It’s been a great week of very uplifting events for our school and community.

**PRE-SCHOOL TO RECEPTION FAMILIARISATION**

The pre-school students had their second visit in the Reception classes and from the smiles I’ve seen and teachers and parents comments, all has gone very well. Next Tuesday and Wednesday the pre-school students will have their last visit to our school, 9.00 – 11.30a.m. before starting on February 1st, 2016. We are currently placing students into their 2016 classes and have appreciated the information that has been provided to us by the kindergarten staff.

**NUMERACY WEEK CELEBRATION**

We celebrated Numeracy Week by inviting parents, caregivers and family members to join their children in a Maths challenge. The Maths Challenge was launched at Tuesday’s assembly. Following the assembly, parents/caregivers went to their child’s class to solve the Maths Challenge together; the LP classes worked on tessellations (repeated patterns) and the Primary classes worked on a trihexaflexagon.

I visited every class and it was fantastic to see parents and children working together to solve the problems. The Maths Challenge learning has been captured in photos and video snippets and all classes have posted their class challenge on Edmodo so every class can see what happened across the school.

It was a terrific afternoon of learning and enjoying Maths. Thank you to everyone who came to the assembly and their child’s classroom, and to staff for making it happen.

Thanks to our Maths/Numeracy Co-ordinator, Mrs Vanessa Wainwright for organising our whole school celebration of Maths. I think it’s a must for 2016!

**SAFETY IN THE BUS BAY**

Bus drivers are very worried about what they are seeing lately in our bus bay.

I am reminding parents that:

- **Parents/Caregivers (anyone bringing children to school)** are not allowed to drive onto school grounds, including the bus bay between 8.30 and 4.00 p.m. Park on the road please.

- **Parents/Caregivers (anyone bringing children to and from school)** and students are not allowed to walk through the bus bay. Use the pedestrian gateways, not the bus drive ways, and stay on the paths. Only bus children and supervising staff can be in this area.

Please be considerate of the bus drivers and mindful of your safety and that of our children.

**PUPIL FREE DAY Friday 13th November**

Thank you to our school community and Governing Council for granting a Pupil Free Day last Friday. Staff had a very valuable and productive day of learning and 2016 planning.

While we still have a little over three weeks remaining of 2015, we are very much looking forward to and planning for 2016. Our priorities will remain Maths/Numeracy, Literacy (Spelling and Writing), Technology and Social and Emotional Learning. The partnership between school, parents and community is a major factor in the success of children at school.

Please consider supporting the school as a volunteer, a member of Parent Group, a member of the Governing Council or in any other way in 2016. We appreciate the great contribution that all community members make to our school.
While at the National Learning and Teaching conference, I was lucky enough to hear Brett Lee, former Queensland Police Officer, Senior Detective and for the past five years, Undercover Detective on the Internet and creator of INESS (Internet Education and Safety Services).

Brett highlighted the importance of teaching our children how to use the internet safely, and to develop a mindset in children that every time we log on, we are communicating with real people (3 billion in fact!) He encourages every parent and carer to use the internet to locate the information that best suits their needs when it comes to their children and technology, whether it be internet safety, cyber bullying, sexting, technological information or support.

For more information and lots of resources, please visit: www.iness.com.au

Remembrance Day
November 11th marked the 97th anniversary of the Armistice, which ended the First World War (1914–18). Each year on this day Australians observe one minute’s silence at 11 am, in memory of those who died or suffered in all wars and armed conflicts. This year, our student leaders represented our school at the annual Remembrance Day Ceremony held in Renmark.

Attention Parents:

Days of Catastrophic Fire Danger Rating
Catastrophic fire danger rating days are days when the weather conditions mean a fire is more likely to start and is more difficult to control.

When a catastrophic fire danger rating is forecast for the following day by the Bureau of Meteorology, all ‘low/medium risk’ schools and preschools (such as ours) in the declared Fire Ban District of the ‘Riverland’ will remain OPEN.

School buses and taxis services that travel through affected Fire Ban District(s) will not operate.

Parents and carers will need to make alternative transport arrangements for their children on these days.

Please make sure your emergency contact details are updated before the fire danger season starts.
Please check Renmark Primary School’s Facebook page for further information on catastrophic days.

Medical Consent and Health Care Plans
If your child has a medical condition recorded you will be receiving new medication consents and healthcare plans. Healthcare plans must be renewed every year by a doctor and it is often most convenient for parents to arrange this in the holidays.
If your child takes medication, please return the medication consent to the front office ASAP.
Thank you for your prompt assistance with this-up to date details are vital.

Ice Blocks
On Monday 23rd and Monday 30th, SRC/ Little Leaders will be selling fruit ice blocks for 50 cents.
These will be available from the kitchen at lunch time.
PLEASE NOTE: Only one Icy Pole Per student.

