Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Accompanying this newsletter is a letter informing you that Barb Hall has won a 3 year position in our regional office and will not be returning to Reynella South School. Barb has been a leader of change and improvement at Reynella South over the past 3½ years and will be missed by staff, students and parents alike. Our community will have the opportunity to farewell and thank Barb for her service at our week 2 assembly next term on Friday 13 May.

I am really excited to be stepping into the Principal role to the end of 2016, providing continuity for all members of our community and for the strategic direction of the school. Our staff, parents and students have a proven record of teamwork and resilience so I anticipate that we will continue building a school that promotes wellbeing and academic success through inclusivity, parent participation and learner resilience.

STUDENT SAFETY

At the end of the school day, our children are keen to play with their friends and reunite with family. It is a busy time in our yard, in the car park and in the buildings. Our first priority is always student safety, so please help by:

- Pre-arranging an after school meeting point with your child.
- Reminding children that school boundaries apply unless accompanied by a parent (ie carpark, bulk waste areas).
- If there are variations from the normal routine at school pickup time, please write a note to your child’s teacher or call the school.
- Remind your child never to go home with someone that varies from the arrangement you have for that day (including parents of the child’s friend).
- Ensure your child understands what will happen if you are late. There is teacher supervision until 3:30pm (3pm on Wednesdays). Any child remaining in the yard at this time will be brought to the office to phone the parent. If the parent has been held up they will be taken to OSHC and invoiced for that session.

If you have any queries about these procedures, please approach a staff member to discuss.

Good friends keep each other safe!
VALUES RECOGNITION AWARD
The following students will receive a Values Recognition Award recognising outstanding behaviour, action and learning at Reynella South School.

Sacha for consistently working hard in all learning areas.
Danielle for always being helpful in the classroom and going the extra mile to be kind.
Riley for working hard to make A choices in class which has resulted in quality work being produced.
Chloe for gaining confidence in speaking to others individually and in a group situation.
Riley for making choices that enable him to better understand complete tasks.
Chloe for stretching herself with reading and comprehension.
Mia-Rose for stretching herself by learning 40 sight words during Term 1.
Dwayne for taking care of our classroom and for stretching himself as a reader.

Jo

WELCOME
A very warm welcome to Hayden S. and his family who have returned to Reynella South School.

NAPLAN INFORMATION
In week 2 next term our years 3, 5 & 7 students will be sitting for the National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy tests. Children sitting the tests will be assessed on how they perform in areas such as Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. The tests will be administered in week 3 and in particular on Tuesday 10 May, Wednesday 11 May and Thursday, 12 May. Children who are absent on any of those days will be given the opportunity to make up the tests they missed on Friday, 13 May. Staff use the results to develop support programs for children who do not reach National minimum standards.
NAPLAN results are given to you later in the year and a breakdown of your child’s results is sent with a chart on where your child sits against other children in the nation, in terms of achievement. Our staff analyses the data collected from the NAPLAN results and determines the priorities for curriculum support and then we plan strategies for that support through classroom action.

If you wish to withdraw your child from these assessments, please complete the appropriate form available from the Front Office.

Jo Meredith

MEET OUR GOVERNING COUNCILLORS
Crystal Dodson is our Chairperson. She is passionate about supporting and encouraging others and is on the promotions committee. Crystal takes pride in Reynella South School because they are committed to working with families and they encourage all students to treat others with care and respect.

Renee Freeman is our Secretary for the fourth year in a row. Renee has a strong interest in Early Childhood Education and is on the OSHC committee. Renee takes pride in Reynella South School because it is a great learning environment for our children.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
If anyone is interested in helping out in the Community Garden, please contact Pauline in Room 19 or leave your name at the Front Office.

COMMUNITY GARDEN

ASSEMBLY
This week’s Assembly is Friday, 8 April 9.10am Hosted by Room 5
Congratulations to all the winners of the Easter Raffle. Thank you again to all those who donated items and sold tickets.

We raised $800.00, well done!

Fundraising Committee

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Friday, 15/04/16
LAST DAY TERM 1
2.10pm EARLY DISMISSAL

FIRST DAY
TERM 2
MONDAY,
2 MAY, 2016

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~Finance News~

AVAILABLE AT FINANCE OFFICE:

SCHOOL HATS WITH LOGO
Wide Brim Hat S,M,L,XL $8.50 ea
Bucket Hat S/M, L/XL $9.00 ea

SCHOOL LOGOS FOR POLO SHIRTS IN NAVY or WHITE
$1.50 ea

SCHOOL FEES DUE: $229.00

PRESCHOOL/TASTING TUESDAY
FEES DUE: $80.00

Yr 7 Uniforms (outstanding money is due before garments are received - these are due in hopefully before end of term)

SCHOOL CARD
If you still have your application to complete please do so and return to school asap. Please be aware that no student will be automatically approved for school card, a new application must be completed each year.

