AUSKICK NIGHT AT ADELAIDE OVAL

Congratulations on the fantastic effort and time given up for our Plympton Students. I have received two letters this week to thank staff and recognise the great participation of our school at Adelaide Oval. ’It was a memorable night for the little AUSKICK boys and girls and for many, a once in a life time opportunity that I’m sure they will treasure for ever. This was supported by the positive and enthusiastic attitude of Mr Worden, coordinators and parents assisting‘, Reshma and Shivarra ‘I would just like to thank them both and also everyone involved. I was one of the parent helpers of the night and know how much work was put into it and the end of season party. I would just like to finish off with big thanks to all the children that behaved so well on the night and were fantastic role models for our school. I am proud to be a parent of this wonderful school. I believe that it something I will be proud to say to my kids and I am sure Nahi will remember for a long time too.’ Tami Flamank

IMPORTANT DATES
- 15/8/16 Photo Catch Up Day
- Every Wednesday Little Book Club in the Library at 9.00 to 10.00am
- 19/8/16 Book Week Assembly Launch
- 22/8/16 to 26/8/16 Book Week
- 26/8/16 Book Week Parent/Carer Visiting Morning and Monster Book Sale from 9.15am
- 7/9/16 at 6.30pm in Library Digital Strategy Community Forum Everyone invited
- 1/9/16 Fathers Day Stall
- 29/8/16 Adelaide Show Holiday NO SCHOOL
- 5/9/16 and 7/9/16 Nature Play Incursions
- 13/9/16 School Council Meeting 7.00pm
- 19/9/16 Science Week begins
- 22/9/16 Governing Council Training evening workshop for all interested parents/carers
- 23/9/16 Science Dress Up Day

Term Dates for 2016
TERM 1 Feb 1 - April 15
TERM 2 May 2 - Jul 8
TERM 3 Jul 25 - Sep 30
TERM 4 Oct 17 - 14 Dec

LEADERSHIP NEWS
Welcome back to Term 3. We have had a very wet start to the term with students enjoying the puddles and mud to play in. We welcome Jake Innes back. He is replacing Tina Bridgland while she is on sick leave. Lihn Nguyen is backfilling Jill Parkes while she is on leave also. We also welcome Karly Hefferan and Melissa Nielsen back from leave.

The recent announcement in the State Government Budget of STEM Works funding for schools has resulted in Plympton PS benefitting with up to $1 million to upgrade our teaching and learning facilities, to enable Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths to be taught in more contemporary facilities. I have attended a workshop to learn about the details and have formed a staff representative group to explore what is possible within our priorities. The Plympton School Council will be pivotal to the consultation process with Parents and Carers. One of the consultation processes is to seek input at the scheduled Digital Strategy Forum being held on 7th September. I encourage families to attend.

Online NAPLAN will be trialled at the school next week. The focus is on trialling the online platform. Student achievement in the online tests will not be reported on. It is purely a technical trial for the testing environment.

The Gym Floor is being replaced in the near future. The company will require the gym to be closed for up to a week. Alternative arrangements will be made for PE lessons and OSHC during this time.

WINTER MUSIC FESTIVAL
A wonderful night was had at our Winter Music Festival at the end of Term 2. A large crowd enjoyed the instrumental and choir skills of many students from Reception to Year 7. It was great to see the skill and confidence of our students.

SCIENCE WEEK COMING UP
We will be celebrating Science Week coming up Monday 22nd to Friday 26th September. During the week all students will participate in a Science incursion. We are lucky to have Frank’s Lab on Legs coming to present some wonderful hands on and physical science workshops for each class. The cost of the incursion will be from the Science and Excursion Fund.

On Friday 2/3/16 we are going to provide students with the opportunity to earn points for their house team. Students have the choice of coming dressed as a robot or designing and making their own droid / drone model. Each student who participates will earn 10 points for their house team. There will be bonus points given out on the day.

We will have a parade of the robots at recess on the basketball court. The droid / drone models will be on display in the Library for all of the last week of school.

Our three Yr 6/7 classes were fortunate to attend the Science Careers day on Friday 5th August. It was a great day had by all. They have also started their STEM electives investigating water filtration, entrepreneurial skills and robotics.

