Scarecrows made by Mrs Clark & Ms van Galen’s class

May Pole dress rehearsal

Kernewek Lowender YP Cross Country

Due to website and e-mail size restrictions, this week’s MAS Media has been edited to be able to upload and send. For an original copy please contact the school. Thank you.
School Improvement
The School Improvement Committee met last Thursday to look at our finished School Improvement Plan with all the attached operational plans. The committee has developed a list of indicators as well as what data we should be able to collect to provide us with a gauge as to how the school is progressing in reaching the desired results. The plan will be available to view on the school website, and I will provide an ongoing report as to how we are progressing on a regular basis in MAS Media.

We also aim to hold a morning parent session to share the plan with the school community.

Date for Dairies:
Pupil Free Day: Friday 5th June
School Closure: Friday 11th September
On this day staff will working on a variety of learning activities linked to our School Improvement Plan for 2009 around improving Literacy. I will provide parents with a detailed plan of the activities in a future issue of MAS Media. The pupil free day is the Friday of the June Long weekend, which will provide families with the opportunity of a 4 day break, whilst the school closure is the second Friday of the Royal Adelaide Show.

Busy start to term
We have had and are continuing to have a very busy start to term 2. We have had 2 cross country events, NAPLAN and also all our Kenerwek Activities. All of these take considerable organisation and time commitment. I would like to thank all my staff, our parent and community helpers and the students for all they have done and will do to facilitate out involvement in these events.

Cross Country
Our own school cross country was a great success, held in excellent conditions on Friday the 1st May. Congratulations to all students who participated and well done to the award winners. We also hosted the Yorke Peninsula Cross Country last Friday with over 500 students coming to Moonta to participate. The weather was very kind, (for those that remember last year), and we received excellent feedback from a number of schools on our ability to host the event. A big thank you to the Sport & Recreation Committee for all their work in the coordination of these events.

NAPLAN
This week sees the carrying out of the of the NAPLAN, National Assessment Program for Literacy and Numeracy. All students in years 3, 5, 7, & 9 are sitting down to these tests as I’m writing this article.

So what are they, and why do we do them? It is an obvious goal that every child should be numerate and be able to read, write and spell at an appropriate level. The National Assessment Program is an ongoing program of assessments to monitor progress towards the National Goals for Schooling in the Twenty First Century.

The data from these test results gives schools and systems the ability to compare their students’ achievements with national benchmarks and with student achievement in other States and Territories.

Standards described by the benchmarks for Yrs 3, 5 and 7 represent increasingly demanding levels of proficiency against which progress of students through school can be followed. They form important markers along a continuum of increasing competence.

We will spend considerable time analysing the results of these tests, to support us in improving the literacy & numeracy of both individuals and groups of students.

I must publicly acknowledge the work of our Assistant Principal Di Daulby in coordinating the carrying out of these tests and also the individual teachers who conducted the tests.

Kenerwek Lowender
The Cornish Festival is upon us and it has been fantastic to see our school involved in so many community events. We have had Tricia Stringer’s book launch, and Maypole rehearsals under the instruction of Fiona Anderson and Megan Prout. Many classes have made scarecrows to put in gardens and along main roads. Our choir and yr 3-7 class will be supporting the Dressing of the Graves. Furry dancers are ready to go as is our float for the main procession on Saturday. Fiona Anderson’s Hospitality students are also catering for the VIP tent at the oval and we have students making movies on different aspects of the festival.
From the Principal's Desk (continued)

Dress up day this Friday
This Friday is a dress up day for all R-6 students, who will also take part in some old fashioned games, have some old fashioned lessons and can order a Cornish Pasty Lunch. Students will learn about Cornish History and the library will have displays of old costumes and old items. It is a great community event and I am very proud of the level and quality of involvement of Moonta Area School in the event. Again, thank you to all the staff, parents and students for making this possible.

Celebrate Public Education Day
Enclosed in this fortnight’s edition of MAS Media you will find a RED apple. These are part of a AEU activity to help celebrate Public Education Day on Thursday the 21st of May. The idea is to recognise the dedication and goodwill of education staff in South Australia. You can help your child/ren to write a positive message about their school on the apple. If you can then return this to the school by Wednesday the 20th May we will display these in the front office on Public Education Day.

