



WHARMINDA PRIMARY SCHOOL

‘It takes a community to educate a child’

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Term 1

Week 4

FAMILY NAME

2008

DIARY DATES

MARCH

[Fri 7th](#)

Beach Sports Day
Port Neill Foreshore

[Mon 10th](#)

Adelaide Cup Day
Public Holiday

[Fri 21st](#)

Good Friday

[Mon 24th](#)

Easter Monday

OTHER NOTES/INFO

[Fruit Time](#)

Fruit and Vegetables are encouraged during our fruit time each morning.

[Hat Policy](#)

Broad Brimmed Hats are to be worn in Term 1 & 4.

[Clothing](#)

Please ensure that all school uniforms have your child's name on them.

[Beach Sports Day](#)

Information will be sent home soon.

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Hi All,

We seem to be speeding through the term and before we know it we will be having our Easter break... eggs are already on the supermarket shelves so it's getting closer!

Last week's 'Family Life' visit went extremely well. It was great to see a good turnout of parents and students from Wharminda and Port Neill. The presenter was lively and kept the interest levels high through some very informative workshops.

Last week I took a trip to Ungarra Primary to meet with the Principals from Port Neill, Karkoo and Ungarra. We managed to plan a number of events for the 2008 school year and it looks like there will be several opportunities for all our students to mix and mingle.

Beach Sports Day is coming up on Friday March 7th at Port Neill. A number of changes have been made to help make this day an even better day for fun and teambuilding. I invite you all to attend and on the day and support your children. More information on the changes will be going out shortly once everything is finalised.

A reminder that this year we are working within the new 'Healthy Eating' guidelines. I have noticed that the food that is coming to school is more often than not well chosen and healthy and I would like to see this continue. Following on from fitness in the mornings students need to make sure they have a full water bottle to drink and that they need to bring in some 'Brain Food'. This food can be fruit, vegetables, some nuts and even yoghurt.

Our themed topic from this Term is 'Around the Word' and we have leaped into this with great excitement. The Upper Primary are working on an Italy topic with Amanda and the Junior Primary class on Fiji with Lou. This has seen visitors to the school, cooking demonstrations, internet research and much more. We will be working through this topic over the first two terms and look forward to an up and coming big surprise. In this topic I am working with a teacher friend of mine in Johannesburg, South Africa and both our schools will be working through the same activities and swapping work and emails. We have also taken on the sponsorship of a 9 year old boy from Mexico through Care Australia. He will be communicating with our students and we will be organising fundraising for his school supplies, uniform and shoes.

It has been great to see everyone settle back into Wharminda so well this year and I look forward to more events and times together as the year progresses.

Cheers

Matthew McCurry
Principal

Around the World with Mrs Mac

Years R-4 have been learning about the Fijian culture. In week 3 we were lucky enough to have Naca Coleman come and visit with us for two days. She was born and lived in Fiji and moved to Australia in 2006. Naca taught us some Fijian words, read us some traditional tales, showed us some Fijian household items and spoke about life in Fiji. We also made some shell jewellery and decorative bracelets worn by Fijian dancers. For lunch on Tuesday the students made Rote (Indian bread) with Naca and beef curry which is a popular meal in Fiji. We also cracked a coconut shell and ate fresh coconut. We wore sulus which are wraps worn as skirts by both men and women in Fiji.

We have also tried fresh pineapple which is eaten regularly by Fijians, which inspired us to write a poem about eating pineapple because as we ate adjectives like juicy, sticky, dripping, sweet and chewy came from our mouths. We made paper versions of the traditional woven mats which are on the floors of most Fijian homes and used block printing to make Tapa or Masi which is a traditional fabric worn on special occasions.

We have lots of Fijian things on display in the classroom so make sure to pop in and have a look.



Naca reading us a traditional tale



Adam and Naca threading shells



Mrs Mac and Amy braiding a bracelet



Brayden & Adam rolling the rote



Amy's shell necklace



Mac trying the curry



Wearing our brightly coloured sulus



Bradley enjoying the curry



Mikaela eating drippy pineapple

FREE Succession Planning workshop for Farming Families

Rural Solutions and Country Health SA present a free workshop on "Sustaining Families and Farms". We discuss topics that can cause problems such as money, time, housing and communication strategies. How understanding on these important issues can ensure that businesses can then focus on their key business and remain productive and viable.

Workshop details:

Wudinna at the Wudinna Sports Club on March 26th or Tumby Bay at the Seabreeze Hotel on March 27th. Workshops run from 9.30am to 3.30pm and lunch is included.

For more information or to book your place please contact the Rural Health Team on 8667 2458 or email projectofficerpprhs@health.sa.gov.au

TAFE TALK

TAFESA Cleve campus **NEW OFFICE HOURS**
Tuesday and Thursday 9am - 5 pm, Friday 9am-12:30 pm.
Voice mail will be available at other times.

You're Invited - Valmai Crosby retires from TAFESA at the end of February after 16 years of service. Well wishers from the community are invited to attend a farewell morning tea at the Cleve Campus on Thursday 21st February at 10.45am. RSVP appreciated to Megan on 8628 2456 for catering purposes.

TERM I classes

Please call 8628 2456 with your enquiries,

Senior First Aid Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd February
Cost \$145.00.

Firearms Safety Sunday 2nd March. A&B Class \$150.00
C Class \$50.00. Approval letters required from the Firearms Branch.

Chem-Cert Courses will be conducted during February and March in the following locations:

Tumby Bay - Tuesday 26th February
Pt Lincoln - Wednesday 27th February
Lock - Thursday 28th February
Cleve - Wednesday 12th March
Wudinna - 13th March
Kimba - 14th March

For more information contact **Smith & Georg**
on **8389 1856**.

Introduction to Mosaics to be run over 2 weeks on Tuesday evenings. Make either a small plaque or a house number.

For more information & EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST contact Cleve Campus.

Wharminda Primary School Website

Just a reminder that our newsletters are on the school website as a PDF file.

If you no longer need the newsletter mailed or emailed then please contact the school so we can take you off our mailing list.

Website: www.wharmindaps.sa.edu.au

RUDALL TENNIS CLUB

Are holding a Kyttons Fundraiser - get your yummy Hot Cross Buns, Lamingtons, biscuits and Pies.

Stock up the freezer before Easter.

Orders to Mignon Dunn
before 5th March.



SAPSASA 2008

Dates for all trials and events for 2008 are listed below. Each child will receive a reminder notice, with more details, closer to each event.

Softball Year 6 & 7

Trial at Cleve Monday 3rd March at 10 am.
Carnival in Adelaide March 31st - April 4th.

Athletics

Open to all children born in or before 1998
Trial at Kimba Wednesday March 26th at 10am.
Carnival in Adelaide Friday May 9th.

Football and Netball Year 6 & 7

There will be no tryout at Cleve this year, everyone will trial together at Lock.
Trial at Lock Tuesday April 29th. At 10am. Canteen available.
Carnival in Adelaide May 19th - 23rd.

Come and Try Rugby Year 6 & 7

A fun day at Cleve on Thursday July 31st at 10 am.
For all SAPSASA Schools

Cricket & Tennis Year 6 & 7

Trials at Kimba Tuesday 14th October at 10 am.
Carnival in Adelaide November 3rd - 6th.

All trials cost \$2 per child. To be paid to the coordinator on the day.

If you have any questions please contact
Gill Masters on 86288065.

RUDALL NETBALL CLUB

General Meeting

Wednesday 27th February 7.30pm at the clubrooms

All players, supporters and parents are encouraged to attend.

Coach nominations for grades to Mignon 86204030 or Carlie 86207083 prior to the meeting