



NEWSLETTER  
TERM 3  
WEEK 6 2018

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 31st August	School Closure (Show) Day
Friday 7th September	Assembly 2:30pm Hosts Rms 3 & 5
Friday 21st September	Sports Day
Friday 28th September	End of Term 3 Early Dismissal 2:10pm
Monday 15th September	Start of Term 4
Tuesday 16th October	Monarto Zoo Excursion Rm 8
Friday 19th October	Assembly 2:30pm Hosts Rms 4 & 10

### Sports Day Raffle

\$1 per ticket  
or 3 for \$2

On sale at the Front Office

We are still taking donations of prizes for the raffle.

Please contact the Front Office if you have anything to donate.

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## Room 9 Writer's Notebook

During the year the upper primary classes have participated in Writer's Notebook lessons, below we have created a description of what our lessons are like. Happy reading!

### Crafting Share

In crafting share, we share the process of crafting our writing and what gives us the idea to write our story. We talk about the planning techniques we use to help us form our stories. We explain where we got the idea from and what inspires us to write in a particular genre. For example; Historical fiction, fantasy, fiction and lots more. After we've explained where we got the idea from, we then explain how we brought the idea together to create a text. We also discuss what strategies we use to make our text more interesting. We share where we are going next and what strategies we hope to use later in the story. This helps the person sharing collect ideas on how they can improve on their planning and how to use varied strategies.

### Conferences

At any stage in our writing, we have the option of doing a conference with Miss Hooper, we sit with her and read our text to her. Then she tells us what she thinks of our piece, including some positives, some constructive criticism and then our goals. The systems with our goals is fairly comprehensive, we have a short term goal like using the correct grammar, and then a long term goal, like writing about a completely new topic. After that we go back to our writing and take on the advice and use it to help us.

### Publishing

When we have finished a piece we need to edit and publish. First we read it to ourselves two times aloud checking for grammatical or plot line errors. After we think it is the best it could possibly be, we get two critical friends to read it through pointing out any mistakes and errors that we have skipped over when we were reading. This can occur when the spelling of a word is incorrect but unbeknownst to us. Our final stage of editing is Ms Hooper checking our work. In the aforementioned conferences, she will check and edit our work, changing the small errors we have made and helping us. There are many ways to publish our works, these include:

- Read it to a trusted friend
- Read it to a class
- Read it to a larger group (like assembly)
- Print it out and read it
- To publish in public reading material (like the newsletter)
- Read it to younger children

By Francesca, Charlotte and Lexie.



## PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

*Dear Families, Konnichiwa!*

### Book Week

It was wonderful to celebrate Book Week last week and to see the children enjoying 'Finding Your Treasure' as the Book Week theme told us. The teachers celebrated reading and literature in many varied lessons and I was thrilled to hear students discuss the Children's Book Council award winning books in such depth – talking about the authors' craft, the illustrations bringing to life the text, how the author selected words and phrases carefully, and the depth of emotion evoked by some authors. Our teaching in Book making and Writers' Notebook about our students being authors, certainly has encouraged children to read like writers.

It was also such fun to have our Book Week parade, where most students dressed as pirates or book characters and enjoyed the community celebration of Book Week. Thank you for your support.

### Parent Teacher Discussions

Everyone has been given the opportunity to book a time on-line to meet with your child(ren)'s teacher to discuss their learning. Parent Teachers Discussions begin next week. Please do so if you haven't yet made a time. If you have difficulties making an on-line appointment, please contact your teacher in person, or via email, or telephone, to make a time.

### Lateness/Early Pick-Up/Attendance

There are many times that I have written about the need for regular attendance at school. I have also stressed the need to be on-time in the mornings; and I would like to add the need for full days at school, not regular early pick-ups!

A student who misses 10 days of each school term, (whether for family or illness reasons) misses almost a **full term** of schooling in one single school year. It is very difficult for a child to achieve as they should if they are not at school to learn. The Education Department has set a target of 95% attendance. Currently Flinders Park sits at 92%, but as winter disappears, we expect to improve this.

What parents can do:

- Ensure that your child arrives at school each day before 8:50
- Create an expectation that your child will attend school every day
- Talk positively about the school, the class and show a keen interest in your child's learning
- When your child is late for school, ensure they have signed in at the office
- When your child is picked up early, ensure they have signed out at the office
- Notify the school by phone (8443 9356) in the morning if your child is unwell and unable to attend school
- Talk to your child's teacher or a member of the leadership team if you need support to help your child attend school regularly
- Plan evening and morning routines that enable children to complete homework or reading, get notes signed and prepare for the next school day.

