From the Principal …

Welcome to the final newsletter of the year.

We are sure that everyone is looking forward to their summer holiday. Students and staff have certainly worked hard all year and we should all be proud of their achievements. Next year we are looking forward to the Stephanie Alexander Kitchen and the STEM redevelopment. These are exciting changes for our school.

2017 Staffing

We welcome back Dr Kevin Lee in his role as Principal in 2017! Other staff returning include Emma Waldron, Cass Crichton, Anna Wapper, Melissa McCue and Leanne Maxwell. We congratulate Tiahne Wareing who returns as our STEM coordinator and Amanda Johns as our Counsellor. We are still finalising some staffing for 2017 so stay tuned. We say a very sad farewell to Jason Sluggett who has fulfilled many roles in the school over his 3 years here – Counsellor, Senior Leader and Deputy. We thank him for all he has done to support staff, parents and students. At present I cannot confirm all classes and teachers for next year and will, hopefully, be able to do this next week. We will notify the community through Facebook and notes home.

Year 7, 2016 Graduates

We say farewell to our 2016 Year 7 graduates next week. We remind them to stand tall and give the best of themselves at all times. We wish each and every one of them well for their future endeavours and adventures.

Reports

Reports will go home on the last Thursday of the term. Look for these in your child’s school bag. I’m sure you’d like to read them before Christmas. In the envelope with the report will be a letter with your child’s classroom and teacher for 2016.

Gala Day

It was fantastic to see so much of our school community attend our Gala Day event. We are very pleased to announce that thanks to everybody’s hard work we raised $3925.

Talent Night

Last Tuesday 29th November a significant number of our upper primary students showcased their musical and artistic talents at Talent Night. The night was a resounding success and our students performed in front of a large group of parents. We are immensely proud of their abilities and the hard work they have put in.

Year Two Graduation

At the Junior Primary concert last night we congratulated the Year 2 students who in 2017 join the Primary years to wear their blue shirts and play in the 3-7 playgrounds! The JP students put on a great concert and regaled us with songs and actions. It was a great evening. Well done everyone. Tops are now available at the front office to collect. Please bring your voucher. (No voucher no top)
A final reminder…

School finishes at 2:10pm on Friday 16th December – that’s Friday of next week.

The 2017 school year starts on Monday, January 30th, 2017. The office will be open for school uniforms, payment of fees and school card applications on Wednesday morning 25/1/2017 and Friday morning 27/1/2017 from 9am-12. Have a safe, happy and relaxed holiday.

Thank you for your support during 2016. We appreciate our school community – all the mums, dads, grandparents and friends who support and work with us to provide the best care and education for your children.

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UNLIMITED FEET PERFORMING ARTS
SUMMER SCHOOL

Tuesday 17th January-Wednesday 18th January 2017

AT UNLIMITED FEET PERFORMING ARTS STUDIOS
SCOUT HALL, ADELAIDE ROAD MURRAY BRIDGE

10AM-3:30PM Both Days

THESE TWO DAYS ARE ALSO ENROLMENT DAYS FOR 2017 CLASSES

Musical Theatre    Singing    Drama
Acrobatics/Thumbling    Hip Hop    Contemporary
Choreography    Belly Dancing

To register contact
unlimitedfeet@internode.on.net
or Ph 83876036
Hi everyone 6.7 has been very busy this Term here are a few of the things we have been up to!

Mrs Excell's class "Buddied" up with us to make posters for Gala Day. This was a great experience for our class, making new friendships.

Swimming lessons were lots of fun! The children learnt valuable safety tips and some new swimming skills.

In Science this term the children explored 'Spot the Difference' we investigated how heating and cooling changes food. We made spaghetti towers, which was a real challenge for the children.

The highlight of our Term was going to the Monarto Zoo. The children were very excited to see all the African animals that they had learnt about in Semester 1.

6.7 wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy & safe new year!!!
In Design and Technology we made a 2 storey house with 4 bedrooms. We had to cut it to size 40cm by 30cm. We made furniture to put in the house. Then we painted the outside. I enjoyed this lesson because I liked making the furniture.

BY William Blucher 6.6

In Design and Technology we were challenged to make a two storey house cut to size of 40 by 30cm with 4 bedrooms. We made little furniture to put in the rooms then we painted the roof. I enjoyed this lesson because I like making.

By Bayleigh Biar 6.6
Gala Day for 4.10

Over several lessons 4.10 and their buddy class 1.3 prepared for their Treasure Flag stall at Gala Day. We wrapped, labeled, and sold around 450 prizes! Many thanks to the parents who donated all the prizes. Our stall is probably the busiest of all the stalls. The children did a fantastic job of handling the busy flow of customers. They were very proud of our stall and themselves.

The pokeball factory stall was amazing but of course it wasn’t as excellent as our stall. By Joel

I was working at our Treasure Flag stall and it was fun. We all made pavlovas too for people to eat. By Damphere

I worked at our stall, I was very fast at getting the prizes. By Jayden W.

