Term Dates for 2017

30th January - 13th April
1st May - 7th July
24th July - 29th September
16th October - 15th December

School begins at 8.50am
School ends at 3.10pm

STRADBOROKE SING A LONG

Stradbroke JP
Christmas Sing-Along

The JP staff and students warmly invite you to our end of year Christmas sing-along:

Date: Tuesday 6th December 2016
Time: 5.30pm Picnic tea (Oval)
Bring: Picnic blanket or chairs and picnic tea (no food inside the hall please)
Venue: Singing from 6.00pm – 7.00pm in Rehn Hall
Entertainment: Your children

Rostrevor Kindergarten will be selling BBQ sausages for $2.50 as a fundraiser.

Stradbrook School will be selling cans of drink and bottles of water for $2 as a fundraiser.

And the school canteen will also be open before and after the event and will be selling a selected range of items.
Congratulations to the following students who have been selected to play in the Torrens River SAPSASA teams at the Statewide SAPSASA Carnivals from 21st - 25th November: Cricket - Caitlyn Hamann, Jordan South, Samuel South. Tennis - Alabama Rowe

INDEPENDENT READING

Monitor independent reading
Independent Reading is a strong focus at our school, because it is a sign that students are in charge of the reading process. The staff are well aware of the need for strong reading skills for future learning and the workplace.

At its best Independent Reading is children deeply engaged in books, understanding what they are reading, and checking their accuracy. On the flip side, it is children reading books that they are interested in, but which are far too difficult for their current reading ability. Whilst children may be enjoying reading popular or high level books, the effect on their developing skills comes at a cost. The reading for meaning, text comprehension and self-checking skills often break down. This happens when they are focussing on decoding or skipping over difficult words. Monitoring Independent Reading, both at home and at school is really important to ensure children often read text so they can successfully reinforce their skills.

The ways that staff monitor students is by listening to reading, taking running records, evaluating students reading attitude and ability. Students also take responsibility for monitoring their reading by recording take-home readers, taking part in the Premier’s Reading Challenge, and by reflecting on books they have read.

RESOURCE CENTRE

Stradbroke was recognised for our outstanding participation in the 2016 Premier’s Reading Challenge by being invited to the official PRC Reception at The Sanctuary Function Centre at Adelaide Zoo. Thank you to Caitlin B and Ryan S who accepted the award on behalf of our school. They met a number of famous faces including The Honourable Jay Weatherill MP, Mem Fox, various authors, politicians and sporting stars.

Thank you to all students and families who have returned library books for the year. All books are now due back and accounts will be sent for any overdue or damaged items. If you have any queries, please come and see a Resource Centre staff member. Reception and Year 1 students can take their library bags home to be washed during the holidays, so that they are ready to be used again in 2017. Year 3-7 children do not need library bags to borrow.

We would like to thank our volunteers, especially Savita, for their time and dedication this year. Their help with re-shelving, book covering and general maintenance of our collection is certainly appreciated by the staff, students and wider community.

YEAR 7 TRANSITION DATES

Norwood Morialta High School  Monday 5th Dec
Glenunga International High School  Tuesday 6th Dec
Urrbrae Agricultural High School  Tuesday 6th Dec

GIVE FAMILIES A HELPING HAND THIS CHRISTMAS

All families in Australia deserve to experience the joy and excitement of Christmas this year. The Flexi children have been learning about toys and games and would like to help all children receive a toy or a book this Christmas. If you would like to donate a new toy or book to our Christmas appeal, there is a basket under the tree in Flexi 4 or you may prefer to leave your donation in the basket at the Front Office.

Thank you for your support and we wish you a very Happy Christmas.

CANTEEN

Christmas Lunch Orders: A reminder that all orders are due back this Friday, 2nd December. Unfortunately late orders CANNOT be accepted. Please note that no other lunches will be offered on the Christmas Lunch Day Tuesday 6th December, so if you are not having the Christmas lunch then make sure you pack a lunch for your children.

