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### MID MURRAY IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME

10.30am - 11.00am at the Swan Reach Area School/Community Library
3rd Tuesday of each month except December.
FREE Pneumococcal Vaccination is available for infants up to 2 years
Please book through the Cambrai Council office on 8564 6020

### SWAN REACH PLAYGROUP

- Tuesdays - 10.00am in the Kindy.
- All children from birth to age 5 are most welcome.
- Bring a piece of fruit to share.
- Ring Trish - 8570 1080 - for more information.

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Congratulations to the Henderson Team on winning the Swan Reach Area School Sports Day.
Congratulations to Henderson, Prize and Record Winners, and all Participants for their tremendous efforts at Sports Day on Tuesday. Thank you to all of the helpers on the day.

Congratulations to Hiro Yamamoto and wife Kelly on the safe arrival of Ryusei.

Here are a few reminders for our students, parents and community members:

**Buses:** Students are expected to be at their designated bus stop at the designated time. If a student is late the driver will wait until 2 minutes past the time allocated and then drive on.

**Duty of Care:** Please remember that the yard is staffed from 8:30am until the last bus leaves. Several students have started getting to school before this time. These students must report to the front office first so that staff are aware that they are on site. Staff will direct the students where to go until the allotted time.

**Reports:** A reminder that Year 6-12 reports will go out on Friday 23rd March. This will indicate student achievement and attitude to date and whether the teacher requests an interview in Week 10.

**Issues or Grievances:** If you have an issue or a grievance within the school context it is always best to first approach the person with whom you have the issue. This is what we tell the students; the next step is to follow the school grievance procedures that are available from the front office but currently under review.

**Facebook:** A reminder that it is illegal for people under the age of thirteen to be members of Facebook. Please remember, and remind students, that FB is a public forum and that what they write can potentially be seen by thousands of people including potential employers.

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**COMMUNITY NOTICES**

The Williamson family would like to thank all attendees at Mitch's 18th birthday on the weekend for helping him to celebrate this momentous occasion. Everyone's behaviour was excellent. We appreciate it. Thankyou. Trena Williamson.

Past Swan Reach school teachers, (1975-1976) George and Kathy Long, will be visiting Joan Wilkinson at the beginning of April. If you would like to catch up with them please give Joan a call: 8570 2243 or mobile: 0427 609 069.

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**ac.care**

Local kids need local foster carers.

Foster caring is sensitivity, ability and commitment. Together ac.care and foster carers offer a safe, nurturing and stable environment for children. ac.care provides carers with guidance, training and partnership 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. If you are considering becoming a foster carer and want to find out more about today's foster care, contact ac.care on 08 8582 2344 or visit the website [www.accare.org.au](http://www.accare.org.au)

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**BLANCHETOWN KART CLUB**

**J JUNIOR LIGHT/HEAVY, ROOKIES AND J OPEN TROPHY DAY**

March 25th 2012

Scrutineering from 8.30am. Racing should be underway by 10.00am.

Canteen and Bar Facilities available.

NO ALCOHOL to be brought onto premises.

Enquiries: Angela Pfeiler: 8541 3326.

Nominations after 10.30pm Monday March 19th will be put ROF.
Wanted - Jars and Bottles

The SRC is hoping to have another Bottle Stall at the Easter Fair April 7th this year.
If you are able to donate any jars of jam or produce, they would be gratefully accepted.
Please leave them with Sue in the library.

All money raised goes back into supporting projects for the school.

Also please remember that it is illegal to log in under someone else’s name and people can be charged with impersonation. With this in mind here are some steps to help protect you when using social networking sites:

- Set your online profile to private and be discerning about who you accept as your ‘friend’
- Protect your accounts with strong passwords
- Never use the same password that you use for your bank or email accounts and have a different password for each social networking site so that if one password is stolen, not all of your accounts will be at risk
- Think before you post - ask yourself if the information you are sharing is something you want your family, friends or future employees to see
- Don’t post information that would make you or your family vulnerable - such as your date of birth, address, information about your daily routine, holiday plans, or your children’s schools
- Don’t post photos of you or your family and friends that may be inappropriate - or that your family and friends haven’t agreed to being posted
- Be wary of strangers - people are not always who they say they are. It’s a good idea to limit the number of people you accept as friends.

