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NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 | WEEK 9 | FRIDAY 29/03/19

Hi fantastic school community,

As you are all aware, yesterday we encountered a school invacuation procedure. On behalf of the school community, I've been in touch with the school leaders over the last 12-24 hours or so. Whilst we can't release exact details due to this being referred to police, what I can say is that I am extremely proud of the Vale Park School Leaders, Teachers and all Staff in the professional way they handled the situation (thanks to all of you).

At no stage were our students at risk, but as a precautionary measure they made the right call to lock down the school. I am 100% confident this was a once off unfortunate, but unique situation and I myself are 100% comfortable with my children attending this great school.

Please support our fantastic school, leaders and staff, and appreciate that they may not be able to speculate on what has occurred.

If you have any concerns, please contact the school or me via the GC email governingcouncil.vpps@gmail.com

Best regards
Rohan Wundke
GC Chair, VPPS.

DIARY DATES

Term Dates 2019

Term 1 29th Jan - 12 Apr

Term 2 29 Apr - 5 Jul

Term 3 22 Jul - 27 Sept

Term 4 14 Oct - 13 Dec

Governing Council

Tuesday 14/05

Tuesday 18/06

Principal Tours

Wednesday 29/05

All welcome & bookings are required

Public Holidays

Monday 10/06

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 11/06

Key Dates

Term 1

01/04 - Photo Day

02/04 - Sports Day

03/04 - Yr 6/7 G&D

04/04 - SAPSASA Cross Country

10/04 - Yr 6/7 G&D

12/04 - Last Day of Term 1

2:05pm Finish

Term 2

29/04 - Term 2 Commences

30/04 - Year 6/7 Aquatics

06/05 - SAPSASA Athletics

09/05 - Mother's Day Stall

10/05 - Mother's Day Stall

14/05 - NAPLAN Commences

22/05 - DreamBig Year 4's

growing for the future...



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NEWS & UPDATES



Sports Day

Vale Park's Sports Day has been rescheduled to next Tuesday 2nd April 2019.

Year 2/3 'Our Patch' Excursion Volunteers

Room 4 & Room 12 are looking for volunteers to attend a local excursion with our Year 2/3 students in Week 10, Term 1. We will be walking to 'Our Patch' by the River Torrens on Thursday 4th April at 11:15am and return to Vale Park at 1:15pm. If you are able to help please let the Room 4 & Room 12 teachers know. Please ensure your RAN and DCSI Clearances are up to date.

2019 Materials & Services Fees

A reminder that the 2019 Material and Services invoices for \$420 have been posted to parents/guardians and we require payment by Friday 12th April 2019. If you have not received the invoice or are unable to pay the invoice by the due date, please contact the Business Manager, Graeme Schutz, on 8261 3733 or call in to the front office to organise a payment arrangement.

Staff Carpark

As stated in the adherence that was sent home to all parents and caregivers dropping off and collecting children from the OSHC & Vale Park Primary School, the Staff Carpark located on the school grounds (entrance off Arundel Street) is strictly for **STAFF ONLY** between the hours of 7:45am and 4:30pm.

We recommend you park on either Tonkin Street, Arundel Street or Washington Street to drop off or collect students. Please **DO NOT** use Ascot Avenue as this has an enforced Bike Lane and is also a **NO STANDING** zone on the school side. Please ensure you read and obey the street signs for any conditions or time restrictions.

Photo Day

Vale Park's Photo Day is this coming Monday 1st April 2019.



Student Absences

A reminder to the Vale Park Community that if your child is going to be absent from school due to sickness or family reasons can you please ensure you let the Front Office know. This can be done by ringing the school on 8261 3733 at anytime. Please leave a voicemail message if you are unable to speak to any of the Front Office staff.

Additionally, you can send an email to dl.0967.info@schools.sa.edu.au to notify the Front Office staff.

For all absences that are more than three (3) days due to sickness a medical certificate from a doctor will need to be provided.

If your child is going to be away for an extended period of five or more days you will need to speak with the Front Office staff about completing an Exemption Form.

