Dear Families of Murray Bridge South Primary,

As a school community we have rallied around on many occasions to help members of the school or their extended communities. An example has been previous Cupcake Days to raise money for families and areas devastated by earthquakes and other natural disasters. We will be running a raffle to help one of our school families whose recent tragic loss is well known in our community.

The Adelaide Crows Football Club and Arnott’s have kindly donated prizes for this raffle.

1st Prize: Your choice of signed Adelaide Crows football or Arnott’s biscuit hamper.

2nd Prize: Remaining prize

Tickets will be $1 each. Students will go around to classes selling tickets and they will be available for purchase at the front office from Tuesday 28th June until Friday 8th July (last day of term). The raffle will be drawn at lunchtime on Friday 8th July.

Thank you in advance for your support.

Tania Lucas
C2 Classroom Teacher

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Belonging at School
Many of you will have noticed the many murals that are going up around the school. The most noticeable of these is the large Ngarrindjeri flag on the front of the Unit. This will soon be accompanied by a neighbouring art work which will also include the Australian flag, the Aboriginal flag and many hands.

As principal here I feel that it is important for us to acknowledge that our school is on Ngarrindjeri land, and to recognise the very real connection between place and people. I want every young person in our school to know that they belong here, that their identity is valued and that there is a place for them in our school community. The Harmony Day mural also flowed out of our commitment to acknowledge the backgrounds of all of our students.

I have recently had a number of conversations with students and parents where I have sought to listen deeply to the strengths, weaknesses and frustrations that they are feeling so that I can think about how we might improve our school. This is feedback that I eagerly seek, and if you have opinions and ideas about the school then I am eager to hear them. Please drop into the front office, ring the school, or send me an email so that I can listen to you.

School hours
We have recently had some students not collected promptly at the end of the school day - 3:10. This can be quite upsetting for children, and worrying for staff as we do not have the capacity to supervise students in an appropriate and engaging way at this time. We do not have an out of school hours care program at South School, but our students are welcome to access the program run at North School. We have also been seeing increasing numbers of students arriving at school considerably before 8:30, which is when we have staff on duty to ensure student safety. Unless children are accessing the Breakfast Club (from 8:15) they should not be on the school site until 8:30 as we cannot ensure their supervision.

Thanks
I would like to acknowledge the work of John Osman as Chairperson of our School Council over the last few years. He has decided to resign, and has been a significant driver of change at our school, leading the highly successful working bee held last term, and he will be missed. Toni Scarlett has been elected his successor and she has big shoes to fill.

Reports
Mid year reports will be going home with students next Wednesday 6th July.

Stuart Kitto
Principal
Murray Bridge South Primary School
Every face has a place
HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Squad (C3) 27th June
Saraih (U5) 27th June
Tamanna (C9) 28th June
Jacob (C8) 30th June
Trevor (C2) 30th June
Lingjie (U1) 7th July
Larel (C2) 8th July
Ethan (U2) 8th July

and in the holidays...

Kreesh (C2) 9th July
Yar (C8) 9th July
Lara (C1) 10th July
Isaac (U4) 10th July
Jordan (C3) 12th July
Tama (C9) 21st July
Harlee (C3) 24th July
Michelle (C3) 27th July
Jwanne (U1) 27th July
Nuran (C2) 20th July
Tiripanni (U2) 20th July
Don (C1) 22nd July
Sarsam (C2) 23rd July

GARDEN UPDATE

We would like to extend thanks to a few people who have assisted us with the garden area. Thanks to John Osman for his assistance with initial planning and levelling out the ground. Also to Steve and William for their help with putting the sleepers in supplied by Lower Murray Timber. Thank you also to Shane Yeates and Norm from Eichler Earthmovers for moving some of the excess dirt for us.

The garden plans are coming along nicely and we hope to get some plants in by the end of the term.

FARE INCREASE

There will be a price increase on 3rd July for all LinkSA tickets and School Bus Passes.

For more information please contact our office Murray Bridge & Adelaide Hills (08) 8532 2633 Gawler and Barossa Valley (08) 8564 3022

LATEST DAY OF TERM

Friday 8th July

CHIPS & GRAVY $3.50

Sorry, NO CREDIT is available so please do not ask!

Have a safe and happy holiday!

ANNETTE THOMSON
(Canteen Manager)

ENVIRO-GROUP

“A whole new world!”

Recently Murray Bridge South School has been looking disgusting!! And so a group of 12 young optimists decided to make a difference! The idea sparked from one of our YEG representatives (Krysta-C3).

What is the idea? Enviro-Group is a group of passionate students; ranging from Year 5 to 7. Our goal is to make our school and community more sustainable and hopefully inspire others and gradually make a difference.

If you are interested, the meetings take place every Monday at lunch time near the Science Room, unless it is raining, then at the Library. We welcome students from all ages and year levels. Please see Krysta or Yvette (C3) if you are interested or want to join. We have only just established our group but we are hoping you’ll see more of us as we achieve our goal!

Student Learning Community (SLC)

Last Friday the SLC went to the Golf Club for some student learning. From Murray Bridge South Primary School we had Gytanahu, Stanley, Paige, Zoe, Jye, Valentina, Mrs Currie, Roni, Shardonai and Ms Jarrad.

We were there with students and adults from 7 other schools: Mannum Community College, Tailem Bend PS, Palmer PS, Murray Bridge North PS, Mypolonga PS, Jervois PS and Fraser Park PS.

We were there because we were learning about how students can learn better. We did activities that put us in the Learning Pit and stretched our thinking.

In the afternoon we had a focus on Reading and collecting data about how much we like, or don’t like Reading!

We will be doing some of the activities in classes at assembly.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

- Wallis Cinemas Blue Light Gaming and Movie Night, Friday 8th July 6.45pm to 10.10pm. Years 7 –10 (parents to sign in) PlayStation Games on the big screen then movie (Central Intelligence). Pizza, drink + choc top included. $17.50. Tickets available from Mt Barker Cinemas.

- Saverplus: Is your child at school or starting next year? Would you like $500 to help pay for uniforms, books, excursions or a laptop? To be eligible you need to: - have a Health Care or a Pensioner Concession Card - have a child at school now or starting next year - have some form of household income, for example, your partner or yourself may have casual, part-time, full-time or seasonal employment. Saver Plus can match your savings for school costs, dollar for dollar, up to $500. Saver Plus is looking for new participants so enquire about signing up today! For more information email saverplus@bdl.org.au or SMS your name and post code to 1300 610 355.

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