Newsletter: Issue 7
Thursday 13th May 2010

On Monday families should have received a letter from Gabrielle outlining her current health issues. We wish Gabrielle all the best with her upcoming operation and recovery and look forward to her rejoining our team next term.

Cheryl Pyrke will be teaching in the Junior Primary class while Gabrielle is away and Lesley Bray will be taking Cheryl's place in the Upper Primary Class on Fridays.

Lesley has been able to rearrange things so that she can visit us tomorrow to meet staff and students. She will begin working in the Upper Primary class next Friday.

Cheers,
Dzintra

2010 SANFL/SAPSASA Under12 Team

Congratulations to James Hunter who has been selected for the SANFL/SAPSASA Under 12 State Team to represent South Australia in the School Sport Australian National Football Championships in Perth in July. James has undergone a selection process which began in the last school holidays with over 150 boys attending trials in Adelaide and ended with more trials after the SAPSASA Football matches played last week. James is one of twenty-three Under 12 boys who will be going to Perth. Well done James!

SAPSASA Football and Netball Carnivals

James Hunter and Will Pratt represented the Mid North in football matches in Adelaide last week. The boys report that they won six of the nine matches they played and that the team finished third overall. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience. Clancy Toholke also enjoyed herself representing the Mid North in netball. The team won three of the nine games played.

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Diary Dates

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Attachments with this newsletter

- Parenting with the Brain in Mind
- Book Club Brochures (Please return by Friday 4th June)
**Sensational Students**

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**SRC News**

Dear Parents/Guardians,

This term, on Tuesdays and Thursdays the SCR will be selling hot Milos. They will cost 50c for a half cup and $1.00 for a whole cup.

We will be selling them at lunch time. There will be a box on the desk in the front office, so please place your note and money in there before school.

Thank you.

Clancy Toholke (SRC)

**Christian Pastoral Support Worker News**

*It takes a community to raise a child*

Over the past three weeks, small groups of children have participated in discussion and activities based on this quote. Last week, we talked about the importance of families. "They help you up when you fall down", commented a student.

Thanks to the Year 5s and the lunch time group for the display on the board in the front office.

*Christian Options Seminar*

John Moulton, regional coordinator for Operation Christmas Child will speak to the children about Shoeboxes for Love and her experiences delivering them overseas on Friday 11th June at 10.00 am.

**Seasons for Growth - Adult Programme Introductory Session**

Brian Wundke and I will be offering this session on Wednesday 16th June at 7.30 pm at the school. It provides information about change, loss and grief. Participants can then choose to attend a further 4 sessions exploring their experiences in a small group setting if they wish. Please contact Brian on 0428462027 or me 88462164 for more information and to register your interest.

Take care families,

Regards, Mignon

**Rec - Year 2 Class News**

As you are aware, the Junior Primary class has had a rather unusual week this week. On Monday, Mrs Silvester told everyone that she had cancer and that she would be taking time off to get better. She also announced that I would be teaching her class while she was away. Most of the students know me quite well (as I do, them!!), so this will help greatly with keeping the change to a minimum. Mrs Ottens and myself have spoken to the children about Mrs Silvester’s illness, and answered some questions and concerns that some of the children had. We have both told them to please feel brave enough to ask either of us any questions or share any concerns that may arise later. A helpful website that the "Cancer Council" have recommended to me for parents to access is www.kids.cyh.com. The "Cancer Council" website is www.cancer.org.au

Please don’t hesitate to come and see me if you have any concerns yourself (or just for a chat!!) I am always prepared to make a mutually agreeable time to meet with you!

Bye from the Rec - Year 2 Class & Mrs Pyrke

**Year 3-5 Class News**

In the 3/4/5 class we have been learning about fractions. We joined the Junior Primary class to do Indian cooking.

On Tuesday and Wednesday we have had Mrs Doroch teaching us while Mrs Harvey is away.

For our last assembly on Friday last week, Mrs
Year 6-7 Class News
In the last two weeks we have continued learning about India. Our independent studies are due this Friday, We have started on our practical, which is cooking Indian foods. On Tuesday Mrs Pratt came in and showed a PPP about a wedding which she attended in India 2007. In Science we started forensics; the topic is called 'What a Mess' and we are finding out what physical change and chemical change means.

In Mathematics the Year 7s are still studying algebra, the Year 6s have completed the topic of numbers and are starting to learn about percentages and interest. On Fridays with Mrs Pyrke we have been studying all the food groups and what the difference between low GI foods and high GI foods and also what RDI means. On Thursdays Mrs Carling has been coming in and teaching netball. Our Wakakirri practising is coming along nicely and we are getting the hang of all the different dances. Mr McElroy is teaching the stage crew how to make the sets and props. They are using a computer program to design the props.

By Kiara and Thomas

Harvey’s hand almost fell off writing out all the running certificates.
We hope everyone has had a marvellous week and has a lovely weekend.
   Tara Walkley (for the Yr 3-5 class)

COMMUNITY NOTICES
Blyth Cinema
Fri 28th May 8.00 pm - Bran Nue Dae (PG)
Sat 29th May 8.00 pm Up In the Air (M)
Comedy/Drama
Fri 4th June 8.00 pm Up In the Air (M)
Sat 5th June 6.00 pm Alvin & The Chipmunks - The Squeakquel (G)
Sat 5th June 8.00 pm Amelia (PG) Amelia Earhart story
Wed 9th June 1.30 pm Amelia (PG)
Sun 6th June 6.30 pm Fireproof (PG)