Kind regards

Dean

This week’s picture of Mr Angus was drawn by Abby Prout, Ms van Galen’s class.

Calendar

Friday 15th – Saturday 16th May
May Pole / Furry Dance performances
Week 4

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May
Netball / Football State Carnivals

Wednesday 20th May
Year 8/9 Jamie Tape Football
MS Readathon information session

Thursday 21st May
Rio Tinto Big Science Competition
Week 5

Wednesday 27th May
Computer Skills Competition

Wednesday 27th May – 3rd June
Reconciliation Week

Thursday 28th May
9 a.m. R-12 Assembly
School Socials

City VS Country Challenge

As a result of their success at the Mile End Athletics Championships last term, congratulations go to the following students on their selection to compete in the annual City vs Country Challenge, an annual meet run by Athletics SA.

Open Scott Andrews, Scott Grenville, Adele Smith, Fallon Wanganeen, Sara Warren
U16 Matt Appleton, Breanna Smith
U15 Cameron Stevenson
U14 Malcolm Karpany, Danielle Keast, Will Northeast, Sam Watson

This event will be held at SANTOS Stadium, Mile End on Saturday 16th May. Nomination and attendance is at the discretion of each individual.

Many thanks to Brian Bussenschutt and his family from Paskeville who donated a big truck full of cattle manure/compost for the front garden of the school. This donation is much appreciated as we need to rejuvenate that area. Thanks also to Mrs Brusnahan and her willing band of students for their work spreading the compost. If any parents/community members are looking to buy any of this type of manure/compost contact Gary on 0428845889. A 6x4 trailer load is $25 and a big truckload is $200.

Bruce Schmidt

Congratulations to Adele and Grant Keleher on the birth of Charlotte Rose in the holidays.

We wish you all the best.
On Friday 1st May, our annual Cross Country was held in ideal conditions. The competing students did very well, and we received support from a small but efficient group of parents. Thanks also go to some Year 8 students for helping out at the start and the recorder tent. Thanks also to Sean McMahon for some great photography.

Congratulations go to the following students on winning their age group event. From these many were selected to compete in the YP Cross Country, held in Moonta on Friday 8th May.

5 year old Girl
1st Tayissa White
2nd Alanah Swift
3rd Rachel Bones
4th Savannah Prout

5 year old Boy
1st Harrison Hatcher
2nd Rex Leach
3rd Danny Hobbs

6 year old Girl
1st Ashleigh Groom
2nd Michaela Woodward
3rd Chelsea Moore
4th Brichelle Cross

6 year old Boy
1st Sean Van Der Veen
2nd Will Drogemuller
3rd Kyron Bell
4th Ryan Turner

7 year old Girl
1st Libby Adams
2nd Stephanie Sonntag
3rd Aleisha Mann
4th Jorja Connor

7 year old Boy
1st Aiden Turner
2nd Alex Elsworth
3rd Sam Barker
4th Oliver Mullins

8 year old Girl
1st Kelsie Woods
2nd Kara Hackett
3rd Jessica Bones
4th Mataya Pollard

8 year old Boy
1st Sam Barrett
2nd Jack Hobbs
3rd Jackson Zwar
4th Braden Aldridge

9 year old Girl
1st Jessie East
2nd Claudia Hatcher
3rd Madelyn Keast
4th Ruby Markham

9 year old Boy
1st Lochlan Appleton
2nd Harrison Platten
3rd Ryan Shields
4th Sean Paget

10 year old Girl
1st Kate Muir
2nd Carron Daveson
3rd Ashlyn Paulson
4th Briana Silvestri

10 year old Boy
1st Kane Vaughan
2nd Issac Glasgow
3rd Julian Tripodi
4th Brayden Elvin

11 year old Girl
1st Sasha Glasgow
2nd Gemma Ivens
3rd Ellie Turner
4th Emma Hackett

11 year old Boy
1st Riley Hatcher
2nd Bayden Cross
3rd Jacob Sakoulidis
4th Harry Love

12+ year old Girl
1st Renee Smith
2nd Kimberley Perks
3rd Ellie Ellingham
4th Courtney Adams

Fiona Ryan’s Class
Girl

Boy
1st Tyler Raymond
Last Friday 8th May, in ideal weather conditions, Moonta hosted the annual Yorke Peninsula Cross Country for students in R-7 for schools across the peninsula. 500 students from 17 schools competed in the event, staged successfully for the second consecutive year. Moonta School was represented by 48 students whose excellent performance and enthusiastic behaviour added to the enjoyment of the day.

