will continue with the new learning experiences planned for Term 2.

ANZAC DAY Commemoration.

I am pleased to announce that Jaz and Tyo, our Student Leaders, will be representing the Warradale Primary School community at the ANZAC Day Dawn Service wreath laying ceremony at the Memorial Arch, Brighton Jetty.

End of Term Dismissal - 12th April

Just a reminder, tomorrow school finishes 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!

Greg Graham
GOVERNING COUNCIL NEWS

Pupil Free Days
At this week's Governing Council meeting, the members of the Council gave their approval for the set Pupil Free and School Closure Days for the year. There have been 4 Pupil Free days granted by the DECD and the Federal Government for training and development purposes of staff and one School Closure Day for a day of local significance for the school community. On the Pupil Free days, students will not be required to attend school while staff are to attend professional training sessions.

To assist you with your forward planning the dates for these days are listed below:-

Term 2:-
Week 3 - Monday 12th May - Pupil Free Day
Week 6 - Friday 7th June - Pupil Free Day

Term 3:-
Week 1 - Monday 22nd July - Pupil Free Day
Week 7 - Friday 6th September - School Closure

Term 4:-
Week 4 - Friday 8th November - Pupil Free Day

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 pursing outstanding fees through a Debt Collection Agency.

PARENT CLUB
Once again thank-you to all of our parent community who donated a delicious range of baked goods for the Sports Day. It was fantastic!

An early reminder - we will be holding a Mother's day stall on Friday 10th May. Gifts will range in price from $1.00 to $6.00. More information in the next newsletter.

OSHC DIRECTOR
As many of you may know our OSHC Director, Melissa Thompson will be starting her maternity leave at the end of this term. On behalf of the school community we wish Mel and Adam best wishes and the safe arrival of their new baby.

I am pleased to announce that Ms. Sharon France has been appointed to the position of Director for the next 12 months. Sharon is a qualified teacher and has a vast amount of work experience in the management of child care, administration and teaching overseas and in Australia. We welcome Sharon to the Warradale School community.

SCHOOL INFORMATION
Casual Clothes Day
The Student Voice Events Team have organised a Casual Clothes Day for tomorrow (Friday 12th April). A gold coin donation is the ‘fine’ for wearing casual clothes. The money raised will be going to 'Carry for Kids' to support children in orphanages in Indonesia.

Caitlyn & Lauren - S.V. Events Officers

Sports Day Success
Last Friday the school held our annual Inter-House Sports Day and what a success it was! All of the students participated in a variety of tabloid and athletic events with the aim to earn points for their House. As a consequence the winning House on the day was Comley House (Yellow) with 984 points followed by Harriss House (Blue) with 947 points and Hamlyn House (Green) with 937 points.

Congratulations to Comley House for their efforts throughout the day.

Many thanks go to Tony Condous for all of his work in the planning and organisation of the Sports Day. Further thanks goes to the staff for their work leading up to the day and a special mention to the House Captains for their leadership and organisation of the House chants, the warm-up dance routines and their involvement in organising their teams. Well done!

A big thank-you to the Parent Club and Canteen staff for managing the catering for the day!

Thanks to the many parent volunteers who helped out with judging and marshalling the games during the day.

A full spread of Sports photographs is featured in this newsletter.

NAPLAN Tests
In the third week of Term 2 all students in Year 3, 5 and 7 will be involved in the National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN). The tests will be conducted over three days with a 'catch-up' day for those students who were absent for any of the tests.

NAPLAN is a national assessment and all students are expected to participate. However students may be exempt from one or all of the tests. Reasons for exemption include English language proficiency, students with disabilities or the parent/caregiver has decided to withdraw their child from participating in the tests due to
personal or philosophical reasons. Parents choosing to exempt their child from the tests must inform the Principal prior to the tests in writing.

**Student Newspaper**

James and Thomas from Room 14 have initiated a student Newsletter to be published throughout the term. The aim of the newsletter is to enable 'budding journalists' to submit articles and drawings for all of the students to share. Accompanying this week's school newsletter is an explanation of the student newsletter and a request for other students to be involved in contributing to the newsletter and help with its publication. For further information about the student newsletter, please contact James or Thomas in Room 14.