Have a great fortnight

Kylie Eggers
Principal

Interruption to Power Supply

Due to essential upgrade work, power will be interrupted in Morgan, Swan Reach, Blanchetown and surrounding areas.
The interruption will occur on **Wednesday 21 March** at about **9.30pm** with power being restored by **5.30am Thursday March 22**.
What a busy seven weeks it has been in Middle School (and SRAS). Lots of sports events complete as well as the biggest event of the year for Middle School (as far as some are concerned anyway!) - the Middle School camp to Adelaide. A fabulous time was had by all - staff, students, parents and the bus driver! Wednesday was a bit trying with the continual spitting of rain. Many mad dashes were made for shelter! This also made for some interesting terrain to negotiate at Clipsal on Thursday morning! Hopefully by the next edition of the school newsletter the 6/7 English class will have completed their recounts so that their experiences can be shared with all. A special thank you goes to Troy Cowland, Tracey Gierke and Jo Dettloff for their help and assistance for the duration of the camp. As I’m sure you can all imagine, Tracey ensured that the kitchen was a well oiled machine that continued to dish out the food. Also a big thank you goes to Darrell Murray, Youth Development Officer Murraylands Region, who has been helping me for the past 4 months to submit an application for additional funding to keep our camp to a low cost for each student. It is lovely to hear feedback from parents who were grateful for this reduced cost - it makes all the hard work worthwhile. A final big thank you also goes to Mike Bottroff who ensured that we reached each of our destinations in a safe and timely manner. We all acknowledge the wonderful job that he did driving a bus full of people through difficult traffic conditions.

Responding to Abuse and Neglect Information Session for Mentors/School Volunteers
VOLUNTEERS ONLY
23rd of March 2012 from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm at the:
Murray Bridge Regional Office
20 Beatty Terrace Murray Bridge SA 5253

The South Australian Association of School Parents’ Clubs Inc has DECD accredited trainers conducting a FREE 2 hour session. Once they attend the training session they will be issued a certificate that is valid for three years. To make a booking to attend the training session, please contact Luke Wilson on: luke.wilson4@sa.gov.au or phone 0457 764 318 RSVP by Friday 16th of March for catering and resource purposes.

Australian Government Mobile Offices
On Tuesday March 20, 2012, the Mobile Office will be at Swan Reach from 12.30pm - 3.30pm next to the Police Station. This service is to assist families, students and seniors with information about payment and services.

Huff ‘n’ Puff
Mondays 5.00 - 6.00pm
Wednesdays 5.10 - 6.10pm
$3.00 donation for the week - proceeds go to gym equipment.
Ring Kylie Eggers at the school or more information.

CALENDAR OF SPORTING EVENTS FOR TERM 1
Wednesday 21st March - CMASSA Sports Day, Swan Reach Area School
Friday 30th March - SSSSA Athletics Carnival at Mile End - selected secondary students from Swan Reach, East Murray, Cambrai and Mannum, Lameroo.
Reminder…..
Although the school has some calculators available for borrowing, it is advisable that they purchase their own. The school has some for sale at $22.00 each.

I also want to give a quick congratulations to Mr. Cowland who survived his first school camp as an official ‘teacher’. As you can see from the photo, it was quite a tiring occasion ensuring that students are safe twenty-four seven for three days. Sorry Troy, couldn’t resist sharing this photo with everyone! We were all definitely glad to be in our own beds on the Friday night!

This term in Extension Studies we have four programs running. Mr. Martinson is running the Pedal Prix team, Mr. Griffiths is undertaking Ag Studies, Mr. Jesser is doing music and I am undertaking card-making. If anyone has a special skill that they would be happy to teach the Middle School students (Thursday afternoons for an hour and a half), please contact me at the school. We try our best to provide variety, but unfortunately this can become difficult. The students (and myself!) appreciate having as many options to choose from as possible.

Last week, a number of Middle School students took part in the World Education Games event. Congratulations to everyone who participated in Spelling and Maths. Special congratulations to Brooke Verman, Courtney Kluge, Tayla Barker, Dylan Buchanan, Cameron Horstmann, and Kyle Glinz who completed all the available challenges on World Maths Day (7th March). Mr. Tun hopes you all enjoyed the challenge and are looking forward to participating again next year.

Lastly, I would just like to thank Marg Bastian for joining us again this year. She will be working with the 8/9 students each Friday. She comes to our school with a vast quantity of knowledge which is greatly appreciated by staff and students.

Amelia Bolt
Middle School Coordinator
Maths Conundrums
Congratulations to Aaren B., Amelinda P., Brooke V., Christy V., Hayley C. and Tayla B. who submitted the correct answer to the last Conundrums. The Lucky Winners were Amelinda and Tayla who may collect the winner’s prize from the Front Office. This week’s Conundrums are as follows:

Senior School:
Which of the numbers in the square is the odd one out and why?

