



Rendelsham Primary School Newsletter

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents

Welcome back! We hope you all enjoyed the holidays. Thank you to the staff for your preparation to have classrooms and learning programs ready for the commencement of another busy term. Students have settled back into routine smoothly.

A highlight of the week was the drawing of the Mother's Day 'Pamper Hamper' raffle which raised \$620 towards the whole school camp.

A huge thankyou to - Nat and Kathy who organised the vouchers for the prize, to everyone who sold tickets (especially the mums who gave time to sell them in Millicent) and to those who contributed to the hamper. This has been an outstanding success. The lucky winners were

1st prize Donald Tilley

2nd prize Brenda Sutherland



Parent Club

Next Parent Club meeting is **Monday the 15th at 9.00am. All welcome.**

Pupil Free Day

All the schools in the Limestone Coast district will be closed for the **Regional STEM Training and Development Day, Friday May 27th**

This day will provide teachers the opportunity to listen to guest speakers and participate in STEM related workshops to build their capacity and awareness to teach these areas in the curriculum.

I highly recommend that families take advantage of the chance to attend the local community events organised for the weekend of May 28th and 29th, with families having the opportunity to attend various free events at the Mt Gambier Library and Main Corner Complex (Saturday) and the Railway Lands (Sunday).

Pre – Service Teachers

You may notice some new faces at the school this term. We are pleased to be able to support students who are undertaking study to become teachers and this year, Jane and Emma are mentoring UniSA students Hannah Wilson and Sally Mueller who will both spend time in our classrooms.

NAPLAN

This week the Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests are being conducted throughout Australia for students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9. NAPLAN assesses skills in Literacy and Numeracy, providing a snapshot of how students are progressing against the national standards for all Australian students. The NAPLAN website www.naplan.edu.au has a parent tab which is very useful and informative.

Regards

Sandy

PRINCIPAL

Sandra Stewart

GOVERNING COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON

Billie Bellingier

PARENT CLUB PRESIDENT

Kathy Rasmussen

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May

10th NAPLAN
11th NAPLAN
12th NAPLAN
15th Parent Club Meeting
@9.00am
20th Naracoorte Cross
Country
26th SRC Pet Show
27th Pupil Free Day

June

13th Queens Birthday
Public Holiday

TERM DATES

Term 2 2016

2nd May – 8th July

Term 3 2016

25 July – 30th September

Term 4 2016

17th October – 16 December



STEM

What is STEM?

STEM Education is a term used to refer collectively to the teaching of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics.

Why is STEM important?

STEM touches every aspect of our lives, from our smartphones to the technologies that enable us to explore the world around us and outer space. In the future it is predicted that there will be a high demand for STEM related jobs, such as ICT professionals and engineers. We know that not every student will become a scientist or mathematician, and that is the way it ought to be, but we do want them to be aware of the role that STEM plays in their everyday lives and how important it is that STEM knowledge continues to grow. By cultivating an interest amongst students in these areas it is hoped that they will gain a greater understanding of these subjects, show improved engagement and be more likely to continue studying STEM areas as they get older.

STEM subjects are well placed to teach skills that are relevant to an 'information-rich' society such as problem solving and creative thinking. Building STEM capacity in our students aligns with our current strategies to support children to develop a growth mindset and become powerful learners. Fostering these areas will help them develop the confidence and curiosity to:

- Actively participate in their learning
- Make decisions based on sound evidence
- Skilfully solve problems and deal proactively with new situations
- Communicate effectively in a variety of forms
- Collaborate with others.
- Believe that they are capable of learning and achieving with effort.



COMING EVENT

Pet Show

The SRC members are organising a Pet Show on Thursday, 26th May 9:00 to 10:00. Parents are asked to assist with transporting the pets to and from the school. The SRC will provide more details soon.



School Notices

Term 2 Canteen Roster		
FRIDAY	13 th May	Leanne Carlson
FRIDAY	20 th May	Kathy Rasmussen
THURSDAY	26th May	Anna Thomas
FRIDAY	3 rd June	Tammy Mueller
FRIDAY	10 th June	Nat Chambers
FRIDAY	17 th June	Sam Bennett
FRIDAY	24 th June	Leanne Carlson
FRIDAY	1 st July	Kathy Rasmussen
FRIDAY	8 th July	Anna Thomas



Rendelsham Primary School

Relief Bus Drivers wanted for school bus run
Southend – Rendelsham

Requirements: MR licence and DECD Driver Accreditation.
Details to obtain Accreditation are available from the school
or online at www.sa.gov.au

Register interest by contacting the school 87354236 or email
dl.0375.info@schools.sa.edu.au

Sandy Stewart
Principal
Rendelsham Primary School



Well done to our award winners for week 1 of term 2.
Sidney, Leni and Lacey

Community Notices

#STEMfun16

FREE FAMILY FUN EVENTS
OVER 2 DAYS AND 3 SITES

SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY
ENGINEERING MATHS

SATURDAY 28.05 MAIN CORNER COMPLEX 10am-3pm

Video Blogging Workshop with Marcus Jones
City Hall 10am - FREE - Bring mobile device

Ruben Meerman - Surfing Scientist
Dress Circle 11am - FREE

Kalyna Micenko & Bob Daly
Artists in the community
Dress Circle - 12noon - FREE

LEGO Australia - 10am-3pm - King's Floor

Robotics & Coding Workshops
11.30am & 1.30pm - FREE - City Hall

Plus GEAR VR demonstrations
(BYO Samsung Phone)

Minecraft Club - FREE

Cardboard Kingdom Making
FREE - Kids Area

GOOGLE Cardboard
Virtual Reality - \$5
BYO mobile phone*

3D printing - FREE

WACOM drawing tablets - FREE



SATURDAY 28.05 MOUNT GAMBIER LIBRARY 10am - 3pm

Escape from the Puzzle room
First session 10.20am - FREE
Your team has 15 minutes to solve a
series of challenges to escape the
puzzle room

Star Dome - FREE
10am, 11am, 12noon
1.10pm & 2.10pm*

*Numbers are limited
Book at the Library on
87212540



SUNDAY 29.05 THE RAILWAY LANDS 1pm - 5.30pm

Food and drink available for
purchase on the day

Nature & Creek Play

Mud & Clay Play Stations

Play on Wheels play trailer

Double Helix Science Club

Teepee Build & Decoration

Billy Cart build & Speed Trials

HPV Pedal Prix Carts on display

Mil Lel Steam Engines & Machinery

"5 Senses in Nature" activities by DEWNR

Community Artists creating Art Work on site

Activities by City of Mount Gambier Sustainability team

Artwork and Vlogging Projections at approx 5pm

Lantern Creation & Lantern Parade at approx 5.30pm



1st Millicent Scout Group



Starting Tuesday 17th May

Joeys
(age 6 to 8) 5:00 to 6.00pm

Scouts
(age 9 to 14) 6:00 to 8.00

Scout Hall, Stark Ave Millicent

See you there

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