From The Principal

Another busy, productive fortnight has passed at our School. How quickly this term has progressed. Already this year our students have had the opportunity to participate in numerous activities including: School Cricket, Milo Cricket, School Swimming, School T-Ball, School Choir, Wipe Out Waste, World of Maths (hosting both Frances and Mundulla Schools), Frances Folk Gathering, SAPSASA tryouts in Swimming, Cricket and Tennis, Student Representative Council (SRC) Elections and Young Leaders Day in Adelaide...and we are only at the halfway mark of the term!

Both students and staff are to be commended for the richness of the learning program: students for their active engagement in wonderful learning opportunities and staff for their tireless enthusiasm and planning for bringing these programs to fruition. These programs are ably supported by our wonderful community through a host of volunteers that visit our School on a regular basis. I heartily commend all of you for a fantastic effort so far.

School Assembly

Our first community School Assembly will be held at 9.00 am on Thursday 9th April 2015. The assembly will include class presentations, SRC induction and award presentations. Please reserve this important date in your calendar.

For anyone associated with our School you would be aware that we host many visitors. Without exception visitors are impressed by student behaviour, grounds maintenance and school pride. All of us can take a collective compliment on our wonderful School.

Come Out Festival

Our School will be celebrating the world’s largest youth festival, Come Out, on April 8,9,10 at our school. Activities will include: kite making, wooden craft, ceramics and numerous art projects. Should be fun!!

SAPSASA News

Congratulations to Lara Brown for her selection in the District SAPSASA Cricket team. Our two SAPSASA Softball representatives, Lara Brown and Jayde Fretwell, are currently playing at West Beach in Adelaide and will provide a report of their week of competition for the next newsletter edition.

Earlier this week a number of Upper Primary students participated in the Upper South East District SAPSASA Athletics trials in Keith. We are yet to receive official results from these trials. As well, the School Cricket team celebrated a win against the Naracoorte Primary School team last Saturday.

Harry

Parent Opinion Surveys

A reminder to please return your Parent Opinion survey if you have not already done so.

Thank you to the families who have returned the survey. We appreciate your prompt response.

Harry

World of Maths Roadshow

The World of Maths Roadshow is visiting our school on Friday 20th March. Frances and Mundulla Primary Schools will be joining our students for activities. The Roadshow is an ideal opportunity for students to see how maths is applied to some real life situations. Students will gain insight into problem solving, working in teams, and also various maths principles which are part of their curriculum. It is a highly engaging session which will show the children that Maths can be fun!

We welcome helpers and parents to attend the Junior session in particular from 10.30 am. The younger year levels will require assistance to ensure they get the most out of the session.

Harry
Reading Helpers
Our School would like to invite you to contact Ashlea Owen at your earliest convenience if you are interested in assisting with our Junior Primary reading program.

Fundraising
We are putting together an Easter Hamper Raffle and are asking if you could please contribute by donating Easter eggs? One or two eggs per family would be appreciated. Could you please drop the Easter eggs off at the Front Office prior to Tuesday 31st March when the raffle will be drawn? Thanking you in anticipation.
Tammy Mathews
Fundraising Committee

SAPSASA News
Dates for your calendar…
Friday 27th March – Country Swimming, Adelaide
Tuesday 7th April – Football/Netball Carnival, Naracoorte
For all your SAPSASA information including District and State
www.usesapsasa.org.au
or www.decs.sa.gov.au/sport
Sharon Miels
USE SAPSASA Convenor

PSW Spot
Delicious pancakes were the order of the day last Tuesday 10th March. It was the new Student Representative Council’s first fundraiser and they passed with flying colours. Preparation started over two weeks ago with planning of which ingredients to use (ice-cream and maple syrup the top of the list), who would purchase the different items and many other details. Everyone fulfilled their roles with all ingredients accounted for (“No need to stress, Mr Eddy,” was one comment) and in the first hour of school on Tuesday we had all our pancake mix prepared. Later in the morning it was a well drilled SRC who cooked, delivered and sorted orders for students and local businesses. Peter Gale from the senior men’s group, who cooked with Blake and Ben, commented on how well his co-cooks worked together and Peter really enjoyed his time with our SRC. Well over 120 pancakes were cooked with a bowl of mix left over! An outstanding start for the 2015 SRC.
Last Saturday another ten students from our school took part in Amazing Saturday at the Naracoorte Scout Hall, the Swimming Lake, Pioneer Park and to finish with at the Naracoorte Uniting Church Hall. Activities included swimming, kayaking, ice-blocking, a dunk tank, face painting and other games. It finished with a concert with lots of energy and action galore as Sean W Smith entertained all of us. He presented a Christian Outreach at our school two years ago and is the best children’s presenter by far that I have seen. Five very weary but happy leaders were privileged to be part of this day and the children who went had a ball.
Cheers, Stephen

Tuck Day
24th March (Week 9)
Chicken or Lamb Yiros
Helpers
Megan Charlick
Kathy Hayes
[*Muffins – Tammy Mathews]

31st March (Week 10)
Chicken Wings and Salad
Helpers
Priscilla Lamb
[*Muffins – Vicki Heym]
Priscilla Lamb, phone 0499 058 489
Glenda Hughes, phone 0435 472 882
Tuck Day Coordinators

Congratulations
Our congratulations to past student Kelsie Moyle-Read.
Kelsie was awarded Dux of Year 8 at Naracoorte High School in 2014. Kelsie won the Principal’s Academic Achievement Award at Padthaway Primary School in 2012 and the Apex Citizenship Award in 2013.

