From the Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends,

Governing Council

At Governing Council on Monday evening we had a “magic moment” as SRC representatives Shikibah and Connor spoke about some recent leadership activities they had participated in. These were facilitated through Lions, Rotary and the ABC Heywire programs. They were able to articulate very clearly the ways these activities had increased their ability to lead our students in the SRC resulting in a highly functional SRC. Skills and abilities included: teamwork, communication public speaking and confidence.

It was no coincidence that in an unfamiliar adult environment they did this confidently, artfully and with maturity beyond their years.

Grounds Development

Thank you to Jim Belehris, Tania Shaw and Heidi Stanoevic for their work last weekend in doing some tidying and planting of garden beds around the school. This included some preparation for the remodelling of the fenced garden area at the back of the school and planting roses donated by the Rotary Club of Renmark.

Car parking at the front of the school

The front entrance to the school between TAFE and the primary school is very busy at the start and end of the day. This is a drop-off zone only and we ask that you not park there or leave your car unattended in this area.

David Crouch, Principal

Year 8 English - Macbeth

Year 8 English students are studying Shakespeare’s Macbeth this term and having a great time with the language of Shakespeare. We began with a WHOOSH. The teacher read the play aloud while the students acted the parts accordingly. It was great fun and developed their understanding of the plot. Students will also act out a scene from the play in a group and write a commentary to show their understanding of the plot and character development. The WHOOSH allowed students to experience the difference between reading and acting out the language of Shakespeare. The action took us through characters hearing prophecies to ambitious wives, murder, becoming a King and to good winning out over evil. Overall, the students were able to experience the true effect of the text and create unforgettable moments of learning about Shakespeare.

Chantel Nunn, Keryn French, Athina Papametis, Danielle Weeks
Year 8 English Teachers

Week 3, Term 2
Friday, May 20
2016

Upcoming events

Week 4
Mon 23/5 France School Trip Information Evening

Week 5
Tues 31/5 Interschool Cross Country
Thur 2/6 World Challenge Parent Information Evening
Fri 3/6 Year 8 Immunisations

Week 6
Wed 8/6 SRC Excursion
Thur 9/6 Adelaide Cross Country
Fri 10/6 Student Free Day

Week 7
Thur 16/6 9 A-side Football, Waikerie

Back to the 80’s .... a totally awesome experience

Cast, crew, staff and helpers are working overtime, to busily prepare for this year’s school production. Performances of this “totally awesome experience” are scheduled for Wednesday 22nd June and Thursday 23rd June in the Chaffey Theatre.

School Uniform

The school is looking for any unwanted second hand uniforms. Donations of jumpers, t-shirts, shorts, track suits, pants, dresses are all welcome. If you have any of these items and would like to donate them please leave them at Student Services or the front office. Thank you for your help.

Matt Abbott / Tamara Hooper
School Counsellors
Jazz Music Workshops

On Friday and Saturday, some of our music students joined with other musicians from across the Riverland for a weekend of jazz music. They embraced the opportunity to learn with renowned Australian Jazz musicians, John Morrison and Jacki Cooper.

Sometimes we think that famous musicians are somehow different from us. We believe it is as though they have some extraordinary gift and that being great is natural and easy for them. As John and Jacki spoke with the students and audience members, they showed us that they are ordinary, everyday people - just like us! Yes, they are extremely talented, but they became leaders in their field through their own hard work, practice and dedication.

Our students were inspired by their example. In addition to playing the music written in front of them, our musicians were challenged to improvise - and they accepted the challenge! Thank you to our Instrumental Music teachers for providing this opportunity!

The result of their courage, effort and perseverance was enjoyed by family, friends and community members at a performance at the Renmark Hotel on Saturday night. How great to experience that practise makes us better!

Kirralee Baldox
Deputy Principal
Proud Music Teacher

The whole day was great. Being able to learn techniques from professional performer, Jacki Cooper, really helped me. I’m so glad I had the opportunity to learn and sing with Jacki and the big band.

Estelle Revill,
Year 12 Student

RHS CROSS COUNTRY

RHS CROSS COUNTRY RESULTS 2016

The school’s annual Cross Country was held on Wednesday 18th May on the flood bank at the end of Nineteenth Street. Approximately 200 students ran in excellent conditions along the flood bank, down through scrub and along various tracks.


Murray House took out the shield in quite convincing form. Final House points were: 1st Murray - 804 points, 2nd Sturt – 759 points, 3rd Tintra – 475 points, 4th Chaffey – 411 points.

Thank you to our sponsors Townsend Bus Travel, Emmets, AA Canvas & Shades, Renmark Hotel/Motel and IGA Foodland Renmark.

Special thanks to the Year 12 Sport & Recreation students who assisted with the planning and preparation of the event, SRC Representatives for the great sausage sizzle and to all the staff who assisted with duties.

Aaron Camplin
PE Coordinator