2013 has begun sadly with the deaths of two children’s fathers. Our thoughts go to James Rennie and his family whose father Ray died suddenly and to Zack-Adam Kenny who also lost his father. The boys will plant a tree in the Jamie Mugridge Peace Garden in memory of their fathers in the near future.

The 2013 school year has begun very smoothly at Hackham East Primary School. The Junior Primary and Primary schools amalgamated at the end of last year to bring it in line with other single site schools. The resultant loss of a base grant means that we are now operating on a budget at least $300,000 less than previous years. This means the loss of one deputy principal position, fewer SSO hours and the curtailment of some programs. Rest assured that we will do everything to maximise the learning opportunities for every child with all the resources that are at our disposal.

I am pleased to welcome the new leadership team: Ms Sally Slattery (Miss Sally to the children), Deputy Principal, Mrs Jacinta Wade, School Counsellor and new teachers (pictured below left to right) Miss Melissa Mulholland, Year 4/5 Girls Mrs Rita Haddad, Year 3/4 Miss Kathryn Naguib, Transition Class

We are very pleased to have Ms Aimee Lipczyk back who is taking the Year 6/7 Girls class.

**Learning Priorities**

This year the school’s learning priorities are Reading Comprehension, Maths Problem Solving and Student Wellbeing focussing on developing the school virtues of Friendliness, Courage, Good Manners, Persistence/Resilience, Tolerance and Compassion.

The school will be closed for a Student Free Day on Friday 1 March to work with renown educator, Anne Baker on Maths problem solving.

**Parents in Units**

Thank you to parents and caregivers for adhering to the policy of remaining outside teaching units in the afternoon until the dismissal siren to avoid disruptions to children’s learning.

**Music Tuition**

There are limited places available for guitar and violin tuition. Students must be Year 5 or older for guitar and Year 3 or older for violin. Tuition is provided by the Instrumental Music Branch. There is no cost apart from a small fee for hiring instruments.

We are all looking forward to a very productive year.

**Bob Thiele**

**Principal**

**DIARY DATES**

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In my career I have worked in a number of different roles including classroom teacher, Literacy Consultant and Deputy Principal positions. I am passionate and experienced in supporting teachers and schools to make positive changes to approaches in teaching literacy. I have had the opportunity to support staff in a range of settings including Aboriginal Schools, New York City and the western region in Melbourne.

In my spare time I enjoy long bike rides with my husband, reading and will be attempting to become an amateur ‘renovator’ having recently moved into our house that needs quite a bit of work.

I am extremely excited to begin my new role as Deputy Principal at Hackham East Primary School and look forward to getting to know parents, students and staff. If you see me in the yard, please come up and say ‘hi’ so that we can start to get to know each other.

Sally Slattery
Deputy Principal

Hello and welcome to 2013! It has been a lovely start to the year. Thank you to everyone who has introduced themselves to me and welcomed me into the Hackham East Primary School community. It has been great getting to know the students and families, and I hope to get to know you all this year.

I have come from Hallett Cove R-12 School where I worked in a various roles, including Literacy and Numeracy development and classroom teaching. I also have a background in psychology, with a focus on child and adolescent mental health. I am thrilled to be the new counsellor at Hackham East.

If you or your child have any problems, concerns or anything you would like to talk about, I am always happy to chat. You can call the school on 8382 3824, email me on Jacinta.Wade170@schools.sa.edu.au, or make an appointment through Lee at the Front Office. I am looking forward to this year with lots of exciting programs and activities planned.

Jacinta Wade
School Counsellor
EARLY PAYMENT DISCOUNT OFFER

– 2013 SCHOOL FEES

HURRY…. If you pay your school fees in FULL by Thursday 28 February 2013 you will receive a 5% discount! That is a saving of $10.70 per student.

Payments can be made by cash, cheque, credit card or EFTPOS.

2013 SCHOOL CARD APPLICATIONS:

School card applications must be filled out and submitted EVERY year. If you believe you are eligible, please hand your application to our Finance Officer, Tracy Rowley as soon as possible.

Tracy Rowley
Finance Officer

CHANGES TO NEWSLETTER PUBLICATION

The Newsletter will be published every fortnight (even weeks of the term) and the Newsflash will no longer be printed this year.

Teachers keep in touch with parents via their class newsletter and more classes are creating class blogs to keep parents up to date with what is happening in their child’s classroom.

Would you like to receive your Newsletter via email? One of the benefits of this format is reducing the amount of paper used and it is a quicker and more efficient method of receiving the Newsletter. If you would prefer to have the Newsletter emailed to you please leave your name and email address with staff at the Front Office.
Wisemove: A Lifestyle program for women. An 8 week program which encourages participants to set goals for a healthy lifestyle and enjoy being active. Held on Mondays starting 11/2-2/4 from 9:30am-12:00pm. Meet at Family Relationship Centre, 38 Beach Rd, Christies Beach. Ph 83849555 to book.

Noarlunga Breast Cancer Support Group An informal group where women of all ages who have experienced breast cancer can come for positive, warm, friendly, emotional support and information. Held on the first Wednesday each month at Southern Women’s Health from 1:00-3:00pm. Free.

Women are Strong Women do Survive For women who are living in, or have left an abusive or hurtful relationship. An 8 week empowerment group held on Thursday starting 14/2 from 10:00am-12:30pm at Southern Women’s Health. Ph 83849555 for more information or to book.

Women’s Legal Service (SA) Inc Free legal advice and information. Clinic at Southern Women’s every second Friday from 1:00pm-4:00pm by appointment only. Ph 83849555.

Get Active Feel Healthy The City of Onkaparinga has a FREE program of sporting and recreational activities and events running until July 2013. Brochures with information available from the front office or download a copy www.onkaparingacity.com.au.

Outdoor Cricket Rec-Yr 1 MILO in2CRICKET held each Saturday from 9:00-10:00am from 9/2-23/3 at Reynella Cricket Club, Old Reynella. Cost $75. Yr 2-3s school teams play Kanga Cricket at Reynella Cricket Club each Saturday from 8:30-10:00am. For more information contact Trish Pinder 0411161300.

Loritz Circus Out of Africa A Queensland based circus offering a family show at South Adelaide Football Club, Lovelock Drive from 3/1-1/2. Discount flyers available from the front office.

SOMNIA Does your child have a problem with sleep? Psychologists at SOMNIA provide treatment for difficulty falling asleep, waking in the night, trouble waking or getting out of bed in the morning, often sleeping in parent’s bed/room and more. For more information Ph 0415977784 or visit www.somnia.com.au

Circle of Security Parenting Program A group for parents who would like to explore and further develop their relationship with their child. An 8 week course each Tuesday starting 5/2-26/3 from 1:00-3:00pm or 6:00-8:00pm at O’Sullivan Beach Children’s Centre, 51 Galloway Rd, O’Sullivan Beach. FREE. Ph 83828850 for more information.

Creative Expression A 6 week creative expression group for people who want to explore themselves and their lives. Held each Monday from 18/2-8/4 from 9:30-11:30am. Ph Julia 83841065 for more information.