



**Acting Principal:**  
Karen Knox

**Deputy Principal:**  
Rachael Courtney

**School Counsellor:**  
To be advised

**Council Chairperson:**  
Alison Turner

**WEEK 5, TERM 1**  
**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2016**

**The next assembly will be on**  
**Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April, 2016, at**  
**10:15am and will be hosted by**  
**Mrs Egglestone and Mrs Lang's**  
**classes.**



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### Dedicated Phone Numbers

Kitchen Garden Volunteers: 0408 637 850  
POSHC Enquiries: 0413 482 521  
Student Absences: 0412 089 811

### WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Canteen Volunteers
- Credit Union SA
- Easter Raffle Donations
- Easter Special Lunch
- Governing Council
- High School Open Days / Nights
- Kindy Garage Sale
- Kitchen Volunteers Required
- Label Your Child's Clothes
- Mother's Day Stall Donations
- Parking
- Pupil Free Day Reminder
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### DIARY DATES

9 Mar	Easter Lunch Orders Due
11 Mar	Pupil Free Day
14 Mar	Adelaide Cup Day Public Holiday
16 Mar	Special Easter Lunch
22 Mar	Easter Raffle Assembly 2:30pm
25 Mar	Good Friday Public Holiday
28 Mar	Easter Monday Public Holiday
1 April	Volunteer Workshop 1:30pm
6 April	Volunteer Workshop 7pm

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# Pimpala Press

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It was great to see so many parents at the Acquaintance Night this week. The students enjoyed sharing their classrooms and some of what they had been learning about. The Library was a hive of activity with 93 enthusiastic participants following the Library Trail. Each participant had heaps of fun following the trail and as a reward they received a book and a book mark. What a great way to encourage future readers!

The Annual General Meeting followed the Acquaintance Night and it was wonderful to see a number of new parents nominated for Governing Council. A list of members for this year is included in this newsletter.

Thank you to the members who served on the Governing Council last year but have decided not to continue. We appreciate your attendance, support and efforts throughout the year.

As you may have noticed, the kindy is looking very interesting with a lot of the outside work now visible. This week I noticed a slippery dip and a cubby house and I am sure the kindy children are looking forward to a great time at their new premises. It is expected that the kindy will be open for the beginning of Term 2 and it will be known as the Pimpala Kindergarten.

Staff will use the Pupil Free Day on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> March to review and develop our Site Improvement Plan for the next twelve months. We will be focussing on the areas of Literacy, Numeracy, Wellbeing and ICT. We will be building on the excellent results that we have with Numeracy and Literacy and developing further actions to support student learning.

We welcome Michelle Parslow who will be working in Susan Kaye's Year 3 class for the term while Susan is on leave.

We have received a large number of registrations for Team Sports this year for all three sports – soccer, basketball and netball. Governing Council is looking to establish a Sports Committee to assist with the operation of the sports during the year.

The Federally-funded "Sporting Schools" Athletics Program we are running this term has also been extremely popular with more than 110 responses for 30 spaces.

A number of our students attended the SAPSASA Swimming Trials – Onkaparinga North event at the Marion Outdoor Pool during the week. Our swimmers had great results and were noted for their excellent behaviour. We are proud of your efforts.

Karen Knox  
**ACTING PRINCIPAL**



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## SCHOOL PAYMENTS

Thank you to those families who have paid their school fees or returned a completed School Card Form. If you think you may be eligible for School Card, please lodge your application with the Finance Office as soon as possible.

**Please note:** the last day to pay the 2016 Materials & Services Fees, or apply for a Direct Debit by Instalment Plan is **Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> April** (the last day of Term 1).

Payments can be made to the school in a number of ways...

**In person** The Finance Window in the Courtyard is open every school morning from 8:30am – 9:00am.

**Over the phone** Credit card payments can be taken over the phone on school days from 9:30am – 4:00pm.

**Online** Visit [www.pimpalaps.sa.edu.au/pay](http://www.pimpalaps.sa.edu.au/pay) to make an online credit card payment.