Prior to the start of the day’s program, all students were required to walk the course, so as to familiarise themselves.

The competition began with the 5, 6 & 7 year olds (1km) and progressed through the age groups to the 12 years and older age group (3km), with girls and boys events being run as separate events.

Well done to all of our competitors for their efforts. Their teamwork and encouragement of each other was fantastic.

Many thanks go to all those people who supported the event, either through marshalling, scoring, being on the track or working in the canteen. Special thanks to the following students for their help and support in various locations: Chloe Adams, Andrew Appleton, Lachlan Bache, Chloe Boswell, Jess Campbell, Kingsley Chantrill, Carmel Clausen, Stephanie Drogemuller, Morgan Fisher, Tayla Hancocks, Courtney Hicks, Hayden Lamont, Ebony Love, Sarah Moss, Chevie Mullins, Greta Shields, Luke Sparrow, Hannah Wardle, Taylah Wardle, Lisa Wilkins, Brittany Woods, Aisha Cooper and Danielle Keast.

Sincere thanks also to Libby Williams, SA Ambulance for making herself available for the day as medical support officer. Her efforts were greatly appreciated.

Thanks go to Sean McMahon for photographing the days events – his efforts out and about on the track were extremely well done.

Congratulations go to the following students for excellent results in their age category:

8/9 year old Girls  2nd place  Jessie East
8/9 year old Boys  4th place  Jack Hobbs
11 year old Girls  3rd place  Sasha Glasgow
11 year old Boys  2nd place  Riley Hatcher
11 year old Boys  3rd place  Bayden Cross

In addition to these results, many of our age groups were successful in the team competition – the first 4 from each school to cross the line.

Congratulations to:

8/9 year old Girls  1st place
Jessie East, Madelyn Keast, Claudia Hatcher, Kelsie Woods
8/9 year old Boys  2nd place
Jack Hobbs, Jackson Zwar, Sam Barrett, Lochlan Appleton
11 year old Girls  1st place
Sasha Glasgow, Ellie Turner, Gemma Ivens, Emma Hackett
11 year old Boys  1st place
Riley Hatcher, Bayden Cross, Harry Love, Jacob Sakoulidis
12+ year old Girls  1st place
Renee Smith, Ellie Ellingham, Kimberley Perks, Courtney Adams
**Year 7 Buddy Class**
Most weeks Mrs Hackett’s class go down to the Junior Primary area and have a lesson with Miss Hier’s class for buddies. At the start of each lesson we help them read their books and learn their sight words. In term 1 and a bit of term 2 we have been working in groups to make scarecrows for the Cornish Festival. Some shops have asked for the scarecrows to be displayed in their windows. We have enjoyed working with our buddies throughout the term, and are looking forward to having more lessons with them.

*By Courtney A & Courtney F*

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**SOSE Cemetery Visit**
On Tuesday 5th May, Mrs Stutley’s and Miss Spaans’ class went to the cemetery and we had a tour around. Our tour guide was Liz Coole we heard about all the babies that died and the only lady that got hung in SA. John accidentally stepped on a grave and we also learnt that a guy called Jacob Roach had the first butcher shop in 1863 in Moonta. We also learnt that the church bell was erected in 1896 and is worth around $150 because the actual bell is copper and all the pickets around the graves keep all the evil spirits away.

*By Andrew and John*

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**Footy Skills with Megan Dunn – University of South Australia**
This term Megan Dunn has been teaching the Year 9 girls how to play footy. We have been learning most skills involved with footy in preparation for 9-a-side footy which will be later this term. Megan is visiting from Uni SA and she will be here for six weeks teaching PE and science. We have enjoyed having Megan as our PE teacher; she is a nice and happy person 😊. Later this term we will be learning tag rugby for the carnival which will also be next term!!

