



Life Long Learning

NEWSLETTER # 2

Term 2 2018



Government of South Australia

Department for Education

From the Principal

Dear Families

We have had a busy term 2, starting with our external site review, then ending with a funding review. You are able to view the full external review report on our website [www.erringtonsec.sa.edu.au](http://www.erringtonsec.sa.edu.au)

An excerpt from the report:

**What is the school doing particularly well and why is this effective?**

*Communication with parents -with the seesaw app in particular giving parents "peace of mind" and supporting transparency.*

*Modified SACE - which has been exceptionally successful over many years, with 100% of our students successfully completing SACE.*

*Personalising Learning-Implementing SMARTAR goals has added rigour and transparency to the tracking of educational progress as students move across the school.*

**Outcomes of the External School Review 2018**

*Errington Special Education Centre is demonstrating a positive culture of optimism and improvement characterised by having realistic and achievable expectations for students with complex needs. The school leadership is setting a clear agenda for improvement and is working diligently at developing individual and whole-staff capacity to deliver positive change across the school. Changes are in the early phases of implementation and generally staff are committed and on-board, although at different levels. Parents are proud of their school and the opportunities afforded their children to 'ready' them for learning and life.*

**The principal will work with the education director to implement the following directions:**

- 1. Continue to build a solid foundation of 'predictability' in support of student engagement, learning and wellbeing as they transition between classes from reception to year 12.*
- 2. Continue to expand whole-school, sub-school and class-based datasets with teachers to inform planning and report on success in student engagement, growth and achievement in learning.*
- 3. Embed all aspects of the multi-tiered systems of support in every class in a highly coherent and seamless manner to ensure continuity of learning for all students.*

We are very proud of these results and encourage you to view the full report.

Lynley Page, Assistant Director, Disability State and National Reform and Mark Witham, Director Funding, visited our school to review our implementation of funds for those students who receive extra funding support. The funding is used to employ SSOs to support the student access the curriculum. Lynley and Mark commended teachers on the documentation used to support staff and students and how the learning is differentiated and personalised for each of our students. They also identified how complex our site is with the varied degree of challenges our young people and families face.

**Special Dates of Interest**

Monday 3rd September	School Closure
Friday 21st September	Pupil Free Day
Saturday 27th October	Bunnings BBQ
Monday 19th November	Pupil Free Day

**New School Times  
Start Term 3 2018**

**Drop Off at 8:40am**

**Pick Up from 2:50pm**

Yesterday Mark Boag from Harley Heaven was given a school tour which culminated in a morning tea in our S1 class where he also received a little choir performance. Mark was very impressed with our school and the wonderful reception he received from our students. Harley Heaven have generously donated \$10,000 which will purchase a interactive fence in our junior primary playground area.



Mark Boag and Garry Connor with S1 students

Farewell to SSO's Joey Browne and Stephanie Chuong who are both moving interstate. Cally Tierney has won a SSO2 position at Glenunga International High School with a focus on transition for students. Thankyou Joey, Stephanie and Cally for all your amazing work that you have done for our students.

Student reports are being sent home today. It was terrific to read about student progress. Many of our students have achieved their goals and staff will be consulting with families on new or extending goals.

It is never too early to consider your child's future beyond school. On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> August we are hosting a parent tour of some post school options organisations; The tour will leave from school at approximately 9:15am on one of our school buses. If you would like to book a seat on the bus please call reception 8293 3779 to book your place. Wishing all our students a happy school break.

### From the Deputy Principal

Next term we are excited to launch our Positive Behaviour Code, called "The Errington Identity". Staff were involved in an extensive consultation to develop the themes, design and descriptors for each theme. All classes will begin teaching the theme "Safety" from the beginning of term 3. Staff will use a variety of practices including video self modelling, lesson plans, role playing and modelling. We have just received the final "logo"

from the graphic designer, which we are still tinkering with to get the best colour combinations which will be clearly read. The next newsletter will have the "Logo" and it will be followed up with an official launch. I wish everyone a happy and safe holiday, energised and ready for a busy term 3!

Sam Hele  
Deputy Principal

**Bunnings Mile End Fundraiser  
Sausage Sizzle  
Saturday 27th October 2018  
Please come and support our school!  
Volunteers welcome!**



### Fitness Classes

9:15am  
Monday's

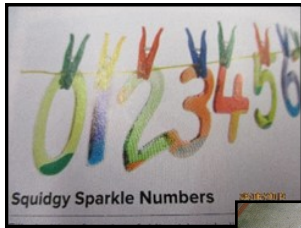
Errington Gym

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All Welcome!

Fitness isn't  
a seasonal  
hobby.  
Fitness is a  
lifestyle.

