Check out the photos of our Big Day Out last Thursday! What a day! Our feedback tells us that it was an exciting and differently fun-filled day, packed with exploratory learning and the building of cooperation and team skills. Thank you to all those who helped organise, volunteered on the day, and all who came along to enjoy a bit of sunshine and fun at our local park.

Please find attached to this newsletter a draft of the School Dress Code. The changes you see are in response to the feedback we have already received from you. The final draft policy document will go before Governing Council in week 3 to be ratified. After this date, the Policy will be published in time for getting organised for the 2016 school year. Please take some time to read through the Policy over the holidays. Please write on the document to give feedback and return it to Marcia in Reception before the end of week 1 Term 4. We welcome your ideas and suggestions.

Governing Council has approved the date for our final Student Free Day for 2015. Staff will have further learning on intervention strategies and goal setting for prioritising individual student learning. The date is Friday 30 October. OSHC will be open on this day. Please remember to book in with Larissa.

The Term 4 Calendar will be sent home on Friday, tomorrow! Please make sure you retrieve it from your child’s bag and put it up somewhere at home for ready reference.

Enjoy some sun and family filled days these holidays and see you all back refreshed for term 4!

VALUES RECOGNITION AWARD

The following students will receive a Values Recognition Award recognising outstanding behaviour, action and learning at Reynella South School.

Matthew for showing care and concern to a fellow student who had fallen by helping him to seek help at the office.

Amber for staying on task and for persevering and completing your work with just a little help.

Isaiah for displaying the qualities of a good friend to everyone.

Kynnan for helping a younger child when hurt in the yard.
A.J. for making our playground look clean and inviting.
Riley for looking out for others.
Lhana for modelling positive and proactive strategies to resolve conflict in the yard.

Barb

HAZARD ALERT – ASBESTOS IN CRAYONS
The ACCC has identified traces of asbestos in the following products:
Dora The Explorer – personalized 32 pack
Dora The Explorer – jumbo crayons
Arti Crafti – 16 piece crayons
Peppa Pig – 8 wax crayons

Independent testing has also found traces of asbestos in:
Disney “Frozen” – jumbo crayons
Disney “Mickey Mouse & Friends” crayons

If you have purchased any of these crayons please return them to the place of purchase for a full refund or replacement.

CASUAL DAY
FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER

GOLD COIN DONATION
Money raised will be donated to our school charity, Legacy Australia
Badges, pens and teddy bears will also be available to purchase before and after school and outside assembly.
Please help our children support this worthwhile cause.

FIRST DAY
TERM 4
MONDAY
12 OCTOBER, 2015

FRIDAY, 25 SEPTEMBER, 2015
LAST DAY TERM 3
EARLY DISMISSAL
2.10PM
END OF TERM ASSEMBLY
AT 1.35PM
1. Collect fallen winter sticks and build a cubby or giant nest to sit in.
2. Find a good sturdy tree, make a rope swing and pretend you’re Tarzan.
3. Take a photo or sketch of a flower or tree at the beginning of spring and watch it change over the season (take more photos/sketches throughout).
4. Explore your local neighbourhood to see how many blossoms you can find.
5. Listen out for male Koalas in a National Park (it’s breeding season).
6. Collect natural things to make a hanging mobile or wind chime to hang outdoors.
7. Plant tomatoes, basil, cucumbers, pumpkins or lettuce in a patch, in recycled pots, pans, milk containers, even old boots.
8. Build a scarecrow for your veggie patch.
9. Make a necklace or garland from sour scobs, dandelions or daisies.
10. Head to a creek or wetland with a net and magnifying glass and see what you scoop up (remember to return anything to the water).
11. Collect natural objects from the ground and make a giant mandala.
12. Visit one of Nature Play SA’s Park of the Months (Para Wirre Recreation Park, Moelita Conservation Park, or Innes National Park).
13. Pick a flower, place it in a glass of water with some food coloring or dye and watch the petals change colour.

14. Ask your dad what his favourite childhood outdoor activities were and do them together on Fathers’ Day.
15. Find a flowering wattle and describe what it smells like.
16. Grab your friends and go fly kites.
17. Go on a bushwalk and see how many spring wildflowers you can find.
18. Attend a nature-based event during the Spring School Holidays (see our website).
19. Go whale watching.
20. Go on a beach walk and see how many white cuttlebones you can find (Cuttlefish have just finished breeding).
21. Start a spring nature journal with poems, drawings, and things you’ve collected.
22. Find an old gum tree and spot the birds going in, poking their heads out or nesting in hollows.
23. Spend an afternoon at Wittunga Botanic Gardens at Blackwood.
24. See how many New Holland Honeyeaters (they’re the common black and yellow birds) you can spot in your backyard or at school.
25. Make a simple insect hotel or magnificent minibeast mansion for your yard.

Remember to get permission before you go out on your own, take a drink bottle and sunscreen and watch out for swooping magpies.

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