STUDENT AWARDS
Room 1 (Reception) Kelly Baldwin
Ashwarya for always taking care with her work, doing it to the best of her ability
Ava Rivers for always showing a caring attitude towards classmates
Room 2 (Reception) Stephanie Kakoschke
Elise for caring for the classroom and those around her
Jack G for working hard at home with SIP and getting on top of his work
Room 2 (Year 1) Georgina Ninos
Saamir for always being a responsible learner
Room 3 (Year 1) Perry Burgi
Tennyson for using great manners in the classroom
Room 4 (Year 1) Karly Brigeo
Ruhan for trying hard to improve his reading writing
Room 13 17 (Year 2 & 3) Claire Glover & Jane Finlayson
Seth for persisting and trying when work is difficult
Room 13 18 (Year 2) Jake Innes & Emma Falconer
Samuel for being a respectful class member to both his peers & teachers
Room 13 19 (Year 2) Rajasthan Singh
Alice for putting effort into her work and trying her best in all lessons
Room 3 4 (Year 3) Jonathon Gardner
Nethra for putting together a great presentation on climates and weather in the USA
Room 3 5 (Year 3) Ethan Rintoul
Ethan for putting effort into his reading and getting excellent results because of it.
Room 3 6 (Year 3) Polly Bowditch
Mikaila for making excellent progress in her reading
Room 3 7 (Year 3) Tracey Nielson
Gerald for always helping out in the classroom
Room 3 8 (Year 3)房价 Gwynneth Newbould
Levi for the effort and application he has given to his Aboriginal Art
Room 3 9 (Year 3) Abigail Seidler
Abigail for the effort and enthusiasm she brings to everything she does.
Room 2 5 (Year 4) Tracy Nielson
Orlando for striving hard to complete all set tasks in the time given
Room 2 6 (Year 4) Trenton Woolford
Lachlan for commitment to his goals as a powerful learner, never giving up, keeping focus and having high expectations
Room 2 7 (Year 4) Nathan Deeds
Natalia for commitment to her goals as a powerful learner for never giving up
Room 2 8 (Year 6) Jack Edwards
Usmaan for effort and persistence with tackling challenges
Room 2 9 (Year 6) Aarav Bhalla
Hannah for being a responsible and helpful class member
Room 2 10 (Year 6) Maise Stone
Preshna for taking responsibility by always performing her leadership roles diligently
Room 2 11 (Year 6) Max Welsh
Oliver for being resilient by continuing to do his best at school, even with his broken leg
Room 2 12 (Year 6) James O’Neill
Franco for trying his best effort to complete learning tasks on time and listening to feedback
Room 2 13 (Year 6) Shahid for listening attentively during explicit teaching and always following instructions
YEAR 6/7
On Friday the 5th of August, the Year 6/7 students went to the Science Alive Careers Day held at the Adelaide Showgrounds. The event showcased a fabulous and diverse range of study and career options available in the scientific field. There were many hands-on activities for our students to engage with. Some of our favourites included solving a crime in a forensics lab, turning cream into butter and making slime and sherbet.

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YEAR 3/4/5
In a number of classes in the school we have new furniture. In Room 2.3 we have been using the furniture and we have enjoyed it. We have ottomans andilly pads which are really comfortable, you can work on them and enjoy reading on them. We have round tables which are great for working together and discussion. We also have rectangle tables that have new trays under them.

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YEAR R/1/2
Room 6 students were very excited to wear the new boots and explore the nature play area. It had turned into wetlands. We had fun splashing in the puddles, swinging on the ropes and climbing on the fort. Some of us had wet socks but no one fell over and we put our wet socks in our bags.

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GARDEN UPDATE
We have a new member in our school grounds. A beautiful lizard just like this one is living in the trees at the top end of the school grounds. It loves the logs and undergrowth up there and drinks out of the bird bath. Keep an eye out for the lizard, you may be lucky enough to see it as I did. Your Old Gardening Grand Wendy who is far from being retired.

FINANCE NEWS
SCHOOL FEES ON INSTALMENT PLANS A reminder that if you have entered into an instalment plan to pay your school fees, that they need to be paid in full by the end of the term.