Crunch and Sip
Please ensure your children are bringing a piece of fruit for crunch and sip daily.
Our donated fruit is mostly consumed at crunch and sip time, which means we often have little fruit left over for emergency lunch and recess.
If anyone has excess fruit /vegies, donations are always much appreciated.

School Uniform Donations
Do you have any school uniforms (t-shirts or jumpers), navy blue pants, shorts or skirts that you do not need anymore?? If so, the front office would much appreciate any donations of school clothing. Thankyou.
At the start of the year students are given the opportunity to compete with other Australian students in different competitions. The students pay a fee to take part and receive certificates and information about how they have gone. Congratulations to the following students on their participation and some excellent results.

**Digi Tech Results**

**Participation Certificate:**
Wyatt Neef & Brooke Perrin (Yr 5)

**Credit Certificate:**
Temika MacKintosh (Yr 3) top 14%
Lachlan Goody (Yr 4) top 18%

**Science Results**

**Participation Certificate:**
Kade Bryant & Samara Lacey (Yr 3)
Jesse Robins & Cody Letton (Yr 4)
Wyatt Neef & Brooke Perrin (Yr 5)

**Merit Certificate:**
Temika MacKintosh (Yr 3) top 39%
Tyrone Adams (Yr 4) top 42%

**Credit Certificate:**
Alex Teakle (Yr 4) top 15%

**Spelling Results**

**Participation Certificate:**
Kade Bryant, Temika MacKintosh, Austin Coleman (Yr 3)
Jesse Robins & Emily Thiel (Yr 4)
Judd Hansen & Brooke Perrin (Yr 5)
Sarah Greig (Year 7)

**Merit Certificate:**
Tyrone Adams (Yr 4) top 41%
Cody Letton (Yr 4) top 41%

**Credit Certificate:**
Caleb Petty (Yr 4) top 28%
Wyatt Neef (Yr 5) top 34%
Isobel Atkinson (Yr 5) top 22%

**English Results**

**Participation Certificate:**
Kade Bryant, Austin Coleman (Yr 3)
Jesse Robins (Yr 4)
Aimee Duncan, Wyatt Neef, Brooke Perrin (Yr 5)
Grace Nuske, Amber Winfield-Howell (Yr 6)

**Merit Certificate:**
Temika MacKintosh (Yr 3) top 37%
Arryn Ratcliffe (Yr 6) top 39%

**Credit Certificate:**
Alex Teakle (Yr 4) top 24%
Lachlan Goody (Yr 4) top 16%
Isobel Atkinson (Yr 5) top 13%
Nick Tzanos (Yr 6) top 30%
Lochlan OBrien (Yr 6) top 14%
Joshua Goody (Yr 7) top 32%

**Distinction**
Avery Atkinson (Yr 2) top 7%

**Maths Results**

**Participation Certificate:**
Kade Bryant (Yr 3)
Tyrone Adams, Emily Jonas, Jaxon Lloyd, Jesse Robins (Yr 4)
Isobel Atkinson, Angus Greig, Judd Hansen, Ben Heywood, Brooke Perrin, Stephanie Schier (Yr 5)
Maddison Holmes, Lochlan O'Brien, Karlee Schwartzkopff (Yr 6)

**Merit Certificate:**
Avery Atkinson (Yr 2) top 42%
Nick Tzanos (Yr 6) top 37%

**Credit Certificate:**
Temika MacKintosh (Yr 3) top 35%
Alex Teakle (Yr 4) top 25%
Wyatt Neef (Yr 5) top 32%
Parent
Reminders...

Assembly
Week 9 – Friday 11th December at 2pm

Breakfast Club
Just a reminder that the Breakfast Club will be held every Thursday from 8.15-8.45 am in the kitchen. Any coin donation helps!

Yr. 7 Graduation
Week 8 – Monday 30th November 2pm – 3:15pm

Let’s Celebrate
Week 8 – Thursday 3rd December

School lunch orders
Are on Fridays – orders need to be in by 9am on Thursdays. Front office have menus and order bags.

***PLEASE NOTE SCHOOL LUNCH ORDERS WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE ON THE LAST FRIDAY OF THE TERM – FRIDAY THE 11th DECEMBER!***

YMCA SCHOOL HOLIDAY SUMMER CAMPS

Why not join the YMCA Camping team on a fun filled school holiday camp these summer holidays!

This summer YMCA Camping has plenty of camps on offer with a huge variety of awesome activities to keep your children busy throughout the summer holidays.

YMCA Holiday Camps are very popular and places are limited. Book now to secure your place in the sun, and join us for Fun, Friendship and Adventure!

