



DIARY DATES

Friday	22	August	Fundraising Raffle Tickets due back
Monday	25	August	Book Week commences
Tuesday	26, 27	August	School Photos
Thursday	28	August	Baseball Clinics
Friday	29	August	Raffle Drawn
Friday	29	August	Book Week Parade
Monday	22	September	Student Free Day
Wednesday	24	September	Cupcake Day

Term 3, Week 5, August 20th, 2014

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Literacy, Numeracy & Book Week 2014

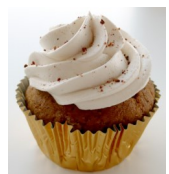
During Week 6 we will be celebrating both Literacy and Numeracy Week and Book Week. The theme for this year is 'Connect to Reading - Reading to Connect'. We have planned a number of exciting activities for this week including a slide show on our school intranet of students reading their favourite books in their favourite place, visits from members of the local community reading stories to our students, displays in our school library and buddy reading. On Friday 29th August we are inviting staff and students to come to school dressed as their favourite story book character. We are planning a parade during the day to share and celebrate Literacy and Numeracy teaching and learning in our school. We would appreciate it if students did not dress as superheros or bring replica weapons (swords, laser swords, bows and arrows etc.) to school on the day.

Raffle Books & Fundraising

A reminder that all raffle books need to be returned to school by this coming Friday 22nd August. The draw will take place at our Book Week assembly on Friday 29th August. There are some great prizes to be won so I urge you all to sell any remaining tickets before the end of this week. Remember that you have to be in it to win it!

Cupcake Day

As a special end of term treat, students will be able to purchase cupcakes for recess on Wednesday 24th September. There will be an opportunity to pre-order cupcakes that will be delivered to classrooms at recess time. An order form will be forwarded home later in the term. All funds raised will be donated to 'Friends of Native Wildlife South East', a volunteer group who rescues sick, injured and orphaned wildlife. This fundraiser was initiated by Allegra H in Ms Andrew's class. We are planning a school visit from volunteers from this organisation next term.



Pupil Free Day Term 3

Our Term 3 Pupil Free Day for the school will be held on Monday 22nd September. This is the Monday of Week 10 of the term. Professor Martin Westwell, the inaugural Director of the Flinders Centre for Science Education in the 21st Century that supports quality teaching and innovation in science and mathematics education will be coming to Mount Gambier to lead a Professional Learning Day for staff of DECD schools in the Limestone Coast. Martin has worked in the biochemical industry and was Deputy Director of the Institute for the Future of the Mind at Oxford University before taking up his post at Flinders University. Martin's work fits extremely well with the directions that we are taking with our teaching and learning programs at Reidy Park, particularly in Mathematics, Science and ICT. This was the only date available in 2014 that Martin could travel to the South East thus several other schools in the Mount Gambier and South East Coast will also be closed so that their staff can also attend this important presentation. OSHC will be available for families on this day but please make your bookings early.

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NAPLAN Reports

Information about the performance of students in South Australia and across the nation have been reported in the media over the past few days. Although state wide results are available we are yet to receive individual student reports or our school's data and results. Information from The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), which runs NAPLAN, is that we will not receive these reports until the beginning of September.

Chris Sheldon
PRINCIPAL

Lesley Okholm
DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Sue Hutchesson
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Open Day - for 2015 Reception Students

We will be hosting an Open Day on Wednesday 10th September from 9:30am. Information sessions in the Library will be followed by tours of the school for anyone already enrolled or intending to enrol their children at Reidy Park in Reception for 2015. Learn about our school, it's features and programs. Performing Arts, Physical Education, ICT, Literacy & Numeracy, Student Wellbeing, Resource Centre and Early Years Programs.

Please RSVP by Friday 5th September with Tracy on **8725 3381** or email dl0390_infor@schools.sa.edu.au.

Chocolate Fundraiser

Earlier in the year we held a successful Cadbury chocolate fundraiser. For those of you that like to indulge in this colder weather, please visit the Front Office as we still have some of those boxes remaining and would like to wrap up this fundraising venture.

Lesley Okholm
Fundraising Committee



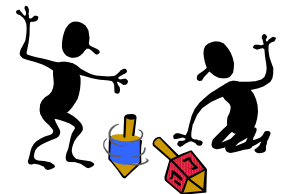
Book Week 2014 - 'Connect to Reading'

Students are invited to bring in a photo of themselves connecting to reading in a favourite spot. It might be snuggling with a parent at night reading a book, you reading in bed, on the trampoline, in a hammock, next to your pet!! Be creative! You can email it, bring it in on a USB for us to print, or print it off yourself at home ready for us to use in a display. We will create a slide show of your photos for all the school community to enjoy, as well as make an 'I Read, I Connect' display for the library. If you choose to email, please send to Mrs. Hutchesson at sue.hutchesson125@schools.sa.edu.au. These will not be broadcast on the internet!

Play Support Roster

Tomorrow's activity is Clay Dough while next Thursday will be Fruit Loop Necklaces. If you are interested in these activities held in The Flex with the Peer Support Leaders and Miss Mouat, speak to your class teacher for a Classroom Pass.