Junior School:
Scales 1 and 2 are in perfect balance. If one C is the same as 4 As, how many As are needed to balance the third set?

All Entries must be submitted to the Front Office no later than end of Lunch on Friday 23rd March.

The correct answers to the last Conundrums are as follows:
Senior School: 22
Middle School: 8

Any questions, please see Mr Tun.

CMASSA Sports Day Roster 2012

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CMASSA Sports Day Roster 2012

An Introduction to Carbon Farming and Training
1-Day Workshop
Bowhill Community Centre
April 4th, 2012
Presented by Michael and Louisa Kiely
FarmReady Approved
Cost: $400
65% reimbursed for eligible farmers - ends June 2012
Price includes GST, lunch and tea/coffee and a copy of the
Carbon Farming Handbook.
To register, call (02) 6374 0329
or email: Louisa@carboncoalition.com.au
www.carbonfarmersofaustralia.com.au
Upcoming events

Next Meeting: General Meeting on Friday 27th April at 10am in the Library.

Volunteers needed for the canteen on CMASSA Sports Day 21st March starting at 10:30am. If you can help please let us know. We need lots of help on this day as we have 4 other schools to cater for.

Pre-order forms for lunches have been sent home for CMASSA combined schools sports day. If you didn’t receive one please let the school know so another can be sent home, the order forms are due back tomorrow, March 16th.

A big thank you to Pete and Dawn at the General store for letting us use their freezer and coolroom over the weekend to store the lunch orders for sports day.

We would like to keep you informed on what Parents and Friends are doing, meeting dates etc. Please advise us of your preferred method of contact ie Email, Facebook, Text message or written notification. It would be great to hear from all families within the school.

Parents and Friends has set up a Facebook Group, if you are on Facebook and want to join, look us up under Facebook group Swan Reach Area School Parents and Friends.

Helping Healthy Growth

Below is a short case study designed to help parents and stimulate ideas. The better they are at managing children at home, the easier our job as teachers will be. If you have any feedback or suggestions of articles that you might want in the future on topics relating to behavioural change email me at Mat.Haslett@sa.gov.au

Oh no, Not the Red card!
Phillipa found that having to remind her young children about tasks at night was leading her to nag the children constantly. So she changed tack. Their family routine was to watch their favourite TV program after dinner. Following this the children knew they needed to get organised for bed. Phillipa would turn the TV off and show the children the red cards in a fun and flamboyant way. Her comic quality always received a laugh, and set the children up to begin in a positive manner. A little later if someone wandered back into the lounge to ask Phillipa a trivial question, she would motion in the direction of the task. At other times she would write the chore on a sticky note and stick it to the child’s shirt. No words were spoken! But the message was clear.

20 minutes before bed she would wander around displaying the cards as a final reminder. The children knew the significance of this as any child with unfinished business at 8 pm was red carded. She said nothing – just held up a red card.

Earning a red card meant that there would be a consequence in the future. Phillipa had a wicked sense of humour and so her mind worked overtime creating niggling but appropriate consequences. These ranged from dropping children off late to friends parties or sport, to picking them up early from events!

[Source: Parenting Tough Kids – Mark Le Messurier]
It always seems to be the case that it is cold for the swimming carnival and hot for sports day. This year was no exception, but the students still competed strongly and put in a great effort for the whole day. The younger students deserve a special mention as they would have been exhausted by the end of the day, but still competed hard in all of their events. Congratulations to Henderson for taking out the day with 1056 points, followed by Randell on 753 and Sturt on 691.

Congratulations to all of the individual medal winners:

**Open Boys 3000m** - 1st Ryan Grieger (*Record 9.27.28 min*), 2nd Andrew Bajszi and 3rd Shannon Tanner

**Open Girls 3000m** - 1st Shae Grieger (*Record 11.25.25 min*), 2nd Hayley Carter and 3rd Kady Poole

**Open Boys 1500m** - 1st Ryan Grieger (*Record 4.23.07 min*), 2nd Andrew Bajszi and 3rd Shannon Tanner

**Open Girls 1500m** - 1st Shae Grieger, 2nd Hayley Carter and 3rd Rebekah Dettloff

**Mini Sub Junior Girls** - Elise Horstmann (40 points) and Mia Kluge (28 points)

**Mini Sub Junior Boys** - Joshwa Agius (30 points) and Kane Glinz (29 points)

**Sub Junior Girls** - Kira Glinz (46 points) and Gemma Horstmann (44 points - *Record - Long Throw: 23.69m*)

**Sub Junior Boys** - Aiden Holland (50 points) and Michael Donald (40 points)

**Junior Girls** - Kady Poole (57 points) and Madison Donald (31 points)

**Junior Boys** - Cameron Horstmann (50 points - *Record - 70m: 10.12 sec, 100m: 14.17 sec and 200m: 30.26 sec*) and Kyle Glinz (42 points)

