TALKING WITH CHILDREN AND QUESTIONING WITH YOUR CHILD HELPS THEM WITH THEIR MATHS THINKING

Talking with your child and noticing numbers and patterns all around us helps support mathematical thinking. Talking with your child and asking them to share their thinking with you as they engage in mathematical activities at home helps.

Questions have a big influence on how much children think they can improve their intelligence and expand their thinking. Helping children to rely more on themselves as mathematical thinkers, to work out if they are ‘on track’ could be helped by asking open ended questions like “Can you draw a picture or make a model to show that “?

Open-ended questions cannot be answered with one word answers such as "yes" or "no". For example:

- Why do you think that?
- How did you come up with that answer?

Open-ended questions often begin with:

- what
- how
- who
- why


When children see their abilities as something they can change over time, then they build resilience, and they thrive in their mathematical thinking and take up challenges with more confidence. Children then move towards becoming more powerful learners.

As we discussed in the March Newsletter Powerful Learning Vocabulary includes:

- Wondering – questioning, doubting, curiosity
- Engaging – risking, persisting, applying
- Explaining – noticing, researching, concentrating

Open-ended questions are designed to make your child think and use language more fully. In general, we use more closed questions than open-ended questions unless we purposefully set out to use them.

Have fun creating open-ended questions in your chat today. The conversations you have can really help children to become powerful mathematical learners and thinkers.

Andrea Barker
Coordinator Primary Australian Curriculum Numeracy Coach

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**Reconciliation Day Thank You**

Thank you to everyone who supported our Reconciliation Week event. A special thank you to Aunty Georgina Williams for doing our Welcome to Country and to the local CFS, Governing Council and the Canteen volunteers who cooked the barbecue and served lunch.

A big thank you to Foodland, Woolworths at Colonnades and Woolworths at Hackham for their support of the event. Even though there was some rain it was an enjoyable day. Thank you to our leadership team and staff for encouraging all students to be involved in the activities.

**GIFT DANCE AT MITCHAM**

The GifT Dance Program at Mitcham Girls High School offers girls the opportunity to develop their skills and passion for dance performance. Students develop creative, technical and physical understanding and an appreciation of dance as an art form.

Audition date: Monday 4 July 2016 at 11:30am. Register your interest at www.mitchamgirlshs.sa.edu.au or Ph 82828233.

**REDUCING LOST PROPERTY**

It is strongly recommended that all items of clothing or items brought to school by your child/children are clearly named. Please check regularly to ensure the name is still visible.

A few minutes spent in labelling items will help to reduce the number of items found that cannot be returned as it is not known who they belong to.

**Hackham East Primary School OSHC**

**Holiday Program for students aged 5 - 12 years**

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- The cost per day is now $49.00 (before Child Care Benefit), all inclusive.
- Activities are subject to change or cancellation (eg weather, low numbers). Afternoon Tea is provided.
- Please bring a healthy recess and lunch each day.
- For bookings or enquiries, contact Jacky on 0499 228 039 or oshc.director286@schools.sa.edu.au
- Notification of cancellations must be given at least 48 hours before the booked day so as not to incur a fee.

Jacky Smith, OSHC Director
Invitation to Families of Hackham East

Family Connections Hackham (Junction Australia) and the Hackham East Primary School warmly invite you to share your views on what programs and services you believe are needed for families in your local community.

We would also like to understand what you know about the Family Connections Centre at Hackham East and what you believe currently runs from there.

Held on
Friday 24 June 2016
At approximately 9:45am
Following on after School Assembly
Conference Room at Hackham East Primary School
Morning Tea provided

Fundraising Events on Saturday 2/7

On Saturday 2/7 the school will be used as a voting site. The Canteen will be open selling cold drinks, tea, coffee, food and there will be a sausage sizzle. If you are available in the week prior to this to assist with baking please speak with Coralie Goodman. The Fundraising Committee will also have a craft stall and lucky dips.

Thank you for your support.
HEPS Fundraising Committee

Commonwealth Bank Competition

This year, School Banking is running a wild Grand Prize competition. We are giving you the chance to win a family trip to Australia Zoo, where you will meet with Bindi and Robert Irwin plus enjoy a full Platinum Zoo Adventure Tour, Domestic return economy airfares to Sunshine Coast, 4 nights accommodation, 5 days car hire and $1000.00 spending money.

To enter simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits by the end of Term 3, 2016 and you will automatically receive an entry into the competition for a chance to win. Find out more at commbank.com.au/schoolbanking.

A reminder that school banking day is on WEDNESDAYS. If you would like to open a new account for your child(ren) please see Tracy Rowley for an application form.
**CANTENE NEWS**

- **Microwave for Heating Food.** Please note that the Canteen staff, for the health and safety of students and staff, are not able to heat food for students brought from home.
- **Plastic Cutlery.** The Canteen is only able to supply plastic cutlery (fork, spoons etc) with food that has been ordered through the Canteen. If your child requires cutlery with the lunch you have provided please ensure you have packed it with their lunch.
- **Volunteers** to assist in the Canteen or for catering events are always welcome. Please speak with Coralie Goodman if you would like more information or you are available to assist.

Thank you for supporting the Canteen.

**Coralie Goodman**  
**Canteen Manager**

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

- **Child & Adolescent Sleep Clinic** The clinic in the School of Psychology at Flinders University provides treatment for children and adolescents aged 6-20yrs who have a sleep problem. Ph 82017587 or email casc.enquiries@flinders.edu.au for more information.
- **2016 Census Field Officers Wanted** If you are community minded, comfortable using a computer, mobile or tablet device, are an Australian Citizen or have the legal right to work in Australia, then consider applying to be a Census Field Officer. Apply at abs.gov.au/careers.
- **Soccer Players Wanted** South Adelaide Panthers FC are looking for girls born 1999-2001 to join the Pink Panthers senior group in 2016. Pink Panthers are the only club in the southern suburbs to field teams in all age groups. Ph Leigh Matthews 0412591478 or Phil Webster 0410386100 for more information.
- **Southern Cross Cultural Exchange** We are urgently looking for volunteer families to host 7 French and 1 Italian exchange students in all age groups. Ph 82017587 or email jane.brzezinski@flinders.edu.au for more info.
- **Global Wellness Day** One day can change your whole life. Free entry to Noarlunga Leisure & Swim Centre on Saturday 11/6 from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Learn about Scoop SA, Rawfection, Beyond Blue, Headspace, COTA (strength 4 life). Ph 83840655 to book or for more information.
- **Dad N Me Finale** A fun filled afternoon with your dad. Activities include BuddyVerse Minecraft, 3D Printing Workshop, Green Screen Photo Booth, Virtual Reality Goggles. Held on Saturday 18/6 from 12:00-3:00pm at Woodcroft Library, 175 Bains Rd, Morphett Vale. Bookings essential. Ph 83840050 or visit www.noarlungacite.com.au for more information.
- **The Colour Project** Take colouring to the next level with Azzurro Arts. Held on Thursdays from 2/6-7/7 from 4:00-5:30pm at Onkaparinga Heights Children’s Centre, 25 Investigator Dr, Woodcroft commencing on 8/6. Ph Bonnie or Sara 83818005 to register.
- **Multicultural Gathering** Meet other people in the community, share a meal and listen to music from around the world. To be held on Friday 10/6 from 6:00-9:00pm at Christie Downs Community House, Morton Rd, Christie Downs. Bring a plate to share. FREE.