



Newsletter

Ridgehaven Primary School

Term 3 - Week 5

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From The Leadership Team

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Dates To Remember

Uniform Shop

Open Monday 27th August 2:30 – 3:30pm

Father's Day Stall

Wednesday 29th August
Thursday 30th August

Book Week Parade

Thursday 30th August 9am

Student Free Day

Friday 31st August

Volunteer Training

Tuesday 28th August 6pm
Friday 14th September 9am

From Leadership Team

SSO Week

Last week we celebrated National Recognition Week for School Services Officers (SSOs) with our terrific team of support staff. Our SSO team consists of;

- Gill Garrity— JP classes & Library support
- Dayna Pinnegar—JP classes
- Kerry Wilkins—Primary classes support, Rainbow Reading, MultiLit, Quicksmart
- Tania Machek—Middle Years classes support , MultiLit, Quicksmart
- Shelley Dobbin – Admin, Primary Years and JP support
- Zach Foweraker – student support
- Sharon Vullings— Preschool & Playgroup support
- Michelle Furlan – Preschool support
- Jo Jaensch – Preschool support
- Hope Collins – Preschool support
- Tanya Dowler— ACEO
- Kylie Rosenberg—Admin Officer& Finance support
- Lyn Krstic—Finance Officer & Admin support
- Paul Day—Groundsman

We celebrated by providing a special lunch for everyone on Thursday and classes found special ways to thank them for all their support.

We hope that you will join us in thanking these staff whenever you can. We really appreciate their support.

Pupil Free Day

A reminder that our next Pupil Free Day is on Friday 31 August. Staff will be working with staff from the other schools in our Partnership on Collaborative Moderation. Preschool staff will be working with other Preschool staff in our partnership on Reflective Practice. Both groups will be working off site. OSHC will offer care on both days. Please contact Kerri or Hope on 0419803056 for bookings.

Book Week Parade

Next week we will celebrate Book Week with a parade at assembly on Thursday 30 August at 9.00am. Students are encouraged to dress up either as a book character or in the theme of book week "Find your treasure".

Father's Day Stall

Parent Fundraising Committee will be holding their annual Father's Day stall on Wednesday 29/8 and Thursday 30/8. Gifts range from \$1-\$5.

Vehicles on school grounds

The speed limit for vehicles on school grounds is 10 kmh. Please help us to keep everyone safe by keeping to the speed limit – even when you are running late!

Jean Perks, Martin Woodcock & Sharon Foweraker

Our School Values:

Caring

Honesty

Excellence

Respect

Responsibility

The Program Achieve Keys To Success:

Confidence

Persistence

Getting Along

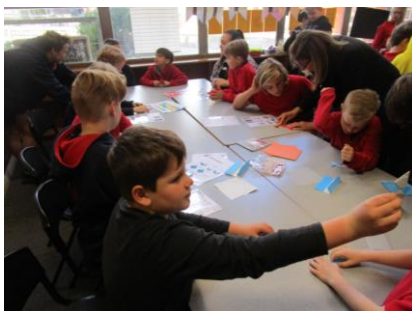
Organisation

Resilience

Japanese Culture Day

日本文化の日

Tuesday 21st August



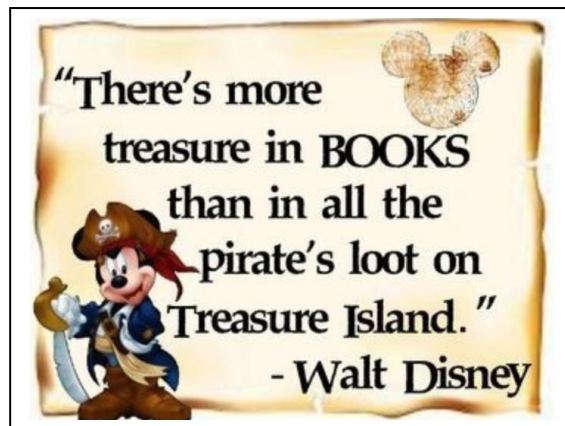
BOOK WEEK 2018



Our popular book week parade is happening at 9am on Thursday 30 August. We hope many children will dress up in their favourite costumes to parade to other classes and parents. The theme for book week is 'Find Your Treasure'. I think this theme lends itself into being able to express through costume a topic that you are interested in. So I'm looking forward to seeing the children in their favourite costumes.

