From the Principal

Year 6 students across the nation will participate in the NAP – SL (National Assessment Program – Science Literacy) this month. This will involve thirty of our year 6 students. The main purpose of the assessment is to monitor and report on the overall progress made towards achieving high standards of Science literacy in Australia. Students’ achievements will be described in a national public report to be published in 2016. No individual schools or students will be identified in the report. However, all schools will receive a summary of their students’ results. This information will be useful for our schools planning and programming in Science.

We finished last term with the decision to implement changes to the structure of Literacy Blocks Reception to Year 7. Teachers will use the Gradual Release of Responsibility Model, sometimes referred to as the “I do (teacher), we do (students and teacher), you do (students)”. This model proposes a plan of instruction that includes modelled, independent and guided strategies to support and extend student learning. Next year we will continue to use this model, and, as a result, will timetable specialist subjects to ensure minimal interruption to Literacy blocks of 100 minutes per day.

Recently one of our Year 5 students had success competing at Santos. Samuel Harnas won two gold medals competing in the 4x100m relay and the 100m sprint. As a result of his success, Samuel has now been selected to compete in The National Championships in Canberra! This is the first time in over twenty years that a student from Two Wells has made it to the National championships. Congratulations Samuel.

We are currently looking at student numbers for 2016, including the composition of classes. Many new families have enrolled already for next year, but we also need to know about any current students R-6 who will not be returning in 2016. Please contact the school as soon as possible via email: dl.0444.info@schools.sa.edu.au, phone: 85202277 or in person if your child/children are NOT returning in 2016. You can also contact the school in the same way if there is anything you would like us to consider when placing your child in 2016.

Next week, students from Reception to Year 2 attend swimming lessons. Notes and invoices have been sent home. Please note that strict guidelines are in place to protect your children while they are at the pool. Parents will need to obtain and wear a name tag from their child’s class teacher to identify themselves to pool staff. Teachers will provide supervision in change rooms.

Parents/Carers ARE NOT permitted:
- To enter a change room of the opposite gender
- To photograph or video children at the pool
- To assist any child other than their own to dress/undress
- Approach or distract children or instructors during swimming lessons

Further clarification is available from class teachers or by calling the school.
Finally, I would like to say thank you to Rebecca Miller and Sharon MacDonald for the massive amount of work they did to make the Family Fun Day such a success. It was a great day with many families from the school and wider community in attendance. The feedback so far has only been positive and I again commend Rebecca and Sharon for the time and energy spent to make this event a reality. Thank you seems hardly enough! I would also like to thank Belinda Wallace, Jamie Watts and Susan Royals for supporting the planning of this event as well as the many local businesses who contributed so generously towards prizes. Besides the many stalls and amusements, we were also very grateful for the musical talents of Jodie, Taneesha and Ivan Sparnon who donated their time to keep us entertained.

“Alone we can do so little: together we can do so much.” – Helen Keller

Lynda Fitzpatrick-Brown

From the Counsellor

Thank you

A VERY big thank you to the sponsors of our Family Fun Day raffle and Jubilee Trail ...

Majestic Hotels
Two Wells Bakery
The Edge of Hair Two Wells
Two Wells IGA
Two Wells Tavern
Two Wells Pet Food & Fodder
Two Wells Prime Meats
Kmart Munno Para
Woolworths Gawler

We raised $400! All money raised will go towards new Play is the Way equipment, sandpit toys and soccer nets.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR RAFFLE WINNERS!

C Heaslip - 1st Prize, 1 night stay at the Majestic Old Lion Apartments in a 2 bedroom apartment.
H Hobbs - 2nd Prize, $50.00 voucher Two Wells Prime Meats
G Farr - 3rd Prize, $50.00 voucher Two Wells Hairdressers
T Filko - 4th Prize, $30.00 Kmart Voucher
A Landherr - 5th Prize, $25.00 meal voucher Two Wells Tavern
Alan Green - 6th Prize, $25.00 voucher Two Wells Pet Food & Fodder
Jo - 7th Prize, $20.00 Two Wells Bakery voucher
J Heemskerk - 8th Prize, $20.00 Two Wells Bakery voucher
C Parsons - 9th Prize, Two Wells Bakery 1 x 20cm decorated sponge cake voucher
S MacDonald - 10th Prize, Two Wells Bakery 1 x 20cm decorated sponge cake voucher

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR JUBILEE TRAIL WINNERS!!

B Cattell
S Scarf
E Tzevelekos
Ben, Sofie and Efrosini each won a $20.00 Big W Voucher.

Zoe Evans

From the Library

The Library will be closed for Stocktaking during weeks 7, 8 and 9, therefore the last week for students to borrow items will be Week 6. Please return all library books and readers by the end of term. Any unpaid invoices should also be paid by the end of term.

I would encourage your child/children to continue to enjoy reading books so below are the opening times and contact information for the Two Wells Public Library and the Gawler Public Library.

Two Wells Public Library
Address: 61 Old Port Wakefield Road,
Two Wells SA 5501
Telephone: (08) 8520 2100

Opening Hours
Monday: Closed
Tuesday: 9.30 – 5.00
Wednesday: 1.00 – 7.00
Thursday: 9.30 – 5.00
Friday: 9.30 – 3.00
Saturday: 9.00 – 11.00

Gawler Public Library
Murray Street Library
91 Murray Street
Gawler SA 5118
Tel. (08) 8522 9213

Opening Hours
Monday 9.00 – 5.00
Tuesday 9.00 – 1.00
Wednesday 9.00 – 5.00
Thursday 9.00 – 5.00
Friday 9.00 – 5.00
Saturday 9.00 – 1.00

If you have any queries regarding your child/children’s overdue books, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Elaine Richardson – Librarian
As the Pastoral Care Worker (PCW) in the school, part of my role is to provide information on different topics. During this term I will be informing you about the variety of services and clubs that are available in the community of Two Wells. A Chaplaincy Service is provided by a Pastoral Care Worker in a school on behalf of the combined local Christian communities.

Pastoral Care Workers

- Work closely and in partnership with leadership and other wellbeing staff in schools to provide pastoral care and practical support to students, families and staff as requested.
- Are well positioned to work across the whole school to build a sense of community, harmony and cohesion.
- Are trained and equipped to provide their school with a unique dimension of social, emotional and spiritual support in line with the DECD Wellbeing Framework, your local school and your local church work together to provide your Pastoral Care Worker.

I am at Two Wells Primary School on Thursdays and Fridays from 9 – 3. If I can help you in any way I can be contacted through the Front Office.

Tania Cattell

Two Wells Blue Light

Two Wells Blue Light
Halloween DISCO
October 30th 8 to 17 Years
Entry $5.00 at the Two Wells Community Centre
7 pm till 9.30 pm

School Dental

Dental care is FREE for most school-aged children and ALL preschool children at the School Dental Service. All babies, children and young people 0-17 years are welcome to attend. School Dental Service clinics are open during the Christmas school holiday break. Phone your local School Dental Service clinic now for an appointment. For clinic details visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au.

Kapunda Tennis Club

AgServe 2015 Kapunda Junior Tennis Tournament
Sunday 29th November
Singles & Doubles – 10&U, 12&U
Ages as at 1st October 2015
Entries close Sunday 15th November 5 pm
For nomination form or queries please contact:
Matt Bishop 0417 773 430 or Sarah Johnson 0407 069 287
kapundatennisclub@gmail.com