A Message from Robyn

Pupil Free Day - Friday June 10
Tomorrow is a Pupil Free Day at AVPS and as such this week’s assembly will not take place. Please ensure you have made alternative arrangements for your child/ren for the day as staff will be involved in training and not available to supervise students.

OSHC is available by booking directly with Camp Australia on 0450 265 054.

Attendance
Last year we had 4642 incidents of students arriving late to school and 2351 incidents of students leaving school early. This is a lot of learning time the students miss out on and also can be disruptive to the class. Teaching students to be on time is an important focus for our school. Please help us in supporting this.

Student Arrivals and Departures
Staff have noticed an increasing number of students arriving at school before 8:30am and remaining at the school after 3:30pm. To ensure students are safe at school it is essential that they arrive between 8:30am and 8:55am and are collected by 3:30pm when teachers are on duty and supervising students in the yard. If you need your child/ren to be at school outside of these times, please make the necessary arrangements with Camp Australia to utilise the OSHC program.

Enrolments
Do you have a Reception student due to start school in 2017? To ensure a place has been allocated for them it is essential that you contact the front office asap to start the enrolment process.

Thank you,
Robyn O’Dea - Principal

Uniforms

T-Shirts
Families are advised that the school has stock available in sizes 4 – 16 of the new T-Shirts. Please note that there is a limit of 2 per child at this point to give all families the opportunity to purchase them. Families will be able to purchase additional T-Shirts when the next order arrives. T-Shirts are $22 each.

Jackets
The school now has winter jackets available for purchase in sizes 4 – 16. The jackets are $27 each. They are black with a waterproof outer layer and a polar fleece inner layer.

Sale Stock
AVPS has previously stocked a range of pants, shorts and long sleeved polo tops. As we will now be focusing on t-shirts, jumpers, jackets and dresses we are selling the remaining LIMITED stock of the pants and long sleeved polo tops at a reduced rate.

Boys Cargo Pants – size 6 $30.00
Boys Cargo Shorts - sizes 4, 8 & 10 $12.50
Girls Boot Leg Pants – sizes 4, 6 & 8 $15.00
Long Sleeved Polo Tops (GOLD) – sizes 8, 12, 14 $20.00  S, M & L $22.00
Long Sleeved Polo Tops (STRIPED) – size S $20.00

Out of School Hours Care

OSHC phone number: 0450 265 054

Absente SMS
SMS the school on 0427 016 460 if your child will be absent from school. This service is available 24 hours a day.

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OSHC News

Wow, we can’t believe how fast this term is going! Week 3 saw us celebrating National Families Week. Our family wall has been started with a few families providing us a photo of their family. We would like this wall to reflect all of our OSHC families so if you could bring in or email a photo to saanglevale@oshccampaustralia.com.au that would be appreciated.

Children also reflected about “what does your family mean to you?” Week 4 was all about testing out our senses with children experimenting with homemade cloud dough and firework painting. Outside play was also popular with group games a common thing. In Week 5 we celebrated National Reconciliation Week with children creating Aboriginal and Australian flags, dot paintings and animal drawings.

Parents please Note:

Friday 10th of June is a pupil free day. We will be opening on this day.

Friday 1st of July is a pupil free day. Please note we require a minimum of 18 children to open on this day. The close off for bookings is Thursday June 23rd. Please ensure you have booked by this date to avoid disappointment.

School Holidays are fast approaching. Rolls are now open so you can book your children in. If you would like a program they are on the sign in sheet in OSHC or on the website www.campaustralia.com.au. To book your child in please ring our friendly customer service team on 1300 105 343 or visit www.campaustralia.com.au

Morgan and the OSHC team

Friendship

Friendships are important for happiness and well-being. Children come to school to learn both academically and socially. From time to time your child may come home and say they don’t have any friends or they have had a fight with their friend.

Listed below are some ideas for helping children make friends

- If possible, establish a dialogue with your child about friendships so that you can offer support when there are difficulties and provide some ideas when needed.
- Identify and discuss any behaviours such as teasing, bullying or self-centredness that may prevent your child from making friends. Sometimes a child’s remarks can irritate others to the extent that he/she is ostracised.
- Teach some social skills such as how to start up a conversation and how to hold the interest of others during a conversation.
- Provide opportunities for your child to make friends at your place after school or during weekends so that friendships can develop. An invitation to bring a friend along to a family outing can provide opportunities to strengthen friendships.
- Encourage your child to participate in ‘out-of-school’ activities or groups that may provide opportunities to meet new people away from the peer groups at school. Friendships formed through shared interests are very strong.
- Encourage your child to take up a challenging or interesting activity so that he/she becomes a more interesting person for others to be around.