## Junior School



We have been busy spending some of our Fundraising money on resources for our students: some chalk to satisfy our young artists; some sparkle numbers and a transparent construction set to use on a light table, which was made by 'The Toy Boys' (from the Rotary Club); some people and furniture to use with a dolls' house that the students play with outside, as a quiet activity; a trapeze to hang from and swing (this is very popular) and some weighted items (e.g. a lizard).



Our fundraising money comes from selling chips and chocolate bars to the staff and a special THANKYOU to Thanasi's yiayia, who collects money in a tin on her Fruit and Veg stand. The money raised from our Bunnings sausage sizzle goes toward subsidising Kindergym for our students. It has been a busy and productive term. Wishing you a happy and safe holiday.  
From the Junior Team



## Primary sub school

P1 has been working on emotions in art and group time. We have used mirrors and books to determine what our own emotions look like and how they differ to those of others. We have also made emotion art on Tuesdays. Our morning movement program now involves a station involving climbing and balance, which seems to be a hit with all students. The students are enjoying practising and show casing their abilities in balance.



In P2, we have been watching the change of seasons and the effect on the leaves on the trees in our yard. Inspired by all the Autumn leaves around we did some art.



P3 have been growing beans and we proudly harvested our beans this week. We have also been sharing the story, 'Jack and the Bean Stalk' and we made our own stalk in our classroom with differently textured leaves and bean pods.

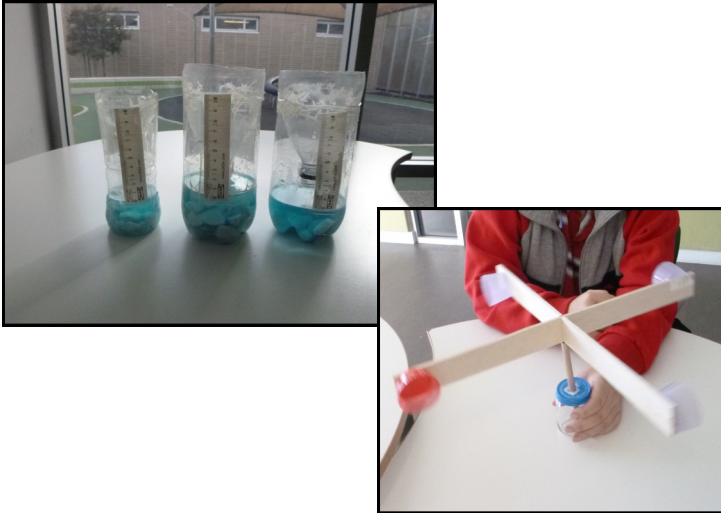


In P4 we have made some progress this Term. We have started our class recycling program. We have been practising our sight words as well as our number concepts. We are very happy with our progress.



## Middle School

For this semester, M3 has been looking at the topic of the weather in Science, and understanding how the presence and absence of clouds and wind could affect our weather. We have also been making different weather monitoring equipment (e.g. rain gauge, water thermometer, anemometer...) and finding out how aspects of the weather are measured.



### S2 & S3

Senior Sub—Have been working on honing our work skills. We are in the process of starting a work skills area within the school, Anetta will be leading this area we are all very excited to learn new skills and work towards our future.

#### Thursday 2nd of August

Parent tour of a post school options organisation with the chance to have a chat with other parents and staff at Isabell's café at Minda afterwards.

If you would like to book a seat please call the office 8293 3779.

#### New school operating hours

The new school operating hours for Term 3 will be 8:40am until 3:00pm and children are able to be picked up from 2:50pm. At the beginning of next term, families will be sent a form indicating if you require collecting your child before 2:50pm. Please complete the form and return to the school so we can update our records. Thankyou.

## Senior 1

#### **What we did during Reconciliation Week**

This week we went to Morialta conservation reserve, we helped repair stick house shelters with the power of TEAM BUILDING! (And sticks and rocks). We played koolche which is a indigenous game, we went to a walk to look at fire pits and rocks.

We did dot painting with Rachel and Rino, we painted animals.

#### **What have we been cooking this term?**

We did a master chef cooking challenge! 1 team made potato bake and the other team made apple cake, all of us (and Tahlia) enjoyed both making and eating what we made.

#### **Also Ben and Nick c. got there jackets!!! XD**



One Culture Football aims to connect and engage young people of diverse cultures and backgrounds through football. The programs helps young people; live healthier lifestyles, increase wellbeing from physical activity; reduce antisocial behaviour in the community and develop life skills such as team respect, team building and self-confidence. The program also allows young people to create interpersonal networks, engage in personal development training & be introduced to pathways that they might not have had access to previously.

#### **One Culture Weekly Football Programs:**

Marion: Mondays 4:30pm - 6pm

Blair Athol: Tuesdays 4:30pm - 6pm

City of Adelaide: Wed 4:30pm - 6pm

Playford: Fridays 4:30pm - 6pm

**For more information email:  
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or contact us on Facebook!**