Pupil Free Days
On Friday 6 March we have the first of our pupil free days this term. On the day staff will be on site working alongside staff from Walkerville Primary School and Gilles Street Primary School. Our work is related to the Site Improvement Plan goal of increasing the numbers of accelerated learners we gain, maintain and elevate into the higher bands in English.

Our specific focus will be on high impact strategies that assist teachers develop intellectually challenging designs for learning to support student progress and achievement. Teachers will be viewing student samples uploaded onto Microsoft’s One Note platform, to calibrate our understanding of expected learning at each year level, developing consistency and building teacher expertise across all three schools.

East Adelaide School has a second pupil free day on Tuesday 10 March. Our work will focus on Critical and Creative Thinking through STEM, specifically on Sustainability, identifying links to the Australian Curriculum and STEM dispositions, commencing the designs for learning, considering the links to industry and building upon the work we commenced last year.

Vicki Stravinski

Volunteer Requirements
Thank you to our volunteers who have attended an onsite Volunteer Induction. The information below is to clarify the requirements discussed in the session. The Department for Education requires all volunteers to complete and return to the school the following three forms:

- Volunteer Application Form
- Volunteer Site Induction Checklist
- Volunteer Agreement

Also, a reminder to undertake the online General Induction for Volunteers at www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/external-dashboard.jsf?dashboardId=2900003

Once completed please provide a copy of your certificate to the front office.

Volunteer Induction Sessions
If you haven’t already attended a Volunteer Induction, we are running two more sessions at the school on the following dates:

Wednesday 11 March 9 - 9.30am
Tuesday 17 March 6.15 - 6.45pm

All new and existing volunteers will need to attend an induction to volunteer. To register your attendance please visit https://www.trybooking.com/BIVAT

Starting Secondary School in 2021 – Important Information for Year 7 Families
This year the process for lodging a Registration of Interest for high school in 2021 has changed. Families will be required to advise their preferred high school online and in Term 2 you will receive a unique URL to commence the process. To receive this information, please ensure the school has your current email address and residential address recorded. Email linda.fehlandt511@schools.sa.edu.au if you wish to update your records.

Dates to Remember
- Friday 6 March
  Pupil Free Day
- Monday 9 March
  Public Holiday
- Tuesday 10 March
  Pupil Free Day
- Monday 16 March 6pm - 7pm
  Parent Information Session - Reading in the Early Years (further information will be available next week on Konnective and through SeeSaw)

Dr Seuss Day - Monday 2 March
Parents are welcome to come to our library and read to your child. Try out our new beanbags or sit in a window seat. We would love to see you whenever you come in.

If you are planning to come in please liaise with your child’s teacher to advise the time you intend to visit.
Be Active Sports Day House T-shirt

The Be Active Sports Day is being held on Wednesday 8 April. UMS is pleased to advise House T-shirts are available to order online. The unisex, coloured t-shirts feature the house name printed on the back and cost $15.50 each.

To order a House T-shirt for your child please follow these steps:
- visit the East Adelaide School online uniform shop by following the link below: https://umspl.com.au/pages/east-adelaide-school
- click on the ‘Enter East Adelaide School Store’ button at the top of the page
- select the House T-Shirt from the uniform list
- select the colour, size and quantity you require
- proceed to checkout

UMS will contact you when your order is ready for collection.

All orders must be placed and paid in full before 4.00pm on Thursday 12 March 2020.

Payment is to be made directly to UMS via the UMS website and not on QKR!

As these are special made to order garments, no amendments can be made to your order after this due date.

If you have any questions, please contact UMS on (08) 8363 5255, or visit the UMS School Uniform Shop at Unit 1/6 Montrose Avenue, Norwood.

Library News

Premier’s Reading Challenge Assembly
We had a visit from Sue Harris and Mark Williams at last Friday’s assembly who spoke about the Premier’s Reading Challenge. Thankyou to Ruby who volunteered to dress as a Selkie puppet for the assembly. Books on the Selkie legends are now arriving at the library. Students are encouraged to check out our new book collection.

Remember this is a challenge and your reading book list needs to show a variety of genres. If you are reading a variety of books the challenge can take a few months to complete!

Canteen News

Thank you to the families who currently volunteer in the canteen.

We are seeking additional volunteers to assist during Sports Day on 8 April. A roster will be created enabling all volunteers to enjoy the day and support their children participating in events.

If you are available to help, please contact canteen staff as soon as possible by phone 8362 5221 or email canteen.manager615@schools.sa.edu.au.

Your support is greatly appreciated.

Lisa & Diane, Canteen Managers

Pastoral Care Support News

It's easy making friends around a box of Beanie Kids. At recess and lunch time I often bring out the box of Beanie Kids. Students in years 1 - 3 learn to share, compromise, role play and just have fun as they negotiate and swap the Beanie kids. This provides opportunities to practise and develop social skills which is a key part of my role.

Kate Argue, Pastoral Care Support Worker
Respect  Responsibility  Resilience  Relationships

Rooms 9, 10, 12 & 13 Learning in English & Maths

In English, we have been working on descriptive writing and sentence structure.

In writing, we are identifying and using the When? Who? Doing What? Where? and Why? The more detail we use in our writing, the better we can share our ideas.

