Dear all,

We had a wonderful assembly this morning to celebrate Book Week. It is great to have so many families involved and ensuring that their children can participate in this fun annual event. Thank you to Chris, Tina and Wann for their hard work and efforts to make this another highly successful event. Thank you to Susie for putting together the whole school dance and for the family members who joined in. The time and effort that people put in to produce so many creative costumes is greatly appreciated.

This week on Friday we have a Pupil Free Day. We will be working on our English and Literacy Agreement in order to develop a cohesive and high quality approach across the school. This is an important step to ensure that all students in all classes receive access to the best possible learning.

There have been some remarkable instances of community involvement this term already.

- Fundraising for the Farmers by Cooper raising over $380
- Marius participating in the Greatest Shave and raising over $2500
- Danni and Rita’s class taking on the Backpacks 4 Kids initiative
- Our four lovely world savers, Kimora, Natalie, Melody and Amelia working with Tim to organise our new Buddy Bench
- Parent volunteers working on our new soccer shed to provide power, plumbing and other services
- Brynne’s dad welding our basketball ring
- The very generous donation of dress up items from Savers
- Daily fruit and vegetable donation from Woolworths

We are so very lucky to be within a community that cares for and nurtures others.

Take care,

Marie
ATTENDANCE

**Year to Date (2018)**
The average daily attendance rate:
Year-to-Date, derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 17/06/2018

**Previous Week**
Attendance rate derived from student attendance data sourced from the school systems as at 17/06/2018

ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS
At this week’s school assembly the following students received an award acknowledging their hard work, perseverance and use of positive strategies in developing a Growth Mindset for their learning and community participation:
- Violet Edwards, Marley Brotherton-Lawrence (Mrs Gwatking)
- Tyler Ibbett, Luka Frost (Ms Newbery)
- Kalani Nguyen, Joel Dyson (Mr MacWilliams)
- Cody Hoet, Marty Yates, Georgia Moulds, Maya Disley (Ms Burtt)
- Noah Anderson, Aliysha Humphrey (Mr Ratcliff)
- Jay Shaw, Maya Grosser (Mrs Ehlers)
- Apple, Jake Hansen (Mrs Baumann / Mrs Haddad)
- Jye Lynch, Casey O’Connor (Ms Orrin)
- Ialanie Burgess, Noah Howard (Mrs True)
- Noah Ackerley, Liam West-McInnes, Bryce Hoet (Mrs McMillan)
- Caitlyn Blacker, Ashden McLay (Mr Letcher / Ms Cross)
- Tessa Inverarity, Jayden Lodge (Miss Thompson)
- Ava Doherty, Katelyn Frensch (Mrs Gotley / Mrs Fullerton)
- Kaniesha Miller, Aiden McLeod (Mrs Sander)
- Hasanpreet Kaur, Matthew Zahra (Mr Horsfall)
- Nathan Ahripoff, Clara Invararity (Ms Gregory)
- James Donnan, Jasmine Bateman (Ms Eldridge)
- Tilly McInnes, Jacobus Webster (Mr Wakefield)
Each student who receives an award earns a point for their school team.
The team totals are as follows:
- **Stingrays** – 577
- **Sharks** – 598
- **Dolphins** – 539
- **Swordfish** – 535

The award for 100% attendance goes to Anthony Stringer and the Aussie of the Month Award went to Raiden McIlveen.

Congratulations to all of these students!

TEACHER OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS
We are thrilled that 3 of our staff have been nominated for Teacher of the Year. Congratulations to Kim Gwatking, Brett Horsfall and Courtney Orrin on your nominations. Nova 919 and Bendigo Bank sponsor this event and our staff are in the running to win some fabulous prizes and the title of Teacher of the Year! Find out more here: [https://www.nova919.com.au/win/teacher-year](https://www.nova919.com.au/win/teacher-year)

STUDENT FUNDRAISING
Thank you to everyone who supported Marius in his endeavour to raise funds for the Leukaemia Foundation. On August 12th Marius shaved his head and drew the raffle. Marius was aiming to raise $1000. His grand total was $2650 – an outstanding effort! We are all very proud of Marius and his achievement.

We are also very proud of Cooper’s fundraising efforts for the farmers in need. Thank you to everyone who supported Cooper’s fundraising. With the help of one of our big buddies, Hudson, Cooper counted up $358.70. His overall total is more than this as some of our families donated directly to the Drought “Hampers & Hay for hope” appeal. Cooper was very excited to see the messages of people who had directly donated to the website also. We really appreciate everyone’s generosity. Cooper smashed his $100 goal! Checkout the article on Student Leadership News at [http://studentleadership.news/2018/08/20/cooper-cares/](http://studentleadership.news/2018/08/20/cooper-cares/)
Students from Mrs Haddad’s and Mrs Baumann’s class are supporting the South Australian Charity Back Packs 4 Kids and are asking for donations of items listed below. This fabulous charity support children in times of hardship and dislocation. A Pyjama Day with a gold coin donation will be held on Thursday 6th September to support this great initiative. All proceeds to Back Packs 4 Kids. [http://backpacks4sakids.org/]

SO WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE

The students in Ms Haddad / Mrs Baumann’s class are going to collect and make up backpacks for Back packs for Kids SA.

Listed below are some of the items that they are in desperate need of.

- Used/brand new backpacks
- Pyjamas
- Underwear-brand new
- Socks
- DVD’s
- Torch
- Pencil case
- Story books
- Games
- Toilet bag
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Hairbrush/comb
- Hair ties

Items can be dropped off in the office or Mrs Haddad /Mrs Baumann’s classroom.

THANKS SO MUCH

Thanks very much to Rob Blackford from Seaford Electrical who has connected electricity to our new Soccer Shed and Canteen. Our parent volunteers continue to support our school in so many ways all the while making vast improvements which are very much appreciated.

THANKS also to Savers Noarlunga for their donation of wigs and costumes for dressing up. Some of them were put to good use for today’s Book Week Parade.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

Congratulations to Chase and Summer who have had some amazing sporting achievements recently. Summer was awarded a Gold medal for coming 1st in Australia for the 2 x 10 metre line throw relay at the Australian Pool Rescue Championships. Chase represented South Australia for SAPSASA Swimming in Tasmania recently. He came 10th in Australia for the 50 metre breaststroke, 16th in the 50 metre freestyle, 6th in the 4 x 50 metre freestyle relay and also swam the breaststroke leg of the 50 metre medley relay. We are sure you all agree these are incredible achievements.

HEALTH ALERTS

We have had two confirmed cases of Chicken Pox reported to us along with a few cases of viral infections. Please visit SA Health for more information and to help stop the spread of infection please keep your child at home if they are showing any signs of illness. [http://www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/wps/wcm/connect/P ublic+Content/SA+Health+Internet/Health+topics/He alth+conditions+prevention+and+treatment/Infectiou s+diseases/Chickenpox+and+shingles/]

PEOPLE’S CHOICE COMMUNITY LOTTERY

Don’t forget to buy your tickets for the People’s Choice Community Lottery before Friday 31st August. Tickets can be purchased from the front office or by visiting [https://www.peopleschoicecu.com.au/port-noarlunga-primary-school]. 100% of tickets sales go to the school and all proceeds will be used to improve our grounds and garden areas.

STUDENT FREE DAY

This Friday 24th August is a Student Free Day. Students do not attend school as staff will be focusing on the development of our school English and Literacy Agreement. OSHC is now fully booked.
The Year 6/7 classes camp at Arbury Park was a huge success. It is so great to see our students enjoying all activities on offer and immersing themselves in outdoor education.