

1865 – 2015

Term 2, Week 2  
13/05/16

## Diary Dates

**Camp**  
16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> May

**Governing Council**  
24<sup>th</sup> May

**Reconciliation Week**  
27<sup>th</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> May/June

**Jack Buckskin  
Performance**  
30<sup>th</sup> May

**Working Bee**  
5<sup>th</sup> June

**Pupil Free Day**  
10<sup>th</sup> June

**Public Holiday**  
13<sup>th</sup> June

**Rugby Carnival**  
17<sup>th</sup> June

**Governing Council**  
21<sup>st</sup> June

**Jump Rope for Heart**  
30<sup>th</sup> June

**Grandparents' Day**  
8<sup>th</sup> July

**Last Day of  
School**  
8<sup>th</sup> July

# Two Wells Primary School Newsletter



## General Information

### *From the Principal*

During the school holidays a number of areas in the grounds were changed. The very tired and overgrown garden outside room 28 was finally removed and concrete poured to create an outside learning area for all the upper primary students. We will eventually look at making some outdoor furniture to put in this space. Mr. Claridge and Mr. Green have also installed a new garden bed near the gym for the Reception classes to utilise. We certainly appreciate the donation made by Two Wells Landscaping Yard to make this happen. Mr Green has been extremely busy tidying up and planting native food trees in the Indigenous Garden near the fire pit in preparation for Reconciliation Week. Whilst maintaining our 'green zones' around the school, particularly around the entrance, the playgrounds and ovals, we do need to remove some of the existing garden beds in and around the buildings. The leaf litter and tree roots are causing damage to pavers, concrete, buildings and guttering. These garden beds are also great hiding places for snakes during summer months. We absolutely value our outdoor spaces and are very lucky at Two Wells to have such large grounds but they are hard work to maintain so changes need to be made. Don't forget our next Working Bee is on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June, 10-2pm.

At the last Governing Council meeting we discussed the Uniform Policy. Governing Council are proposing to phase out leggings for Yr3-7 students by the end of this school year. This means students would not be allowed to wear leggings next year if they are in year 3-7. They would need to wear black shorts or pants. Questions have been raised about whether leggings are appropriate modest clothing for school.

They are not 'hard wearing' and constantly need

replacing. To have your say about changes to the Uniform Policy please provide feedback to [TWSParentInformation.Info405@schools.sa.edu.au](mailto:TWSParentInformation.Info405@schools.sa.edu.au). Governing Council will meet this term on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May and Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June.

National Reconciliation Week will be celebrated from the 27<sup>th</sup> May to the 3<sup>rd</sup> June. The theme for NRW 2016 is Our History, Our Story, Our Future. We will celebrate National Reconciliation on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> May beginning with a traditional Cleansing Ceremony, welcome to country, music and dance, damper making and other classroom activities. This year, 2016, is particularly momentous, with Reconciliation Australia celebrating a number of anniversaries—including 25 years of formal reconciliation in Australia with the establishment of the Council for Aboriginal Reconciliation in 1991. It is also 15 years since Reconciliation Australia was formed and 10 years of success in its Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP) program.

National Volunteer Week is May 9-15 – a time to recognise and celebrate your contribution to our kids. Volunteers are important in any field but particularly in schools where volunteers prepare food, cover books, listen to reading, garden, clean, help supervise, work in classrooms, cook, committee members etc. To our large number of volunteers, thank you. You are valued members of our school community and are appreciated greatly. At Two Wells we formally acknowledge our volunteers in Term 4.

Congratulations to our year 3, 5 & 7 students on completing NAPLAN this week. NAPLAN requires a positive attitude, work ethic and persistence, which most of our students clearly demonstrated throughout the week. We also had excellent attendance across all year levels.

*"If we only did things that were easy, we wouldn't actually be learning anything. We'd just be practicing things we already knew."*

**Lynda Fitzpatrick-Brown**

## **Child Protection**

**Let's keep our children SAFE!!**

(Information from the SA Police Website)

Keeping children safe from abuse and reporting suspected child abuse is the responsibility of everyone in the community.

Child abuse occurs when someone hurts, neglects or fails to protect a child.

### **CHILD ABUSE IS AN OFFENCE**

#### **Child Abuse Report Line**

Call the Child Abuse Report Line if you suspect that a child or young person is being abused or neglected:

**Phone 131 478**

#### **Kids Helpline**

Call the Kids Helpline if you are aged between five and 18 and someone is:

- Hurting you
- Making you feel bad
- Not looking after you properly
- Making you feel unsafe.

**Phone 1800 551 800, 24 hours a day or visit –**

[www.kidshelp.com.au](http://www.kidshelp.com.au)

Calls to the Kids Helpline are free from home and public phones.

You won't have to tell anyone your name or where you live if you don't want to.

## **Thank You from SAT**

**THANK YOU!**

**THANK YOU** to **Bridgestone Service Centre Virginia** for your **AMAZING \$1,000.00** donation to Two Wells Primary School. We are humbled by your generous gift.

After speaking with the Student Action Team at our last meeting, we decided that the money should go towards a sun safe cover for our sandpit.

## **Thank You from Room 5**

Mr. Claridge and the kids of Room 5 would like to say a REALLY BIG THANK YOU to Michelle Norris and Two Wells Landscaping Yard for their very generous donation of soil for our new garden!

## **Irish Dancing Vacancies**

Irish dancing classes are held for pupils from 4 years – girls, boys and adults are welcome.

We provide tuition at reasonable costs.

Salisbury: Saturday mornings and Monday nights

Parafield Gardens: Friday nights

Gawler: Wednesday nights

Verdun: Saturday afternoon once a fortnight

For enquiries phone 82505333

## **PCW Corner**



**United Youth  
Two Wells**

**WEDNESDAYS**  
**5PM - 6:30PM**  
**AGES 12 TO YEAR 12**  
**\$3 FOR TEA**  
**TWO WELLS**  
**UNITING CHURCH**

FOR MORE INFORMATION,  
CONTACT TIM ON 0466330556  
OR [pastor@twowellsuniting.org.au](mailto:pastor@twowellsuniting.org.au)

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**Gawler NAIDOC Committee Presents**

# **Journey of Understanding**

**Free Reconciliation Film Festival**

**25th May 1st June 8th June**


<b>The Road Home</b>	<b>Jandamarra's War</b>	<b>The Redfern Story</b>
<b>Island Fettlers</b>	<b>Dark Science</b>	<b>Crocker Island Exodus</b>
<b>Footprints in the Sand</b>		

**6 . 3 0 F O R 7 P M S T A R T**

Gawler and District College Children's Centre  
Gate 7 - Barnet Road Evanston  
Light Supper and Refreshments provided

# **dads matter**

**Saturday Dads & Kids Playtime**



**14th May is Fish Puppet Making**

**9.00am - 11.00am**  
Gawler & District College Children's Centre, Barnet Road Evanston  
**Free Breakfast Provided**  
All Dads, Grandads, Uncles, Brothers and Carers Welcome