Student Arrival Time

The Vale Park Community is reminded that students are not permitted on the Vale Park Primary School grounds until 8:30am; unless enrolled in OSHC. The before school yard duty teacher doesn't commence until 8:30am. Students are not permitted on the school grounds until 8:30am. This a duty of care. If you need to drop your student at Vale Park before 8:30am please contact OSHC to enrol them on 0422 274 649.



WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Dear Parents,

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. Through this program we will be able to get new educational resources for our school/early learning centre and all we need you to do is shop for your groceries at Woolworths.

From Monday 1st May to Tuesday 25th June, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and when it's complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box here at the school or at the following Woolworths locations:

- Marden
- Northgate
- Walkerville



At the end of the promotion, we'll be able to get some great new equipment. The range is extensive and offers lots of items ideal for our students – including resources for Maths, English, Science and some fantastic fun supplies for Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library. If you'd like to know more visit www.woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Support our fundraising!

PRE-ORDER NOW!

Just **\$70**

Pre-order to enjoy these bonus offers

Early Bird Vouchers

\$20* VOUCHER Woolworths

\$50* VOUCHER CELLARMASTERS

PREVIEW THE VALUE

*\$20 off your total shop when you spend \$200 or more at Woolworths online
**\$50 off your total shop when you spend \$200 or more at CellarMasters online. *Terms & Conditions apply.

Hurry! Bonus Early Bird Offers. Limited Time Only.

Vale Park Primary is fundraising with Entertainment!

Your support really helps our fundraising, so we're thrilled to let you know about special bonus Early Bird Entertainment Membership Offers for loyal supporters.

Pre-order the NEW 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Membership and receive bonus offers you can use right away!

SUPPORT US NOW.

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"The Entertainment Membership is great value. With lots of instant savings. It more than outweighs the price. There is something for everyone – casual and fine dining, adventure and family activities. I couldn't live without it. Plus, I get to support a good cause." – Zana B. Sydney

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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2019 HOMESTAY FOR KOREAN STUDENTS

Are you interested in hosting a Korean student?

In July/August 2019, Vale Park Primary School will again be involved in hosting Korean students (arriving 30/07/2019 and departing 16/08/2019). A group of students aged between 11-13 years of age will be here and we will need homestays for three weeks. Homestay parents receive approx. \$300 per week. Only one child is allowed per homestay.

If you are interested in supporting these Homestay students, you will need to have a home visit to assess your facilities. Each homestay student is expected to have their own room. All homestays involving children must have a DCSI Relevant History Screening Check (Criminal History Check) for every adult in the home over 18 years of age. Additionally, all homestay parents must undertake Responding to Abuse and Neglect training. This is a two hour online course. Please contact the Front Office staff to have this link emailed to you.

Please return the tear off slip below to the Front Office by **12th April 2019** to indicate your Expression of Interest. An expression of interest is not a guarantee of being approved to be a homestay family.

This is a rewarding and cultural experience for the whole family and we thank you for your commitment and enthusiasm to be involved. Here is what one of our 2018 Parents had to say about their experience with the Homestay program.

"You have nothing to lose and everything to gain. By having a Korean student your family gets a small trip to Korea. You will feel supported by the program and School and your kids will love it. Our family all enjoyed the experience. Daniel was well mannered and tried so hard to fit in. This made our experience very positive. Jack and Harry loved the change of scene at home and the fun activities they did with the programme and our family. If you are slightly considering having a Korean student stay. Stop thinking and just do it. Everyone is a better person for taking part."

Jo Catsas-Maroulis
Principal

Trish Scoot
Homestay Co-ordinator

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International Education Study Tours 2019 Expression of Interest to be a Homestay Family

Family Name: _____

Contact Name and Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

Name(s) of Students: _____ Age in 2019: _____

: _____ Age in 2019: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

MASS IN MATHS



We have been exploring mass in Maths.
We have taken part in many different hands-on activities such as:

- Making our own balance scales to compare the mass of different classroom objects
- Using balance scales and spring scales
- Exploring grams (g) and kilograms (kg)
- Estimating the grams and kilograms of different food items and then comparing our estimations to their actual mass

The students in Room 2 think that learning about mass is 'MASSNIFICENT'!