**Direct Deposit** Payments can be deposited directly into our school bank account. Our account details are:  
BSB: 065-157 Account: 103 88 284

**By instalment** School fees can be paid by weekly / fortnightly / monthly instalments by completing a *Direct Debit Request* form. Copies of this form are available from the Finance Window.

## SCREENING FOR SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS

As we indicated in the Week 1, Term 1 newsletter earlier this year, DECD has updated its screening policy so that parents are not required to undertake a DCSI screening to work with their child at school.

However, as schools can decide if they want to adopt the new relaxed approach to parent volunteers or whether they keep the previous policy where **all** volunteers working within the school are required to have a DCSI Clearance to work with children, the matter was referred to Governing Council.

Governing Council voted resoundingly to keep the existing screening protocols whereby all volunteers must have both the DCSI Clearance to work with children and the RAN-EC Volunteer training before they are able to volunteer at Pimpala.

As before, people attending a single event or activity at school, such as a fundraising event, or Sports Day do not need to be screened.

## MOTHER'S DAY STALL DONATIONS

Thank you for the wonderful Mother's Day Stall donations you have contributed so far. We still need some more new great items which would make wonderful presents. Mother's Day is **Sunday, 8<sup>th</sup> May** (the end of Week 1, Term 2). We appreciate your generosity.

## KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Next week **Mr Burns** and **Mr Lohmeyer's** classes will commence their Kitchen Garden lessons for the term. Volunteers are required to assist with the kitchen component. If you can spare some time and have both the DCSI clearance to work with children and have completed the Volunteer RAN training, we would love your help for these lessons.

Next term the following classes will commence their kitchen garden program: **Mrs Dobson, Mrs Yates, Ms Seyfang, Mrs Kaye and Mr Lucas.**

We will need volunteers for these sessions as well. If you are planning to volunteer, please ensure you let Michele know of your availability, that you have a DCSI clearance to work with children and have completed the RAN-EC training for volunteers. These are essential for volunteers.

Please contact Michele on 0408 673 850 if you can assist with any of these classes.

## CREDIT UNION SA

### SCHOOL COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM

Pimpala PS has joined the Credit Union SA School Community Rewards Program as a fundraiser for the school. Any time you take out any Credit Union SA account, loan or credit card and nominate Pimpala PS as the beneficiary, the Credit Union SA will then regularly pay our school a portion of their profits as a tangible cash benefit.

If you require further information you can contact Mark Kohler (School Community Rewards Representative) on 8202 7675 or email [mkohler@creditunion.sa.com.au](mailto:mkohler@creditunion.sa.com.au)

Mark is based at the Southgate Plaza branch.

## GOVERNING COUNCIL

The Governing Council members for 2016 are:

Chairperson:	Alison Turner
Vice Chairperson:	Kate Perry
Treasurer:	To be advised
Secretary:	To be advised

**Members:** Danielle Bailey, Di Baker, Leanne Baker, Tara Ball, Narelle Borowicki, Angela Brown, Fleur Dunn, Lisa Jauncey, Adrienne Kennedy, Rick Mart, Johann Micola Von Furstenrecht, Ellie Miles, Danielle Shutter, Kate Swan and Karen Young.

**Teacher Representatives:** Jo Power and Christine Seyfang.

## CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS

We need your help in the canteen. If you are available between 10:30am and 1:00pm on Mondays, Wednesdays or Fridays please see Trish in the canteen or let the Front Office know. All help is greatly appreciated.

**Please note:** you will require the DCSI-working with children clearance and have undertaken the RAN-EC Volunteer Workshop to volunteer in the canteen.

## HIGH SCHOOL OPEN DAYS / NIGHTS

If you require further information about High School Open Days / Nights please contact the schools directly or check their websites. If you are interested in any specialist courses the schools offer please contact the schools as soon as possible to check eligibility.

