SEAWEEK

In weeks 5 & 6 of this term some classes at VHR7 celebrated Seaweek. One of the things some classes did was to go to the mouth of the Hindmarsh River to test and float their home made boats. The Skene/Dawson and Smart/McClaren year 5 classes did this on Monday 29th February. The students had a lot of fun and most boats managed to stay afloat!

Pictured here are some students at school with their boats and then testing them out.

A week later on Tuesday 8th March the Skene/Dawson year 5’s and the Vickery-Howe/Lum-Hall year 2’s spent part of the morning exploring the rocky beach area near the Encounter Bay boat ramp. These two classes are involved in regular buddy lessons with the older students helping the younger ones with science activities.

It was a lovely morning to be out enjoying one of our beautiful local areas. The weather and tides were good and the students were excited to find large numbers of crabs.

The students are to be congratulated on the responsibility they showed towards each other and the respect they displayed for the marine environment.

Thank you also to the parents and volunteers who came along to help with supervision and share the children’s enthusiasm.

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ABSENCES

LATE ARRIVAL EARLY DEPARTURE

Students who arrive at school after 8.50 must sign in the front office.

If you are picking your child up early they must be signed out through the front office.

If your child is absent, please notify the front office on 85521166, via email to the above web address and or a note in their diary upon returning to school.
On Wednesday the 24th of February, our school took 16 students to compete in the Interschool Swimming Carnival at Strathalbyn. It was an excellent day with all of our team performing well and showing excellent sportsmanship and mixing with students from the different schools. We were very lucky to have many parent and grandparent helpers to time events, which made the day go smoothly. Our school finished 4th overall and I was asked by a student from another school, “why does your school have so many good swimmers?”

Our swimmers selected to go on and represent the Southern SAPSASA team are-Skye J, Mathilde M, Cameron B, Harry P, Phillipe G and Corey S.

The students that managed to get into the top 6 in our local schools were-

**50m Freestyle**
- Harry P - 4th in 10 year old
- Kelsey M - 5th in 10 year old
- Charlie N - 6th in 11 year old
- Skye J - 2nd in 11 year old
- Mathilde M - 3rd in 11 year old
- Amelie F - 5th in 11 year old
- Cameron B - 1st in 13 year old.
- Phillipe G - 3rd in 13 year old

**50m Breaststroke**
- Harry P - 5th in 10 year old
- Monique M - 6th in 10 year old
- Skye J - 2nd in 11 year old
- Mathilde M - 6th in 11 year old
- Tate McLean - 3rd in 12 year old

**50m Backstroke**
- Harry P - 3rd in 10 year old
- Jewel T - 4th in 10 year old
- Charlie N - 2nd in 11 year old
- Skye J - 2nd in 11 year old
- Mathilde M - 3rd in 11 year old
- Amelie F - 4th in 11 year old
- Corey S - 2nd in 13 year old

**50m Butterfly**
- Skye J - 2 in 11 year old
- Mathilde M - 5th in 11 year old

**100m Freestyle**
- Skye J - 2nd in 11 year old
- Mathilde M - 4th in 11 year old
- Amelie F - 5th in 11 year old

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**CONGRATULATIONS**

Noah was one of seven champions who were crowned at the Wahu Surfer Groms Championships held at Middleton on Saturday 27th of February. Noah won the under 8 division. The competition is a stepping stone in the development of young surfers.

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**VHR-7 30TH CELEBRATION & LUNCHE TIME CARNIVAL**

On Friday May 6th Term 2 Week 1 we will be celebrating the school being at its current site for 30 years.

There will be a whole school assembly at 10.00 in the Gym to which past staff and students have been invited. Parents and Caregivers are also welcome to attend. There will be a display of photos and other memorabilia in the library which can be viewed throughout the day.

Following on from this, will be our Lunchtime Carnival which will be held from 12.00-1.30. This will be the same format as previous years where each class will run a stall/activity. All funds raised on the day will go to the SRC [Student Representative Council] who will in consultation with classes decide how the funds raised will be spent.

We are hoping that many of our invited guests will stay on for the carnival.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at this special occasion.

Kind Regards,
Brenton Robins & Julie Kelly
Students in years 2-7 are invited to participate in the International Competitions and Assessments for Schools (ICAS). ICAS is conducted by Educational Assessment Australia, UNSW Global Pty Limited, an independent, not-for-profit provider of education, training and consulting services and a wholly owned enterprise of the University of New South Wales.

Students from over 20 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Pacific and the USA participate in ICAS each year. Educational Assessment Australia produces ICAS papers that test students in the following skill areas:

- Digital Technologies for Years 3-7 [Tuesday 17 May]
- English for Years 2-7 [Tuesday 2 August]
- Mathematics for Years 2-7 [Tuesday 16 August]
- Science for Years 2-7 [Tuesday 31 May]
- Spelling for Years 3 -7 [Wednesday 15 June]

If you would like your child/ren to participate please complete the attached tear off slip and return to school together with payment. We do however require a minimum of 3 students for each subject for participation.