*By Jacinta McPeake and Danielle Keast 😊*

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**Project Maths – Preventing Problem Gambling**
This term for project maths we are learning about trying to prevent problem gambling. The first game we played was called “don’t bet on it”. It involved trying to develop a strategy to have enough money at the end of the game to buy everything on your shopping list. When rolling the die and landing on a red square that gives you a chance to gamble or play on. When gambling it gives you a 1 in 6 chance of winning your bet. But nobody won their bet the whole time we played. By playing the game we learnt not to bet all your money at once. *By Jake Russell and Michael Sparrow*
I thought the year 12 art show was really innovative. There was some fantastic artworks this year. Very big shoes to fill. Got some great ideas though and well done Arlen for having your work selected for the art show.

Phoebe Hunter

The year 12 art show this year was amazing!! Some of the work I saw gave me ideas for my own work.

Tom Ackland.

Awesome as! Heaps of great ideas and inspiration.

Kasie Jacquier

The art show was pretty good! I enjoyed looking at different artworks and getting a few different ideas of how to approach my own work.

Lisa Cooper

The art show was COOL! There were many different things to look at and some really interesting ideas.

Natalie Tozonotte.

I got a really good idea of what we are up against for year 12 art. Its GREAT to have a look at what others (our own age) can do.

Renee Hancock.

A proud moment for Ms E
Year 10 English Students at Moviemaking Workshop

This term Mrs Daddow’s Yr 10 English students are working on a major assignment, Composing and Responding to Film. They have been learning about films as texts, the language of film, the technical work of storyboarding, shots and camera angles and are now in the process of planning their own film productions. At the end of this term after the final assessment of their movies, one movie will be sent in as our school’s entry in the New Media Awards.

This year the theme for this competition is “Act Local – Local Issues, Local History, Local Heroes” – promoting your community using digital media. The teams have chosen topics including the Kernewek Lowender, local sport and local heroes so we will have a great selection of movies.

On Wednesday of Week 2 we had a visit from our New Media Awards mentor, Paul Doherty. The students had 3 lessons with Paul and his expertise in transferring from a story idea to a finished movie was much appreciated. There was an opportunity for some hands on activities with the students setting up mock interviews and stepping through the technical side of coming up with a polished product.

It was great to have Paul here and be able to make use of his valuable assistance in the film making process.

Tricia Stringer/Di Daddow

Literacy Tips – May is Family Reading Month

All readers
Take a Family Reading Challenge and build your family’s love of reading.
1. Set aside time for reading every day and a goal for the number of books your family will read in a month. It is important to set aside time for reading to, with and by your children.
2. Reading to... By reading to your children you open up the world of reading. Choose books you enjoy reading, talk about them and most of all ‘have fun’.
3. Reading with... Share reading time by reading with your children. Let them fill in missing (predictable) words as you read, or read one page or chapter to your child and then let them read the next one.
4. Reading by... Encourage your children to read to you ‘take-home’ reading books or other books they choose. Ask them about what they read: what they liked or disliked, why they chose the book, what they learnt and how they felt about what they read.
5. Chart your family’s reading during Family Reading Month. On a chart, mark each person’s name and the number of books each person reads during the month of May. Add up all the books your family read in one month – and celebrate your achievement!

Great Reads
- My Aussie Mum by Yvonne Morrison and Nicola Bright. This new, funny, rhyming story is about an Aussie mum who loves her family and will give anything a go – from saving whales to taekwondo! Suggested for readers aged 4+.
- Inkheart by Cornelia Funke. This magical novel is now a movie. Meggie’s father, Mo, is able to bring characters from the book world into the read world when he reads aloud, which leads to may exciting adventures. Suggested for readers aged 10+.
The following proposals will be discussed at the meeting held Monday 18th May:

**Proposal One: Save-a-Mate**
Proposal: Annual program for all Year 10s. Links with Health curriculum/well being initiative. Drug / Alcohol awareness, CPR and other training in relation to assisting people affected by drugs and/or alcohol.
*Date: Tuesday 16th June, Week 8.*
*Proposer: V Ivens / B Schmidt*

**Proposal Two: R-6 Tennis Coaching**
Proposal: 5 x 30 minute sessions for R-3, 5 x 45 minutes sessions for year 4-6.
*Change to Dress Code: Appropriate shoes.*
*Dates: Monday 24th August – Friday 4th September, Term 3, Weeks 6/7.*
*Proposer: J van Galen / D Daulby*

