FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Last year our Governing Council approved the development of a nature play space. Recently we had a number of natural resources delivered to the school; logs, large rocks and pallets. These have been used to start our nature play space. This area will allow students to engage with natural materials and spaces. We still have a lot of work to do and look forward to this space evolving. Below are some photos of areas which have been developed and constitute as natural play spaces.

Progress of Newbery Park Primary School’s Nature Play Space.
Parent Teacher Interviews
Parent teacher interviews are a great way to find out how your child is progressing academically and socially at school. Interviews commence this evening from 3:45pm - 6:00pm, and continue Wednesday 6th April & Thursday 7th April. If you have overlooked this opportunity and would like to make an appointment to meet with your child’s class teacher, please contact the front office for a booking time.

Governing Council
Our Governing Council membership for 2016 are as follows:

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Last week our Governing Council met. At this meeting we discussed:
- The key roles and responsibilities of governing council.
- Approved the schools 2016 budget and monthly financial statements.
- Received key reports from the Principal, teachers, Learning Together and Student Representative Committee.
- 50th Birthday Celebration Committee – Next year our school turns 50. A committee has been formed to put together a birthday celebration for Newbery Park Primary. If you are interested in becoming part of this committee, please make contact with the front office.
- Infrastructure Committee – We formed a subcommittee to discuss further developments and maintenance required in the school.
- Heard how teachers have been focussing on goal setting to support students in their academic achievement. Along with the work the school has been doing on developing an understanding of what high quality teaching learning is, and what this looks like in practice.

End of Term 1
Next week is our last week at school for term one. It has been an action packed term with our staff and students at Newbery Park participating in a range of exciting and valuable activities such as:
- Sports Day
- 6/7 Excursion to Pelican Point
- Acquaintance Afternoon
- Reception students visiting McArthur Park Kindergarten
- World of Maths
- Room 6 & 10 Forestry Excursion
- Our 6/7 students began their partnership with Radio STHE FM and have been broadcasting on our local radio station
- Students worked alongside their class teachers and developed academic goals
- Our staff participated in workshops with Ann Baker, who will be returning on the 18th of May 2016, to run parent workshops
- Our school will host SAPSASA District Athletics Day, Wednesday 13th April 2016 which our Parents & Friends will cater for.

A reminder that Friday 15th April 2016, is the last day of Term 1, the school day will end an hour earlier at 2:20pm. The staff at Newbery wishes you a safe and relaxing holiday break and look forward to seeing you all in Term 2.

Kind Regards
Stuart Miller
PRINCIPAL
Welcome to everyone! I would like to firstly thank everyone for welcoming the Italian language to the school. It has been a great start to the year for Italian at Newbery Park, with all students and staff getting involved. I am sure Italian will become very successful. This term students began to learn about the language and culture of Italy, immersing themselves and embracing it fully. Students are beginning to understand how culturally rich Italy is and how the language lends itself to the culture. The students first learnt about Carnevale, the rich cultural event that occurs at the beginning of Lent, and fittingly they learnt about Pasqua (Easter), which allowed them to begin to see that a lot of the religious celebrations are celebrated and have become instilled in the culture of Italy. Students have begun to acquire the language by learning the alphabet, numbers, days of the week, months of the year and the seasons. Receptions, year ones and year twos have been learning about Io Sono/Tu Sei (I am/You Are) and are beginning to learn the body parts. The year threes and fours are learning about having a simple conversation in Italian with another student; the year fives, sixes and year sevens have been learning about family in Italian, and are producing their own family trees in Italian. I will be displaying their work in the Italian room, and by the start of next term I will be giving staff different signs to put around their classrooms, in the hope the Italian language will spread around the school. If you have any questions, or would like to say hello, feel free to come and see me. Grazie mile e a presto!

Gabi Castello – Italian Teacher

Room 6 & 10 Forestry Excursion

This term our class travelled with Mr Currie’s class to Windy Hill for a forestry excursion. First, we stopped off and collected yakka seeds. This involved collecting the entire flower stem of the yakka in a tarp and bringing it back to school to get the seeds. We then moved to a Biodiversity Corridor to remove pine trees. This involved pulling the pine trees out, or if they were too big, we had to use saws to cut them off at their trunks! We remove the pine trees because they are not meant to be in the Biodiversity corridors, and they take valuable water and nutrients from the native plants. We also found Scottish Thistle, which is a prickly flower that is Scotland’s most precious flower across most of Scotland.

Unfortunately we were not able to distribute our Clay Seed Balls as we had originally planned so in Term 2 we will be going on another excursion to distribute these.

Room 6 & 10
Week 9 Values Award Winners

Room 11

Room 7

Room 7

Room 3

Room 10

Room 6

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COMMUNITY NOTICES

MILICENT SCOUT GROUP AND THE WATTLE RANGE COUNCIL
Youth Week
FAMILY FUN DAY

FREE ACTIVITIES
- ROCK CLIMBING
- ARCHERY TAG
- SLIDERS
- PUZZLES
- GAMES
- MUSIC
- RADIO STATION
- YOUTH ART
- IN THE DOMAIN

WHERE
CIVIC CENTRE GEORGE ST MILICENT

WHEN
17th APRIL

TIME
10AM to 3PM

COST
ACTIVITIES FREE

FOOD AND DRINKS AVAILABLE ON SITE
COME AND SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY
FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL KELLY ON 0413 606 080

MILICENT WALKS 2 FIGHT CANCER

The Millicent Cancer Support Group invites you to join our walk at the Domain Playground, Ridge Terrace, Millicent SA.

Mother’s Day - Sunday 8th May

Walks to commence between 9.30 am & 10.30am
2km & 4km distances

 Adults- $10
 Children - Gold Coin donation
Free Raffle for participants

“Together let’s make a difference”

MILICENT SOCCER MINIROOS

Miniroos soccer practice for girls and boys aged 4-10 years.
Wednesday 6th April 2016, 4:30pm at the Millicent Soccer grounds, Plunkett Terrace.
Bring something to drink, sandals are fine to train in. 2016 season commences end of April.
Enquiries to Mat Grgetic 0427 403 162

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