Menu options for the remainder of the term/year: As we near the end of the school year, some of our lunch menu items will run out and with only a couple of weeks left and so many activities in and out of school, they will not be refilled. We have run out of Pasta Sauce, fish fillets are running low. Pizzas are now available. Banana milk has also been deleted by our supplier (we still have Banana up and go). If you could include a second choice item on all lunch order bags, especially in week 9, it would be appreciated.

Junior Primary Sing-a-long Tuesday 6th December: The canteen will be open for the sale of ice blocks, drinks and limited counter items. We will not be doing hot foods as in previous years as the Rostrevor Kindergarten is cooking a sausage sizzle.

Farewells: I have been very lucky to have had Margaret in the canteen three days a week for the last two years. At the end of this term Margaret will be retiring, I would like to wish her well and thank her for all the help and support she has given me and the canteen. Although many parents may not have met Margaret, she has been wonderful with all the students. We will certainly miss her.

Volunteer Roster: If you would like to help in the canteen in 2017, please leave your name, mobile number and day preferred with either the canteen or front office. With the increase in the number of students growing steadily, and Margaret’s retirement, the canteen will need to once again rely heavily on parent support to maintain our high standard of counter and menu choices. We hope everyone can find at least one day a term to help, (or even half an hour to process the lunch order bags first thing in the mornings) and don’t forget Grandparents are also welcome!

Thank you, Kate Majewski, Canteen Manager
Basketball

Yr2/3 Stradbroke Joeys Coach: Rowena Jenkins

Played on Tuesday 22nd November
Stradbroke Joeys14 def SPX Sparx 24
This was a challenging game for the team with some really quick players on the opposition. They did a good job getting the ball to Isabelle who was on fire with scoring the baskets. She scored six out of the seven goals for the game, which was a great effort.

Yr2/3 Stradbroke Hotshots Coach: Jacqui Edwards

18/10 Stradbroke Hotshots 6 were defeated by Linden Park White 24.
25/10 Stradbroke Hotshots 22 defeated Sunrise 12.
1/11 Stradbroke Hotshots 30 defeated St PiusX 8.
8/11 Stradbroke Hotshots 19 were defeated by Athelstone Pythons 38.
15/11 Stradbroke Hotshots forfeited as they were all on Zoo Snooze Zzzzzzzz.

22/11 Stradbroke Hotshots 22 were defeated by East Marden 26. Nail biter at the end but unfortunately were out played. A great effort by all and a high scoring game.
29/11 Stradbroke Hotshots 18 were defeated by SJP Lions 20.
A very close game and another nail biter ‘til the very end. Great team play with everyone putting in.

Cricket

Kanga Cricket Coach: Aaron Carn

Dernancourt def Stradbroke
Good team effort all around, challenging bowling limited our batters ability to score runs at times.
Coach’s award: Leo Rouse
Excellent efforts improved Jordan Wong and Bradley Watkins-Carn

Junior Cricket 4/5’s Coach: Tom Farnan

Played on Saturday 26th November
Another great team win from the boys last weekend, our second in a row! We won by an aggregate of 10 vs 4 against Ridgehaven. Team fielding was excellent and there were big improvements running between the wickets. Notable performances included two wickets to Nate, two to Handre, three to Austin including a superb catch and bowled, another run out to Nilivan and a magnificent swirling ball caught by Ethan behind the stumps off Handre’s bowling.
Coach’s award: Austin, best batter and most wickets on the day.

Orange Ball Tennis

Division 2 - Joshua Wong, Daniel Lau, Hafiz Valiyff
RTC – Stradbroke (3 sets 12 games) defeated Athelstone White (0 sets 6 games)
RTC – Stradbroke (1 set 6 games) defeated by ETKG Gold (2 sets 11 games)

A special mention goes to the Division 2 team (Daniel, Joshua and Hafiz) who were taking on ETKG Gold – going into the round both teams were equal top of the table with the same number of sets and games won. The Stradbroke School team won a tight doubles match 4-3 which came down to the last point! The opposition took out both singles but it was great to see the matches played in great spirit. There are two more rounds left before the holiday break. Well done to all teams so far for representing Stradbroke School so well.

