The Power of Positive Attitudes and Habits of Mind

Last week, I was lucky enough to listen to Professor Guy Claxton, a leader in international education. For an hour he captivated me with his ideas of how students attitudes and habits towards learning build and develop life long learners. This is one of our main goals here at Hackham East Primary and one that staff are successfully working towards.

The main task at hand for both parents and educators is to ask ourselves how we can build upon and instill that little bit more learning power which helps our children become self-guided learners.

This focus upon gradually building learning habits aids students in becoming more able, keen, independent and able to collaborate with their peers.

As teachers, parents and caregivers, we should work at developing pride in learning as an individual and as a team of learners, steering away from creating the kind of student who only knows how to get things right on the first attempt, devaluing mistakes and the struggle.

To do this when helping students, we need to create the freedom in finding the sweet spot in learning. Allow the skipping of questions and tasks until your child finds the struggle.

Further, instead of focusing on the “grade” or “achievement’, look towards how far our children have progressed/improved.

Finally, be a role model learner yourself. Be the change you want to see in your child by talking about your own learning and learning with your child.

If we can all work towards these common goals, our students will leave Hackham East Primary with the disposition to trouble shoot and evaluate their learning themselves.

Michael Koutsoukos
Coordinator of the Australian Primary Curriculum
CHRISTIES BEACH HIGH SCHOOL YR 8 TRANSITION DAY
Students enrolled for Yr 8 at Christies Beach High School in 2016 will have their Transition Day on Wednesday 25/11.
For more information regarding arrival and departure times phone 83299778.

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Student Free Day
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OSHC will be available - please contact Jacky Smith (0499228039) to make a booking for your child/children.

VOLUNTEERS MORNING TEA
To be held on Friday 4 December at 10:30am in the Penney Unit Conference Room. Invitations will be sent out shortly. If you do not receive your invitation please disregard our oversight and join us to celebrate and thank all our helpers for their wonderful efforts throughout the year.
Bob Thiele
Principal

CANTEEN NEWS
Parents/Caregivers are asked to check the coins students bring to school to spend at the Canteen. Recently coins from overseas have been used at the Canteen. The bank will not accept the coins which results in a loss to the Canteen.
If any students collect coins they can see Coralie Goodman at the Canteen to exchange for Australian legal tender coins.
Coralie Goodman
Canteen Manager

WIRREANDA YR 8 TRANSITION DAY
Students enrolled for Yr 8 at Wirreanda Secondary School in 2016 will have their Transition Day on Friday 27/11. Students will meet in the Learning Hub at 8:30am and are asked to wear their current school uniform. Parents/caregivers are welcome to stay for a short assembly beginning at 8:40am. Students will be dismissed at 2:30pm.

SPECIAL ORDER SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
Special Order Photographs for viewing at the Front Office include: Class Funny Photos (not all classes had one taken), Student Leaders, SAPSASA Athletics, Kapa Haka, Choir and Cross Country.
Copies are $15.00 with a discount of 25% if ordering 3 or more. Please collect an envelope from the front office to place your order. Payment can be made in the envelope using cash, cheque, Visa, Mastercard or Bankcard. If paying by credit card a surcharge of $1.00 applies.
Last day to place your order via the school is Friday 20 November, 2015. Orders after this date will need to be made directly to the photographers.
If you have any queries in relation to your child’s school photographs please contact the photographers direct. Master School Portraits 74 Gawler Street Mount Barker SA 5251. Telephone: 83913951 or fax 83982598 email msp@nuimage.com.au
Lee Clements
Front Office

SCHOOL DRESS CODE NEWS
New stock including school bags, summer cargo pants, skorts, short sleeve shirts and summer dresses has arrived. Maroon and white dresses are also available (retail stores do not have the correct colours). Lay by is available if you want to prepare for the 2016 school year and one of the volunteers would be happy to arrange this for you.

Keep Your Kids Smiling
Staff from Noarlunga GP Plus School Dental Clinic will be visiting our school on:
Tuesday 1 December and Wednesday 2 December 2015
8.30-9.30am and 2.30-3.30pm
Staff will be available to talk about your child’s oral health needs, and make a dental appointment for your child.
Please come and chat to them on the day. They will be in the walkway between the Library and Castle Unit. Dental care is FREE for all preschool children and most school aged children at School Dental Service Clinics. If you would like to book your own appointment, please contact the clinic on 8384 9244.

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HACKHAM EAST KINDERGARTEN
Enrol Now for 2016
Places are still available
Pre-entry is being offered now
Please contact us on 83826551 or come and visit us at the kindergarten.
We look forward to seeing you soon.
Volunteers are always welcome and we are currently in need of help on a Friday this Term. If you have any time to assist in the Canteen please speak with Coralie Goodman, Canteen Manager. **Volunteers will be needed in 2016 for the Canteen to continue operating. If you are interested please speak with Coralie Goodman, Canteen Manager.**

The Canteen also caters for functions held at our school. If you are available to assist or interested to be available for these events please speak with Coralie Goodman, Canteen Manager.