In Maths, we are focusing on Place Value and Addition Strategies. Learning about Place Value helps us understand the meaning and order of a number.

To support your child at home, you could work on skip counting by 2s, 5s and 10s beyond 100.

Continuing to develop our Growth Mindset 🌟

The students in Rooms 9, 10, 12 & 13 are continuing to develop their ‘Growth Mindset’. Growth mindset is when people believe that their most basic abilities can be developed through dedication and hard work.

Teaching a growth mindset creates motivation and productivity in education and establishing positive relationships.

National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence

At East Adelaide School we are committed to providing students with a safe and supportive learning environment, teaching our students about the impact bullying can have on others, and that bullying and harassment are not acceptable behaviours. On the 20 March it is the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. In the next couple of newsletters I will feature some information on different types of bullying, the dangers of online / cyberbullying and how parents can support their children.

What is Bullying?
The national definition of bullying for Australian schools is outlined below:

Bullying is an ongoing and deliberate misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that intends to cause physical, social and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power, or perceived power, over one or more persons who feel unable to stop it from happening.

Single incidents and conflicts or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying. Bullying is repeated behaviour or has the potential to be repeated over time.

What is Harassment?
The relationship between harassment and bullying can sometimes be confused. Harassment is an inappropriate behaviour which occurs only once. It is not an ongoing or repeated behaviour. It is important for students to understand the difference between bullying and harassment allowing them to be clear in their mind about any incidents which may occur.

There are behaviors which are not considered bullying however these conflicts still need to be addressed and resolved. Often students use the word bullying for behaviours which are not considered bullying. Some of these behaviours are:

- mutual arguments and disagreements
- not liking someone or a single act of social rejection
- one off acts of meanness
- isolated incidents of aggression and intimidation

Staff at EAS model and teach appropriate behaviours outlined in the Child Protection Curriculum as well as other resources that include Program Achieve – You Can Do It and Restorative Practice. The Restorative Practice Questions that staff use when there is a problem are:

- What happened?
- What were you thinking at the time?
- Who has been affected?
- What have you thought about since?
- How can you make things right?

Yiota Seindanis, Student Engagement & Wellbeing Coordinator
After School Sport News

Cricket
The 2020 cricket season has begun. We have 6 East Adelaide teams competing in cricket during term 1 and 4. We have 1 Kanga Junior (Year 2) team, 2 Kanga Senior (Year 3) teams, 2 C Grade (Year 4/5) and a B Grade (Year 5/6) team. Thanks to all parents who are assisting us with coaching and scoring for the teams. We are very lucky to have many parent volunteers involved in our cricket teams.

Summer After School Sports Presentation Night
The Summer After School Sports Presentation Night is being held on Monday 4 May (week 2 term 2) at 5.30pm in the school gym. Students who participated in basketball or netball in term 4 2019 and term 1 2020 will receive their certificate and brass plates on this evening.

Term 2 & 3 After School Sports Nominations
This year in an effort to streamline processes and support our School’s sustainability targets, we are transitioning to an online After School Sports registration and payment process through the QKR! App.

For those families who are not yet on Qkr! please see our front office staff for assistance.

Team Sports
Team sports offered in terms 2 and 3 for children in years 2 to 7 are: netball, basketball, football (AFL) and soccer.

Term 2 & 3 After School Sports registrations and payments for netball need to be completed by Friday 6 March, registration and payment for other sports due by Friday 20 March. Payments can be made via the Qkr! App or at the front office.

Skills Programmes
Skills programmes offered in terms 2 & 3 for children in Reception to Year 2 are: basketball, netball and soccer. I am looking for parent volunteer coaches to run these programs. If you are interested in helping develop these children in these sports, please contact me.

Coaches and Volunteers
The Department for Education Volunteer Policy requires all parent volunteers / coaches to attend an onsite induction. Please refer to the front page for information on attending the induction. Without completing this session, you will be unable to continue coaching our schools teams.

I wish our summer teams all the best for the remainder of the season.

Craig Ward, After School Sports Coordinator
craig.ward383@schools.sa.edu.au

Debating SA 2020 Schools Competition Expression of Interest
Year 6 and 7 Students

Debating SA seeks to encourage and develop in young people the following:

- Thinking and research skills
- Social skills
- Communication skills
- Sportsmanship

About the competition:
In teams of 4, students debate 4-5 times across the season (terms 2 and 3) with debates occurring every 3 weeks on a Tuesday evening at a single venue (Pulteney Grammar or Pembroke School).

Debates begin from 6.40pm and may start as late as 9.00pm.

Debating has been part of a strong tradition for Year 6/7 students at East Adelaide School.

If your child would like to have this opportunity, please fill out the form below and return to Lara Titaro via the front office or email the details below to lara.titaro289@schools.sa.edu.au by 9am Tuesday 3 March (places are limited).

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2020 Year 6/7 Debating Expression of Interest

Child’s Name:________________________________
Room: _________

would like to join an East Adelaide Debating team this year.

Parent / Caregiver’s Name: _____________________

Signed: _____________________________________
Contact Phone No: ____________________________
Email: ______________________________________