ROOM 9



Marlie Gavin



Emmett Symons



Dhavi Rana



Cannan O'Mahoney

In Visual Arts, Room 9 has been exploring self portraits. We looked at the many styles of self portrait created by famous Dutch painter, Vincent Van Gogh. We also followed an instructional YouTube video on how to draw a self portrait.

We created a rough draft and later tried our hand at a masterpiece of our own. We had a great time and our self portraits look fantastic!



Katie Shuang



Torsten Mickley



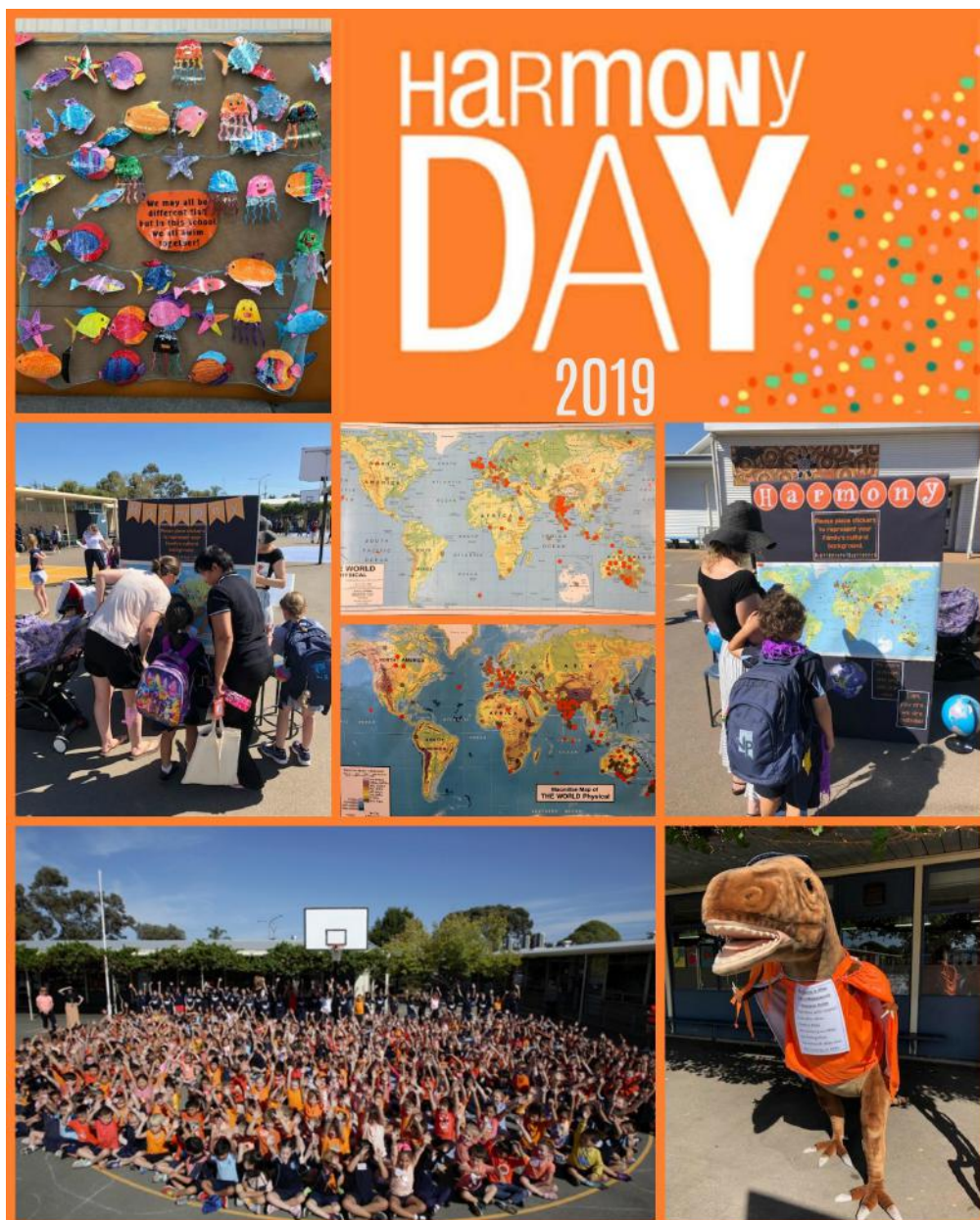
Aadhya Darji



Leo Haputhanthiri

HARMONY DAY 2019

Harmony Day was celebrated throughout week 8 at Vale Park Primary School. We started the week with an assembly, highlighting the importance of having a place where 'everyone belongs'. Classes worked with their buddy classes to create artworks, displays, play games and take part in activities about harmony. Families were invited to place stickers on maps to represent their cultural heritage – these will be on display around the school for the rest of the term if you are interested in seeing them. We finished the week off with a 'wear orange' day on Friday – as you can see it was a very colourful day! Gold coin donations collected on this day totalled \$480 and our Student Community Action Team will be deciding on a charity to donate this money to.





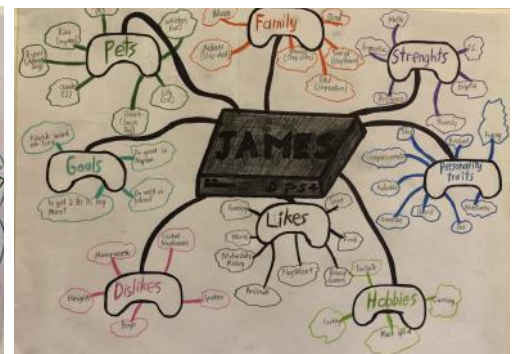
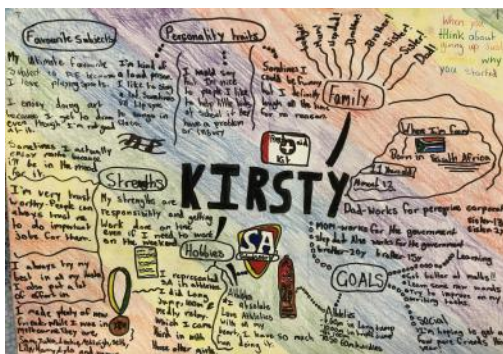
Room 14

with Mrs Cunningham and Miss Mantis

Students have been kicking goals in Room 14 to emphasise the importance of setting personal goals and putting in every effort to achieve these set goals.



We have also worked on creating our own mindmaps to visually represent who we are as unique individuals through the use of both words and illustrations.



