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NEWSLETTER

Life Raft and Powerful Learner Qualities

This week and next week the Life Raft that we will be focussing on is ***It takes great strength to be sensible.***

We do the right thing because it's the best thing to do. You aim to be successful as a learner, make strong decisions and think about how to be the best you can. You will be organised and willing not to give up when things get hard.

The Powerful Learner qualities that we will look at in conjunction with our Life Rafts are **Resilient** and **Independent**.

Please support the school and reinforce this thinking and language in things that you do at home to make the connection with what we are doing at school stronger. These Life Rafts and Powerful Learning qualities also apply equally to all things that we do in life.

Clean Up Day

On Friday 2 March our school did their part to help clean up Australia and our Callington community. Armed with rubbish bags, gloves and tongs, students and teachers headed to the Callington Oval to pick up rubbish around the grounds. Congratulations to the Leaders and members of the Sustainability Forum for helping to organise this event.

A big thank you to the parents who also gave up their time to come along and do a long overdue clean out of our Furniture Shed. Your help was greatly appreciated.

To parents and community members and groups who donated both time and money to claim our unwanted items, many thanks. The funds raised will contribute to the purchasing of a new swing for the Playground area.

Visible Learning

On our Student Free Day held on Monday 26 February staff went to Nairne Primary School to continue their professional training around Visible Learning.

Our focus for this year is looking at effective feedback and the impact that it has on learning.

One of the things that I thought I would share with you from the day and something you might like to use and practise at home is the difference between praise and effective feedback.

The wrong kind of praise is linked to praising a student's intelligence (Aren't you a clever person/person praise) instead of their effort (I can see you worked really hard at that task/process praise). When praising the effort and not the person students believe that they can develop their intelligence (and it is not fixed by how clever or intelligent you may appear) and are more willing to take on challenges and stick to them. If you praise the person there is the risk that students may feel that they must continually prove to themselves that they are worthwhile and this mindset makes them emotionally vulnerable to failure.

“The wrong type of praise creates self-defeating behaviour. The right kind motivates students to learn.” (Dweck C.S)

Whole School Assembly

Thank you to everyone who attended the whole school Assembly last Friday hosted by the Year 3/4 class. Students were excited to have an attentive audience to share their work with.

There were many highlights with

- * R/1/2 class sharing their puppet designs from Performing Arts and also talking about showing Bravery in their learning and giving examples of this.
- * Year 3/4 class' performance of The Hero's Journey.
- * Year 5/6/7 class' presentation of their Wonder masks
- * Year 5/6/7 class' demonstration of their Mousetrap vehicles.

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with Powerful Learner Awards.

- R/1/2 Wyatt - for reflecting on his feelings as a learner and identifying how these impact his achievement.
Sophie - for being brave and trying new things without being asked.
- 3/4 Jane - showing bravery in Chinese when sharing her learning.
Lachlan - being reflective in his learning and thinking about how it will be useful in the future.
- 5/6/7 Rubee - for showing bravery when faced with multiplication challenges.
Cortni- for receiving and acting on feedback during maths.

HARMONY DAY

20 & 21 MARCH

around the world. The students and staff will be participating in a range of activities. On the Tuesday we will be sending our taste buds around the world as staff lead master classes in cooking cuisines from exotic and far-away places. Wednesday we will be embracing our creative side – making and creating art and craft from the far corners of the map.

We welcome you all to come and join us in this celebration of culture, food and art.

Birthday



Dates to Remember

Monday 12 March

ADELAIDE CUP

Friday 16 March

National Action Day against Bullying & Violence

Assembly Run by R/1/2 Class at 2.45

Tuesday 20 March

Governing Council

Wednesday 21 March

Harmony Day

Thursday 29 March

Assembly Run by Forum Leaders at 2.45

Friday 30 March - Monday 2 April

EASTER

Monday 3 April - Thursday 5 April

Parent Teacher Interviews - Note to be sent home next week

Friday 13 April

Sports Day

Callington Primary School is celebrating Harmony Day on Tuesday 20th – Wednesday 21st of March. Harmony Day is all about celebrating the differences that make us a strong and vibrant multicultural society.

We are excited to welcome Pamela's sister all the way from the Emerald Isle – Ireland, to talk to us about her home and her adventures

Lunch Time Fun

A year 7 student organised an obstacle course for the whole school to enjoy at lunch



Many students are enjoying our lunch time Sewing Club

School & Community News

Coles Sports for Schools - Please save your vouchers when shopping at Coles. Drop them in to the front office. The more we get the more goodies we can purchase.

School Open Days -

*Urbrae Agricultural High School Open Day Tuesday
20 March 2018 Ph: (08) 83726955*

*Mt Barker High School Wednesday 21 March 2018
4.30pm - 8.00pm*

GIVING BLOOD FEELS GOOD

Every donation can save three lives.

The Blood Service Mobile Blood Donor Centre will be visiting:

Mount Barker
St. Mark's Lutheran Church
35 Hampden Road

Tuesday 3 April	10:30 am – 5:30 pm
Wednesday 4 April	13:00 pm – 7:30 pm
Thursday 5 April	11:00 am – 6:30 pm
Monday 6 April	8:00 am – 2:30 pm

Make an appointment today.

To make an appointment call 13 14 95
or visit donateblood.com.au

 Australian Red Cross
BLOOD SERVICE



BOOK CLUB
ORDERS
DUE
Wednesday
21 March, 18

WORLD TAEKWONDO CALLINGTON



Callington Hall
Main Street, Callington
KIDS 5 – 12 Years:
Wednesday 6.15 pm
12+ and Adults:
Wednesday 6.45 pm

Also classes at Mt Barker, Nairne, Crafers
and Hahndorf

Beginners Welcome

Tel: 0412 909 500 or 0412 965 905

www.worldtaekwondo.com.au

ORIENTAL SPORTS ACADEMY

Callington Kindy and Occasional Care news

We would like to welcome our new wellbeing staff member, Melissa Reeves. She will be on site at Kindy on Thursday mornings each week to help parents, families and staff with any concerns about education and child wellbeing. Initially Mel will endeavour to contact all families by phone to introduce herself and the many ways she might be of help. If you would like to contact her sooner just speak to kindy staff.

In conjunction with Mel, the Callington Primary School is "sharing" their community wellbeing coordinator Pamela with us. Pamela will be running very short story and activity sessions with the kindy children, and staff. Initially these sessions will be to support the children to be able to identify and name their basic emotions. This is aligned with the DECD curriculum on Protective practices. If you would like to know more, please speak to Kindy staff.

The R-2 class has begun building their stronger connections with the kindergarten this year by visiting us on Thursday afternoons. This will begin with a "getting to know you" focus but will progress into a more literacy and numeracy based direction as the children settle into the connection. The kindy children are already beginning to establish a relationship with their possible future classmates and teacher. Later in the year we will visit the school to build a more familiar understanding of the places and processes that are involved with "going to school".

