STUDENT FREE DAY – ANN BAKER

Last Friday, the staff were very privileged to attend a workshop here at school run by Ann and Johnny Baker, who are both education consultants that promote “Natural Maths”. Some of the staff have had the opportunity previously to attend her workshops that have been held across the cluster and Ann came highly recommended.

The goal of this workshop was to educate and inform the staff of Hackham East Primary in ways that will aid students in “bridging the gap” in mathematical understanding. These strategies are essential to learning maths at the primary level and provide students with the tools and methods to become confident in math.

During the session, we were presented with many different methods of mental computation. This process differs from mental arithmetic, where the emphasis is on fast recall. These strategic methods are designed to provide a rigorous developmental approach that will allow your child to move at their own pace. The strategies are engaging and also ensure that students have a positive and successful experience while learning maths.

An example of these strategies is the “Bridging through 10” approach that aids students to find friendly numbers (adding on to numbers ending in 0) as well as rainbow facts (pairs of numbers that add to 10).

An example of this is when adding 9 + 4; the 4 is first split up into 1 + 3, giving the rainbow pair 9 and 1 that makes 10 and 3 easier to add, making 13.

After the fantastic day, the teachers feel confident in tackling the strategies to aid in mental computation and problem solving. These changes will be taking place in classrooms over the next few weeks as the staff implement these strategies to their teaching repertoire and it will become a major focus of the school.

If you are interested in more information or ways you can aid your child at home, please feel free to have a chat to your child’s teacher.

Michael Koutsoukos
Maths Focus Teacher

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**Girls Boot Camp**

It is great to see so many girls involved in the Boot Camp each Friday morning beginning at 7.50am. Almost 30 girls are turning up regularly. Thanks to Counsellor, Jacinta Wade, for running it.

**Governing Councillor Farewells**

We are truly indebted to former parents of our school, Colleen Rodgers and Michelle Glazbrook who retired from the Governing Council after 10 and 8 years respectively. Both have remained on Council after their children had graduated from our school.

Colleen was Governing Council Chairperson for many years and has been Treasurer for her entire time on Council. She is such a creative, analytical thinker who always knew the right questions to ask. She was also the Cluster Governing Council Chairperson. She was a tireless supporter of our school.

Michelle has served on the Fundraising and Grounds Committees for 8 years and is jointly responsible for the major developments in the building and grounds projects. Michelle was a vital supporter of the major school musicals we produced over the past 8 years, teaming with June Liston to create amazing costumes, masks and sets.

The school is richer and better for Colleen and Michelle’s hard work and influence. We acknowledge and thank you both and wish you all the best for the future.

Bob Thiele  
Principal

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**GOVERNING COUNCIL 2013**

Thank you to the following parents who have volunteered to be on the School’s Governing Council for 2013. The new Governing Council for 2013 comprises of:

**Chairperson:** Claudia Hanton  
**Vice Chairperson:** Charlotte Squires  
**Treasurer:** Jenny Buttfield  
**Secretary:** Tara Salter  

**Councillors:**  
- Ross Whiley  
- Lisa Connolly  
- Penny Parker  
- Mandy Stopp  
- Kylie Lambert  
- Susan Peel  
- Clint Noble  
- Julie Citti

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These parents are representatives of the Hackham East Primary School community, please see them if you have ideas or issues.

Bob Thiele  
Principal

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**BRIGHTER FUTURES**

Year 7 students, Riley, Matthew, Isaac and Ellen represented Hackham East Primary at the State Government Brighter Futures consultation process designed to guide the future of education and support services in the State.

Our students made up 4 of the 12 primary students invited, gave their opinions articulately and confidently. Matthew even presented his group’s view to the 250 adults in attendance.

Bob Thiele  
Principal
**WOOLWORTHS EARN AND LEARN**
Thank you for the support of the school community last year in the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion. Due to your support, we were able to receive all these wonderful books and equipment for our school. Some of the rewards include: 2 boxes of percussion instruments, books, microscopes, violins and xylophones. We look forward to your support if this promotion occurs again this year.