Division 2B - Joshua Lepore, Jayden Lau, Zarek Fraser
RTC – Stradbroke White (3 sets 12 games) defeated Campbelltown (0 sets 0 games)
RTC – Stradbroke White (3 sets 12 games) defeated by Rostrevor Red (3 sets 12 games)
RTC – Stradbroke Blue (1 set 6 games) defeated by ETKG (2 sets 10 games)

Division 3 - Felix Hopprich, Fletcher Telfer
RTC – Stradbroke White (2 sets 10 games) defeated Beaumont (1 set 5 games)
RTC – Stradbroke Blue (2 sets 11 games) defeated RTC – Loreto White (1 set 7 games)

RTC – Stradbroke White (2 sets 9 games) defeated Burnside (1 set 6 games)
RTC – Stradbroke Blue (2 sets 11 games) defeated RTC – Loreto Gold (1 set 8 games)

Netta Blue Coach: Rebecca Shaw

Played on Friday 18th November
Stradbroke Blue played the Comets. Stradbroke won 14-0. Our girls played really well as a team and each player adapted really well to every position they were put in.

Coach’s award: Haifa Muhammad Rahim who was great in the wing intercepting a lot of centre passes and keeping the ball travelling toward our goal.

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Played on Friday 25th November
Stradbroke blue Netta 23 def Burnside 1.
Our girls played extremely well with a lot of great passing and accurate shots for goal.
Coach’s award: Haifa Muhammad Rahim who was quick with her passes and freeing herself when needed. Great work!

Netta White
Coach: Nardia Symonds
Played on Friday 18th November
Netta White had their first win, 4 to 2, against Trinity Gardens Opals.
We had only 6 players, and they played a great team game. Coach’s award: to all 6 players, AJ, Alessia, Amelia, Anne, Caitlin and Claudia.

Netta Possums
Coach: Hayley Melino
Played on Friday 18th November
Netta5 had a great game beating St. Joseph 20-0. All the girls played like stars. Ruby Mander was captain.

Primary 2
Coach: Jenny Lock
Played on 25th November
Stradbroke 7 def East Adelaide 5
The Strikers played very well in this very tight game. Thank you to Alicia for filling in and doing an awesome job in Centre. Coach’s award: Carmen for really going for the ball and defending strongly and Katie for her speed and support around the circle in WA.

Played on 25th November
Stradbroke 12 def Trinity Gardens 6
The Strikers really pulled together as a team in another tough match.
Coach’s award: Kaitlin for some awesome shooting in her first game as shooter (8 goals!) and Nicole for very tight defence in the circle. Keep up the great work Strikers!

Primary 8
Coach: Gail Short
Played on Friday 4th November
Stradbroke Koalas def by East Para by one goal.
The team did an amazing job as they all had to play a full game.
Coach’s award: Evelyn Tindale for her intense work in goals and to Giulia Candotti for her excellent defensive skills.

Played on Friday 18th November
Stradbroke Koalas 8 def East Marden 4.
Congratulations for the first win of the season!
Coach’s Award: Isobel Short for her accuracy in goals and Mieke Naude for her defensive skills in attack and defense, despite her fancy footwork!

Played on Friday 25th November
Stradbroke Koalas drew with East Marden.
Congratulations on a great effort!
Coach’s Award: Celia for her vast improvement in defense and Caitlin for her strong defensive play.

Sub Junior 6
Coach: Kiki O’Donnell
Played on Friday 11th November 2016
Stradbroke Sugargliders def by Magill 17 goals to 7.
A tough game against quality opposition, all girls played well and continue to have fun.
Coach’s Award: All the players this week.