**Proposal Three: Performance – Steve Goldsmith**
*Date: Tuesday 2nd June, Week 6.*
*Proposer: D Daulby / D Angus*

**Proposal Four: Rising Generations Camp**
Proposal: Michael Carson and Taylah Andrews to attend a four day Leadership camp in Sydney, to develop and build new leadership skills.
*Cost: $430 + flights, each. Trying to fund the camp by sponsorship from local organisations and businesses.*
*Date: Thursday 23rd – Sunday 27th July, Term 3, Week 1.*
*Proposer: M Carson / T Andrews / B Schmidt*

**Proposal Five: MS Readathon**
Proposal: Read books, learn about Multiple Sclerosis and raise funds to help people living with MS.
*Requirements from home: Support child’s reading and collect sponsorship.*
*Reading Dates: Monday 1st – Tuesday 30th June.*
*Proposer: C Balnaves / Year 5/6 Class / M Pope*

**Proposal Six: Nursing Home visit**
Proposal: Year 3/4 students walk to Parkview and present their published poetry to the residents.
*Date: Friday 19th June, Week 8.*
*Proposer: S Perkins / J van Galen*

**Proposal Seven: Boat License Course**
Proposal: 25 students will have the opportunity to sit a test to get their boat license or special permit. Course to be run in the School Library.
*Benefits: Great opportunity to learn about marine safety.*
*Requirements from home: Pen, Pencil.*

**Proposal Eight: Choir involved in Music Concert**
Proposal: Sing two brackets of songs on the night – public performance of songs being learnt. Concert to be held in the school gym.
*Date: Thursday 25th June, Week 9.*
*Proposer: F Camporeale*

**Proposal Nine: Year 5/6 visit to Copper Coast Lifestyle Village**
Proposal: Morning excursion to the Copper Coast Lifestyle Village. Students are going to interact with the men and women. They will ask questions regarding the war and get a chance to have some one-to-one conversations.
*Benefits: Meet residents and families of the village, understand History and Australia’s involvement.*
*Date: Term 2, Week 6 or 7.*
*Proposer: C Balnaves / M Pope*

**Proposal Ten: Crows Football Club Road Safety visit**
Proposal: Visit by the Football Club to give a 45 minute road safety presentation to R-6.
*Date: Friday 12th June, Week 7.*
*Proposer: R Stutley / B Schmidt*

**Proposal Eleven: Year 12 Voc Studies student visit various forms of Government and Private assistance in DCCC**
Proposal: Students to visit Crew2U, Job Network,, Centrelink, and Yorke Local Community Partnerships.
*Date: To be confirmed.*
*Proposer: D Daddow / M Westbrook*

The following proposals were approved at the meeting held Monday 4th May:

1. Update dates for Netball Umpiring Clinic
2. Year 9 School Camp Fundraisers
3. Support World Vision with some of the can collection money
4. That the Year 10 International PISA testing be done on Monday 24th August
5. To have Sacred Stone do RE with Years 7-12
6. Choir to sing for Kernewek Lowender – Dressing of the Graves at the Moonta Cemetery
7. That the Year 12s attend a camp in Term 2, Week 10.
8. May Pole Performance
9. Talk on what is offered at International College of Hotel Management
10. Year 8 Immunisations
11. Dressing of the Graves Ceremony – FR class
12. Cemetery Visit – FR Class

The following proposal has been approved by the Principal: Cornish History Focus Day – Friday 15th May, Week 3.
**May Pole and Furry Dance Practice**

Practices for the May Pole and Furry Dance were conducted each day of the weeks leading up to the Kernewek Lowender.

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**Japanese Homestay Group 2009**

Once again we have been asked to host a group of students from Meidai High School near Tokyo. We have been advised the students will be with us from 29th July to 11th August. This is early next term. During the day the Japanese students will attend school to improve their English. We are looking for families with students in years 8 to 10 who would like to host a student for the duration of the visit. Those who have done this in the past have really enjoyed the experience.

Here are some of their comments.

"For me, this is something I would do again and again as the experience was excellent."

"Not only did they learn about our culture and how we lived but I also learnt a lot about them and their life back in Japan."

"I think the home stay program gives you a friend for life and is an overall good experience."