**Inter Girls** - Taylor Poole (68 points) and Nicole Carter (66 points)

**Inter Boys** - Daniel Barker (76 points) and Jack Wiebrecht (64 points)

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**Junior Friday Night Mixed Netball Competition**

5 to 14 year olds

at Cambrai Sportsground

6.00pm - 8.00pm

With BBQ and bar facilities.

Starting 27 April until 17 August 2012
(excluding school holidays) for further details please contact either:

Leonie 0447600 737 or Kathy 0427 652 188

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**CMASSA Athletics Day – Wednesday 21st March 2012**

Students are asked to wear their cooldry navy/red polo shirt at the CMASSA Athletics Day at Swan Reach Area School on Wednesday 21st March.

Buses will run as normal.

*There WILL NOT be any formal lessons held for students not competing in events and it will be expected that those non competitors attending will support the school as spectators.*

**Lunch Orders for CMASSA Athletics Day**

Please return your orders by TOMORROW, Friday 16th March.

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Reminder……

School will be dismissed at 2.30 on Thursday April 5.
End of term 1
Occasional Care Review.
The review of our Occasional Care Program at Swan Reach Kindergarten is still being conducted in the expectation that we will receive more letters of support for previous use, current use or intended use of the service by parents and caregivers. The service is available every Friday morning from 8.45 – 11.45 in the Kindergarten and is offered to children 2-5 yrs of age. Please send your experiences and expectations in letter form or speak to one of the staff to pass on your feelings as we are in danger of losing this valuable session in the future.

Play group for parents and their children is held on Tuesday mornings and is one of the only other regular socializing services in the area.

Send your responses to the School, Kindy or hand it to a play group or Kindergarten parent.
Post to Swan Reach & Area Kindergarten c/o P.O. Box 41, Nildottie, S.A. 5238
Phone the Kindy 08 85702032 on Wed or Fri for information on any preschool matters.

Monarto Zoo Visit 28th March. Kindy - Year 2 combined.
Student Free Day 4th April. National Quality Improvement Planning day for staff
6th - 22nd April Holidays.
Anzac Day 25th April. No Kindy

Claire, Dorothee and Terry.

Senior Girls - Shae Grieger (76 points - Record - Triple Jump : 9.35m, 400m : 1.05.49 min, 200m : 29.06 sec) and Rebekah Dettloff (52 points)
Senior Boys - Ryan Grieger (81 points - Record - 400m : 59.07 sec) and Andrew Bajszi (71 points)

Overall sports day was a huge success. I would like to say a big thank you to all of the parents and friends who volunteered their help and supported the students throughout the day. I would also like to give a special mention to Phil Carter for getting the oval ready for the day.

Troy Cowland, Sports Coordinator

Emily, Chelsea and Briannah at the Long Jump on Sports Day last Tuesday.
What a fantastic Sports Day on Tuesday. Even though the weather was very warm everyone tried their absolute best and just kept going and going. I’m sure there were some very weary bodies that night. I know I was worn out! Congratulations to all trophy winners and to everyone who participated so brilliantly.

Trophy winners Mia & Elise, Joshwa, Aiden, &Michael, Kira and Kane,

Next Wednesday is the CMASSA Sports Day at Swan Reach. All children will be involved in events and are expected to attend. If your child is unable to attend please let us know before the day so that we have a chance to reorganise the teams.

On Wednesday 28th March the R-2 class will be travelling to Monarto with the Kindy children. More information and the consent forms will be sent home next week. This trip will tie in nicely with Design and Technology as we have been designing, making and appraising structures suitable for different zoo animals.

Term 1 is rapidly coming to a close and we are starting to organise portfolios to be sent home. It will be the same as last year where they will be sent home in Term 1 and 3 and reports will be sent home in Term 2 and 4. This term work samples will be from Maths, English, Health and PE and History.

Parent/Teacher interviews will be held on Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd April. These are very beneficial for all involved and we hope that as many parents as possible attend. Interview time sheets will be sent out in the near future.

The Term 1 Junior School assembly will be held on Wednesday 4th April, starting at 2pm. The hosts for the day will be the 3-5 class. Hope to see you there!

Have a good fortnight.
Anne Wilksch
Junior School Coordinator