

Foundation Newsletter

Week 6, Monday 4 March 2019

Chapel

Our class will be leading the school chapel service on Friday 22 March. We are looking forward to leading worship and hope you are able to join us on the day.

SMART Goals

Thank you for signing and returning your child's SMART Goals for this term. I will be checking on each child's progress during the term and ask that you continue to help them to be successful in achieving their goals.

Grandparents and Special Friends Day

Please let me know if there is no one available to visit your child on Friday 15 March so that we can arrange a special visitor for them. The day will begin at 9am with Chapel followed by an opportunity to experience learning in our classrooms between 9.30 and 11am. Morning tea will be provided from 11am.

Harmony Day

Each year we celebrate Harmony Day on 21 March. This year's theme is 'Music Brings us Together' and we will be creating musical instruments on the day. Could you please keep an eye out for the following items that will be useful for making instruments: cardboard tubes (not toilet rolls), string, ribbons, Pringle chip containers metal bottle tops, Kinder Surprise containers, empty bottles which have handles, and empty tissue boxes. Orange is the colour chosen to represent Harmony Day. Students can choose to wear orange accessories to school on 21 March. Some examples could be bracelets, hair ties, wrist/sweat bands and ribbons. Please note that it is not a casual day and children will need to wear uniform as usual.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 5	Shrove Tuesday - Pancakes provided by the P & F
Wednesday 6	Ash Wednesday
Friday 8	Pupil free day at Eudunda Area School NO DECD BUSES AND NO KELLER BUS
Monday 11	Adelaide Cup Public Holiday
Friday 15	Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day
Thursday 21	Harmony Day 'Music brings us together' P&F Special Menu - chicken burgers
Tuesday 26	Open Morning from 9.30am - 12.30pm



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Shrove Tuesday - Tuesday 5 March

Pancake Day, or Shrove Tuesday, is the traditional feast day before the start of Lent on Ash Wednesday. Lent, the 40 days leading up to Easter, is traditionally a time of fasting for Christians. Thank you to our P & F who will serve pancakes at Recess Time on Tuesday.

English

This week we will begin to learn the most common way to write some of our long vowel sounds. Because ai and oa represent one sound we learn to link the letters straight away. Our focus this week will be on the letter sounds, b, ai, j, oa.

Mathematics

Our focus this week will continue to be on number. We will be working on making groups to represent a number correctly, writing numerals and recognising number words.

Unit of Inquiry

This week we are working on our second and third line of inquiry:

- What makes me special and unique
- Reasons why people feel and think differently.

We are looking at why we have the name that we have. In some families a particular name is a tradition. In others a name is chosen for a particular reason or perhaps because Mum or Dad like that particular name. Could you please discuss the reason for your child's name with them? We will be collecting and recording information on names this week.



Congratulations Jacob on receiving our class award for being a thinker by solving problems and making good decisions about his learning.



Our older Foundation Students have headphones from last year. This year we are asking students to purchase their own headphones for use with iPads and computers at school. The examples opposite are available in Kmart and Big W for between \$2.50 (earbuds) and \$13. If you already have a set at home that is fine too. Could you please arrange a set of headphones for your child as soon as practical and send them along to school. Please remember to write your child's name on their headphones before sending them in to school



Charlotte and Sonny received their SRC badges at Assembly on Friday. They will wear their badges for the first semester this year.