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## Newsletter

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### From the Principal's Desk

Term 3 has been a busy time and we have seen some amazing projects come to fruition across this time. We have lots of learning celebrated in this newsletter with many classes getting out on excursions and completing their STEM units of work.

Early next term we will begin our processes for class structures for 2025. At this time we need accurate enrolment numbers for 2025. If you know you are moving house and to another school at the end of year please come into the office or email to let Anne know. This is also a final call for sibling enrolments for 2025 as our reception intake is almost full. We have a large waiting list that we need to let know of any remaining vacancies.

This year has been our 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday and we will be celebrating the milestone at our end of year concert/celebration.

As term 4 is always very busy, please familiarise yourself with the dates below, more details will come out next term for our Birthday and End of year celebration.

Congratulations!!!!

Ari Harris has been selected to represent School Sport SA at the School Sport Australia 12 Years and Under Track and Field Championship. The championship will be held in Sydney, New South Wales from Thursday 28 November to Monday 2 December 2024. Ari will compete in Long Jump. Well done Ari we look forward to seeing your results.



Prospect Council are soon to launch a review into traffic management in the local area, early next term we will arrange a consultation time for parents to give feedback and concerns around traffic flow in your local area, they will also have a feedback link on their website and I encourage people to have input.

We wish everyone a safe and relaxing break and will see you all next term.

Marg Clark

### Term 4, 2024 14<sup>th</sup> October – 13<sup>th</sup> December

**September 27**th Last Day of Term 3, 2.15pm dismissal

October 22<sup>nd</sup> Reception Classes Zoo Visit
November 4<sup>th</sup> Governing Council Meeting

**11**<sup>th</sup> Pupil Free Day

22<sup>nd</sup> Reception transition visit 1
 29<sup>th</sup> Reception transition visit 2

December 2<sup>nd</sup> Governing Council Dinner

**4**<sup>th</sup> End of year concert/Birthday celebrations

**10**<sup>th</sup> Year 6 Graduation

12<sup>th</sup> Class transition visits and reports home

13<sup>th</sup> Last day 2:15 finish









This term in HASS, students in Room 1 have been learning about 'place.' Earlier this term, we explored and investigated features of special places and why they are important to different people.





We have also been learning about 'Places where we belong.' Students worked together and brainstormed all of the places they knew at Prospect North Primary, in Adelaide, in Australia and in the World. They have built towns and made maps during HASS and Investigative Play.



## Studio 11 Buddies

After hearing our Big Buddies from T17 read their incredible "In My Magic Box" poems at assembly the other week, we were so inspired to try writing some of our own! We invited our Buddies upstairs and worked with them to create our own magical poems. We were so excited to learn how to type them on their laptops! Next, they are going to show us how to publish our poems on Canva so that we can share them with others. Here are a few sneak peaks!



## **Aquatics**

The year 6s went to aquatics at the Westlakes Aquatic Centre on Tuesday week 10. The activities that we did were canoeing, sailing, kayaking and surfing.

In canoeing, we made a group of 2-4 and got to paddle through the lake, as well as trying to capsize the other canoes

In sailing we sailed through the lake. This was difficult because there wasn't that much wind. At the end we got to jump off the boat into the freezing water and re-enact the man overboard situation.

In kayaking we got into pairs and got to go under the bridge. We also learnt how to make a raft so we'd know what to do if we were ever to be in an emergency.

In surfing we got changed into wetsuits and walked across to the beach. We learnt about rip currents and how to surf. We then put this in to action and got to ride some waves.

We also learnt about water safety by using some acronyms.

WETT acronym stands for Weather, Equipment, Tell someone and Take someone. We do this before we leave the house.

HELP acronym stands for Hazards, Entry and exit points, Landmarks and Plan. This is so you're prepared for an emergency.

STAY acronym stands for Signal, Together, Aware and Your boat. This is for when things go wrong.

As year 6s we learnt lots about the water and how to be safe in it as well as having lots of fun!

By Claire Saint and Ziggy Devlin.



#### **Festival of Music**

Last Monday, September 16<sup>th</sup>, 39 of our students performed on stage at the Adelaide Festival Theatre as part of the Public Primary Schools Festival of Music.

The Primary Schools Festival of Music is an iconic South Australian tradition, we engage our students in artistic excellence, cultural diversity and social inclusion through performance in Music and the Arts.

The Festival of Music concerts feature Year 5 and 6 students singing together in a massed choir of just over 300 students.

This year we commissioned Robyn Habel and Adam Page to compose a set of four songs entitled "State of the Arts". The audience participation was fun and something very different.

During the concerts there were several Guest Artists from public primary and secondary schools, other choir items that presented different musical genre, and two pieces that specifically showcased the talents of the orchestra.

This year Festival of Music included the ABBA song 'Waterloo', to mark 50 years since ABBA had won Eurovision with that song.

It was a spectacular event that our students enjoyed being a part of.

Our students used their Self Manager skills and were incredible Team Players throughout the afternoon and until late in the evening. Their commitment across the whole year in improving their performance of the repertoire has been exemplary. During the dinner break our students took a walk to Adelaide Botanic High where we were able to enjoy the facilities while eating our dinner. Big shout out to Rachael who looked after us while we were there. We even went right up to the rooftop where we had a view back to the Theatre.

A massive thank you also to parents and staff who helped both on the day and throughout the year by supporting the choir. Thanks also to the many families who attended on the night to see their superstars on stage.

Individual photographs from the evening can be purchased online here. <a href="https://www.tmphotography.com.au/">https://www.tmphotography.com.au/</a>

The repertoire is already online for next year! Start designing your book covers

to be submitted

<u>Songbook Cover Competition | Primary Schools Music Festival (festivalofmusic.org.au)</u> or consider auditioning for one of the many other opportunities – troupe, hosts, drumming or solos.

Judy, Assistant Principal













# The Great Chocolate Debate

Students in Room 9 have been refining their skills when writing persuasive texts. They discussed the pros and cons on eating quantities of chocolate and then argued their point of view in text form. The topic is: "Chocolate is / isn't good for you " Here are some excerpts of their writing skills .... (You might even be persuaded)

Finally, chocolate has a bit of caffeine in it so that if you have too much chocolate my may struggle to sleep at night. (una)

Factual Argument & reason

don't you? Well you can avoid doing this by cutting

\* Rhetorical Question

I HATE going to the dentist, down on eating chocolate. Ella)



The inventors of chocolate made it unhealthy because it has too much sugar and you can get fat. Líam

(Argument plus supporting reason)

Chocolate is good for you, it tastes good and you can give it as a gift. It gives you energy and you can make a chocolate cake out of it.

John N (supporting ideas)

Chocolate is addictive, which means you like it so much that you can't stop. It's not just chocolate, fizzy drinks. Cakes and lollies can have the same

(referencing other sugary foods to support her argument)



Firtsly, chocolate is very bad for you because chocolate creates cavities in your teeth., which nobody wants to ever have! Cavities are bad for your health because they can make your teeth go blackish. The you have to go to the dentist which is very painful and expensive! Amanat

(direct appeal to the reader?)

To conclude, you should control the amount of sugar and chocolate so that you don't eat too much sugar and stay safe! Shrihaan (to action for reader)

Chocolate with sugar replacements is a bit healthier but don't eact too much of it or it's bad. Enjoy eating chocolate once in a while. John K (to action for reader)





