Farewell Mrs Honner

Chelsea will be replaced by Miss Sally Grist. Sally is currently teaching at Solomon Town Primary School in Port Pirie. We have been unable to find a Japanese teacher to fill the position behind Maureen Ashby; we are therefore taking the opportunity to develop the Performing Arts area of our primary school curriculum. We will now have Drama and Music offered to our primary school students for the remainder of this year. Our new Drama teacher is Ms. Anna Harder. Anna has moved to the area from Tasmania with her family, (her husband is the new CEO of the District Council). She is an experienced teacher and we are very fortunate to be able to use her in this 0.5 position. Music will also be a formal part of our primary curriculum, and this 0.5 position has been won by Mrs. Trista Garrard. Trista has been teaching since 2008 and comes to us from Mannum Community College. Trista, is in fact a former student of mine from my time at Kadina Memorial (scoring a perfect 20) and we welcome her to our staff. We also have several teachers taking all or part of next term off on leave. Ms. Kris Strauss Scott will be taking the whole term off. She is being replaced by Ms Kelly MacDonald who is a graduate teacher. Kelly has just completed her final practicum at Wallaroo Mines Primary School. We wish her well in her first

School Holidays
The year continues to fly by and we all look forward to school holidays which start next Friday the 8th July, (2.00 pm dismissal). I hope all members of the community take the opportunity to have some relaxing family time.

Staffing
We have quite a few staffing changes that will take place next term.

We say farewell to Mrs Chelsea Honner who will leave us at the end of this term. Chelsea is moving to Tanunda as her husband has new employment in that area. We will miss Chelsea greatly at Moonta Area School. We thank her for all she has done in the time she has been here and wish her all the best for the future.

Upcoming Events:
MAS Vacation Care Program - Page 7
Friday 1st July
Assembly 9.00 am
Monday 4th – Thursday 7th July
Yr 12 Hospitality Trip
Wednesday 6th July
Yr 8/9 Marion Excursion
Thursday 7th July
Kindy Transition
Friday 8th July
Last day of Term 2
2pm finish

Please view the complete Calendar on the back page.
Kris and Lisa Daddow are taking all of term 3 off. Kris will be replaced by Mr Daniel Hoskin who has been in our yr 7 class for term 2. Ms Judy Van Galen will be having 5 weeks off at the start of the term and her class will be taken by local PRT Mr Garry Pamment. We welcome back Ms Sally Hackett after taking term 2 off. Sally is reducing her time to 0.8 for the remainder of the year and finally we welcome Ms. Helen Hamilton who will backfill Sally for this time.

**School Reports**

Mid year reports are like the half time score in a football or netball game. They indicate progress to the mid-way point and a probable end result given that factors don’t change. Those people who have played sport know the game isn’t over until the final siren. Likewise in school, midyear scores can change if there is either a positive or negative turn in events. The secret to positive school results are no secret. Invariably if you listen to the teacher, work on all the set tasks including homework and spend time on task, you will pass the subject. Sometimes a student may find something quite difficult and a check on the effort column will confirm if a student has worked positively although possibly not mastered the learning. Of concern is where students have low scores matched with minimal effort. This usually indicates a concerning lack of motivation, time off task and unwillingness to work with the teacher towards mastery. Like a game, students do best with lots of sideline support. Encouragement and expectations of a solid effort from families bring rewards to student learning. Should you have any concern in regard to your student, please contact their home group teacher.