We were making pink pig pavlovas in our class. I put the eyes on the pink pig pavlovas. By Connie

The pink pig pavlova was amazing, wonderful and delicious. By Kitty

I felt incredibly excited. It couldn’t have been a better day. I loved it! By Chaz
6.3 and 6.4 Art Gallery Visit

On Thursday the 24th of November students from 6.3 and 6.4 visited the Murray Bridge Regional Art Gallery to see some local artists’ art works as part of their arts/maths curriculum focus.

The students loved seeing the different types of art created, from realistic through to geometric. Students particularly took a keen interest in the process of blow glass as well as the size of some of the art displayed.
We stayed at Woodhouse in the Rymill Centre for three days. In Port Adelaide we went to the Maritime Museum, the lighthouse and the Archie Badenoch. At Woodhouse we went to Challenge Hill, walked along part of the Heysen Trail, did orienteering, mini Olympics and Trivia night.

Brock

At the Maritime Museum my group climbed the lighthouse first. There were more than 100 steps and the view was fantastic. We could see the whole harbour. I was a little scared at the top and it was hard to get down.

Preston

Year 5

Woodhouse Camp

The Maritime Museum was by far my favourite thing to do on camp but the best thing in the museum was the ketch. The ketch was a big wooden model boat. It had rooms all throughout the boat. There was a kitchen, rooms for sleeping, a water storage and a storage room. It was so interesting on the ketch. I roamed all around the boat with my friends one of which was Paige. The ketch was so much fun.

Hailie

The hardest challenge was the Mousetrap and it was a dark tunnel, small and made out of metal. I was on my knees and it felt like a maze.

Damon

The Walk Around Tower is a tower that is like a rock climbing wall without rope to keep the person falling off. After I climbed the whole way around the tower, I was exhausted. When I started I thought I couldn’t do it but I did.

Filby

The hardest challenge was the Mousetrap because once I crept inside I felt panicked. It’s like a maze that you have to crawl through. It gets darker as you continue and I could barely fit through the narrow spaces. However, the thing that really made the Mouse Trap scary is when you see a smiley face right ahead. Once you reach the smiley face, you came face to face with a dead end, and you can’t even turn around! Apparently I was wrong, the dead end is really a U turn.

Harshita
Overall I thought camp was fun. We all worked together really well and had fun. I had the best time ever at camp.

Tristen

On the first day of camp we went to the Maritime Museum. At the Maritime Museum we climbed up the lighthouse. Climbing up the lighthouse was a little scary but when we reached the top the view was amazing. After the lighthouse we went on the Archie Badenoch. The Archie Badenoch was a little boat. It was pretty cool and I liked how we could see all of the little jellyfish in the water.

Sasha

My time at Woodhouse was a once in a lifetime opportunity. Woodhouse was really fun and I enjoyed it a lot and I would love to go back next year.

Paige

When I went to Woodhouse it was fun and cool and awesome. Challenge Hill was fun, cool, awesome and a bit hard and tricky. The mouse trap was the best. I loved camp and it was the best.

Yuna

Orienteering was hard. The posts were exceedingly difficult to find around the camp site. One we eventually found with a little bit of help and after dangerously rummaging through long grass.

Bella C

The Big Dipper. It was really big and although I was nervous, I still had a go. I went second and I went really fast. I had to lay back and cross my arms on my chest.

Taylah

The Mouse Trap. Brock went first then I went. I had to hold Brock's foot because it was pitch black. I felt claustrophobic.

Troy

Although camp was hard and frustrating at times, it was also fun and rewarding. I can't wait for my next school camp.

Hailie

Year 5

Woodhouse Camp
Christmas 2016

Sensitive Santa for Children with Special Needs

Murray Bridge Marketplace Management together with Kelly of Captured by Kelly Photography would like to extend an open invitation to families of Special Needs Children.

We will be holding our Sensitive Santa Sessions on Sunday 11th December from 8am – 10am and again on Sunday 18th December from 8am – 10am.

Our aim is to provide a relaxed, quiet environment for your child and his/her siblings to have some special time and a photograph with Santa. The session will include one 6 x 4 photograph at no charge. Additional prints can be ordered and purchased if required.

Booking will be limited, so please secure your child’s timeslot by calling 08 85 31 0484. We thank you and wish you and your family a Very Merry Christmas.
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**Murray Bridge North School OSHC**

Before School, After School and Vacation Care Programs. Open Daily 6:30am and close 6:30pm

Contact Bev- 08 85310179
Or on 0417825455

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**MURRAY BRIDGE NORTH SCHOOL OFFICE OPENING HOURS IN JANUARY 2017**

WEDNESDAY 26TH JANUARY -9-12pm
FRIDAY 28TH JANUARY-9-12pm

The office will be open for uniforms, school card application, school fees and school card.