FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Hello everyone!

Last week on Tuesday we held our Governing Council Annual General Meeting and thank you to all who attended and congratulations to our new Governing Council. The members are: Robert Henderson (Chairperson), Sonia Neville (Vice Chairperson), Gayle Schmidt (Secretary), Suzie Reese (Treasurer/Finance), Sue Simper & Sergeant Sara Harvey (Community Representatives), Tania Neville, Stephen Schulz, Vanessa Murray, Rosalie Milde, Tenille Schmidt & Eddie Stacey (SLC Representatives), David Cluse and myself.

Congratulations to our Student Leadership Committee (SLC): Nelson Lewis and Coby Rodda (School Captains), Wade Villani & Chloe Allchurch (Vice Captains), Eddie Stacey (Chairperson; Governing Council Representative), Tenille Schmidt (Publicity & Publications; Governing Council Representative), Grace Villani (Secretary), Ryan Harvalik (Events Manager), James Bugeja, Blake Coe, Karla Schutz, Angus Wiech, Kyle Villani, Isabella Severin, Emily Allchurch, Benn Heinrich, Jessica Hempel, Austin Rule, Leesa-Joy Flanagan (Primary Consultant), Samantha Drummond & Taylor Suhrcke (Primary School Captains), Kayla Steinborner, Mark Aves, Miranda Neville-Pope, Cory Curran, Chelcie McGilp, Jason Welchman.

Fiona Schiller and I will be working on developing leadership skills with our students and I look forward to working with the team on decision making for our school.

We are gearing up for Sports Day on Friday next week and look forward to seeing you there, cheering our teams on!

Have a great fortnight everyone

Lynne Hastings
Principal
**SOME STAFF PROFILES**

**Mr George Crouch**
I arrived at Eudunda Area School in 2011. Prior to working at EAS I taught disadvantaged children at a primary school in Ecuador, South America. I love teaching Physical Education and the Sciences and I am looking forward to working with the new Agricultural Club, EASAC. I really enjoy working outdoors and playing sports, in particular basketball and boxing.

**Ms Melanie Hawksley**
I came to Eudunda Area School in Term 3, 2011. This year I am teaching Years 9 to 12 History, Geography, English Pathways, Society & Culture and also have a Year 12 Homegroup. In my spare time I enjoy doing things to decorate my new house.

**Mr Nic Dale**
I am based at the Clare Regional Office, working in the role of Regional Numeracy Coach across four Area and Secondary schools in the DECD Yorke Mid & North Region. I am at Eudunda Area School on Tuesdays, working with teachers to help improve Mathematics and Numeracy achievement for all students. Previously, I have worked in roles as a Numeracy Co-ordinator, Deputy Principal and Regional Curriculum Consultant.

**Mrs Jo Lange** *(nee Paulenas)*
This is my 5th year of teaching at Eudunda Area School, however last year I took a year overseas for a teacher exchange in Canada. I am the Art teacher here, but have also been known to dabble in Society & Environment, Pastoral Care, Primary Choir and Primary Performing Arts. My interests are painting and drawing, gardening and spending time with my new husband and beautiful dogs. My favourite part about teaching at Eudunda Area School is seeing students grow up and progress through their primary and high school years and graduate in Year 12. I think we are blessed to experience this as an area school.

**Mr & Mrs Jim & Ronda Dunstan**
Jim is in the 8th year & Ronda in the 6th year as Agricultural Instructors, teaching children about the environment and growing healthy food at the school’s Agricultural Center, one day per week. We also look after the school’s animals, which include sheep and poultry. We propagate many native trees which get planted in our local area. When the weather is inclement, we like to include some art activities which are related to the environment and agriculture. We live on a farm where Ronda is a potter, Jim does farm work and we do art projects in the community such as Eudunda Town Gardens. Jim is at present constructing a picnic area depicting Marrabel’s history on inlaid hand painted tiles into stone walls. Jim spends his spare time painting and looking after the farm.
The Year 5/6/7 Class has been focusing on Ancient Egypt in History lessons. Our classroom has been taken over by pyramids, landscapes, pharaohs and mummies. We have finally finished our Giant Wall Mural and are about to start our sarcophagus to display our mummies.

VANESSA O’BRIEN
Year 5/6/7 Teacher
PEDAL PRIX 2013

21 years and still going strong!

