Learning Today for Tomorrow’s Community

WE VALUE RESPECT, PERSEVERANCE, PROBLEM SOLVING

From the Principal

Capital Works—Redevelopment

Brown Falconer are the architects for the redevelopment of our school. Representatives from their company recently presented information to members of the school community and also consulted with representatives of the student body. Thank you to these students who had their input with the architects regarding our redevelopment, Ethan, Tyler (yr7), Amy, Jordan (yr6), Chloe and Tyler (yr5).

There are concept plans available in the front office if you wish to view them.

YOUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY—YOUR GOVERNING COUNCIL

We welcome to our Governing Council Sue Reeves, Mariann Thomas, and Bianca Woods (secretary). Thank you to Tori Geraghty (re-elected Chairperson) Geoff Gordon (Deputy Chairperson) and Jackie Blades (treasurer) are both continuing.

We are fortunate to have a strong Governing Council as this means a strong school community. Thank you also to parents who came to the Redevelopment meeting.

Honouring the CFS—Red Balloon Day

Today is Red balloon Day to honour the Country Fire Service (CFS). I am sure you will agree these volunteers do an amazing job under often difficult circumstances. Thank you to Cheryl Pettigrew who organised the Red Balloons.

Clean Up Day

Today is KESAB Clean Up Australia Day. Thank you to Narelle Christansen for organising our Clean Up at Evanston Gardens Primary.

Pupil Free Day—11th March 2014
### School Safety

Safety in and around school grounds is one of our main priorities for students and the school community. All students at Evans-ton Gardens are participating in the ‘Keeping Safe’ Curriculum which gives students a range of strategies to use if they feel una-safe.

One strategy is to trust your early warning signs and let a trusted adult know if you feel unsafe. Another is to walk and be with others, and not in out of bounds areas at play or class times. No inappropriate activity has occurred on school grounds, however for your information if you see any inappropriate or suspicious activity in the vicinity of the school or your neighbourhood please do not hesitate to ring the police (SAPOL) on 131444. Some details to note are the appearance of the people (height, build etc.) their car registration if relevant and general appearance.

Can you please discuss the important issue of safety with your children. This will support our work with the Keeping Safe Curriculum at school.

**We are a Safety Assist Organisation.**
*(see our logo in the admin building window)*

### Premier’s Reading Challenge

**Is your son or daughter taking up the challenge in 2014?**

If so, please ensure they fill in their student reading records as they read their books, get them signed off as they go and please make sure your child hands it in to their teacher or the school librarian before: **Friday 5th September.**

**The Challenge is to read 12 books in total.**

Reception to Year 7: 8 of these books are to be from the Challenge booklist, available on our website and 4 of their own choice and these can include class novels and research texts.

Student reading records are available from your child’s teacher, from the school library, or download from the website.

Your son / daughter can also Rate a Read, reviewing the books that they are reading and send this in to us. We award a winner every month with a book prize and their first name and school are entered on our website. Also, we have a student blog section for both primary and secondary students to post and share thoughts about the Challenge and books that they are reading—encourage your son / daughter to have a go!

### Head Lice

Head lice can be a frustrating challenge at times for parents. Ultimately this is a parental responsibility. Please do regular checks of your child’s hair. We have Lice Attack available for school card holders in the office and head lice information sheets. Please let us know if your child has head lice so that we can send home a note to parents notifying them of head lice in their child’s class. This contains a tear off slip which you are asked to return if the need arises.

### Winter Uniform

As we are having some cooler days students may need to come to school with jumpers or jackets.

If you would like to order winter uniforms please pick up an order form from the front office and return as soon as possible.

The Governing Council will be running a BBQ at the Election on Saturday 15th March.

### Skoolbag App

Evanston Gardens Primary School has a phone app. Please add this to your phone. Just search Evanston Gardens Primary School in the Apple App Store.

### Fundraising Election BBQ

The money raised will be going towards shade sails and artificial turf for the playgroup. Volunteers are needed to help run the BBQ. Please give your name and availability to the office.

### SA Excellence in Public Education Awards

Nominations are now open for the 2014 SA Excellence in Public Education Awards. For the first time, 2014 will see nominations opened up to all DECD employees, recognising and rewarding the outstanding contributions made by teachers, leaders, support staff and also corporate and services staff from across the state.

Don’t miss your chance to nominate an outstanding education professional, care or child protection worker within DECD to recognise and reward their dedicated and inspirational contribution to young South Australians.

To nominate an employee at your school, preschool or corporate office go to: www.decd.sa.gov.au/teachingawards.

Like us on Facebook and follow the progress of the Awards: www.facebook.com/SATeachingAwards.

Further information contact the Awards team on 08 8226 3079 or email DECD@Recognition@sa.gov.au

**Nominations close 5pm Thursday 10th April 2014**
**Pancake Day**

Tuesday 4th March

Pre orders

2 Pancakes with 2 toppings—$2.50

(Please circle 2 choices)

- Maple Syrup
- Lemon Juice
- Whipped Cream
- Strawberry Jam

Name_____________________________

Room_____________________________

Total $__________

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**Wicked Wednesday Healthy Lunch**

Wednesday 5th March

WEEK 6

Please return your order stapled to your lunch bag with the correct money by 11 am Tuesday 4th March

No late orders will be accepted

One student only per order form

NAME: ________________________________

CLASS: Pettigrew Buik Chebotarev Payne Napper Staff

Chicken Burger
Tomato, lettuce and mayonnaise
Bottle of water
$3.50 each

Total: $____:____
### Regular Happenings:

**Monday:**

- Bank Day—Band SA

**Tuesday:**

- Wicked Wednesday Lunch orders due by 11.00am (odd weeks)

**Wednesday:**

- STAFF MEETING DAY 3.30pm - 5.00pm

**Thursday:**

**Friday Fortnightly:**

- Newsletter (odd week)  
- Assembly (even weeks)

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