Ms Melissa
Assistant Principal - Wellbeing

Mr Mazzaferro’s Year 1 Class

Students have been working on the properties of 2D and 3D shapes. They are beginning to use the correct vocabulary such as faces, edges and vertices. They are enjoying working on the tasks and they are improving their understanding. The students have come a long way from the beginning of the year. It is fantastic to see them grow and learn.

We are also working on simple adding strategies. Students are enjoying using Quick Number facts such as counting on, using doubles and near doubles. Riley has created some very cool rockets to show adding number with dots or subitising.

Students are looking forward to visiting a maths program about number and Rainbow Facts later this term at The Adelaide University.
SAPSASA News

SAPSASA Soccer
On Thursday the 2nd June, we played SAPSASA Soccer against John Hartley Primary and won 9-4. It was a good game and good to watch. The game was up and down the field and we all had a touch of the ball at one stage. The people who scored the goals were Kobe 4, Tyson 3, Aiden 1 and Aaron 1. The Ref was fair and gave a few free kicks to each team. Our next game is Friday 17th June.

Written by Kyal H and Kobe C

SAPSASA Netball
We played against Two Wells and won 28 – 2. We worked as a team and got along well. Maddy and Paige were our goal shooters and they shot most of our goals, but Jasmine also shot a few. We all played well, especially Maddy who is normally a basketballer! Unfortunately for Two Wells they missed a lot of their goals because of our strong defence of Erin and Elly. Our team players are Maddy, Pria, Jaz, Cara, Erin, Elly, Paige and Krystal. Mas Wendland was our coach and she did a great job of encouraging us and giving us pointers. Thank you also to the Angle Vale Netball Club President Stewart Crazier who umpired for us. We are now into round 2 against Pedare.

Written by Paige, Elly and Erin

SAPSASA Golf
On Monday the 30th May I attended the Golf SA SAPSASA tryouts at Penfield Golf Club. The day began with a 2 hour practice lesson with golf professional Christine Burton. Christine went through some basic drills and techniques to gauge everyone’s level of skill.

We were then split into 3 groups of 4 players and then proceeded to play 9 holes. Each hole had a distance of 150mtrs and a maximum of 8 shots per hole. Individual scores were counted for each hole and the total score was tallied.

Out of 12 players, 4 where chosen to qualify for the Primary School Golf State Championships to be held on Thursday 1st of September at the Adelaide Shores Golf Club. Luke, Dylan and myself will be representing Angle Vale Primary School.

Written by Tyler N

Entertainment Books

The 2016/17 Entertainment Book is available for purchase from the school’s front office.

The book costs $65, however the school receives $13 for each book sold. The book has a variety of savings that include dining at fine restaurants and hotels, 2 for 1 vouchers for casual family dining, sporting events, movies, special attractions, travel and more. You can also order online or order a digital membership.

www.entertainmentbook.com.au

Fundraising

AVPS is currently running the Waikerie Bakery Pie Drive. Order forms were sent home with students in week 4 and via Skoolbag. Order forms and payment must be returned to the front office by June 16th. Pies will be available for collection from the Gym on June 23rd between 2:00pm – 3:15pm.

**Please note - Pies are freshly prepared and can be frozen for your convenience.

Play Is The Way

Mrs Marschall - Reception
Mrs Reed - Reception
Miss Skewes & Mrs Smith - Reception
Mrs Spurling & Mrs Smith - Year 1
Mr Mazzaferro - Year 1
Mrs Arnold - Year 1 / 2
Mrs Laing - Year 2
Mrs Sonneman - Year 2
Miss Bush - Year 2 / 3
Mrs Mathews - Year 3
Mrs Maloney & Miss O’Sullivan - Year 3 / 4
Mr Malcolm - Year 4 / 5
Mrs Conroy & Miss O’Sullivan - Year 5
Mrs Valley - Year 5 / 6
Miss Wendland - Year 6

Written by Tyler N

If someone is unlike you, seek to understand them.
TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD LIKE THEM TO TREAT YOU.

School is about stepping bravely into the unknown. The unknown is often uncomfortable. The braver you are, the more you learn.

BE BRAVE – PARTICIPATE TO PROGRESS

We don’t come to school to be better than others. We come to school to better ourselves by being able to work with others.

PURSUE YOUR PERSONAL BEST NO MATTER WHO YOU WORK WITH

If you don’t know why you’re doing something then don’t do it because it’s most likely wrong.

HAVE REASONS FOR THE THINGS YOU SAY AND DO

We do the right thing because it’s the best thing to do.
IT TAKES GREAT STRENGTH TO BE SENSIBLE

SELF-MASTERY CHECKLIST:

• Am I doing the right thing or the wrong thing?
• Am I making a strong decision or a weak decision?
• Are my feelings in charge of my actions or is my thinking in charge?
• Am I running away from the problem or am I dealing with it?
• Am I being my own boss or am I missing my teacher to be my boss?
• Is my teacher trying to help me or hurt me?

