ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT & AGM

Thank you to the many parents who supported the Governing Council AGM and Acquaintance Night. The Year 11/12’s finished off a lovely day of team building at the Glenelg River with the Senior School / SACE Information sharing at 5.30 in the Library. The AGM followed, electing seven new Members (see below) to the Governing Council and sharing positive reports about the School’s progress over the last 12 months.

The sausage sizzle cooked by Rob Whittaker and Chloe Fensom was popular, after which parents spent time wandering the classrooms and listening to a variety of presentations from teachers about general classroom operations, homework, reading and new Maths Strategies.

It was great to see so many parents showing interest in the wellbeing and educational opportunities for their children. Teachers continue to be available to answer questions or concerns regarding their class, curriculum or individual children at any stage of the year. Please make an appointment to talk to a teacher before or after school by putting a short note in your child’s diary. Short chats can often make a big difference to answer issues as they arise.

VISITING TEACHERS FOR CHINESE

Chinese Lessons started with enthusiasm this week after a visit from the Open Access Teachers last Thursday. Lynn Davis (Teaching Reception, Reception / Year 1, Year 2 & Year 6/7) and Annie Li (Year 3/4, 3/4 & 5/6) spent the day visiting classes they will teach during the year. They shared Chinese costumes and articles and revised the Chinese words the students learnt last year. Chinese has been embraced positively by students and staff, and fulfils the National requirement of the Australian Curriculum of studying Asian perspectives across the curriculum and also a language.
SPORTS DAY - A Helper Tear Off Slip is on page 3 of today’s Newsletter. I will also be ringing parents in the next few weeks to fill my Sports Day Canteen Roster. All help on this busy day is much appreciated.

Tracy Bald / Canteen Manager

Community Notices

THE BAY DANCE CLASSES - Held on Wednesdays at the Community Hall - Dance 4.00 to 4.45pm. Hip Hop 4.45 to 5.30pm. Boys and Girls Welcome. For further information, please call Meagan on 0437161799.

PORT MACDONNELL COMMUNITY GYM - 2014 Membership now due. $35.00 Community Gym Membership or $10.00 if you are a Financial Member of the Netball or Football Club. Please pay at the Port MacDonnell Community Complex or phone 87383000 for further information.

CHEERLEADING ! KEEP FIT, HAVE FUN AND LEARN NEW SKILLS ! - Cheerleading is a fast growing sport in Australia that anyone can do! Cheer builds strength, coordination, flexibility, teamwork and confidence through stunting, tumbling and overall fitness. Where : MJ Dance Studio (behind The Oatmill Cinema) When : Juniors 14 & under / Tuesdays 5.30 - 6.30pm. Seniors 14 & over / Wednesdays 5.30 - 7.00pm. Call : Josie on 0404556023. Boys and girls of all ages are welcome to come and try.

SYNERGY DANCE - Located upstairs in the Ripley Arcade, Synergy Dance offers both fun classes and competition classes in Calisthenics, Jazz and Hip Hop as well as solo and duo items. Enrolments can be taken for children of any age with classes starting at 3 and under and going all the way up to Seniors. For further information, please contact Kym Lindner on 0417 824 922. We have some vouchers for 2 free lessons available from the School Front Office if anyone is interested.

PORT MACDONNELL FOOTBALL CLUB COLTS TRAINING

Port MacDonnell Colts Training commences on -

JUNIOR COLTS - Thursday, 27th February at 4pm.
SENIOR COLTS - Tuesday, 4th March at 5pm.

Registration and Sausage Sizzle to be held on THURSDAY, 6TH MARCH following training.

All existing and new players welcome. For more information, please contact Julie Chant on 0438866287.

WORKING BEE THIS SATURDAY, 22ND FEBRUARY AT 9.00AM. PLEASE BRING CHAINSAWS, SPLITTERS. ALL PARENTS / PLAYERS / COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE EXPECTED TO ATTEND.

SCHOOL PHOTO DAY

Will be held on Tuesday, April 1st.

