Dear Families,

I hope you are all keeping well.

We have many exciting events coming up this term. Farmers Day will be held on the Friday of Week 8 to support farmers in South Australia. SRC are busy planning this event and more information will come soon.

We are very lucky to have a visit from the Life Education team in Week 9. They will be teaching students about a range of things from the Health curriculum. The Life Education team will also be providing teachers with information and resources to continue with into next term.

There were a few students who missed out on getting their SRC badges presented to them earlier in the term. They were presented to students earlier this week.

Kind Regards,

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Over the past week we have been lucky enough to have been involved in both World of Maths and our S.T.E.M Day. During both events our students were engaged and having lots of fun.

World of Maths offered real-life, hands-on Maths activities where students worked in small groups to solve the given problems. These activities covered all Mathematical curriculum areas and our students learnt through trial and error. The activities also helped students to increase their resilience skills and work together in a team.

During our S.T.E.M Day students rotated through a variety of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math activities. These included investigating push/pull using tyres, comparing heat transfer between different materials, making water turbines and balloon rockets, creating devices to keep eggs safe when dropped, planting trees and shrubs and making games using magnets.

It was great to hear lots of laughter, as well as seeing lots of smiles and students getting along.
I would like to acknowledge the extra commitment shown by staff during the 2 weeks of Parent/Teacher interviews. This time is invaluable as it informs you about successes, challenges and future goal setting for your child.

I would also like to say a big thank you to our wonderful group of SSO’s. The school celebrated SSO week with some wonderful thank you gifts for the hard work and commitment they put into the students, staff and school. Their work is very much needed, wanted and appreciated. Thank you to the Social Committee for organising gifts and for staff who provided morning tea.

Interschool Athletics is being held on the 31st August at the Jubilee Park Showgrounds. Over 40 students have been selected to represent themselves and our school in a variety of Athletics activities. Please feel free to come down and encourage our school.

Governing Council are currently changing the Nut Free Policy to become a Nut Aware Policy. There are a variety of reasons why we are making the change. Once Governing Council have approved the new policy it will be placed on the school’s website and become an active policy.

As the weather is beginning to warm up please ensure your child has access to a hat that must be worn during any outside activities. Hats can be purchased through the front office for $11.00.

Our grand opening ceremony for the STEM space is set for September 12th @ 10:00am. A free sausage sizzle will be provided on the day. Please come down and attend this special morning.

What’s Happening in Room 6?

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You’re invited

My Health Record
Your Questions Answered

My Health Record helps you keep track of your health. It means your important health information like medical conditions, allergies, treatments, medicine details, shared health summaries, test or scan reports and immunisations will be available in one secure place.

Come and listen to the people in the know and passionate about giving you the right information!!

Date: Monday 24th September 2018
Time: 10:30am, 1:30pm & 7:00pm
Venue: Westland Hotel – Palms Function Centre, 10 McDouall Stuart Avenue, Whyalla Norrie