A Message from Deb …

Quiz Night is this Saturday and it is shaping up to be a fun night with loads of fantastic prizes and silent auction items up for grabs. If you have not purchased your tickets, get in quick and purchase a table or single seats from the front office. Tickets are selling fast. Haven’t got your outfit sorted? The theme G can be anything relating to G… so get creative.

School quiz night – seeking donations!
The GPS Fundraising Committee are seeking donations from school families and the local community to contribute to the prizes up for grabs at this Saturday’s school quiz night. A new concept for this year is a ‘Pre-Loved’ section of prizes for our silent auction too - we are seeking high value, good quality items that you are looking to send to a new home… for example, a girls bike in good condition that your daughter has outgrown, etc.

If you have something you would like to donate, please contact Missy Barter on 0404 212 678 or Susannah Hayden on 0400 366 988.

See you Saturday night!

Interesting Reading
Written by Victoria Prooday. She is a Registered Occupational Therapist with an extensive experience working with children, parents and teachers. Below are two articles from her blog, you may wish to read…

Fidget Spinners… is it really what your child needs?

Looking forward to seeing you at the upcoming school working bee on Sunday 25 June from 9am, followed by a pizza lunch.

Kind regards
Deb Brassington, Principal

Important Dates
Saturday 17 June Quiz Night in the gym 6.30pm – 11.00pm
Sunday 18 June Goody Patch Mini Working Bee 9-10am
Monday 19 June Governing Council Meeting 7.30pm
Wednesday 21 June 17N assembly Bella Gibson 2.30pm
Friday 23 June Casual Clothes Day
Sunday 25 June School Working Bee 9-12pm
Friday 30 June Red Nose Day – SIDS fundraiser
Wednesday 5 July 8M assembly Holly Kelly 2.30pm
Friday 7 July last day of term 2 – early dismissal 2.15pm
The July vacation care program is on the school’s website or available from OSHC.

Early bird bookings close Friday 16 June
Full day: $51
($56 after early bird booking date)
Half day: $33
($38 after early bird closing date)

OSHC are seeking large boxes to be brought in for use during vacation care. Please drop as little or as many in as you can.

Premier’s Reading Challenge for 2017
Please encourage your child to participate and complete the forms and return to their class teacher no later than 8 September. Students are required to read 12 books (8 of those being from the PRC list). For further information see Michelle in the library or visit www.prc.sa.edu.au

The above new resources are now available for parents to borrow.

STOLEN BIKES
Recently two bikes have been stolen from the school grounds, over two separate weekends. If you have any information with regards to this please contact the school.

Please be aware if children’s bikes/scooters are left at the school outside of school hours, the school cannot take responsibility for any property stolen.

Mini working bee
As mentioned in a previous newsletter, the school will be having a garden display at the show this year.
This Sunday, 18 June, there will be a ‘mini working bee’ in the garden to pot on seedlings and seeds for plants in this display. We would like children and their families to ‘adopt’ some seedlings for the next 3 months to nurture them to be ready for display in September.
If you are available to help, please come to the garden this Sunday between 9 and 10am.
Thanks
Graeme Hunt

Royal Adelaide Show
Competitions: Have you ever considered entering one of the categories offered by the Royal Adelaide Show? Why not design and create a scarecrow or a fairy garden? A great event for families or a class.

Go to the website: theshow.com.au › Show Entries
Closing date for registration is Friday 14 July.
Growth Mindset in Mathematics

Promoting growth mindset rather than fixed mindset is something that teachers across the school are refining.

During the maths lesson what we educators now know is that when a student struggles with thinking mathematically it has a profound effect on the growing brain. Recent research indicates that something amazing happens – that when students make a mistake in maths, their brain grows, synapses fire, and connections are made. On the other hand when they do the work correctly, there is no brain growth.

Professor Jo Boaler from Standford University says that these finding mean that we want students to make mistakes in maths lesson. She says that students should not view mistakes as learning failures but as learning achievements. Students do not, as many assume, need to revisit a mistake and correct it to experience brain growth, although that is always helpful for automaticity and fluency. When students struggle with mathematics, their brains grow; being outside their comfort zone is an extremely important place to be.

When teachers provide challenges that are just beyond the reach of the student, it is to provide this place of productive struggle. Teachers may also leave a teaching point until the following day, because leaving the students with the question unanswered provides a point of reflection outside the maths lesson and a point of curiosity for the next stage of teaching.

So, rather than ask your child ‘what did you learn today?’ can you ask instead; ‘how many mistakes did you make in your maths lesson today?’ And let’s celebrate the intellectual struggle!

For further information, go to: https://www.youcubed.org/parents/

Stephanie Burton
Numeracy Coach
Traffic Monitors

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› Stay focussed on your job.
› Stay on duty until 3:30 PM at the end of the day.

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