All the details and booking form can be found on the YMCA website – www.sa.ymca.org.au/our-services/ymca-camping/school-holiday-camps/

Contact YMCA Camping on 8406 2900 or campingsa@ymca.org.au for more details.

The weather is heating up!!!!

Please ensure to apply your child/ren with sunscreen before school.

Remember to stay cool and be sun smart.

Parent Group Meeting
A message from the parent group….

Hi members,

Our next meeting will be next Wednesday 25th November at 9am in Maria’s room.

We will be having a chat about our events calendar for 2016.

All parents are welcome to attend. Hope to see you all there.
**Community Notices**

**Renmark Out of School Hours Care**
Open out of school hours 6:30am-8:30am & 3:15pm-6:30pm. Pupil free days and School Holidays 6:30am-6:30pm. Please Call: 85 864 481 for bookings. Booking are essential for Vacation Care.

**National Karate Academies Renmark** - at R-7 Hall on Wednesdays (enter from 19th St. Renmark). Phone Jeff on 0417 938 076.

**Martial Arts Australia Freestyle Karate** - held at Paringa on Mondays & Renmark High School Gym on Wednesdays. Ph. Iris on 0404019977. Info: See notice board.

**Renmark School Dental Clinic** – Open Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and alternate Thursdays. Phone 8586 6403. Emergency nos. when clinic closed: Berri 8582 1969 or Waikerie 8541 2434. See Dental Clinic notice board for important information regarding clinic services, dates open and emergency details.

**Guitar Mania** – Free Guitar lessons for 5-10 year olds and their parents in Term 3 & 4, Wednesdays, 3.30-4.00pm. Bookings are Essential. See notice board for details or phone Wendy on 85866063.

**Renmark Junior Golf Coaching Clinics** - For children 5-17 years. Friday’s at the Renmark Golf Club, 4.30pm-5:30pm. All equipment supplied.

**Renmark Music & Movement Group** is for babies, toddlers, preschoolers and their carers! It involves children’s songs, nursery rhymes, instruments, a story and more. It is held every Monday & Friday morning during school term. 9:30-10:30am, Renmark Uniting Church Hall, $2 a session per family. BYO water bottle and fruit snack for afterwards. No bookings needed - Contact: Laura Strout 0429953495

**Songbirds with Hayley Ramsay** - Songbirds is a singing school in Renmark offering lessons to primary and high school students who love to belt out a tune! For more information, call Hayley on 0417899373 or search for Songbirds on Facebook

**Renmark Hockey Club**
Hook In2 Hockey for children aged 5-10 is free! RHC’s accredited coaches will run Hook In2 Hockey sessions on: Thursdays 3:40-5pm at the Renmark High School.

**Term Dates 2015**

Term 4  October 12th - December 11th
Term 1 2016  1st February - 15th April

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**Dates to Remember**

**Term 4**

**Week 6**
- November 17/18: Pre-School Transition Visits 9-10:50am
- November 17: Assembly at 2:40pm
- November 19: Just 2 Deadly Awards – Barmera PS

**Week 7**
- November 24/25: Pre-School Transition Visits 9-10:50am
- November 27: SAPSASA Softball

**Week 8**
- November 30: YR 7 Graduation
- November 30: Governing Council meeting 6pm
- December 3: LET’S CELEBRATE

**Week 9**
- December 9: RAP Red Carpet Event – C/Theatre
- December 10: End of Year Class Parties
- December 11: End of Year Assembly at 2:00pm

*Please Note: Dates are subject to change*

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**RENMARK PRIMARY SCHOOL – OFFICIAL**

Don’t forget to check out our School website @

Let's Celebrate 2015
Thurs. 3rd December
Renmark Primary School
invites
Families and friends to our end of year school concert

**Fantastic items from all classes!**

- **4:45pm—5:10pm** Bottled water, Fruit box drinks sold from the kitchen servery. FOOD WILL NOT BE AVAILABLE.
- **4:50pm**— ALL STUDENTS TO THEIR CLASSROOMS (organisation of costumes, make up & props). Students are asked to bring their water bottle.
- **5:10 pm**—Everyone please be seated!

**5:15pm CONCERT BEGINS!**

Information:
- Students remain with their class teacher from 4.50pm until the end of the evening.
- Classes will sit in an allocated area with their teacher to enjoy the concert.
- **FAMILIES, PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN SEATS**
- The stage area and audience seating will be under the shade structure.
- Drinks and toilets will be easily accessible.

Photographing and filming PERMITTED

NO ALCOHOL

NO SMOKING ON SCHOOL GROUNDS or BOUNDARY FOOT PATHS

NO BIKES, SCOOTERS, SPORTS GEAR, we’d like everyone to come to enjoy the concert!

COME ALONG FOR A GREAT NIGHT OF FUN AND CELEBRATION