Two Wells Primary School Newsletter

Term 1, Week 1
30/1/2015

Diary Dates:
10th Feb
Acquaintance Night
12th Feb
Assembly
2nd March
Parents and Friends AGM
6th March
Assembly
9th March
Adelaide Cup
17th March
Governing Council AGM
27th March
Assembly
150th Celebrations Launch
3rd April
Good Friday
6th April
Easter Monday
10th April
Last Day of Term.

From the Principal
Welcome to the 2015 school year. It was great to welcome back students and their families on Tuesday as well as meet all our new students. We’ve started the year with thirteen classes which includes our single intake of new receptions.
We also welcome returning and new staff:
- Ms Ann-Marie Ellis – Deputy Principal
- Ms Maria Woodland – School Counsellor
- Coordinator – TBA
- Mrs Liz McLaughlin – School Finance Officer
- Ms Jessica Koot – Front Office
- Mrs Allison Landherr – School Support Officer
- Mrs Michele Renaglia – School Support Officer
- Mrs Yvonne Davidt – School Support Officer
- Mrs Michelle Barnett – School Support Officer
- Elaine Richardson – Librarian
- Mrs Tania Cattell – Pastoral Support Worker
- Mr John Spoolder – Groundsman
- Ms Belinda Wallace – Canteen Manager
- Mr Mike Hawkey – Science R-7
- Mr Leigh Russell – Health and PE R-7
- Mrs Jenny Atterton – Librarian R-7
- Ms Kate Harris – Japanese R-7
- Ms Angela Dickinson – Reception – Room 6
- Mr Adam Claridge – Reception – Room 5
- Mrs Mel Warren/Ms Virginia Adare – Yr 1 – Room 2
- Ms Adele Tassone/coordinator(T2) – Yr 1/2 – Room 1
- Mrs Julia Liebich – Yr 2 – Room 7
- Ms Karen Richardson – Yr 2/3 – Room 10
- Ms Julie Hughes– Yr 3 – Room 11
- Mr Tony Luyten – Yr 4 – Room 12
- Mrs Anthea Pounendis – Yr 4/5 – Room 14
- Mr James Martin – Yr 5 – Room 16
- Ms Paula Napper – Yr 6/7 – Room 22
- Mr Sarah Kosandiak – Yr 6/7 – Room 25
- Mrs Sharyn Binyon – Yr 6/7 – Room 28

Staff have been busy since the 20th January undertaking Training and Development in the area of literacy, particularly looking at comprehension and guided reading. We have also completed Play is the Way training, a practical methodology for teaching social and emotional learning using guided play, classroom activities and an empowering language. More information will be provided as the year progresses.

Acquaintance Night will be held on Tuesday 10th February. It will consist of two information sessions: 3.20-3.50 pm and 6-6.30 pm. Teachers will be presenting the same information at both sessions allowing you to choose which session you attend. It will also give you the option of attending more than one session if you have more than one child at the school. A more detailed letter will be sent home next week.
This year we will be having three whole school assemblies per term. The assemblies will be held on the Friday of week 3, 6 and 9 at 9.15am in the gym. All parents/caregivers are welcome to attend.
Just a reminder about the procedures we have in place for students at the end of a school day. We have two bells, one at 3pm for students who catch the bus. The second bell at 3.05pm is the dismissal time for all other students. Students who walk/ride home are expected to leave the grounds immediately and if they leave via the front of the school they must use the path provided.
Students with bikes should not be riding on the path or the driveway. They should be walking their bikes until they reach Gawler Rd and then only ride when there are fewer pedestrians. Parents/caregivers coming in to collect their children should also use the path instead of walking down the driveway particularly when we have buses and cars coming in and out. We need to be setting a good example for our students. Students attending the Two Wells Community Child Care Centre after school meet relevant staff by the Junior Primary playground/pepper trees at the edge of the hockey oval and those attending Stepping Stones OSHC meet at the Gazebo behind the front office.
The car park at the front of the admin block is for staff only. Parents have the option of parking on Gawler Rd, Old Mallala Rd (off Hart Reserve) or in the car park behind the school oval. You can access the car park via the Two Wells Community Children’s Centre driveway. There is a speed limit of 10kmph so please consider the safety of our students and their families at pick up and drop off times.
Well done to the students on such a great start to the term, looking forward to a great year.

Lynda Fitzpatrick-Brown
Principal
Happy Birthday, 150 Years.

This year is Two Wells Primary School’s 150th birthday. The year is going to be filled with special events (to be announced). We will be exploring our history. What games did the children play in 1865? What subject did the students learn? If you have any stories you would like to share as an old scholar/staff member, please contact Allison Landherr. Email Allison.landherr221@schools.sa.edu.au

Two Wells Primary School Parents & Friends Association AGM

Parents & Friends would like to invite any interested families to their Annual General Meeting on Monday March 2nd at 9am to be held in the Community Room/Uniform Shop

Parents & Friends meet on the first Monday of the month during school terms.

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

All babies, children and young people under 18 years are welcome to attend the School Dental Service. Dental care is FREE for most children.

SA Dental Service participates in the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. A small fee may apply for children who are not eligible for the Child Dental Benefits Schedule. All dental care provided is FREE for preschool children.

To locate your local School Dental Clinic, or for more information about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule, please visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au

TWO WELLS PLAYGROUP

When: Tuesdays during school term
Time: 9.30am to 11.15am
Where: Two Wells Primary School Hall
Cost: $2.50 per family per session (plus annual Playgroup SA membership)

A playgroup is a group of mums, dads, grandparents and caregivers who meet together regularly with their children aged 0-5 for interaction, fun and opportunities to learn through play.

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