There is an accreditation process which is not difficult. This year Janine Bennett will be carrying out the administrative side of the homestay and Tricia Stringer will be conducting the English lessons and school experience. Please call us at school on 88 251 511 if you would like more information or fill out the reply slip and return by Wednesday 20th May.

Thank you, Tricia and Janine

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**Japanese Homestay Reply Slip**

Our family is interested in hosting a Japanese homestay student.

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Computer Skills Competition

This competition will be held on Wednesday 27th May in the Middle School, commencing at 11:30 a.m. The competition is between 30 and 45 minutes duration, dependent on the age group. Students participating in this competition are: Georgia Skinner, Adele Andrew, Brody Nitschke, Damien Silvestri.

Moonta Area School

Position Vacant
School Canteen Supervisor
Part time contract position
(Could be job shared)

Approximately 30 hours per week Monday to Friday, during school terms. Immediate start.

Applications due by 1pm Friday 15th May 2009.

For a copy of the Job & Person Specifications or further information please contact Jan Ritchie on 88252088

This Add appeared in the YPCT 6/5/09 and 13/5/09

Student Profiles

Will Drogemuller
Year/Class: R SHi
How long have you attended MAS: 2 terms.
What is the best thing about MAS: The monkey bars and Ms Maureen's class.
Best memory at school: My first day.
When I grow up I want to be: A Lizard hunter.
In my spare time I like to: Swimming, gardening, play with my cars, looking for lizards and play with my bird, Tom.

Kayla McCulloch
Year/Class: 6 MP
How long have you attended MAS: 7½ years, since I was five.
What is the best thing about MAS: We are all friendly and have lots of cool things that we do.
Best memory at school: Getting to be a part of things and hearing the buzzer go at the end of school hehe!
When I grow up I want to be: A singer, dancer, actor. They've been my dreams for ever.
In my spare time I like to: Sing, dance, watch TV, play on the computer, play the Play Station and heaps more.

School Social!
Thursday 28th May, Week 5

Times: R-2 4 p.m. – 5 p.m.
3 – 6 5:15 p.m. – 7 p.m.
6 – 12 7:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.

Year 6 students are to make a choice as to which social they attend. They can only choose one.
Theme is optional – students do no have to dress up.

Ticket prices & Themes:
R-2 $3.00 Under the Sea
3-6 $4.00 Halloween
6-12 $5.00 To be decided

Tickets will be available from the office on Monday 25th May, Week 5 or on the night at the door.
All Socials are held in the Gym.

Drinks and snacks will be on sale at the canteen.

Soft drinks 50c / cup
Water $1.10 / bottle
Chips $1.50
Chocolate Bars range from $1 – $2
Regional VET Opportunities Term 2
The Apprenticeship Broker and Assistant Principal of the Trade School have been working on VET Courses for students. Current courses available:

- **Welding** – Cost: $187. Commencing second week of Term 2 at TAFE SA Kadina. Kit provided (overalls etc) and 80 hours of training. Course will run for 10 weeks. This course will lead into Certificate I in Engineering commencing in Semester 2. Places for Certificate I will be given to those students who have completed the 10 week course and have shown they can work successfully within the TAFE environment.
- **Computer Course** – Every Thursday Term 2. Costs still to be finalised. Location: TAFE SA Kadina.

Semester 2 Courses currently being finalised: Certificate 1 & 2 in Automotive, Certificate 1 in Construction, and Certificate 1 in Engineering.

Apprenticeship Broker News
17 School Based Apprentices have been signed up as of the 3/4/09. Several students are currently doing work experience with the hope of gaining an apprenticeship for their efforts. Students who commit to work experience during school holidays are often looked at favourably by employers who are considering employing a School Based Apprentice. Many employers are evaluating their current staffing situations due to the economic down turn. Unfortunately the media paint a dim future for business over the next year so it will be interesting to see how the region is affected by these predictions. It is important to remember that small country communities rely on locals to keep them afloat so let’s encourage employers to consider employing Apprentices and Trainees in return buy locally!

Services and Funding for Young People
Youth Pathways – Yorke LCP has won the Youth Pathways contact for Yorke. Carol Tool will continue to work in the Yorke schools to provide individual assistance to young people from 13-19 who are at risk of leaving school without completing year 12. Carol can be contacted on 0437 327 987.