We researched the Japanese dying technique known as 'shibori' and then wrote a procedural text to explain how the technique is mastered. The pieces are all unique, just like us!



NUT AND ALLERGENS POLICY

CONTEXT:

Department for Education (DfE) schools are required to provide learning environments that are safe and supportive of all students. This includes providing for the needs of students and staff who may have anaphylactic (severe allergic) conditions – including nut allergies. For these individual's exposure to allergens at school may constitute a risk to their health and wellbeing.

While it is not possible to guarantee that the school environment will be completely free of potential hazards, risks can be minimised by compliance with reasonable guidelines.

Please note: initially this policy is written with nut allergies in mind and will be updated to include other potential medical hazards involving allergies as the need arises.

PURPOSE

- To raise the awareness of anaphylactic conditions for all conditions for all members of the school community
- To provide a safe school environment for all members of the school community

MANAGEMENT

Parents:

- Are requested NOT to send food to school that contains nuts, especially peanuts. This includes products such as peanut paste, "Nutella", nuts, peanut cooking oil and other foods that may contain nuts
- Will be informed of this policy at the commencement of each new school year and at enrolment
- If a child has an allergic medical condition diagnosed by a health professional the school must be supplied with their prescribed medication in the original labelled pharmacy container, along with the appropriate medication authority and health action plan

Students:

