

### WHARMINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL

'It takes a community to educate a child"

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Term 1

Week 10

**FAMILY NAME** 

2008

#### **DIARY DATES**

**APRIL** 

#### Mon 7th

#### **Student Free Day**

Staff First Aid Training

@ Ungarra

#### Fri 11th

End Of Term
Casual Clothes Day
Early Dismissal 2.30pm

#### Mon 28th

**Term 2 Commences** 

#### Tue 29th

SAPSASA Netball/Football Trials @ Lock - 10am

#### OTHER NOTES/INFO

**Daylight Savings Ends** 



Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Sunday Morning!! Hello Everyone,

The end of term is in sight and it was been brought on a lot quicker with the short weeks that we have been having. In saying this I must remind everyone that Monday is a student free day due to First Aid Training at Ungarra.

The teaching staff and the students travelled up to Karkoo Primary for a fantastic Science show. Nat the presenter did a great job of combining science and fun. We travelled up in the bus with Ken LeRaye and we thank him for supporting us with this day. It was clear that the students not only enjoyed the show but also the chance to mix and mingle with students from Karkoo, Ungarra and Port Neill. We want to thank Ivko and Sharon for making the day possible.

Next week we will be sending home a brief report that outlines the progress of your child so far this year. It will highlight all curriculum areas as well as their approach to learning and a small comment. The report will follow DECS requirements and will be accompanied by a letter explaining this. Next term we will hold interim parent interviews in place of a report. I remind all parents that as next week is the final week of the term that school finishes at 2:30pm on Friday.

As you may have seen in the Tribune and the Times, Wharminda Primary School has been awarded a \$500 Active grant for participating in the Premier's Be Active Challenge. This grant will go towards assisting us with providing opportunities of physical activity. We appreciate this help and know what a valuable program it is.

As we enter a time of the year where daylight is limited I reiterate the importance of sleep for your children and a healthy breakfast to enable them to function fully and actively throughout the day.

This week we have had Danika Trenberth in the school relieving for a few days and the students have enjoyed a new face to teaching. We appreciate the time she has put in.

The Around the World theme is still continuing as we start an Olympic focus in preparation for the games in Beijing. This project is also combing our Spanish studies and cultural studies. Next term we will also be announcing the long anticipated surprise for our Around the World theme and we look forward to this.

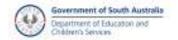
Please enjoy the extra time with your children over the school holidays but remember to keep safe and I look forward to seeing you all next term.

Cheers,

Matthew

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Matthew McCurry Principal





#### SAPSASA NEWS

Our students had a very successful day out at Kimba on Wednesday 27th at the SAPSASA trials. We had 3 students go up all of whom made it into the team to represent Central Eyre in Adelaide on Friday May 9th at Mile End.

It will be a fantastic experience for them just to run, jump and throw in the stadium.

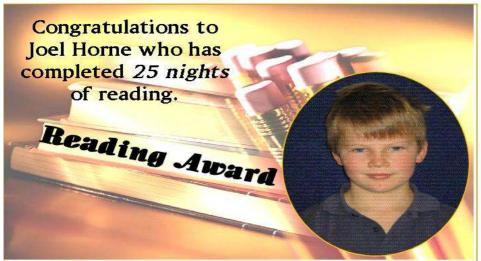
The children are in the following events:

Leah Forrest -Abby Nield -Bradley Noble -

100m, 200m, Long Jump
100m, Shot Put, Discus

- 100m, 200m, Long Jump

We wish them all the best. Have a great time!!



### THAT SCIENCE GANG!

On Thursday the 27-3-08 we travelled to Karkoo for the Science Gang. Wharminda, Port Neil, Ungarra, Karkoo and Port Lincoln Special School went to the science show. Mr LeRaye was very nice and drove the bus for us. It was a long drive but we entertained ourselves with singing, music, talking and a lot of other games.

When we got there we sat down and got ready for the show. The guy who was there was called Nat short for Nathanial. He told us that the show was going to be all about formulas and how mostly everything is made out of formulas. There were a lot of cool things; mostly they were about bangs and a lot of loud noises. He told us how scientists find out what kinds of formulas things were with red cabbage juice. That was very interesting.

After it had finished we went back to Karkoo School and had Recess. It was good to see all of the other schools again.

It was a great fun day and we wish that we could see all of the other schools more often.

By Alice Nield







#### PORTS NETBALL CLUB TRAINING DATES & TRIAL MATCH

Junior Training: Thursday 3rd April 5.00 p.m. @ Port Neill

Senior Training: Thursday 3rd April 6.15pm @ Port Neill (This is a Grading Night)

Juniors, if you have grown out of your netball uniform, please bring it along to the first training. The club can buy back uniforms or you might be able to swap with or borrow from someone else. Seniors, uniforms will be available to try for size at training on 27/3.

A trial match will be held at Ungarra against Eyre United on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> April. Please let Judith Rehn (ph 86280184), know if you are available on this date. We will be playing two senior (probably B and C) and two junior (probably D and E grade) teams. A grade and colts football teams will also be playing. Canteen facilities available.

For more information go to portsfc.com

### Community Library

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## Eyre Peninsula Farmer & Fishermens Market

10am – 5pm, Sunday 20 April 2008, Streaky Bay Foreshore

Taste the sensational flavours of the Eyre Peninsula at the Streaky Bay foreshore for the EP Farmer & Fishermens Market. Experience fine seafood and wine or pancakes and cappuccinos on the foreshore of this picturesque coastal town while being entertained by a local muso. From 10am - 5pm on Sunday 20 April 2008.

For more information contact the coordinator Nerissa Schuster 0419 295 780





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## THE IMPORTANCE OF LANGUAGES IN THE CURRICULUM



STUDENTS EXTEND THEIR THINKING AND REASONING SKILLS AND THEY APPLY THESE IN OTHER AREAS OF LEARNING AND IN PROCESSING KNOWLEDGE.



- WE WANT OUR STUDENTS TO DEVELOP AND USE 'MULTIPLE INTELLIGENCES' AND LEARNING LANGUAGES IS CENTRAL TO THIS CAPABILITY.
- Using more than one language is a skill OF THE HIGHEST ORDER.



- KNOWING ASPECTS OF ANOTHER LANGUAGE IMPROVES STUDENTS SKILLS IN USING ENGLISH AND COMMUNICATING EFFECTIVELY.
- LEARNING A LANGUAGE ASSISTS OUR STUDENTS IN USING MODERN COMMUNICATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES LIKE COMPUTERS AND THE INTERNET.
- OUR STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO WORK INTERNATIONALLY AND WILL BE ABLE TO ENGAGE WITH OTHER CULTURES USING THE SKILLS GAINED BY LEARNING A LANGUAGE IN OUR SCHOOL.
- STUDENTS WILL BE ABLE TO RELATE TO THEIR LOCAL SOCIETY AND CULTURE AS WELL AS BEING ABLE TO OPERATE GLOBALLY.
- LANGUAGE LEARNING IS A CORE ASPECT OF THE SACSA FRAMEWORK.