In the News

Community News
Padthaway Medical Clinic
The Padthaway Medical Clinic is open every Monday from 9.00 am – 5.00 pm.
Please contact Keith Surgery on 8755 1766 to make appointments. Immunisation and all Health checks are available.
Kool Kangas

Term 2 dates:
Monday 4 & 18 May 2015
Monday 1 & 15 June 2015

Cost:
$3.00/child/session
$8.00/3 or more children/session

Reminder:
A bus pass is required from school so your child/ren can be dropped off at the Uniting Church.

On Monday 4th May we would love to invite all our Mums for an Afternoon Tea at 4.30 pm to celebrate Mothers’ Day. This will be prepared and served to you by your children.

If you have any questions please contact me on phone 8765 5120 or email schutas@bigpond.com
Joanna Schutz
Team Leader

Naracoorte United Soccer Club

For those interested in joining the club, the training sessions are as follow:
Under 12 & Under 14 - Every Wednesday 4pm to 5pm
Under 17 - Every Wednesday 5.30pm to 7pm
A & B grade - Every Tuesday and Thursday 6pm to 8pm.

Please feel free to contact us if any further information is required.
Dominique Armoogum
NUSC Secretary

Used Shoes

If you have ever wondered what to do with your old shoes…you probably have your own way of passing them on but if not, look into this which I have been supporting for a few years. The shoes do get there!
Dalice Kennedy from Adelaide (she knows our daughter Mandy through netball connections) started this up and has put a great deal of her time, money and effort into creating this wonderful support for others.

She is working in conjunction with Soles for Souls.

I was thinking about doing another shoe collection but anyone who has some gently worn shoes (no high heels or slippers or Ugg boots), sandals, thongs, work boots, sports shoes, football boots – adult and child …that still have good wear in them, can be dropped into any BankSA (this saves me dropping them in Port Adelaide depot!). As a mark of respect for others, please make sure they aren’t grubby – marks are okay but not dirty.

Some will go to Aboriginal communities and some go to Mozambique, where some are given away to those who can’t afford any shoes and some are sold very cheaply to people to begin their own small business selling shoes cheaply… giving a HAND UP not A HAND OUT.

Thank you to those who have donated in the past.
Heather Edwards

SE FIELD DAYS MARCH 20th and 21st 2015

Children’s Activity Tent

Site C

Balharry Memorial Kindergarten and Rural Care

Free Children’s Activities available all day!
Baby feed and change area
Tea/coffee/water
Also - Face Painting, Lucky Dips
Have a rest while your children have fun!

Proudly sponsored by Lucindale Lions Club

PRACTISE YOUR SPANISH WITH AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT!

Capture the spirit of family and friendship - Host a Spanish international exchange student!

- Introduce your family to different customs, values and ideas
- Improve your language skills
- Make lifelong international friends
- Share Australian culture and lifestyle

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange is seeking volunteer host families for International High School students from Spain.

Students arrive in July 2015 for 10 weeks and can be placed anywhere in South Australia. You do not need to have children of your own or the same age to enjoy this experience.

All students are carefully selected, will attend a local high school, have their own spending money and can bring your family to life!

FOR MORE INFORMATION,
PHONE Jenny ON
(08) 8323 0973
EMAIL: jeh1313@bigpond.net.au
‘Birds of Bool Lagoon’ is still on show at the Naracoorte Art Gallery.

Open to all ages

Join celebrity chef and author Callum Hann and accredited practising dietitian Themis Chryssidis for a FREE demonstration in preparing healthy, fresh, tasty meals that you can easily recreate at home!

Wednesday, April 1 @ 7pm
at the Tatiara Civic Centre, 43 Woolshed St, Bordertown
BOOK your space at the Bordertown Library 8752 1473

For more info:
Contact Naomi 0428 643 061 or Wendy 8752 1473

Tatiara District Council Community Initiative

"From Sketch to Stitch" with Jo Fife

Free Motion Machine Stitching

Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd May 2015
@ the Naracoorte Art Gallery

10 am to 4pm at a cost of only $150 for the two day workshop

Places limited to 10 people so book in early!
Contact Jo Fife or the Gallery to book your spot in this exciting workshop.
Materials list is available on payment
jo.fife@hotmail.com or phone 0438 813 573
paracortegallery@gmail.com or 8762 3390 0478 609 868