



From the Principal's Desk

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Friends,

Renmark Loxton Partnership Begins

All Preschool, Primary and Secondary school sites in the Department for Education and Child Development are organised into groups of sites called Partnerships. The Partnerships Model provides a valuable means for focussing on improvement, collaborative action and community capacity building. Collaboration action fosters the more efficient use of resources, sharing of good practice, reduction of isolation and ultimately improved outcomes for all students.

ECD Local Partnerships support local decision making and, over time, aim to lead to the integration of education, health and family services. The model supports joint approaches to shared agendas and strengthens the focus on the engagement of children and young people in learning and achieving their potential.

Previously, the sites in the Loxton and Renmark regions have been in different partnerships however, work was undertaken last year to bring the two partnerships together to operate as one. Our new partnership means that all sites within our combined area will be working collaboratively to improve the outcomes of all young people in our collective care.

Our new Renmark Loxton Partnership model began this year with site leaders from across the Renmark and Loxton region meeting to discuss the new model and plans for the future. The new model provides some exciting opportunities as we work with sites, staff, students, families and communities, and we will keep you informed as these plans develop.

AGM

Don't forget your chance to hear the review of the Renmark High School 2016 year by attending the AGM next Wednesday at 7:30pm in the library. You are also encouraged to consider becoming a member of our Governing Council so you can contribute to RHS in this valuable way. Please ask at the front desk for further information, or a form to nominate.

Mat Evans, Principal

Don't miss this opportunity! School Based Apprenticeships Available

There are several School Based Apprenticeships available to suit students in year 11 and 12.

Please see Mrs Pater for details and book an appointment at the Student Services Office with the Apprenticeship Brokers who conduct appointments at school every Tuesday from 11:00am.

These apprenticeships are available in the following fields:

Landscape Gardening
Glaziing
Horticulture
Painting and Decorating.

Choose Maths Awards

All students from year 8-12 at Renmark High School have been presented with the opportunity to participate in this exciting competition. I strongly encourage you to communicate your love of mathematics through participation in this competition. You will collaborate in small teams to create videos around this year's theme 'MATHS IS OUR FUTURE'.

Thirty winning teams will receive prizes ranging from \$200 to \$2000.

Please see me for further details.

Mrs Elliott

Week 4, Term 1
Friday, February 24
2017

Upcoming events

Week 5

Tues 28/2 Meningococcal B Vaccination
Consent Forms Due

Wed 1/3 Assembly
Governing Council AGM

Fri 3/3 Adelaide University Visit
Open Access Geography
Excursion

Week 6

Mon 6/3 SASSSA Adelaide

Wed 8/3 Uni SA Parent Evening

Thur 9/3 1500m Final

In Brief

Daymap Connect

We are currently having issues with email addresses in Daymap. This is affecting the ability of parents being able to register. We hope to have this issue resolved soon and apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Congratulations Brooke, Hudson, Charlee, and Dylan.

Renmark High School students have once again been able to shine.

Congratulations to Brooke who won the Senior Individual Come 'n' Tri event and Hudson, Charlee and Dylan who won the Junior Mixed KOC Triathlon event held at West Lakes in on Adelaide, Wednesday.

Hachioji Homestay Program

We are currently seeking volunteer host families to support our Japanese Exchange program. This year students will be at Renmark High in the first week of Term 3. If you are able to host, please contact Keryn French at Renmark High School on 85866974.



Newton's Law

Students are investigating road science as a tangible way of studying Newton's Law. Currently students are designing and conducting experiments to investigate a factor that will affect the stopping distance of a vehicle. This could involve the type of surface, the speed of the vehicle, type of tyres and the mass of the vehicle. They will then write and produce a safety video related to road safety.



Measuring the braking distance

Riverland Special Education and Post-School Options Expo

Do you have a student at school who is on a learning plan?

Do you sometimes feel as though you don't know where to find relevant, up-to-date information?

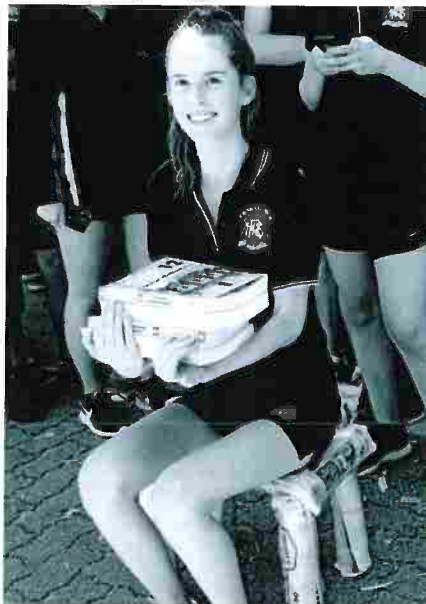
Are you interested in post-school options for your student?

If you answered yes to any of the above, then this expo could be for you! A regional steering committee is seeking presenters for an event to be held in term 3 and we would love your input. If you would like specific information and/or think you would be interested in attending, please contact Danielle Weeks at the high school.

Danielle Weeks

UniSA Visit

A UniSA parent evening for Senior School students and their parents will be held on Wednesday 8th March from 6.30pm to 7.30pm in the library. This is a valuable opportunity for parents and students to learn about the UniSA course options for 2018. Everyone is very welcome.



Testing for the strongest bridge

Under 14's Swimming Success

Congratulations to all the students who represented Renmark High School at our recent Interschool Swimming Carnival, hosted by Waikerie High School and convened at Berri. Thank you to all the parents and staff who attended in support of our team. Everyone competing gave 100% and should feel extremely proud of their efforts.

Renmark put in a great effort, winning the Under 14 boys and Under 14 girls pennants. Renmark also came home with a second in the Most Improved Shield and third in the Championship Shield.

Congratulations and thank you to all who participated in the evening. Good luck to the students who will travel to Adelaide to compete in the SSSSA Swimming Championships to be held on Monday 6th March. This year Renmark has been promoted to Division C.



Dylan and Bree accepting the U14's pennant

Bonding with Bridges

This week in BT the year 11's worked in groups to make a bridge out of newspaper and cello tape. The bridge had to be strong enough to hold six Math books, tall enough to roll a soccer ball underneath and had to have a name.

The groups managed to create a range of designs and there was an air of anticipation among the groups as each bridge was tested.

Testing was rigorous as Mrs Pater instructed representatives from each group to roll a soccer ball underneath the structure. Mrs Pater then stacked 6 Math books on each bridge. Whilst many looked strong, they did not withstand the testing. Final judging came down to 4 groups. The deciding test was to see if these structures could withstand the weight of the lightest student in year 11 who sat on each bridge. The award for the strongest bridge went to "The Advertiser".

From Pammy - PCW

This text came across my desk today and I really wanted to share some of it with you. Apparently it was engraved on the wall of Mother Theresa's Home for the Children of Calcutta in India.

"If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives; be kind anyway. If you are successful, you will win some false friends and some true enemies; succeed anyway. If you are honest and frank, people may cheat you; be honest and frank anyway. What you spend years building, someone could destroy overnight; build anyway. If you find happiness, people may be jealous, be happy anyway. The good you do today, people will often forget tomorrow; do good anyway. Give the world the best you have, and it may never be enough. Give the world the best you have got anyway. You see, in the final analysis, it's up to you and was never between you and them anyway."

I found that thought provoking.

Have a wonderful, happy week and keep smiling.

Pammy PCW