School Banking Day Reminder
Don’t forget that Friday is School Banking day and students should bring in their weekly deposit. For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. The first token will be received upon the first deposit at school. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can then be redeemed for a range of great, exclusive reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour. Thank you for supporting the School Banking program at Two Wells Primary School.

Parents and Friends
Thank you to all the families who came along and helped to make Grandparents’ Day a huge success. Special thanks go out to Drakes Foodland at Angle Vale and to the parents’ who kindly donated morning tea.

We’d also like to thank all of the volunteers, students and the parents and Friends committee for all their hard work on the day.

GUITAR/KEYBOARD LESSONS
Dear Parent/Caregiver
At long last we have found a really top level guitar teacher so we are now taking Enrollments for Guitar as well as keyboard. Lessons are during school time. Please fill out the slip below. It returns to the music Office & we will contact you.
Cost: Group $60.00 - Shared $100.00
Per term:
Mr/Family Name:______________________________
In Room:_________________________ is interested in learning

PEACE TUCK

GUITAR

Shared (3) for 3 students

KEYBOARD

Group $48.00

Piano

Group $68.00

SHARED ONLY


demonstrating the values of

Honesty **** Caring ****
Persistence **** Respect **** Responsibility

Principal - Lynda Fitzpatrick-Brown  Deputy Principal - Ann-Marie Ellis  Counsellor - Judy Sanders

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Diary Dates

5th Aug—9th Aug
   Rooms. 2, 4, 4a,4b camp

12th Aug—16th Aug
   Science Week

19th Aug—23rd Aug
   Book Week

23rd Aug
   Choir Magic Millions

27th Aug
   District Day

Aug 31 – Sept 1
   Gawler show

3rd Sept & 4th Sept
   Sky watch

9th Sept
   School Closure Day

10th Sept
   Pupil Free Day

12th Sept
   Choir Festival
   Theatre Performance

Principal

Welcome back to term 3. A special welcome to all our new students and our new teacher Mrs Warren who is teaching the new receptions. Our total student enrolment currently sits at 333 students. I expect that our numbers will continue to grow as homes continue to be built.

We are off to a good start with many of our students positively demonstrating the values of the school both in the classroom and the yard. We have a very busy term so I expect students to behave appropriately and respectfully otherwise they may miss out on the many exciting things we have planned. Often students assume the right to participate in extra-curricular activities however these activities need to be earned through appropriate behaviour and a good work ethic.

This term we are offering a variety of lunch time activities so students now have access to computers, the library, table tennis, Bey Blades, gardening, lego etc. Hopefully students will enjoy the opportunity to try something new.

Over the school holidays we had maintenance work completed in the junior primary girls and boys toilets. Broken tiles were replaced and/or removed with floors being lifted and leveled. A new covering called Adflex was then sprayed over the floors. It has improved the appearance of the toilets greatly, so much so that the new floors highlight the need for some painting as well as removing toilet paper off the ceiling!

The staff carpark continues to be a major source of concern for staff, parents and the Governing Council. We have spent the last two weeks observing the carpark in the mornings and many families are using it as a drop off area. The staff carpark is for staff only. It is not acceptable to be reversing in front of school buses, parking in the driveway to drop off children and then doing u-turns etc.

Families who continue to use the staff carpark will be contacted by the school and Governing Council in the hope that we can work together to ensure the safety of not just our students, but of all community members accessing the school.

We ran another Jolly Phonics parent workshop on Tuesday 30th July. This was attended by 13 parents. This term we are continuing to provide Jolly Phonics intervention for struggling receptions as well as year 3, 4 and 5 students who are still below the expected reading benchmark. Some students from last term will remain on the program this term.

Through some money received from the Empowering Local Schools Project (ELSP) we are funding the Parent Room (Community Room??) makeover including computers (eventually for parent use) and wireless connection across the school. I have registered the school for the Skoolbag app. Another way of communicating with families via phone messages etc so hopefully this will be up and running by the end of this term with details put out to parents via the school newsletter. I have organised for the school website to be ‘revamped’ so look forward to a fresh new look next term with added information such as a ‘Learning’ tab/folder. The ELSP funding is about engaging families with the school to better support student learning. If you have any ideas about other ways we can engage families or activities we can provide please email (see address above) the school. I would really appreciate parent input. No idea is too big, we are very happy for you to think outside the square!

Grandparent’s Day was a great success. We had a large number of visitors who enjoyed the concerts and as well as the BBQ, morning tea, visiting classrooms etc. A big thank you to all who contributed their time on the day including the Parent and Friends, Steve and Maxine Cummins, members of the Governing Council etc. Next year I am going to organise a visitor’s book so that we can get an accurate picture of just how many family members attend. It was a pleasure meeting so many extended family members and listening to the positive comments made about our students and staff.

Lynda Fitzpatrick-Brown
**Bus Tear off Slip**

Parent Name: 
Contact number: 
Address: 
Name of student/ students: 
Are you likely to use this service in the future? Yes / No 
When? 
Why do you not currently use this service?

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**Counsellor**

Gawler show
August 31 – September 1
Website at [www.gawlershow.org.au](http://www.gawlershow.org.au) for information about exhibiting etc.

Entry forms and information about JUNIOR SECTIONS is also available from the school.

An item of interest PRAISE

Compliments can come in many forms, but psychologists and behaviour scientists are finding that some types are better for kids than others.

The latest on giving parental approval is to strike the right balance. Praise is meaningless if it is applied willy-nilly. If you are going to use praise, it is best to think about when and how it will have the best impact.

- **KidsMatter** is an Australian mental health and wellbeing initiative that is funded by the Australian government and Beyond Blue. It has some handy information on what it terms as ‘effective’ and ‘ineffective praise’.

Some examples are:

- **Too evaluating:** "You’re a good counter, Libby.”
- **Effective:** “You’re excited about doing counting today, Libby.”

- **Too general:** "Great work on the painting, Yvonne.”
- **Comparative:** "You have drawn on so much more of your page than last time, Yvonne.”

- **Too reward focused:** "You caught the ball, Libby – you deserve a star.”

- **Acknowledges effort and feelings:** "You tried to catch the ball three times, Libby. You seem pleased that you did so well.”

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**Resource Ramble**

**Reading Hour** – Saturday 24th August 2013 from 5.00-7.00pm. Bring your favourite children’s story to share. Children can come in their pajamas, ready for bed – snuggle up and listen to some great stories. Milo and cookies will be available. So join in the fun.

**Always remember reading fun – it also makes us smarter.**

**Quiz Question:** Who was the first man to walk on the moon? 

(Don’t forget to let Mrs White know....!!)

Anna CTM White – Teacher/Librarian

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**Canteen News**

**Thursdays Only**

Pizzas $3.50
Made Fresh: 
Ham and Cheese with or without pineapple.  
BBQ Chicken and Cheese with or without pineapple.

Current Supreme pizza available until further notice.

**Mondays Only:**

Steak sandwich Bread toasted or untoasted, lettuce, tomato, cheese and sauce. $4.00

Available at recess
* Monday: Hash brown triangles
* Tuesday: pinwheels 30c each– Ham & Cheese  
  Vegemite & Cheese
* Friday: Pancakes—60c each