(From http://playistheway.com.au/)
Nature Play - Things to do in Winter

1. Find a bed of nasturtiums or other different leaves and watch the way rain drops rest on them - they look like precious jewels.
2. Explore a small creek after a downpour or rain shower.
3. Sail bark/leaf boats down the creek or gutter and race them to the end.
4. Grab a friend and make a rope swing on a tree.
5. Dig for clay and make a clay sculpture.
6. Visit the beach after a storm and hunt for treasures.
7. Fill egg cartons with potting mix, plant with vegetable seeds and watch them grow.
8. Take your family outside to jump in puddles and see what melts, stains and runs.
9. Repurpose your old clothes, grab a straw hat and make a scarecrow for the garden.
10. Make some crazy rain art by putting paper in a tray with bits of dried up paint; drops of food colouring, crushed leaves or flowers and leave it to them to the end.

See more things to do on the website:

NATUREPLAYSA.ORG.AU

5 reasons to teach your kids a second language

Posted by Marianne Stenger, Thursday 5 May 2016

Do you speak a language other than English? Research shows that exposing your kids to a second language can have great benefits, Marianne Stenger examines.

In many countries throughout the world, learning multiple languages is simply a part of growing up. In Kenya, for instance, kids learn to speak English and Swahili in school, but at home with their parents and siblings, they’ll often switch to the mother tongue of their ethnic tribe, be it Dholuo, Kikuyu or Kamba. Growing up bilingually isn’t as much of a rarity as it once was, though, and according to the Australian Bureau of Statistics, more than 20% of people in Australia speak two or more languages at home.

A growing body of research also suggests that there are significant benefits to being exposed to a second language as a child. Here are five of the most important reasons you may want to consider teaching your children a second language.

1. Become an effective communicator

Children who grow up in multilingual households are better communicators than those who are exposed to just one language, according to research published in Psychological Science. The researchers explain that children who hear more than one language spoken at home are used to keeping tabs on who speaks what to whom and the social patterns that are formed because of it, which helps them interpret a speaker’s meaning and communicate more effectively.

Surprisingly, children don’t have to be bilingual themselves to enjoy these benefits; merely being exposed to another language helps to strengthen their social communication skills.

2. Learn how to block out distractions

Children who grow up bilingually are usually better at blocking out distractions and focusing their attention, because they have a lot of practice with choosing the right language to use in various situations.

A study from York University in Toronto found that exposure to two languages gives toddlers a cognitive advantage by enabling them to block out unnecessary stimuli and change their response according to the demands of the situation.

3. Boost creativity and problem-solving skills

When it comes to creative thinking and problem solving skills, bilingual children significantly outperform those who speak only one language, according to research published in the International Journal of Bilingualism.

These differences are likely linked to the mental alertness necessary to switch from one language to another, which may help kids develop skills that are useful in other types of thinking as well.

4. Be a better multi-tasker

Bilingual children are often slower to build their vocabulary, due to the fact that they must divide their attention between two different languages; but research shows that they have the upper hand when it comes to multi-tasking.

This is because the same mental alertness that helps them block out unwanted distractions and think outside the box also enables them to effortlessly switch from one non-language related task to another.

5. Promote cultural awareness and tolerance

A Concordia University study recently found that children who are taught a second language may grow up to be more accepting of social and physical diversity.

The researchers explain that most children are ‘essentialists’, believing that all human characteristics are innate. This has important social implications because adults with stronger essentialist beliefs are more likely to endorse prejudiced attitudes and stereotypes.

What the study reveals, though, is that bilingual kids are more likely to think everything is learned rather than innate, which suggests that language learning could be used as a way to combat prejudice from an early age.

How to introduce your kids to a second language?

One of the best ways to start is by simply speaking a foreign language to children at home as you go about your daily routine. This will help it to feel casual and natural, and they’ll soon start picking up some of the words and phrases they hear.

Keep in mind, though, that children and even adults often go through a silent period when learning a new language. So be patient and keep on trying even if it seems like your child isn’t catching on. Most of all, focus on making it a fun and memorable experience for both you and your kids.

Canteen Manager Position at Angle Vale Primary School

12 month contract starting at the beginning of term 3 with a possibility of an extension

Job and Person Specification can be obtained by calling the school’s front office on 8284 7222.

If you would like to be considered for the position please forward a CV with two referees and a maximum two page application addressing the following:

- Knowledge and skills in DECD Rite Bite Policy
- Knowledge and skills in Food Safety and Handling procedures
- How will you promote the canteen

25 hours per week (casual) as per conditions of Job and Person Specification

Pay rate as per Fast Food Industry Award 2010

Email to Melissa.Babic874@schools.sa.edu.au

Closing date: 24th June 2016