Week 6, 4th June 2015

DIARY DATES

JUNE
MON 8th Queens Birthday Holiday
Wed 10th Year 6/7 to Wirraway Camp
Tues 16th Festival Choir Assessment
Wed 17th Year 6/7 to Wirraway camp
Thurs 18th Vision Testing for year 3’s
Fri 19th Assembly 10:15

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• Keeping Safe on Line
• Walk Safely to School
• School Photos
• SAPSASA
• Canteen Roster
• After School 6/7 Football
• New Sensory Garden

INFORMATION SENT HOME LAST 2 WEEKS
• Quiz Night 26th June
• Eyes and Vision Memo
• Urgent Child Protection Memo
• Korean Student Study

PAYMENT DUE DATES
Wednesday 10th June
Wirraway Camp 2
Tuesday 30th June
Festival of Music T Shirt orders

OVERDUE
After School Sport Fees
2015 School Fees

KEEPING SAFE ONLINE

Here are some key messages around internet safety that all students should be aware of.

Most of these are tips were shared by the Australian Federal Police Officer (Tammy Williams) who spoke to our year 6/7 students this week.
1. Always ask an adult if you’re unsure of anything when you are online.
2. Don’t sign up for sites that are 13+ if you are not old enough unless agreed to by your parents (Facebook, YouTube, Instagram etc).
3. Remember YAPPY (the personal information you should not share online) – Your full name, address, phone number, passwords, your plans.
4. Don’t add people as online friends unless you know them in real life or have parent permission. Never arrange to meet an online friend without talking to a parent.
5. Remember that you cannot believe everything you read on the internet and you can’t trust everything online friends tell you.
6. Choose sensible names for usernames, email addresses etc.
7. Talk to your parents about what you’re doing online and let them know when you’re going on the internet.
8. Know what cyber bullying is and tell someone if you think it’s happening to you. Cyber bullying is when someone picks on you, annoys, embarrasses, or threatens you over and over again using technology, such as the internet or a phone.
9. Protect your digital footprint: don’t put anything online that you wouldn’t want all your friends, family, teachers and future employers to see.
10. Treat others online the way you’d like to be treated.

On Wednesday we had all of our year six and seven students listen to a presentation from the Australian Federal Police (AFP) about keeping themselves safe online. One of the clear messages is that Cyber bullying is repeated behaviour and that if the above tips are followed, that it is unlikely to become a serious issue.

Blocking, de-friending and reporting are strategies that all students can use. Reporting inappropriate online behaviour can be done directly to the social networking site (eg Facebook etc) which allows them to follow up and if necessary de-activate that user. This protects others who may be on the receiving end of the inappropriate online behaviour.

We have scheduled the AFP to come and deliver a similar session to our year four and five students as well.

At school we provide ongoing education about how to keep safe and at home it is important for parents to continually monitor online activity and reinforce safe and appropriate online behaviour. Tammy was concerned at the number of students who use technology out of sight of any adult, such as in bedrooms. It is a good strategy to keep the use in ‘public’ areas that can be supervised. There are many sites that can be helpful for parents, a couple a listed below:

Cyber Smart Website: http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/
Tips for Parents and Students: http://www.thinkuknow.org.au

Regards,
Steve Freeman
Thank you to all families who recently supported our efforts to increase physical activity and awareness of safe pedestrian practices by participating in the National Walk Safely to School Day on Friday 22nd May. Each year we are asked to provide some statistics to the Pedestrian Council of Australia about the number of students participating in the event. On Walk Safely to School Day, each class completes a survey detailing the methods used by each student to travel to school. To make our data more effective, we also collect information about how the students travelled to school on the day prior to the event, so that we can make some comparisons. The Pedestrian Council uses some of this information to analyse the effectiveness of the program and the publicity surrounding it.

Each year the Council provides teachers with a range of curriculum resources to use with their students in order to highlight the benefits of a healthy lifestyle which fits in perfectly with our school’s focus on Student Wellbeing.

For your information, I have included our data from the last 5 years. The first row in each year shows the numbers of Girls and Boys using each method. The second row shows the total number of students for each method. The third row shows the percentage of the total school population using each method. If we are looking at the effectiveness of the National Walk Safely to School Day campaign itself, we can see a significant increase in the number of Reynella Primary students walking part way or all the way to school on this day each year. This year’s results show a 20% increase from Thursday to Friday!

N.B. In 2014 the event coincided with a casual day to help raise funds for Jimmy’s Walk for Cancer. This obviously had a significant impact on our community - as 2014 was the only time on record that the number of students walking all or part way to school outnumbered those travelling by car!

Karen Thorburn

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School Photo day is Tuesday 23rd June.