The premier's reading challenge finishes on 7 September so please help your child complete the challenge as we will also encourage them to do so. Thank you for your support.

Charmaine Breuer
Teacher Librarian



This Father's Day give the gift of *entertainment* and receive:

\$10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card + FREE Delivery

HURRY! STOCKS ARE LIMITED

For a limited time, when you purchase an Entertainment Membership from us, you'll receive a BONUS \$10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card! What a win!

PLUS, if you're looking for the perfect gift for Dad this Father's Day, FREE DELIVERY is still available, but only for a limited time!

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/160r869>

Your BONUS \$10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card will be emailed to the email address you have provided. Please allow 2 business days to process. Redeem your BONUS eGift Card at any participating stores.

Room 5 had fun at Japanese Day!





COMMUNITY NEWS



Club Open Day

Saturday, 9th September 11am - 3pm

Ashley Ave, Ridgehaven

- Social Tennis
- Competition Tennis
- All ages and abilities
- Coaching

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE



What a great opportunity to try your hand at tennis, one of the most popular sports in the world! No experience necessary and ALL ages welcome. This could be the new sport for YOU!

For more club information visit our website:

tennis.com.au/modburytc

or contact

Club Captain: Tim Wilkins - 0447-383-070

or

Club Coach: Gavin Pfitzner - 0438-837-969

COMMUNITY NEWS



**THE HEIGHTS
SCHOOL**
Preschool - Year 12

The Heights School

- > Educating young minds
- > Serving our community
- > Instilling values and embracing our future

**Building
better
Schools.**

The Heights School has received **\$10 million** to develop state of the art new buildings and facilities

ignite

a program for gifted and talented children

Our **\$3.5 million** building upgrade is underway, which will provide innovative new learning spaces and opportunities in the areas of **Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths**

School Tour



You're Invited

Please join our school tour followed by the opportunity to meet our Principal, Nigel Gill, for refreshments and a conversation about your child's education in a relaxed atmosphere on

Wednesday 12th September 2018 from 9:00am to 10:15am

Are you looking for a **leading school** for your child as they enter Year 8 schooling?

The Heights School would love to share it with you

Bookings are essential. Please book online at <http://theheights.sa.edu.au/tour> or contact Dani Camillo 8263 6244

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

My name is Jarrah Seager and I am currently completing my Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) at the University of South Australia, Magill Campus. I am passionate about the mental health of young people. My honours thesis will examine the factors that contribute to improved resilience in primary school children. To do this, different curriculum formats will be examined. In collaboration with Ridgeway Primary School and Ms Perks, you and your child have been invited to participate in two research questionnaires, measuring resiliency and social skills of your child.

Child mental health is an increasing problem in Australia.

Understanding the factors that build resilient mental health in the formative schooling years will be a key factor in combatting this trend and providing an effective early intervention strategy.

The two questionnaires will ask you as a parent about your observations of your child's resilience, social skills and behaviour. It is anticipated that the questionnaires will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. The results of the questionnaires will help us to understand what factors contribute to child resiliency.

Ultimately, we hope this information will be useful for improving child health.

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All information that you provide in the questionnaire will remain completely confidential. A summary of group results can be obtained upon request and you will be invited to a presentation on the findings of the study.

If you and your child wish to participate, please follow the link below for the online questionnaire.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RLQLNPY>

If you would prefer a hard copy version, please contact me on 0439529794 or seaji003@mymail.unisa.edu.au and I will provide one for you.