**Thankyou to all employers of Work Experience Students**

Irrespective of the ‘learn’ pathway that prepares students for further study or the ‘earn’ pathway, all students will find that their final destination is in the workforce in a range of occupations from those classified as professional or manual. Living in a country community provides ample evidence of this. I have past students who serve me daily in a range of shops, cook for me at restaurants, fix my car, have built my house, repaired my plumbing and given financial advice just to name a few. As I am served by these students, I often think back to when they were adolescents and ‘grunting’ was the main communication we enjoyed and enthusiasm for being social and friends but not my lessons were the norm. I also think about what has changed. Indeed they are more mature-the core values instilled by families, schools and community groups such as sporting teams come into play together with the learning provided by the school. We all want our students to be work ready and able to demonstrate a range of skills including:

- To communicate ideas and information
- To be able to plan and organise
- Work with others and in teams
- To be able to solve problems

Families, the community and the school all have a part to play. I therefore highly value programmes such as the Work Experience programme that our Year 10 & 11 students are currently undertaking. I liken it to sport, when you can practise endlessly but it’s not until the game that you really learn the skills and abilities that you possess. I therefore thank sincerely all of the employers who are prepared to host our students in the work environment. Your feedback on the student’s skills and abilities will provide valuable advice on the student’s readiness to be valuable workers of tomorrow.

We honour all of the local employers currently involved in our Year 10 & 11 programme. They are Nick Blight Carpet Laying, Peter Riddle Carpets, Peninsula Plumbing, Moonta Aluminium, Community Kids, Copper Coast Landscaping & Irrigation, R Skin & Laser, Wahlstedt Quality Homes, WJ &SD Madden, Pt Hughes Bobcats, Justify Clothing, YP Vets, Gulf FM, Promnitz Engineering, NK & BJ Dutschke, Café Capella, The Dunes, Harvest Christian School, JW & J Chapman, Moonta Kindergarten, AH Electrical, Travescene, Kristen Woodward, Stylista, Country Living Homes, Parisian Hair & Beaute, St Mary MacKillop School, Peninsula Nursery & Pets, Yorke Peninsula Marine, Hair Bitz by Wendy & Sew Easy.

**School Improvement Plan 2011**

In this edition of MAS Media we present the key strategies that we will be using to achieve our key improvement targets:

**Continuously Improve**

- 100 % of R-6 teachers are trialling and implementing our reading and writing plan.
- 100% of R– 6 teachers will have conducted a formal review of our spelling document, with changes developed and implemented for use in 2012.
- A literacy plan 7-9 with clear expectations and common understandings, expectations & approaches to the teaching of spelling , reading & writing

**Make Data Count**

- R-12: Implemented & documented common and diagnostic testing and assessment procedures for
School Based Immunisation Program 2011
Dear Parent/carer,
Year 9 Immunisations
If your year 9 student missed the immunisations last week at school, I am planning to catch up with them later in the year with the school program.
This is the Tetanus/whooping cough/diphtheria vaccination. If you would rather the vaccine be given sooner it can be given at your local GP practice.
As always please feel free to contact if you have any immunisation queries.
Kind regards
Glenda Woodward.
C/o Yorke Peninsula Division of General Practice
Ph 88214066

Literacy.
- Facilitated relevant training and development in all required tests/assessments to ensure validity and reliability
- Developed appropriate recording and, storage procedures.
- Analysed student achievement data, teacher and NAPLAN data to identify strengths and weaknesses of individual students and use this for further planning.

Targeted Intervention & Support
- Teams working collaboratively in teams on joint planning processes, monitoring and evaluation of targeted interventions to effectively support all students including those with additional needs and those with high intellectual potential.

Single Intake of Reception Students Information
As you may have heard, DECS is changing the way students start school from 2013. The following is presented for your interest and information.
- All children starting preschool education in 2013 will do so at the beginning of the year. This movement from the current ‘continuous enrolment’ policy to a new ‘single intake’ policy starts in preschools in 2013 and will flow on to schools from 2014 onwards.
- Children who would have started preschool under the current policy at the beginning of 2013 or school at the beginning of 2014 are unaffected by this measure.
- Children who turn four before 1 May – who would have started preschool in term two of 2013 under the current policy – will be able to start one term earlier, at the beginning of first term 2013.
- Children who turn four after 1 May – who would have started preschool in term three or four of 2013 under the current policy – will now start preschool at the beginning of 2014.
- The current policy commitment that provides early enrolment into preschools for Aboriginal children, children under Guardianship and children with special needs will be maintained.
- This means that every child will spend four terms in Reception instead of three, four, five or six terms under the current continuous enrolment policy.
- The minimum starting age for children enrolling in government preschools will now be three years and eight months.
- The minimum starting age for children enrolling in government schools will now be four years and eight months.
- Families and preschools have two years to adjust to this change.