We are proud that the country’s leading school photographer, MSP Photography will be taking our school photos again this year. If possible, please avoid making appointments for your child on that day. The date has been advertised on our Google Calendar since the beginning of the year.

Parents can send the money to the school on the day in the envelope supplied, however On-Line Ordering, where parents are now able to select their preferred package online, makes it much easier for our parent community.

In 2015 the range of options available to you online has increased. As well as the option to download a Low Resolution image for a smart-phone, parents will now have the option to purchase a High Resolution Digital Download of their child’s image and Family/Sibling packages will also be able to be ordered online!

An added incentive for our families is that MSP now offers a 10% discount for all family orders above $90.00 a family.

For Safety reasons our Front Office doesn’t hold much petty cash, to avoid disappointment please don’t come to the office expecting change on photo day.

Karen Thorburn
YEAR 6/7 FOOTBALL
The year 6/7 boys played Reynella East Black two weeks in a row and won both games. Saturday 23rd May playing away Reynella 8.11 (59) to 4.0 (24) and then a home game on the 30th May Reynella 12.13(71) to 5.6 (36).

Goal kickers: Tarkyn, Klae, Jacob, Joseph and Kieran
Goal Kickers game 2: Talon, Mak, Jacob, Kye and Damon
Best Players: Klae, Mak and Kieran
Best Players game 2: Harrison, Talon and Jacob

Well done boys
Angela Gardner
Year 6/7 Manager

SAPSASA NETBALL
Reynella PS students Rylee Jozwa and Holly Young recently competed for the Southern Valley region at the week-long 2015 SAPSASA Netball carnival.

There were two Southern Valley teams, with Rylee in defense and Holly in goals for Team 1 (Division 4). It was a very competitive Division with 10 teams competing for the Division winners’ medals.

Southern Valley faced up against teams from Whyalla, Northern Yorke Peninsula, Adelaide North East, Kangaroo Island, Barossa and Light, Western Eyre Peninsula, Murray Mallee, North Eastern and Onkaparinga North.

With two games each day, Southern Valley competed hard and well, winning each game they played, ending the five-day carnival as undefeated winners. Southern Valley took home the reward as Division 4 winners of the 2015 SAPSASA netball! Well done Rylee and Holly – what a great way to end your Year 7 netball experiences.

CROSS COUNTRY
On Tuesday of Week 2 over 30 students from Reynella ran in our District Cross Country Day, a large boost in numbers from last year. All ran extremely well and 5 of our students made it into our district team to compete at the Metropolitan Day on Thursday Week 6. Special congratulations to Tyler S and Oliver D who came 1st and 2nd in their races respectively.

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We are in desperate need of volunteers especially in the mornings between 9:30 and 10:30am.
If you have some free time please come and see us in the canteen. Free coffee and laughter provided.

SOCCER
Our boys’ side competed in Week 4 against Aberfoyle Hub Primary and lost in a tight, hard fought match. The boys by all accounts were unlucky to miss out on the win. Thank you to Damir Kolar for taking the time to coach the side.
The girls also went down in a close match losing by 1 goal to Woodcroft Primary. I was impressed that despite the loss they were in high spirits and proud of their performance after the match because for many it was their first time playing in a competitive match.

FOOTBALL
Reynella played against Braeview Primary on Thursday of Week 4 and were narrowly beaten by only a few points. The result could have gone either way. A big thank you to Andrew Pinnegar for coaching the side, the boys couldn’t have competed as well as they did without you.
After 3 years of planning, the large garden bed between the Resource Centre and the Reynell building has finally begun to take shape. As the signs say – this is a work in progress, so please keep out for the moment. **THIS WILL BE A GARDEN FOR STUDENTS TO WALK THROUGH!** The white lines marked on the ground will be pathways and next week we will be adding some colourful stepping stones along the path for students to walk on. Students will be able to touch and smell these plants. We have chosen many colourful plants including some with foliage that will change during the seasons. It has been a huge effort so far, but more work still needs to be done to install a watering system and spread mulch once the steppers are in.

Thank you to the following people for their help:

- Mr Mickan for rotary hoeing the soil in preparation for planting, coming shopping with me to purchase plants and stepping stones, organizing all of the gear needed and helping with the planting and painting.
- Parent helper Andrew Fisher (“Fish”) for giving up a whole day to help with the garden – digging, planting, fertilizing, watering and going out to buy more plants and stepping stones with Mr Mickan.
- Julie Mullins for helping with the design and planting.
- All of the students who helped us to unload the trailer of plants before school on Friday morning.
- Lexie, Charlie, Tara and Joseph for helping to plant the area.
- Nathan, Hayden, Samuel, Connor and Jasssen for painting the stepping stones.
- All the students, staff and parents who made positive comments as we were working.

For those who have not been in to school lately, we have included some photos of the progress so far.

Karen Thorburn