Thank you for your time and I look forward to working with you to identify ways to improve child wellbeing!

Jarrah Seager

Project Title: How does schooling effect child resilience and social skills?

Researchers: Miss Jarrah Seager (Honours student) and Dr. Mark Kohler

INFORMATION SHEET

Dear Parent/Guardian,

You and your child have been invited to complete a questionnaire as part of a research project investigating how the school environment influences child resilience and social skills. Before agreeing to participate in the study, it is important that you read and understand the following information.

What is the study about?

Child mental health is an increasing problem in Australia. Understanding the factors that build resilient mental health and social skills in the formative schooling years will be a key factor in combating this trend and providing effective early intervention. This project aims to compare the effectiveness of different curriculum formats in promoting child resilience, social skills and academic performance.

The questionnaire will ask you as a parent about your observations of your child's behaviour. The questionnaire can be completed on paper (we will send it to you) or electronically (we will provide a secure web link). The results of the questionnaire will help us to understand what factors contribute to child resiliency and social skills. Ultimately, we hope this information will be useful for improving child health and wellbeing. There is scope to follow up these outcomes. Therefore next year, you may be asked to complete a follow-up questionnaire containing the same information. All participating families will go into a draw to win one of three \$100 equipment vouchers for your school.

Does my child have to participate?

No. As with all research at the University of South Australia, participation is completely voluntary. If you do decide to participate, you and your child have until submission of the questionnaire package to withdraw. If you withdraw before submission, your data will be excluded from the study results. Withdrawal will not affect your status now or in the future.

It is not anticipated that there are any risks to participation in this study beyond those encountered during everyday life.

Who can participate?

You can participate if your child is:

- 4-13 years old
- Without a significant ongoing medical, psychological or neurological condition
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Will my information be kept private?

Yes. After completing the questionnaire, the information you provide will be given an identification number and personal identifiable information will be removed. Neither you nor your child will be identified in any way in the analysis of the data or when the results are presented. Also, information on the questionnaire will be grouped for reporting and individual responses will not be presented in any way. Any hard copy information supplied will be locked away at a secured location at the Behaviour-Brain-Body Research Centre, University of South Australia, for 7 years. The researcher will not supply this information to anyone outside the team listed on this information sheet without explicit permission. All electronic information will be password protected on a computer in the research centre. Only the research team will have access to the data. Every effort is made so that the information you supply will remain completely confidential.

Can I be informed of the results of my child's questionnaire?

Yes. A summary of the group results can be provided to you at the completion of the study. You will also be invited to attend a presentation on group results. Reports for individual children is outside the scope of this project and therefore it is not possible to provide reports for individual children.

How do I know that this research is legitimate?

The University of South Australia's Human Research Ethics Committee has reviewed this study. Should you wish to discuss the project with someone not directly involved, in particular in relation to matters concerning policies, information about the conduct of the study, or your rights as a participant, please contact the UniSA Human Research Executive Officer on 8302 3118; email: humanethics@unisa.edu.au Additionally, participants or third parties who wish to lodge a complaint about either the study or the way it is being conducted should contact the Executive Officer of UniSA HREC in the first instance.

Furthermore, this research has been reviewed by the Department for Education.

Involvement from teachers

Teachers will be asked to complete a mock report card for each of the participating children. The mock report card will include information about work habits, social skills with peers and general subject knowledge. Questions regarding outdoor play, physical activity and engagement with facilities will also be asked. The mock report card will be completed at two time points to measure changes in resilience

and social skills over time. Information on the mock report card will be grouped for reporting and individual responses will not be presented in any way.

Yes, I want my child to participate. What do I do now?

Your involvement in this study would be greatly appreciated. If you are interested please complete follow the link in the attached letter. If you would like more information please contact either **Miss Jarrah Seager** (0439529794 – seajj003@mymail.unisa.edu.au), or **Dr. Mark Kohler** (8302 4919 - mark.kohler@unisa.edu.au).