NEWSLETTER

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Friday 6th July, 2018

Number 10

Dates To Remember

End Term 2 Fri 6th July 2pm

Term 3 Monday 23rd July

Book Week Parade Tues 14th August

South Korean Students Tues 31st July – Sat 18th August

> **Disco** Thursday 30th August

Pupil Free Day Friday 31st August

Sports Day Friday 26th October

> Quiz Night Saturday 3rd November

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Dear Students, Parents and Caregivers,

New signs - I hope everyone has noticed our new signs. We now have four values signs on the fence to reflect our school values. The colours were chosen in response to class votes late last year. These same values are on our Values Awards that we give out at assemblies. The large sign just inside our gate has also been redone and a smaller

version is on the wall of the canteen. I would like to thank Rod Hicks, our local sign writer for his help and expertise with these signs.



Wellbeing and Engagement Collection – Students in years 4 to 7 have been invited to participate in this collection in term 3. Teachers will arrange for students to answer some simple questions online. Please read the full page letter within this newsletter and contact me before Friday 28th July if you do not want your child to participate.

Happy Haven OSHC – We are excited to welcome Happy Haven managing OSHC from Monday Week 1 Term 3. Happy Haven are able to facilitate late bookings on the day so please feel free to utilise after school hours care. For more information see: www.happyhaven.com.au or information coming on our website soon www.happyhaven.com.au or information coming on our website soon

Lucky Square Entertainment Book Winner – Congratulations to Chris Tagg who won our Entertainment Book. Thank you to all who participated. We appreciate your support.

Toys at school – I would like to discourage students from bringing their own toys to school. When students take toys outside at playtime they can so easily be damaged or lost.

Finally, I would like to wish everyone a safe and happy holiday. I am looking forward to seeing everyone back at school next term for another exciting term.

Jill Gurner Principal

Emily's Music



Emily loves her music and plays clarinet, tenor saxophone and piano. Emily plays in the Mount Barker Big Band and the Mount Barker Concert Band.

Mount Barker Big Band is a more jazz feel and Emily's favourite song is *A Nightingale Sang in Berkley Square.* Her favourite concert band song is *Haven't Met You Yet.*

Emily is also playing in the Klemzig Orchestra and will be playing clarinet at the Festival Theatre for the Festival of Music. Emily is making a great contribution to the community by using her talents.



Canteen and Lunches

Everyone has been provided with forms to order Hot Dogs in Term 3 on Fridays. This is a fundraiser being run by the Year 7's for their trip to Canberra later in the year. The cost is \$31.50 for the whole term. Please get your orders in before Tuesdays if you are ordering by the week.

The Canteen will continue next Term with Week 1 and 2 serving Sausage Rolls and Pies. Please get your orders in. Canteen starts on the first Monday back. \$3 – Order forms have been given to students or available at the end of this newsletter. Go to Edit and take a snapshot. Paste it to a word document for printing!

Digital Technology



This term Room 3 worked in groups to create games using

Scratch and then they presented them to the class. The students completed a Game Design Document as part of their assessment, in which they outlined their intentions for the game and also involved them asking other students to test their game and provide feedback. Room 1 has been focusing mostly on online safety and algorithms this term. The students have sequenced algorithms to complete everyday tasks such as



washing their hands, and have provided instructions to direct each other around the classroom. Recently we have been able to start using our new iPads and Spheros. The Spheros are small robots that can be driven around or programmed to drive automatically. We have all (teachers included!) had fun using them so far!

Japanese

In Japanese, Room 1 has been learning how to ask and answer the question "how are you?" – in Japanese this is said "ogenki desu ka". I'm particularly proud of how well the students are going with their pronunciation. Room 2 and Room 3 have been creating plays based on the story of the Ookii Kabu (giant turnip), which involves them speaking entirely in Japanese throughout their performance. The students of Room 2 changed the characters in the story as well as the vegetable that was

pulled out of the ground, whereas the Room 3 students were able to change the plot of the story to some extent. Yesterday (Thursday of Week 10), Hong Sensei came back to visit us and the students presented their plays to her. Everyone made a fantastic effort and I am pleased with how far the students have come in their Japanese learning so far this year.

We have also been learning about *Tanabata*, the Star Festival, which is held on July 7th each year. The story goes that two lovers, Orihime and Hikoboshi, were separated by the god of the sky, and were only allowed to see each other for one day on July 7th. During Tanabata, special decorations are hung and people write wishes and hang them on bamboo. These are often burned after the festival. Students from all classes wrote wishes.

A note from Miss Warren...

I've had the privilege to be able to work with every student across the school, and it has been a pleasure to support them in their learning. I am sad to be leaving but am thankful to have had this experience. Thank you to the staff, students, and families for your support over the past two terms.







Lunch Order Week 1 and 2 Term 3 2018

Week 1 Monday 23rd July

Name		Room	
□ Sausage Roll	□ Pie	\$3	
Week 2 Monday 30 th July			
Name		Room	
Sausage Roll	🗆 Pie	\$3	

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Government of South Australia Department for Education

Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Wellbeing and Engagement Collection

Students in our school have been invited to take part in a survey being conducted in Term 3. This letter provides key information about the survey.

Purpose of the collection

Young people's sense of wellbeing is an important part of their development and how they learn at school. The purpose of the survey is to seek students' views about their wellbeing and their engagement with school. Students in year levels 4 to 9 will participate in the *Wellbeing and Engagement Collection*. The information collected will help inform work in the education system and broader community to help improve young people's health and wellbeing.

What is the survey about?

The survey asks students about their social and emotional wellbeing; school relationships and engagement and learning in school; and physical health and wellbeing and after school activities. Students' answers will be kept confidential – no one will use the results to identify individual students.

What is involved in project participation?

Teachers will arrange for students to undertake the survey during class time. Students will be asked if they would like to participate and will be free to withdraw at any time. If you do not want your child to participate, please contact the school by 30 July 2018 or as soon as possible after receiving this letter.

Will students' information be kept confidential?

- · Students' answers to the survey will be kept confidential
- Results will not be used to identify individual students

Will schools, classes or students be "ranked" in any way?

No. The findings will not be used to rank or determine the performance of schools.

Where can I get more information?

Further information on the Wellbeing and Engagement Collection can be found at <u>www.education.sa.gov.au</u> (search:wec) or can be collected from the school. For questions or concerns, or to view the questions, please email <u>Education.WEC@sa.gov.au</u> or contact the Business Intelligence Unit by phone at (08) 8226-5169.

Sincerely

Jill Gurner Kersbrook Primary School PRINCIPAL



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