- **Aberfoyle Park High School**  
Open Night  
Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March from 6:00pm to 7:30pm
- **Adelaide High School**  
Open Night  
Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March from 5:30pm to 8:00pm
- **Brighton Secondary School**  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May Guided tour 9:00am – 2:00pm. Self-guided tour 5:30pm – 6:45pm
- **Christies Beach High School**  
Open Day  
Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> March from 11am to 1pm
- **Hallett Cove School R-12**  
Open Day  
Wednesday, 23<sup>rd</sup> March from 5:00 – 7:00pm
- **Mitcham Girls High School**  
Open Day  
Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> May  
9:00am to 11:00am / 5:00pm to 8:00pm
- **Reynella East College**  
Open Day  
Tuesday, 17<sup>th</sup> May (times to be advised)
- **Seaview High School**  
Open Night  
Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> March Principal tours at 9:30am and 11:30am. Open night from 5:30pm to 7:00pm
- **Urrbrae Agricultural High School**  
Open Day  
Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March. Tours at 9:30am-11:30am, 1:00pm-3:00pm and 6:00pm-8:00pm
- **Wirreanda Secondary School**  
Open Evening  
Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April from 4pm to 7pm

## PARKING

**REMINDER:** Please do not use the staff car park as a pick up or drop off zone. The kiss & drop zone is available on Vanstone Avenue and is supervised by a staff member from 8:30am to 8:50am each morning and from 3:10 to 3:25 in the afternoons. Thank you for your co-operation.

## EASTER SPECIAL LUNCH

On **Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> March** there will be a special Easter lunch. The lunch will include a chicken burger, a hot cross bun – choice of fruit or choc chip - served at recess time, and an Easter egg and a fruit box.

Please bring your money and order form to the Finance Window by **Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> March**. The cost of the lunch is \$7.00.



There will be no counter sales or lunch orders available on this day. **Please note:** No late orders will be accepted, and no refunds will be given.

## EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS

We are holding our annual Easter Raffle. Thank you to the many families who have generously donated Easter eggs and goodies. We still need more items to make up the baskets and prizes so please bring any donations of Easter eggs or any other Easter items to the Front Office. All donations are greatly appreciated.

Each child has been given a raffle book containing 10 tickets, tickets are 50c each. For every book you sell you have one chance to win the Jumbo Easter Basket that is displayed in the Front Office. Should you require more books, they are available from the Finance Window in the morning or the Front Office after school.

All sold books must be returned with the money by **Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> March**. Any unsold books also need to be returned.

The raffle will be drawn at a Special Assembly on **Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 2.30pm**.

## PUPIL FREE DAY REMINDER

Pimpala PS will have a Pupil Free day on **Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> March** (the Friday before the Adelaide Cup Day long weekend), to enable staff to review the Site Improvement Plan.

POSHC will be available. Please contact Hazel Godfrey at Hazel.Godfrey850@schools.sa.edu.au or phone 0413 482 521 for bookings.

## LABEL YOUR CHILD'S CLOTHES

So far this year we have had a large number of un-named items in our lost property box. Please ensure that any of your child's items which are brought to school, are labelled including clothes, drink bottle, lunch box etc.

## VOLUNTEER WORKSHOPS

We will be running more RAN training for volunteers this term. If you have not undertaken the training, you will not be able to volunteer in school until it is completed.

Please book into one of the following sessions:

- Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> March, 2016 at 1:30pm
- Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> April, 2016 at 1:30pm
- Wednesday, 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2016 at 7:00pm

## KINDY GARAGE SALE

The Morphet Vale Preschool Kindy is closing at Venning Street, and is holding a Garage Sale on **Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> April** from 9:00 - 11:00am. All unwanted equipment is for sale (for a donation) - old tables, easels, climbing frames, anything inside that can be dismantled (bring a screwdriver), even plants from the garden (bring a shovel). See you then!

Shelley Mair  
**Director, Morphet Vale Preschool Kindergarten**