**Anti-Bullying Policy**

Attached to this newsletter is the new Bullying and Harassment Policy to be adopted by our school. The new policy has been devised by the schools and pre-schools in the Holdfast Cluster to enable a consistent approach to dealing with bullying and harassment. It provides important information for parents and students if an issue arises. We encourage you to sit down with your child (ren) and go through this document. Students will continue to be provided with social strategies to deal with conflict situations. As the policy states: 'a bystander who observes or hears a bullying incident is considered part of the problem if they don’t act'. We encourage all students to report any incidents as soon as possible.

We would like to thank Olivia O'Neill, Principal of Brighton Secondary School for coordinating and publishing the policy for use across the cluster of schools and pre-schools.

**R-5 CAMP**

A reminder that the first of our Primary Years camps starts on the first day back of Term 2! All of the students attending the camp have received information notes detailing what to take on camp. Students who are not attending the camp will be expected to be at school and will have a modified program provided.

**SCHOOL SPORT**

**Soccer**

There will be an Under 10 and an Under 9 Soccer team and also soccer skills. Training will start on the first Thursday of next term (2nd May). Training is just for students who have registered and paid to do soccer.

Thank you to Sonia Will who has taken on the role of soccer co-ordinator this season.

Rachel O'Reilly

**Netball**

Winter netball season commences Term 2. Practice for Year 5/6 & 6/7 starts Monday, Week 1, 3:30-4:30.

**Coaches are:**

- Year 5/6 - Carley Bates & assisting Nenette Stopps
- Year 6/7 - Ms Maddigan

Matches are played Wednesdays starting Week 3.

**Practice for the Year 3's & 4's starts Tuesday, Week 1, 3:30-4:15.**

**Coaches are:**

- Year 3 - Kathy Williams, assisting Tanya Hocking
- Year 4 - Sam Vanue, assisting Tania Moyle

Matches are played Thursdays, starting Week 3.

**Netball Skills**

start Week 3 on Tuesday in the hall, 3:30-4:15, coached by Tracy Smith.

Thanks to all the coaches and assistants for offering your time.

Any questions please call the Netball Co-ordinator Glenda – 0401904356

**Diving Success**

Recently Navina (Yr. 3) participated in the 2013 Summer Levels Diving Competition held at the SA Aquatic & Leisure Centre. This competition was conducted by Diving SA and SASI. At the conclusion of the competition, Navina gained a ranking of 7 for the Level 1 Boys & Girls for the 1m Diving. Congratulations Navina!

**Breakfast Club**

Thank you for all the donations and support from:

- St Elizabeth's Anglican Church, Oaklands Park
- Kingdom City Church (meets here at the school)
- Mellano Fruit Shop, Edwardstown
- School Families

Breakfast Club will start back Week 2 of Term 2 because of the school camp in Week 1.

**A Word from Elaine**

Hi everyone, well here we are in the last week of Term 1. It has been a busy term and I think
everyone has done a really good job in what they have accomplished this term, so, well done to you all. The Staff have done an excellent job this term too and I would like to say ‘Thank You’ for all the time, effort and caring you have put into the work you have done with your class. You do an amazing job, at times under quite stressful situations.

Well holidays are almost here. I hope everyone has a really refreshing break. Take time out to look after yourselves, and enjoy spending time with your families. Children remember to appreciate all that your parents do for you, help wherever you can so that you all have a fantastic holiday.

Thank you to all the Breakfast Club volunteers. You have done an amazing job again this term. The school community appreciates all your effort in preparing and serving breakfast each week for us. Thank you all to the students in Rm 14 for coming in each week and packing away after Breakfast Club. Your help is greatly appreciated.

Next term I will begin Craft Club again. This will be held on Tuesday lunchtime in the Library, and will begin in week 2. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in the fun.

Take care, enjoy the break and stay safe and I look forward to catching up with you all next term.

Elaine