DIRECT DEBIT REQUEST
If you are interested in establishing a direct debit plan for school fees, to suit your budget, please come and discuss this with Anita Barnes. Application Forms were sent with invoices.

Anita Barnes

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We are still looking for a volunteer to help with lunch order days. If anyone is able to assist us with collecting lunches from Reynella Primary School on Mondays can you please let Anita Barnes know.

Many thanks to Amanda Rooney and Tash Baxter for their support in volunteering their time this term to assist us.

Anita Barnes
SCHOOL DRESS CODE
As cooler weather approaches and holidays near, it is likely that many families will be reviewing their school clothes. Please ensure that your child/ren are dressed in compliance with the school’s new Dress Code (endorsed by Governing Council last year). The transition period for families to adjust to the new policy has now ended and Dress Code Non-Compliance notes will be issued from next term.

REYNELLA SOUTH SCHOOL DRESS CODE
A nurturing community of active learners

Tops
Polo shirts with school logo
Skivvies
Jumpers (no slogans or pictures*)
Jackets (no slogans or pictures*)
*Exception given for special Year 7 jumpers and shirts
Iron on logos available for sale at school for $1.50.

Pants
Mid-thigh length shorts, or ‘skirts’
Trackpants, leggings
Long trousers, cargo or drill pants

Dresses/Skirts
Dress
Skirt, pinafore
*Navy bike shorts can be worn under skirts/dresses only

Footwear
Enclosed shoes (sneakers, canvas shoes)
*No open sandals, high heels or thongs due to health and safety requirements.

Hats
Legionnaire, bucket or broad brimmed
To keep our status as a ‘Sun Smart’ school and to protect our students from any possible harm School Governing Council has agreed to have an all year round hat policy. This means that students will need to wear hats all year as UV damage can occur in Adelaide even through the winter months.

Jewellery
Due to health and safety issues, all jewellery is discouraged except for medical bracelets, small sleepers or studs and watches, and discreet religious jewellery
• Body piercing and false fingernails are not acceptable
• No make-up or nail polish.
• Hair needs to be kept neat using hair ties and bands in navy or white.

Colour
Plain navy, light blue or white

Colour (No denim)
Plain navy

Colour (No denim)
Navy and white check
Plain navy

Colour
Black, navy or white
(No coloured stripes or laces preferred)

Colour
plain navy with or without school logo
Logo embroidered bucket hats and logo embroidered wide brimmed hats are available for sale at school.
The children enjoy playing table games together.

**LEARNING OUTCOME 1 – CHILDREN HAVE A STRONG SENSE OF IDENTITY**
- Children feel safe, secure and supported.
- Children develop their autonomy, inter-dependence, resilience and sense of agency.
- Children learn to interact in relation to others with care, empathy and respect.

**LEARNING OUTCOME 2 – CHILDREN ARE CONNECTED WITH AND CONTRIBUTE TO THEIR WORLD**
- Children become aware of fairness

**LEARNING OUTCOME 3 – CHILDREN HAVE STRONG SENSE OF WELLBEING**
- Children take increasing responsibility for their own health and physical wellbeing.

**LEARNING OUTCOME 4 – CHILDREN ARE EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATORS**
- Children interact verbally and non-verbally with others for a range of purposes.

For Easter the children did different Easter crafts including decorating eggs and basket making.
We also had an Easter Egg Hunt which was lots of fun.

**LEARNING OUTCOME 4 – CHILDREN ARE CONNECTED CONFIDENT AND INVOLVED LEARNERS**
- Children develop dispositions such as curiosity, co-operation, confidence, creativity, commitment, enthusiasm, persistence, imagination and reflexivity.
- Children use a range of skills and processes such as problem solving, inquiry, experimentation, hypothesizing, researching and investigating.
- Children resource their own learning through connecting with people, place, technologies and natural and processed materials.
Our New Class Plant

Students created persuasive texts to convince others that their name for our class plant was most appropriate. They read their arguments to the class and a name was chosen.

Have a read of the winner argument.

We believe that our class plant should be called Lachy and the following reasons are why.

The class plant should be called Lachy because it is a good name which is easy for students to remember.

It is important that Lachy is the class plants name because Lachy is a great name.

Furthermore the class plant look like a boy and Lachy is a great boys name.

Therefore our class plant should be called Lachy.