SCHOOL CARD APPLICATIONS If you are a low income earner and are planning to apply for School Card this year, please do so at the Finance Office.

FATHER’S DAY STALL We are holding a Father’s Day Stall on Thursday the 1st of September at Recess and Lunch in the Canteen. Bring your pocket money and don’t forget Grandads!

PEOPLE’S CHOICE COMMUNITY LOTTERY We still have over 50 books not returned to the Finance Office. If your child received a book early in Term 2, please return it to the Finance Office asap. Books were due back at the end of July. Please return all books, sold or unsold, so that this fundraiser can be finalised.

CELEBRATION NIGHT Celebration Night will be held on Thursday December the 8th. We are trying to source prizes to help raise funds for the school. If you have any items in good condition that you would like to donate for prizes please drop them in to the Finance Office on Tuesdays - Thursdays. We are also planning to hold a cake stall and would love donations of cakes, biscuits, slices on the day. We will keep you posted with updates as the weeks go by. Thankyou in advance for your help – we couldn’t put a night like this together without your help!

COMMUNITY NEWS
Our first Inter-school Soccer Game was held at the end of last term with a great victory for our team. Thanks to Cath Newbould for coaching.

SCHOOL FOOTBALL Results from Sat 6th August 2016
Year 2/3’s Plympton 15 goals, 7 behinds defeat Colonel Light Gardens 9 goals, 10 behinds.
Year 4/5’s Colonel Light Gardens 9 goals, 10 behinds defeat Plympton 3 goals, 4 behinds.
Year 6/7’s Plympton 11 goals, 4 behinds defeat Woodend 3 goals, 6 behinds.
Year 7/8’s Plympton 15 goals, 6 behinds defeat Colonel Light Gardens 9 goals, 10 behinds.

Congratulations to the following Plympton Yr 6/7’s players, who have been selected to be part of the SASSA Interzone Team for West Adelaide: Nii Delfapia, Ryan Jones, Zander Low, Blake Santucci & Simon Samson. The Interzone squad played the first of their 3 matches on Friday 5th August night, and defeated Norwood quite comfortably, and will play their 2nd match against the representatives from the Woodville-West Torrens competitions on Friday 19th August at the Flinders Football Club. See Skoolbag for more Results and Best Players.

WELLBEING & CARE
SRC at Plympton Primary School
School Representative Council (SRC) is a very important role in our school. Children have a variety of valuable learning experiences by taking on the role of SRC representative for their class. The first part of this is the voting in process, thinking about choosing someone who is responsible, who has the confidence to speak on behalf of others, is reliable and is willing to give their time to meetings and arranging events for the school. The SRC representative have a 2 term tenure, (a semester), to give them the time to make this a valuable experience for them.

Last term our SRC representatives were involved in building our new buddy bench, arranging a community morning tea for our neighbours and liaising with their classmates around many issues, for example, Buddy Bus-Stop, having a Diabetes Recycling collection bin at the school and making our Nature Play space a happy and safe place.

For our older SRC representatives, they are encouraged to take on a leadership role, working alongside the younger SRC representatives and they attended a leaders conference during term 2 to develop these skills. This semester promises to be a very busy time also for our new SRC representatives. Here are our SRC representatives for term 3 and 4.


Random Act of Kindness.
We know the children in our school are very caring and one student came to our attention this week for a random act of kindness by her, at a family rugby game she was attending. She saw an old lolly jar and decided to use it to collect money for the homeless people of Adelaide. She went around the ground with her mum and collected $500. She went along with her parents to the Hutt Street Centre and handed the money to them to help those in need. I asked her what gave her the idea to do this; the answer was simple, ‘because homeless people need food and clothes and it is hard for them to get it for themselves’, said Nikoletta.

SPECIALISTS
Congratulations to Ruby Varllo and Ryan Jones who have been selected to represent the school and the Airport SAPSASA District in Netball and AFL Football.

Parents and students participated in a hands on session at the Fundamental Skills Workshop on 8/7/2016. The students and parents will continue to participate in the Titans program during the school term to improve coordination and motor skills with Anthea Campbell and parent volunteers.

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