*Jonathon Kaesler*
*Librarian*

**WHOOPING COUGH**
We wish to advise that we have had a confirmed case of Whooping Cough in the Holly Unit. Whooping Cough (Pertussis) is a bacterial infection of the nose and throat and is spread by respiratory droplets. The illness often begins with cold-like symptoms of runny nose, watery eyes, low fever and general unwellness, although symptoms can differ from person to person. After 3-7 days a dry cough develops and can be present for many weeks and last for months. Prolonged fits of coughing occur, immediately followed by a deep breath in, resulting in the typical whoop—hence the name whooping cough. Some may even vomit due to coughing. **Whooping cough is highly infectious.**

The incubation period (time between becoming infected and developing symptoms) is most commonly 7-10 days. The infectious period is when the cold like symptoms occur in the early stages. A **person with whooping cough is to be excluded from school until 5 days after starting antibiotic treatment. If not treated, they should be excluded for 21 days from the start of symptoms.** Diagnosis is made by a doctor either by testing the mucus from the nose or throat or by blood test. Anyone with suspicious symptoms should see their doctor.

*Bob Thiele*
*Principal*

**SECONDARY SCHOOL OPEN DAYS/NIGHT**
- **Aberfoyle Park High School**, 20/3, 6:00-8:00pm
- **Adelaide High School**, Principal Tours (bookings essential) 9/4 & 30/4, 9:00-11:00am
- **Brighton Secondary School**, 8/5, 6:00pm
- **Christies Beach High School**, 24/3, 11:00am-1:00pm
- **Hallett Cove R-12**, 20/3, 9:15-11:00am & 5:00-7:30pm
- **Mitcham Girls High School**, 13/5, 9:30-11.00am & 5:30-8:00pm
- **Reynella East College**, 5/5, 1:30-4:00pm
- **Urrbrae Agricultural High School**, 26/3, Information sessions at 2:00 & 6:00pm, Tours 1:00, 4:00 & 5:00pm
- **Seaford 6-12 School**, 27/3, 6:00-8:00pm
- **Willunga High School**, 20/3, 5:30-7:30pm
- **Wirreanda High School**, 4/4, 4:00-7:00pm, Principal's welcome at 6:00pm

**DENTAL SERVICES FOR STUDENTS**
Medicare will be issuing all eligible teenagers with a teen dental voucher at the end of January 2013 that entitles them to attend a School Dental Clinic for an examination and preventative care. Any treatment required will be completed free under the same course of care. Alternatively they can see a private dentist for preventative services only under this scheme.

If you are a parent/carer of a teenager aged 12-17 years you should contact your local School Dental Service/GP Plus to make an appointment. You do not have to have your voucher however you will need your Medicare card to access this scheme. Most teens are eligible for this scheme.

For further information you can contact Medicare on 132011 (Option 4) or the Health Promotion Unit on 8229016.

**STUDENTS RIDING TO SCHOOL**
Bike racks are provided at the front of the school grounds for students who ride to school to leave their bike during school hours. The school cannot be held responsible for the safety of bikes therefore it is recommended that students lock their bike to the bike rack to reduce the risk of theft. Helmets should be kept with the student and either kept in their bag or the classroom.

**CANTEEN NEWS**
On Thursday 28 March there will be a special Easter Meal Deal. Order forms will be sent home to each family within the next two weeks.

When ordering lunches please make sure to write your child’s name and the name of your child’s class teacher clearly to ensure lunches can be delivered. On Friday 12 April (last day of Term 1) there will be a sausage sizzle instead of normal lunch orders. More details will be available in the next Newsletter.

*Coralie Goodman*
*Canteen Manager*
• **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’s Legal Service (SA) Inc** Free legal advice and information. Clinic at Southern Women’s every second Friday 10:00am-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/activeonkaparinga.