TEAMS
Since enough students and their families have committed to the Pedal Prix this year, we have been able to enter two teams. The teams are as follows:

**Senior Secondary Team**
Doug Beddome is still undecided.

**Junior Secondary Team**
Grace Villani (Team Manager), Jake Simper, Dylan Higgins, Austin Rule, Jake Schmidt, Benn Heinrich, Dylan Simmons, Dylan Stacey, Jayden Steinborner, Kyle Villani and Ivan Quinlan.
It would be ideal to have three more students join the Junior Team.

As this is a special year, we are also planning to enter a Staff Team. Yes! You are reading this correctly! I have heard that several staff have already started training, so, Senior Team - watch out!

FUNDRAISING
This year, because we do not have any carry over finance, we need to put a huge effort towards fundraising. We need nearly $1,000 to cover entry fees and we need spare wheels for our new trike. Our own two trikes need preparing and the signage will cost around $500. The best way to get funds is through sponsorship. Please fill out the yellow slips that were part of the information letter, return them to me and I will then give you an official sponsor request letter.

SPONSORSHIP
A huge thank you to **Community Helpers** who are our first major sponsors. They also sponsored us in 2011. They have a furniture warehouse on Railway Terrace in Nuriootpa and a clothing shop on Murray Street in Tanunda.

ROGER FRAHN
Pedal Prix Co-ordinator

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**YEAR 12 FUNDRAISING**

On Thursday 28th February, the Year 12s had a car wash to start fundraising towards their Formal at the end of the year. The weather on the day was ideal, and 20 cars were thoroughly cleaned and washed.

MELANIE HAWKSLEY
Year 12 Home Group Teacher
Each year some 500 children are affected by leukaemia - the most common form of childhood cancer. On Thursday 14th March a small group of staff and students at Eudunda Area School participated in the World’s Greatest Shave in an effort to raise funds for the Leukaemia Foundation who provide practical and emotional support to families free of charge, and invest millions of dollars in research to improve treatments and find cures.

Our team ‘The Eudunda Bald Eagles’ is hoping to raise a combined $1000! Donations can be made direct to participants or at: [http://www.worldsgreatestshave.com/](http://www.worldsgreatestshave.com/) click ‘search a team’ and type ‘Eudunda Bald Eagles’ - it’s that easy!

A gold coin donation was required to view this event at Eudunda Area School. Big thank you to all who have made donations or intend to do so!

Thank you for everyone’s support, we will know how much was raised on the day in approximately a week’s time.

GEORGE CROUCH
Year 11 Home Group Teacher
COMMUNITY NEWS

THE SOUTHERN SAINTS SOCIAL COMMITTEE needs your help!!

The 2013 Football/Netball season is almost here, and the Southern Saints Social Committee needs enthusiastic people to help plan the social functions of the Club. If you have ideas on how we can improve the social activities of our club, come along to the meeting at the Point Pass Hotel this Friday night, 15th March, commencing at 7:30pm.

FREELING GARAGE SALE DAY
Saturday 23rd March

Starting at 8am, look out for balloons at the entrances to properties. Maps can be collected from outside the Op Shop.

Contacts:
Lynette Reichstein on 8525 2273; 0437 382 787 or Sheryl Shanaham on 8525 2151

Have a great day!!

TAKE A BREATHER CHARITY CHALLENGE 2013
Saturday 17 August

This year’s Take a Breather Charity Challenge is taking place at Montacute Conservation Park, 17 km north-east of Adelaide. For more information about the event and how you can become involved, contact Asthma Foundation SA on 8238 9300.

Community Garage Sale
Saturday 6th April
10 am – 1 pm
Robertstown Primary School

Sites $10 to be pre-booked by 23rd March Ph. 8581 7127 (BYO Table if needed)

All sites undercover on Tennis Courts
Sausage Sizzle/Cans/Choc Bars/Lucky Dips available

Mr Des Pfeiffer will also be on site if anyone would like to get rid of recyclables such as white goods, steel, batteries, etc.

SENIOR NETBALL TRIALS

Tuesday 19th and Thursday 21st March
Starting at 6:30pm at Eudunda Netball Courts. For more information call Jess Geister 0408 836 002 – Senior Coordinator