*Judy Anderson*  
*Principal*



## KIDS MATTER—SUPPORT FOR PARENTS AND YOUNG PEOPLE

Kids Matter is an Australian mental health and well-being initiative set in primary schools and early childhood education and care services (like preschools, kindergartens and day care centres.) It's a framework that helps these places take care of children's mental health needs by:

- creating positive school and early childhood communities
- teaching children skills for good social and emotional development
- working together with families
- recognising and getting help for children with mental health problems.

(Taken from the KidsMatter website <https://www.kidsmatter.edu.au>)

On the Families Matter page, there are links to useful information about the following topics.

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| Mental health basics          | Mindfulness for children |
| Autism spectrum disorders     | Anxiety                  |
| Social and emotional learning | Getting help             |
| Anger                         | Bullying                 |
| Should I be concerned?        | School refusal           |
| ADHD                          | Services and supports    |

Some of our goals are to have a community of learners and achievers who are resilient, able to persist through any challenges, are becoming more confident and who are learning to get along with others.

What a privilege it is that parents, carers and educators are together helping to nurture and develop these precious young people for a purposeful future!

Jane Baronaitis  
Pastoral Care Worker

## BOOK WEEK



# Flinders Park Primary Vacation Care

October 2018

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Monday 1/10/18	Tuesday 2/10/18	Wednesday 3/10/18	Thursday 4/10/18	Friday 5/10/18
<p><b>LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b></p> <p>See you tomorrow</p>	<p><b>INCURSION - Lara &amp; Leela Kawaii cuteness and Food Day</b></p>  <p>Plasticine crafts Squishy notes</p>	<p><b>EXCURSION</b></p>  <p>Lets go to the MOVIES! Private bus 9am departure, movie choice closer to date</p> 	<p><b>INCURSION</b></p>  <p>Knights , Maidens and Jesters. Come on a journey to medieval times. Including an interactive performance at 10am "Knight for a Day"</p>	<p><b>INCURSION</b></p> <p>De-Stress and Slime day Come and join a meditation and Yoga class at 10am</p>  <p>Foot Spa's mud masks Stress balls And much fun</p>
Monday 8/10/18	Tuesday 9/10/18	Wednesday 10/10/18	Thursday 11/10/18	Friday 12/10/18
<p><b>IN-DAY -Alexis</b></p>  <p>Monkeys , Masks , Huts , Adinkra cloth and many more fun crafts</p>	<p><b>IN-DAY</b> WHEELS DAY</p>  <p>Please bring safety gear. NO GEAR NO RIDE Wheel crafts throughout the day</p>	<p><b>EXCURSION</b> LATITUDE</p> <p>Come bounce , climb and free fall</p>  <p><b>Private bus departs 9am</b></p>	<p><b>IN-DAY</b> HOLE IN THE MIDDLE DAY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Crafts , beading</li> <li>• Donut game</li> <li>• Life saver games</li> <li>• Parachute games</li> <li>• Dream catchers</li> </ul>  	<p><b>INCURSION</b></p> <p>Come and meet some ANIMALS</p>  <p>Show starts at 10am Animal crafts and fun</p>

PLEASE be on time for excursion days 9am 3/10/18 and 10/10/18 –it is advisable to send snacks to last your child throughout the day

Payments and bookings must be finalised by Friday 21<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER to confirm your bookings

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Flinders Park Junior Cricket Club** is seeking players for the 2018/19 season. We have now opened junior registrations for the 2018/19 season which are available online via MyCricket.

Please click [Flinders Park Junior Registration](#) or go to [playcricket.com.au](http://playcricket.com.au) and search Flinders Park Cricket Club to register for the 2018/19 season.

### Age Groups and Fees for 2018/19

Junior Blasters & Master Blasters

Under 10s – players must be under 10 as of 1st September 2018

Under 12s – players must be under 12 as of 1st September 2018

Under 14s – players must be under 14 as of 1st September 2018

Fees for under 10s, 12s and 14s will be \$155 which includes club membership and a club cap for new players.

For families with multiple children playing there will be a \$60 (Club Membership) discount to the fee for the second and subsequent child. If this applicable there is an offline payment option available at the check out in the registration process.

### Strikers Girls Cricket League

Flinders Park Cricket Club is looking to enter a team in the Strikers Girls Cricket League. Matches are usually played on Friday evenings and participants are aged from 11 to 18 years.

If any young women are interested in participating and for all Junior Cricket enquiries please contact the Junior Coordinator, Michael Thornton at [mic.thorn@bigpond.com](mailto:mic.thorn@bigpond.com)