Literacy Tips 3 BUILD VOCABULARY — DESCRIPTIVE WORDS. Independent Readers
Increased vocabulary is essential to building your children’s understanding of what they read.
- Pick a picture. With your child, look through old magazines or newspapers to find interesting pictures.
- Stick a picture. Cut out the photos and glue each of them onto a separate piece of paper.
- Pick a word. Encourage your child to look for words to use as captions for the pictures. They can be descriptive, humorous or just fun.
- Make a caption. Put several words together to make captions to describe the picture. Try to find different captions for each picture.

GREAT READS
Jack Russell Dog Detective: The Blue Stealer, by Darrel & Sally Odgers. In this fun-filled story about Jack, he has to track down a thief who is stealing some of his friends’ prized ‘pawsessions’. Readers also learn some of Jack’s special ‘dog language’ and more. Suggested for readers approximately 6+.
What’s happening in July?
Come and see some of our talented students work at the MOONTA AREA SCHOOL ART EXHIBITION

WHERE: Moonta Gallery of the Arts, Town Hall, George Street
WHEN: JULY
During July, a variety of student Artwork will be displayed at the Gallery, which will be open from 10am until 2pm daily.
The display will be open during the school holidays so please come in and have a look at our students’ work. The gallery is also looking for people to supervise the gallery during weekends in July. If you have a few hours to spare and would like to be involved, please contact Pamela Kerr (gallery co-ordinator) on 88251378.

Senior School News-The Research Project
Year 12 students in 2011 are the first to embark on this stage of the New SACE (South Australian Certificate of Education) and as part of this change a new subject has been introduced called the Research Project. This is an area that has been included in the curriculum after consultation with the tertiary institutions and employers. It asks the students to step outside of their comfort zones and rather than simply follow teachers instructions, make some decisions for themselves about what it is that they wish to study, (within certain guidelines and processes), to complete an outcome which allows them to follow an area of interest.

Chris is trying to find out about the effects of energy drinks and whether they are of any assistance during physical

Tegan is investigating the erosion of our local coastline and what could be done about it.

Bec is designing and publishing a fitness booklet aimed at teenage girls who want to get fit that are busy with part time work, school and homework. Here she is demonstrating an exercise which she might use in her booklet.

Mitchell is comparing the differences between the running programmes within the AFL from past to present. Here he is interviewing ex-SANFL player, Paul Northeast.
The following proposals will be discussed at the meeting held DATE: Monday 4th July

**Proposal One: Annual Homestay**
Proposal: 8 Japanese Students stay with school families & have English lessons/experience Australian life
Requirements from home: None
Cost: None
Date: Wednesday 27th July – Tuesday 9th August
Proposer: Tricia Stringer

**Proposal Two: Welcome Assembly for Japanese Students**
Proposal: Whole school brief assembly to welcome visiting Japanese students
Requirements from home: None
Cost: None
Date: Thursday 28th July, 9.00am
Proposer: Tricia Stringer

**Proposal Three: Cricket Clinic**
Proposal: R-2 SACA Cricket Clinic at school
Requirements from home: None
Cost: None
Date: Monday 19th September
Proposer: Raelene Stutley

**Proposal Four: MAS Reconciliation Week**
Proposal: Students r-6 participate in 9x30min Aboriginal Cultural activities
Requirements from home: None
Cost: None
Date: Friday 1st July
Proposer: Jane McCauley

Well done to those involved in Wheels Day. $259.20 was raised and will be donated to the Moonta Health and Aged Care Facility.
Well done to the following for completing their Premiers Reading Challenge Sheets