The valuable help by our volunteers ensures the Canteen can continue to provide a wide variety of healthy food for our students and staff.

Thank you for supporting the Canteen.

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**CROSSING MONITORS**

**Term 4, Week 7 (23/11-27/11)**

**Morning:** Gabrielle Connolly
Grace Connolly
Jo Coole

**Afternoon:** Henry Francis
David Conlon
Tom Fielding

**Term 4, Week 8 (30/11-4/12)**

**Morning:** Brayden Greaves
Markus Blomskog
Tiana Tuapawa

**Afternoon:** Jeremy Valiente
Zack Kenny
Calem Lord

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

- **Bike Society Triathlon Series, Moana Beach** Enter for a chance to win your school or sporting club $500.00 worth of new sporting equipment. Prize draw at the end of the series. Race dates 13/12 & 10/1. Visit www.xcelsports.com.au for more information.

- **Bring The World Home** We are looking for families to host international high school students commencing their studies in Term 1, 2016 for either short or long term while they complete their courses. Visit www.decd.sa.gov.au to complete an application or to register your interest.

- **Community Voice to End Gender Violence** You are invited to attend Rise Up, a community event at Ramsay Place, Noarlunga on Thursday 26/11 from 11:00am-2:00pm. Guest Speaker Katrine Hildyard MP, featuring live music, living art installations, activities for children, free barbecue and lots more.

- **Air Time BMX Clinics** Learn skills to use at the skate park and dirt jumps, including safety, checking your bike and refining your tricks. Held on 21/11 at Minkarra (Flagstaff Hill) Skate Park & 5/12 at Willunga Skate Park from 10:30am-12:00noon for 8-18yr olds. FREE. Phone 8557555 for more information.

- **Morpeth Vale Midweek Ladies Tennis Club** New members are welcome to come along to play a game of tennis at Morpeth Vale Sports Complex, Jordan Drive, Morpeth Vale on Tues, Wed or Thurs mornings from 9:15-12:15. All ages, all standards. New season starts 27/1/2016. Ph Claire 83225033 for more information.

- **Free Bread** Free bread is available to families each Wednesday and Thursday morning at the front entrance of O’Sullivan Beach Children’s Centre, 51a Galloway Rd, O’Sullivan Beach. Ph 83822850 for more information.

- **Come ‘N’ Try** SA sporting and recreation bodies have come together to provide a coordinated program of Come ‘n’ Try sessions for 5-16yr olds. From 14/12-18/12 children can try a series of different sports in and around the centre of Adelaide. For more information visit http://www.comentry.com.au/.

- **The Wonderful World of Toddlers** Following the seminar recently held a recording is now available to watch online until 25/11. Visit http://webcast.cl/adeiladeecc/parentingsa/4Nov15 to view the seminar.

- **Bully Zero Australia** A special screening of Star Wars: Episode 7 The Force Awakens to be held on Saturday 19/12 from 2:30pm at Capri Theatre, 141 Goodwood Rd, Goodwood. Proceeds of ticket sales will go to providing schools, students, parents and teachers with evidence based educational sessions on Bullying & Cyber Safety. To book visit http://www.trybooking.com/3FAV or http://www.trybooking.com/161585

- **Successful Transitions** Intensive case management support and mentoring to engage and support vulnerable and disengaged young people to successfully transition into further education, vocational training or secure employment. For 17-24 yr olds living in the inner or central Southern Adelaide region and not engaged in employment, training or education. Ph Ben Rice 0466558182 or email berr@worksksilyouth.com.au for more information.

- **Yoga** Strengthen your body, increase your wellbeing and learn how to relax. Held each Monday from 1:00-2:00pm at Hackham West Community Centre. $5.00 per session. Ph 83841065 to book.

- **BreastScreen SA** A free breast cancer screen (breast x-rays) to healthy women aged 50-74 yrs, helping to detect breast changes that are too small to feel. For more information contact BreastScreen SA’s Promotion and Education on 82747141 or via email BSSAPromoEd@health.sa.gov.au.

- **Learner Driver Licence Training** Need help getting your L’s? This is a course designed to make passing the Learner Driver theory test easy and fun. Ideal for people with a disability, people with literacy and numeracy barriers, people with learning difficulties and people with anxiety. Phone 82127771 or visit www.heta.com.au for more information.

- **Fluency Disorders Clinic** For children, adolescents and adults who stutter or clutter. Clinic located at Flinders Medical Centre, Level 6, Dept Speech Pathology & Audiology, Flinders Dr, Bedford Park. Available on a Thursday. Ph 82045959 or visit www.flinders.edu.au/sols/sites/speech-pathology/clinics/fluency-disorders-clinic.cfm for more information.

- **Home Among The Gumtrees** A bright, engaging show with favourite Aussie comedy songs. Held at the Jade Performance Venue, 160 Flinders St, Adelaide on Tuesday 12/1/2016 at 11:00am. Suitable for 5yrs and over. Cost $10.00 per ticket. Ph 0413533118 to make a booking or for more information.

Flyers with further information relating to the above events are available either on display at the front of the School or at the Front Office.