• **SOMNIA Does your child have a problem with sleep?** Psychologists at SOMNA 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

• **Nunga Lunch** The Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Health Team would like to invite you and your family as Community Members to join us for Nunga Lunch at Christie Downs Community House from 12:00-1:30pm. To be held on 3/4 and 10/4. Transport is available. Ph 83849577 for more information.

• **Southern Cross Cultural Exchange** Volunteer families are needed to host high school students from France, Germany, Spain and Italy. Students arrive on 13/7 and stay for 11 weeks. Ph Jenny Hanson 85562208 or email jeh1313@bigpond.net.au for more information.

• **Old Noarlunga Cricket Club** Junior cricketers wanted in U11’s, 13’s and 15’s. U11’s play Sunday mornings, U13’s Wednesday afternoons & U15’s on Saturday. Ph Oliver Rhodes 0433424473 for more information.

• **Futsal** 5 Week Futsal Program at Noarlunga Leisure Centre, Dave Witton Dr on 18/3, 25/3, 8/4, 15/4 and 22/4 from 4:00-5:00pm. Cost $15 per season. Join former Adelaide United player Cristano for some fast, furious and non stop indoor action. Ph Scott Hockenhull 83403088.

• **RSPCA** The Lonsdale Animal Shelter recently faced an unexpected crisis with the outbreak of Parvo which closed the dog adoption facilities. The Shelter is trying to raise $100,000 to mitigate the threat of Parvo and cover the sudden cost increase of caring for additional animals in the shelter. All donations appreciated.

• **Southern Cross Cultural Exchange** need Regional Representatives to encourage towns, schools, clubs, friends to share their lifestyle with students from overseas. Ph 1800500501 for more information.

• **AngliCare Fatherhood & Separation Group** Been through a separation, want to connect with other dads, explore your new role as a separated dad, keen to make the most of your relationship with your child/children? Held at 197 Main South Rd, Morphett Vale each Monday 6:30-8:30pm. Registration essential - Ph Alison 83923100.

• **Allan Sumner Exhibition** A mesmerizing exhibition by accomplished, contemporary Aboriginal artist, Allan Sumner. Opening night Sat 9/3 at Fox Creek Cellar Door from 5:30-8:30pm. Ph 85570000 for more information.

• **Active Family Moments** A 4 week program for families with children aged 5-12yrs who may have been affected by family violence or other stressful circumstances and live in Aldinga, Aldinga Beach and Sellicks Beach. Held on Thurs 14/3, 21/3, 28/3 & 4/4 from 3:30-5:00pm at the Aldinga Primary School. Ph 81591400 for more information.

• **Harmony Day** Celebrates the dynamic, diverse country we live in and enjoying the benefits this brings to every one of us. Picnic to be held on Thurs 21/3 at Ramsay Place, Noarlunga Centre from 3:30-6:30pm. Free entertainment, workshops, face painting and more. Bring your own picnic for dinner. Ph Rosalind on 83840739 for more information.

• **Close the Gap** Celebrate and show your commitment to Closing the Gap between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and non-Aboriginal Australians. Event held on Thurs 21/3 at Alberton Oval, Cnr Brougham Place & Queen St, Alberton from 11:00am-2:00pm. Ph 84043436.

• **Aboriginal Mum’s & Bub’s Program** Held at O’Sullivan Beach Children’s Centre on 11/3 & 25/3 from 12:00-2:30pm. Ph Teya & Sandra on 83849577. Lunch and transport provided.

• **Autism SA Early Days Workshops** Designed for parents who are in the “early days” of their journey through the assessment and diagnosis process. Workshops are held in small groups to give you the opportunity to meet with other parents. Held on Wed 27/3 at Aldinga Beach R-7 School, Quinliven Rd, Aldinga Beach from 10:00am-12:00 noon or 12:30-2:30pm. To register email earlydays@autismsa.org.au or Ph 1300288476.

• **Sammy D Foundation Quiz Night** To be held on Sat 13/4 from 6:30pm at Reynella Neighbourhood Centre, 164-170 Old South Rd, Old Reynella. To register phone Janine 83870001.