Youth Grants – Yorke LCP has made available funding to assist young people access VET courses, Driving lesions, Birth certificates, food, excursions, etc. All sites now have application forms available. If you have students that may benefit from receiving a grant please contact us on 88 214 155.

Work Ready Service – Linda Daniel is now available on Mondays and Tuesday to spend time with students with Career Development planning. Linda can come to your school site and conduct assessments, discuss pathway options, and assist students with resume writing and job ready skills. Linda Daniel 88 214 155.

Autism Spectrum Disorders Information Session for Grandparents, Extended Family and Family Friends
Do you know a child in your extended family or a friends’ family who was recently diagnosed with Autism or Asperger Syndrome? Are you wanting to know more about Autism and Asperger Syndrome?
Do you want information about how you can help?

Disability SA, in conjunction with Child and Youth Health, are presenting a 2 hour evening information session which will include:

- An overview of Autism and Asperger Syndrome and their impact on child development
- Tips for interacting with children on the Autism Spectrum
- Tips about how to help and support the child’s family
- An opportunity to ask questions and meet other people in a similar situation

Who should attend?
This information session is aimed at people who know and want to support someone with an Autism Spectrum Disorder but are not necessarily a parent or teacher. Grandparents, aunties/uncles, neighbours, family friends, older cousins and older siblings who want to learn more about Autism Spectrum Disorders and how they can help out are encouraged to attend. People who know someone who is being considered for a diagnosis of Autism or Asperger diagnosis are also welcome. If you are not sure if this workshop will be suitable for you please enquire at Disability SA or contact Irene Fuss at Solomontown Primary (8632 2191).

**Monday 25th May, 2009 at 6 – 8 p.m. held at Solomontown Primary School (Port Pirie) in the Tech Room.**
Tea/Coffee and light refreshments provided

Enquiries and RSVP (essential) to: Ms Michyla Saunders, Disability SA (Port Pirie), C/- Community Health Services, Alexander Road, Port Pirie SA 5540. Ph: 8632 4222
Volunteer Roster – Weeks 3 & 5:

Thursday 14th May:
Tanya Mullins, Ryan Starick 10:45 – 1

Friday 15th May:
Renate Paulson 10 – 2, Ryan Starick 10:45 – 1,
Glenys Pilgrim, **volunteers needed

Monday 18th May:
Lesley Scott, Pam Clarke 9 – 11:30,
Di Arnold 9 – 11:30

Tuesday 19th May:
David Lodge, **volunteers needed

Wednesday 20th May:
Sonia Steele, Barb Hartley,
Renate Paulson 10 – 2

Thursday 21st May:
Pam Clarke, Tanya Mullins,
Ryan Starick 10:45 – 1

Friday 22nd May:
Renate Paulson 10 – 2, Ryan Starick 10:45 – 1

Monday 25th May:
Lesley Scott, Di Arnold 9 – 11:30

Tuesday 26th May:
David Lodge, **volunteers needed

Volunteers are needed for Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

Moonta Football Club – Thursday 11th June, Ravo and I won't start training for the Micros until 4:30 p.m. Yoda's sending a few of his men from the senior list to hone their skills with the Might Micros and after training we will burn a few snags for the kids and they can stick around for a while to watch the big boys train. I would encourage as many parents as possible to come along. Ravo and I will take this opportunity to talk about the kid's development, and anything footy with the kids and their parents should you wish to come along. Brenton and Ravo.

Paskeville Netball Club is running a Junior Netball NET-SET-GO program. A fully accredited Program of Netball Australia and Sponsored by San Remo. Held Monday nights after school at 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. at the Harvest Christian School netball courts, Kadina. Who: All kids (boys and girls) aged from 5-10 years (no previous experience necessary). Starting Monday 18th May, for 8 weeks. Cost: $35, includes full insurance, qualified instructor, and a pack with a ball, drink bottle, activity book and lip cream on a lanyard! Contact Karen Willson 88 213 737 or 0409 340 400 for further information and to register your interest.

Kerneewek Players – ‘Breath of Spring’ Saturday 16th May, 8 p.m. and Sunday 17th May, 2 p.m. at the Ascot Theatre. Contact Lynley Murray 88 213083 or Anne Willis 0458 658 900 for further information.

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