ICAS Coordinator         Margaret Wilkinson

Student Name:___________________                  Year level: _________________
Room Number: ________________                  Class Teacher: ________________

I would like to sit the ICAS Competition and Assessment in [please circle]

Digital Tech $8.80  Tues  17/5/16
Science    $8.80  Tues  31/5/16
Spelling   $12.10  Wed   15/6/16
English    $8.80  Tues  02/8/16
Mathematics $8.80  Tues  16/8/16

Total Enclosed $__________

Please return to the Front Office with payment by Wednesday 6th April.

We do however require a minimum of 3 students for each subject for participation.

SCHOOL FEES & BIZGATE

REMEMBER: School fees are due to be paid by the end of Term 1, 15th April. If you are eligible to apply for school card please do so as soon as possible.

BIZGATE has been decommissioned and can no longer be used. We have now implemented the use of BPOINT.

Please go to our website www.victorr7.sa.edu.au where the link has been set up for you to make your payments.

Please do not hesitate to call us on 85521166 if you have any queries regarding this.

Thank you.

FREGON/FLINDERS CAMPS

“Expression of Interest” for the school camps

Flinders Yr 6 & Fregon Exchange Yr 7

Information will be sent home this week and due back by the 1st April. The camps will be in Term 3 probably Week 3&4 for Fregon and Week 4 for Flinders. Still awaiting confirmation of dates from Fregon community.

www.victorr7.sa.edu.au
Keep your kids smiling
SA Dental Service

Have you received a letter from Medicare about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule? The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, pre-schoolers and most children under 18 at the School Dental Service.

Please call now for an appointment.
Victor Harbor Dental Clinic
Phone: 8551 0460

COMMUNITY NOTICES

**Boat/Jet Ski**

**Marine Licence Exam Night**

$40.00 seats limited - bookings are essential

Opportunity to sit the exam after hours!

Victor Harbor R-7 School, The Parkway Victor Harbor

12th & 26th April (Tuesday) 2016 - 6.30 start
HELD APPROX. 5 times per year

The SA Recreational boating Safety Handbook should be studied before arrival. You will be shown a power point presentation (approx. 90 Minutes) by our local Marine Safety Officer then sit the exam which is marked on the night. If you pass you are then accredited and can visit the DETI Customer Service Centre (Service SA), and convert this to a full licence.

There is a licence issue cost of approx $37.00 age 16 and above.

The SA Recreational boating Safety Handbook was available locally at Fleurieu Crash Repairs, Liberty Fuel, The RAA shop in Victor Harbor and BP Goodwood and is also available online.

No charge for the SA Recreational boating Safety Handbook.

- Cost for Presentation and Exam $40.00. Pre-booking is essential as numbers are strictly limited.
- Refresher $10 (already licensed, but would like to watch the presentation)
- Juniors (12-15) $15 at the exam for special permit
- (Please ring 1300 363 805 for full details of special permit)

**YOU MUST BRING: Valid Photo ID to the Exam**

Presented as community service; Proceeds to VH R-7 School Chaplaincy programme; Run by Chaplin Maureen Moore. The programme is designed to cater for the needs of disengaged primary school students. Teacher in charge: Liz Edwards.

PRACTISE THE COMPULSORIES HERE:

To book please contact Meredith on:
8552 4833 B/H 0418 890 948 Anytime
8554 3333 A/H Or meredith@fcram.com.au

**Southern Fleurieu Blue Light Disco**

**Blue Light Disco - Underage Rage**

The Southern Fleurieu Blue Light Disco Committee is happy to announce the next Underage Rage is going to hit the Streets of Pt Elliot in a few weeks time on Friday the 1st of April 2016. We are currently planning the disco to be held in the Pt Elliot Primary School Gym 4 Cameron St Pt Elliot. The drug and alcohol free event will again be located in a safe, monitored environment with police officers and volunteers of the Blue Light Committee where young people can dance catch up and have a fantastic and fun night.

The disco will be held in two age groups 7-11 years olds from 6.30pm to 8pm and 12-17 year olds 8.30pm to 10.30pm on Friday the 27th March 2015.

Refreshments, giveaways and great music is on offer, so get those dancing shoes ready and don't miss out. “This will be a great night out for all of you young people aged 7 to 17. DJ Roxy will be cranking the tunes and there will be heaps of fun giveaways through out the night.

The Underage Rage is a LOCK IN event so we will need parents to drop you off and pick you up at the DOOR.

This event is an alcohol and drug free event for the young people of the Southern Fleurieu, so come along and have some fun, entry fee is $5 and tickets are to be sold at the door. A canteen is available with very cheap drinks, chips and chocolates.

The Blue Light Disco is an initiative of the SA Police and is organised by the Southern Fleurieu Blue Light Committee.
For more information call Senior Constable Jane Pink on 83981752 or Lucretia Sperring on 85510586.