Lloyd Hobbs (Mrs. Strauss – Scott)
Kate Prout (Mrs. Honnor)
Ryan Shields (Mr. Camporeale)
Oliver Mullins (Ms. Perkins)
Tate Daddow (Mrs. Hettner)
Mikaela Dunn (Mrs. Stutley)
Jackson Zwar (Mrs. Hutchins)

Congratulations to Nick Stewart, Kodi Parkinson, Brett Reilly, Misty Dyke, Brock Elsworthy, Natasha Hubbard and Will Drogemuller for finishing beyond the Challenge.

This week’s voucher goes to Mikaela Dunn.

Next Monday every student will receive a Super Dooper Ice Block as a result of us reaching 150 completed Reading Challenge sheets. Well done everyone. The holidays would be a good time for those to catch up on a bit of reading and hopefully complete their sheets. Remember once we get 275 it’s a trip to the movies.
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<td><em>WILDLIFE RESCUE with Lorraine &amp; Sammy</em> 10.30 – 12.30 Have your photo taken holding the animals</td>
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<td><strong>LET'S COOK UP A STORM</strong> Spaghetti &amp; Meatballs for lunch</td>
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<td><strong>Sit back and Relax as we go on Vacation to – OSHC RESORT</strong></td>
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<td><strong>YP VETS – Coming to show us pet animals, and talk about how to take care of our pets</strong></td>
<td><strong>CHINESE CULTURAL DAY……..</strong> <strong>Chinese Cooking Class with the staff from Tony’s Chinese Take Away</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Plant herbs &amp; vegetable seeds…… Mix your own compost &amp; soil for a healthy garden…… DIG IN &amp; GET PLANTING</strong></td>
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<td>Bring a plate of food to share with your friends. <strong>NO NUTS</strong></td>
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**PLEASE**

**TO BOOK YOUR CHILDREN IN CALL DEAHNN ON: 0439 817 475**
Copper Coast Singing Workshops
Popular school holiday programme Copper Coast Sing will be held again in the July holidays led by talented international entertainer and singing teacher, Libby O’Donovan.
* When - Monday 18th to Wednesday 20th July
* Junior Group 8 to 12 years old - 9:30 – 12pm
* Senior Group 13 to 16 years old – 1 – 3:30pm
* Cost - $30 per student
* Where – Ascot Theatre, Kadina
* Bookings essential
For more information and to secure a place in these workshops, contact the Copper Coast Performing Arts Board, phone 88214721. Bookings due by **Friday 1st July** so that a CD of songs can be sent to the children prior to the event.

Moonta Uniting Church Kids Club
Thursday 14th and 21st July 2011.
10.00am to 11.30am in the Church Hall (the Church in the square).
Cost: $2.00 per child
We will be having drinks and snacks, playing games, singing songs, having a devotional time and craft time but most important we will be having fun making new friends while learning a little about the Bible.
**Kids Club is open to ALL school aged children**
On Thursday 21st July we will be holding a special morning tea as a fundraiser for the Bible Society, come along and support us and bring your friends.
For further information contact Carole Perkins on: 88252674.

OPAL’s fresh snack cooking kits to be launched
This school holidays, the District Council of the Copper Coast’s OPAL program will launch 4 cooking kits which will be available for loan from the Kadina Community Library’s Toy Library which is open Thursdays 5-8pm, Friday 9am-5:30pm and Saturdays 9-11:30am. Wobbles the Clown will launch the kits following his **FREE** performance on **Wednesday 13th July, starting at 2pm**, at the library. There will be a **FREE** afternoon tea of fresh snacks made using the cooking kit equipment and recipes. There is a pizza kit, scone kit, muffin kit and pancake kit to try.
For fresh snack ideas visit [www.opal.sa.gov.au](http://www.opal.sa.gov.au) or call Georgina at OPAL on 88214986.