- Are encouraged to wash hands after eating
- Who bring food containing traces of nuts or nut products, are required to eat that food away from the allergic students and must wash their hands thoroughly before going to play

Staff:

- Will be made aware of students who have anaphylactic responses, including nut allergy
- Will supervise students during lunch eating time and will be vigilant in regard to this policy
- Will participate in training from approved providers as mandated by the Teacher Registration Board to understand procedures related to Anaphylaxis (severe allergic reactions) as the need arises

School Canteen, SAKG, OSHC & Catered Events

- Are required to comply with this policy
- Will not use foods which list nuts as an ingredient

EpiPens

- Medication for all students that have anaphylaxis and have an EpiPen prescribed are kept in the Front Office in a cupboard that is readily accessible by all staff members

Promotion

The policy will be promoted by:

- Information via the school newsletter
- New families to the school community being informed via information in their enrolment package
- Governing Council being informed and giving approval and support to this policy
- Staff being informed annually and provided with training opportunities
- Students being informed via teachers, signs and through the newsletter











Review:

- This policy will be reviewed by staff and Governing Council every two years. The school acknowledges that due to current food processing practices, it is impractical to eliminate nuts and nut products entirely from an environment where there is food. The emphasis is therefore on raising awareness and adopting the reasonable procedures re nut awareness.



HAPPY HAVEN OSHC Vale Park Vacation Care Program



Vale Park OSHC April 2019 Vacation Care Program: Week 1		Vale Park OSHC April 2019 Vacation Care Program: Week 2	
Monday 15th April Construction and Technology Day 	Menu: Afternoon Tea – Fruit Platter Standard 5.2.1 Collaborative learning: Children are supported to collaborate, learn from and help each other. Today the children will be able to put their design and construction skills to the test with individual and group challenges plus building and making activities. Children can also bring along their favourite piece of technology...maybe their iPod, remote control cars, iPad etc. They can share with friends or even set up comps and challenges. We will also have our technology and gaming consoles available for use throughout the day!	Monday 22nd April 	Public Holiday: Easter Monday CLOSED
Tuesday 16th April Multicultural Day 	Menu: Afternoon Tea – Cooking Creations Standard 6.2.3 Community Engagement: The service builds relationships and engages with its community. Today we will be embracing the multicultural world that we live in by offering a wide variety of cooking, arts and crafts, games and activities from around the world. Families are encouraged to bring along anything they would like to share from their culture such as recipes, activities or games	Tuesday 23rd April That 70s Day 	Menu: Afternoon Tea: Pizza Muffins Standard 5.1.1 Positive educator to child interactions: Responsive and meaningful interactions build trusting relationships which engage and support each child to feel secure, confident and included. Today we will be stepping back in time to the 70s! We will be doing some awesome tie dying (a pair of socks will be provided), musical games with 70s music and making pet rocks. Come dressed in your best 70s costume for the day! Please note: You are welcome to bring any other personal items you would like to tie dye such as t-shirts or hats
Wednesday 17th April Excursion: National Railway Museum  Port Adelaide	Please arrive by: 8:30am Return Time: 3:30pm Menu: Afternoon Tea – Fruit Platter Standard 5.2.1 Collaborative learning: Children are supported to collaborate, learn from and help each other. Today we are off to the National Railway Museum at Port Adelaide. There will be many different trains to explore and learn about and we will also get to go a train ride through the museum.	Wednesday 24th April Excursion: Sports Day at The Pines 	Please arrive by: 9:00am Return Time: 4:00pm Menu: Afternoon Tea - Fruit Platter Quality Area 5.2.1 Collaborative Learning: Children are supported to collaborate, learn from and help each other. Strap on your running shoes and bring along your team spirit as The Pines host the Happy Haven Sports Day. Make sure to wear YELLOW to show your support for Vale Park! Will it be Vale Parks' turn to bring home the trophy home? There will be minute to win it games, individual challenges, team games and more.
Little Heroes Charity Event – 17th April - 6:00pm at the Salisbury Football Club Register at http://www.happyhaven.com.au/charitydinnerregistration/ Entry - Gold Coin Donation – See attached invitation for more information		Thursday 25th April 	Public Holiday: ANZAC Day CLOSED
Thursday 18th April Excursion: Latitude 	Please arrive by: 9:30am Return Time: 4:00pm Menu: Afternoon Tea - Fruit Platter Standard 1.1.2 Each child's current knowledge, ideas, culture, abilities and interests are the foundation of the program. Today we are heading off for an active adventure at Latitude, where children will be able to bounce, climb and explore everything the facility has to offer! Socks will be provided on the day at Latitude	Friday 26th April Excursion: Semaphore Cinemas 	Please arrive by: 9:00am Return Time: 4:00pm Menu: Afternoon Tea - Fruit Platter Standard 2.1.1 Wellbeing and comfort: Each child's wellbeing and comfort is provided for, including appropriate opportunities to meet each child's need for sleep, rest and relaxation. Today children can spend the day relaxing in the comfort of the Semaphore Cinema. Children will be able to choose between some of the latest movies. Make sure to pack lots of yummy snacks to enjoy while you're there! *movie choices will be made available on the day*
Friday 19th April 	Public Holiday: Good Friday CLOSED		