STUDENT FREE DAY / OSHC

Our school will be having a Student Free Day - THIS Thursday, 20th February, 2014.

A letter was sent home to parents. OSHC will be running on this day. To register your interest, phone Judith Whitehead on 0409012668.

PORT MACDONNELL NETBALL NEWS …

Junior 2 & Junior 1 Netball Training starts on Wednesday, 19th February at 3.30pm at the School Netball Courts. Any enquiries to Kelly Millard on 0400387102 or Tanya Jacob on 0427389223.
**INFORMATION NEEDED**

Following on from last year, this term, our class is doing research on Local History. My topic is Ghosts but I need your help with information about Ghosts in the local area. If you can help me, please write any information down and drop into the School Front Office with my name on it or you can email me on — claire.heppleston156@schools.sa.edu.au

Thank you. Claire Heppleston / Year 9

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**SPORTS DAY INFORMATION**

**FRIENDLY REMINDER - THERE IS NO PARKING ON THE OVAL OR SCHOOL GROUNDS.**

**SPECIAL PROVISONS MUST BE NEGOTIATED PRIOR TO THE DAY.**

THANK YOU.

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**FOUND - WE HAVE 1 PAIR OF GOGGLES AND A SPOON THAT WERE LEFT AT SWIMMING LESSONS.**

THEY ARE LOCATED NEAR THE FRONT OFFICE STUDENT WINDOW.

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**STUDENT ID CARDS**

Student ID Cards are available from the Front Office for Secondary Students. They are $6.00 each.

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Rachelle McKay

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**GUITAR LESSONS**

Friendly Reminder - Guitar Lessons are now being held on Wednesday (not Tuesdays) at School. Students have been notified by Deanne.

If you would like to book your child in or have any questions, please contact Deanne Turner on - 0439988366.

Lessons run for half an hour and are $25 each.

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Students will have Event Cards by Monday, 24th February / Week 5 for Year 3’s up.

**Pre-Sports Day Events -**

Tuesday, 25th February at 9.00am / All Hurdle Events (Junior-Open)
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I am able to help out as a volunteer on Sports Day in the area of …………………………………………….

Name …………………… Phone No. …………………… Time - From …………………… To ……………………

Children’s Name/s ……………………………………………………………………………… Class/es ………………………………………

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**Canteen Helpers - Sports Day - Friday 28th February, 2014.**

I am able to help out in the Canteen.

Name ………….. ………………………………

Time - From …………………… To ……………………
Reception - Miss Breanna - MATILDA COE - For being organised and always independently unpacking and packing your own things.

Reception / Year 1 - Miss Tanielle / Miss Hogg - KOBY STRATMAN - For being positive and helping others.

Year 2 - Mrs Neu - CHARLIE JENKIN - Excellent handwriting and presentation of bookwork.

Year 3/4 - Mrs Sporton - ISOBEL JENKIN - For her super effort in Quick Writing and trying her best.

Year 3/4 - Mrs O’Connor - ETHAN WILLIAMS - For his positive attitude towards reading and for helping others.

Year 5/6 - Mrs Newby / Mrs Biggins - SAKARI PELKONEN - For trying hard to complete all tasks in every subject. A fantastic start to the year!

Year 6/7 - Mrs Murdoch - JEMMA RIGNEY-HAMILTON - Working hard to catch up on missed work.

Geodesic Dome Building

These students are constructing a geodesic dome, using their ingenuity and teamwork.

They used a model to first make a dome and then construct a sphere 4 metres high ...

Sports Day War Cries

LIME
We are the best team of the triangle,
Every team we meet, we rangle,
Rah, Rah, watch us shine,
Lime, Lime, wins all the time.

PURPLE
Who are, Who are, Who are we?
We are Purple can’t you see,
North, South, East and West,
Douglas team is always best.

ORANGE
One, two, three, four,
Who’s the team we barrack for?
Five, six, seven, eight,
Who’s the team we appreciate?
Rumbling, Rumbling,
Orange House Northumberland!