Played on Friday 18th November 2016
St. Josephs Memorial 13 def Stradbroke Sugargliders 11.
This game was very fast pace and the girls fought back in the 3rd quarter after trailing by 5 goals at half time. Unfortunately couldn’t quite hold on and were defeated by 2 goals but a great game by everyone.
Coach’s Award: Jenna and Dakota for great defensive work.

GLENUNGA INTERNATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL

Parents/Caregivers of Primary School students are warmly invited to an Information Evening on our IGNITE Program for our Gifted and Talented Students (Including the ACER Assessment)

When: Wednesday 7th December 2016
Time: 6:30pm
Where: GLENUNGA International High School
In the Performing Arts Centre.
To register your interest in attending this information evening Please follow the link http://www.trybooking.com/NTQP
Assessment will be held on Saturday 25th February 2017
At Glenunga High School.
Strong teacher / student relationships shape the way children think and act in school. As a teacher, when you have a good relationship with your students, they are more likely feel positive about class and about school in general. They are also more willing to have a go at their work, to risk making mistakes, and to ask for help when they need it.

In recent years at Stradbroke we have had a strong focus on social and emotional learning. As experienced educators we see the benefit of developing and maintaining strong relationships and we strongly believe that identifying and supporting our students social and emotional needs help with successful learning outcomes.

For these reasons the staff at Stradbroke will spend week 1 of Term 1 solely focussing on developing strong relationships with the students in their class and specialist lessons.

The Kids Matter Action Team has called this week Kids Matter Week. All students will be involved in specific learning activities that promote student relationships with their teachers as well activities around how students can be the best person they can when working with their peers.

All specialist teachers, classroom teachers, SSO’s and Leadership staff will be working with our students using several programs throughout Kids Matter Week.

At Stradbroke we have implemented an internationally renowned, social and emotional program called ‘Play Is The Way. https://playistheway.com.au

The Play Is The Way program uses:
- a unique program of physically interactive games
- key concepts to guide students through life and learning
- a specific and empowering language to help attain self-mastery
- a philosophy of behaviour education and student self-regulation that fosters independent, self-motivated, empathetic, life-long learners.

Classroom teachers will also be using learning activities from the Child Protection Curriculum, specifically focussing on “The right to be safe” component. 2017 will be the fourth year we have used the Kids Matter Framework to support our social and emotional focus at Stradbroke. Each class will be also delivering learning activities based around developing classroom communities.

If you would like to hear more about social and emotional learning, the programs we are using to support our delivery of social and emotional learning or Kids Matter Week I will be holding a parent information session within the first few weeks of the school year.

Regards,
Rachel Pontifex
School Counsellor
Performing Arts News

Congratulations to the following students who have passed music exams recently:

**Esther Rouse** Grade 2 Flute - Distinction

**Claudia Bruno** Preliminary piano - High distinction

**Daisy Harshazi** Grade 2 Guitar - grade A

**Alyssa Cuba Chiem** Grade 3 piano - Grade A

Performances by JP classes

It seems that no sooner had one performance finished than another one started in the Leabrook Activity Room this year. So here is a quick round up of our shows, with thanks to parents who found costume items and moved their work schedules around to come and see their children perform.

**From the Sea to the Hills**

Great work from Year 2 classes, who performed this creative dance/drama piece about our local area as it appears to Kaurna people.

**Environmental Musicals**

**Eddie the Penguin Saves the World**

Congratulations to all the students in F1, F4, F5, F6 and F7. They have just finished performing this wonderful musical about Eddie the Penguin and his friends who set off to find out why their ice is melting and what to do about it. The students learned lots about climate change and also some great songs along the way.

**Lester and Clyde**

Well done our Reception classes who performed *Lester and Clyde*, about a frog who moves away from his lovely pond, only to find that other ponds have been polluted. He asks, “What can we do to stop this?”

**Sing-along**

Our next big excitement is the Sing-along.

Details in this newsletter!