For further information on Happy Haven's Vacation Care Program please visit the link <https://www.happyhaven.com.au/wp-content/uploads/Vale-Park-April-2019.pdf>

All bookings need to be made with Happy Haven. They can be contacted on 0422 274 649.



OPEN DAY

Demonstrating students' learning and showcasing our facilities

Music and Arts Program
Hospitality - Café and Commercial Kitchen
Science and Technology Labs
Sports Education Pathway
Pedal Prix
Early Years Program
Primary Years Program

Wednesday 10th April 2019

4.30pm - 6.30pm

McKay Ave, Windsor Gardens

For more information please phone: 8261 2733

or visit: www.avenues.college.sa.edu.au



pack a
waste-free
lunch

Waste Free Wednesdays

VALE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL



SCAN QR CODE FOR NUDE FOOD INFO

KESAB - Wipe Out Waste
<http://www.wow.sa.gov.au/nude-food.html>



Disability Policy and Programs
PARENT FORUM

2019 SAVE THE DATE

PLEASE KEEP THESE DATES FREE FOR 2019

Parent Forums

To be held at the co-located site of Fulham Gardens Primary and the Special Education Resource Unit from 9:30am to 2:00pm

Term 1 Friday 22nd March

Term 2 Friday 21st June

Parent Conference

To be held at the Adelaide Hilton

Term 3 Wednesday 25th September

For parents and carers of children and young people with a disability at preschool or school

The Australian Council on Children and the Media (ACCM) presents

Dr Susan Linn: The Hostile takeover of childhood - protecting children from hidden online marketing

A great opportunity for parents and teachers to engage with a leading expert on the commercialisation of childhood

Tuesday 7th May, 2019 7:15pm - 8:45pm

FREE event (but audience must register)

[BOOK HERE](#)



One of the most pervasive and troubling problems associated with children's screen time is that most of the platforms and media aimed at kids incorporate overt and covert advertising. In this seminar, Dr. Susan Linn, founder of the Campaign for Commercial-Free Childhood and author of Consuming Kids will talk about how apps, games and digital devices benefit marketers at the expense of children.

In addition, Susan will discuss:

- the ways in which children are developmentally vulnerable to advertising
- the sophisticated data collection and marketing techniques corporations routinely use to target kids on digital devices
- why children need us to create better policies to protect them from corporate marketing
- practical steps families can take to limit the harmful effects of commercialism on their children

Venue:

Concordia College Chapel

24 Winchester St

Highgate

Adelaide, SA 5063

This event is proudly supported by MGM Wireless and Concordia College



More information: www.childrenandmedia.org.au 8376 2111



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Mobile: 0422 274 649

Vale Park Pre School: 8261 0228

Uniform Shop

Open Tuesday Mornings 8.30 - 9.15

Kristina: 0434 354 144

Mon - Fri 8am - 4.30pm