Sue Mouat
Play Support Coordinator



Learning Assistance Volunteers Needed for 2014 - (L.A.P)

In the past Reidy Park has conducted a Learning Assistance Program, a program where volunteers, in partnership with teachers work with students in a one to one basis twice a week. This significant individual time creates more learning situations where students can experience success and support their achievements at school. The individual time of working with a volunteer supports children in developing their confidence and social skills.

If you are interested in becoming a LAP volunteer please contact Coordinator Sue Mouat at school.

Sue Mouat
L.A.P. Coordinator

Come & Try Baseball Clinic

The Mt Gambier & District Baseball League invites boys and girls aged 8+ years to a 'come and Try' Baseball Clinic to be held on the Reidy Park School Oval Thursday 28th August from 3:30 - 4:30pm. Find out more about the game and bring your friends along and have some fun. Representatives from local clubs will be in attendance. For further enquiries contact Roger, M.G.D.B.L. Junior Development Officer on **0408 943 828**.



Blue Light Disco

The Mt Gambier Public Library will host another Blue Light Disco Friday 19th September from 6:30 - 9:00pm at the Library for Primary grades 4 - 7 following the theme of 'Blue'. Tickets are available from the Mt Gambier Police Station for \$5 each with all proceeds supporting local youths in need.



Reidy Park Primary School

Open Day

Wednesday 10th September

From 9.30 am starting with an information session in the Library followed by tours of the school.

Who is this for? Anyone who has already enrolled or intends to enrol their children at Reidy Park Primary in Reception for 2015.

Learn about our school, it's features and programs

Performing Arts

Physical Education

ICT

Literacy and Numeracy

Student Wellbeing

Library

Our Early Years Program

RSVP by Friday 5th September. Bookings can be made by contacting Tracy

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Eat Smart B Active

Rooms 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 22 & 23 have received the next edition of the Eat Smart Be Active Newsletter. It offers helpful hints when packing kids lunch boxes and ways of getting them involved in the process. *Keep up the good work!*

*Jen Herbert
Coordinator*

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Photography Competition

Are you a budding photographer? Member for Mt Gambier Troy Bell is searching for the perfect image to use on his electorate birthday cards and needs your help! To enter participants must be 25 or under and reside in the Electorate of Mount Gambier. He is looking for a photograph that depicts 'the Electorate of Mount Gambier'. To receive an entry form email ashlyn.clark@parliament.sa.gov.au or drop into the office at 24A Bay Road, Mount Gambier. Entries close 30th September.



Make A Wish Fundraiser



Once Upon a Wish, a group of friends and family, together with Make a Wish Foundation present a dance concert to raise money to grant wishes of children with life threatening illness. All proceeds to Make a Wish Foundation. Saturday 6th September 7:00pm. Tickets available from the Theatre Box Office **8723 8741** or online at www.helpmanntheatre.com.au

Basketball at the Icehouse

B.M.G. Inc. wants you and your children to come to the Icehouse and enjoy basketball, the game for everybody, in a fun and non-threatening environment. Every Friday of school terms at 5:30pm. Available are programs for children 7 - 9 years of age and/or beginners games and short skills sessions for boys and girls on the night. For more information contact **8723 2050** or email admin@basketballmtgambier.com.au.



Centrals Baseball 'Come & Try'

New junior players wanted. Central Baseball Club invites both boys and girls aged 8 and over interested in playing baseball for the first time to a 'Come and Try Baseball' day commencing at 11:30am at the Under 12 diamond at BLSP on Sunday 7th September, 2014 – this will be followed by BBQ & Registration. A great opportunity to have a go and see what it's about. Centrals are a family friendly club keen to promote a healthy lifestyle by participating in sport. Any queries please phone Steve on **0429 396 366** or email centralbaseballclub@hotmail.com.au.

Tigers Baseball 'Come & Try'

Tigers Baseball Club invites all boys and girls to grab some friends, come down to the Ball Park and try the game of baseball on Sunday 7th September from 1:00 - 3:00pm. Experienced coaches and senior players will give everyone opportunities to join skills based games for a fun afternoon. For more information contact Peter on **0417 844 882**.

Reidy Park Tennis Club

Teams are commencing training for season 2014/15. All new junior and senior players are invited to attend a registration day Sunday 7th September from 11:30am - 2:30pm at the Shepherdson Road Courts. For more information contact Stephen on **0400 786 211**.



LOWER SOUTH EAST / SOUTH EAST COUNTRY CUP TRIALS – U12's & U14's

For all cricketers from the Mount Gambier & District Cricket Association. Lower South East U12 trials are Thursday 25th September from 5:30 – 6:45pm at Mt Gambier High School indoor nets. South East U14 Preliminary trials are Wednesday 24th September from 4:15 – 5:30pm at Mt Gambier High School outdoor nets. For more information & to register, please contact SACA Cricket Officer, Shelley on **0447 081 634** or snitschke@saca.com.au



Reidy Park Primary School now has a Facebook page. Here you will find posts about what's happening in our school, up and coming events, newsletter links and so much more.

<https://www.facebook.com/reidyparkprimaryschool>