Wakakirri Story Dance Challenge

This year our school is performing in the Wakakirri Primary School Story Dance Challenge. Students in Year 4 and 5 will have the opportunity to participate either as a dancer, actor, props maker or stage hand.

An invitation to participate will be coming home next week. Rehearsals will be after school for an hour each Wednesday. Parent / caregiver help is needed to create costumes and props so if you are interested, even if your child is not, please let us know.

An information meeting will be held, hopefully in Week 6, with a view to starting rehearsals in Week 9. We are booked to perform at the Entertainment Centre in Term 3.

Regards, Sharon McAskill & Carla Cafasso

What is Wakakirri:
Each year Wakakirri searches for the best 3-7 minute performance stories created by Australian Primary and Secondary Schools. Wakakirri is a National Festival that celebrates learning via the creation and sharing of stories combining dance, creative movement and acting to pre-recorded music.

Hundreds of schools across Australia create a Story Dance to perform in Professional Theatres for audiences of family, friends and as the official Wakakirri Panel search for ‘Story of the Year’.

Wakakirri is the Ultimate Performing Arts endeavor for schools and is proven to develop students’ creative thinking, self-pride, teamwork, self worth and life skills.

The AGM & Annual School Report

At our AGM, the school’s Annual Report for 2014 was presented and a new Governing Council was elected. We would like to welcome new members to our committee and also thank the members who are continuing.

Parent Governing Council Representatives for 2015 are: Anne-Marie Russell, Dominic Mensforth, Katherine Nairn, Kylie Carter, Adla Mattiske, Melissa Stephenson, Tammy Scott, and Danielle Sturtzel. Invitations to join a Governing Council Portfolio group will be sent out in the near future.

The Annual Report will soon be available for download on our website www.ardtornps.sa.edu.au or you can come into the front office and request a copy.

Thank you to all those parents and caregivers who attended either the AGM or Acquaintance Night to learn more about the learning program at Ardtornish. Your interest and involvement is much appreciated by staff and the Governing council.

Dates for Governing Council for 2015 are:

**Term 1**: Monday 16th March, **Term 2**: Monday 11th May, Monday 15th June, **Term 3**: Monday 3rd August, Monday 7th September, **Term 4**: Monday 26th October, Monday 30th November.
Music Tuition for 2015

Instrumental tuition is available for: flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, trombone, guitar, percussion (drums) and keyboard.

If you would like to register your child for lessons provided by a private teacher during school hours please complete the form available from the front office. If your child was having music lessons in 2014 and you would like them to continue for 2015 please still complete and return the form so that we know you would like them to continue their lessons for 2015.

Ignite Program 2016

Is a program for gifted and talented students at The Heights Primary School.

Only one testing date will occur at The Heights School in 2015, for 2016 enrolments.

Applications Close - Friday 13th February 2015
Assessment Day - Saturday 21st February 2015

You can either download an expression of interest form available from the front office. If your child was having an instrumental tuition in 2014 and you would like them to continue for 2015 please still complete and return the form so that we know you would like them to continue their lessons for 2015.

Excursion and Incursion Update

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Foster Carers can be single, couples, people at home, working full-time, part-time or studying. Free training and ongoing professional support (including 24-hour assistance) is provided. Find out more at one of our upcoming information sessions: Wednesday 18th March, Playford Civic Centre, 10 Playford Road, Elizabeth SA 5112 6.30-8.30pm

For more information or bookings call Linda on 8131 3456 or visit www.anglicare-sa.org.au/foster-care

School Mobile Phone

We have a new school mobile phone, which we are implementing to be used for text messages from parents / caregivers for absences in the mornings. If your child is going to be away rather than ringing the school phone number you can just text to our school mobile. Please remember to add your name to the text so we can save the number as your name. Please do not ring this mobile number, it will be just for text messages. School Mobile Number - 0447 467 152.

School Banking

Ensuring your children learn sound money management skills and the importance of saving when they are young will help set them on the road to financial success.

Our school banking day is Thursday. If you would like to set your child up with an account please go onto the Commonwealth Bank website.
Ardtornish Children’s Centre Update

New Family Services Coordinator

We are very pleased to welcome Tamara Frencham our new Family Services Coordinator. She is available Thursdays and Fridays and every second Wednesday to meet with parents of young children and discuss parenting, questions about child behaviour, and offer general family support. Call 82649828 if you would like to have a chat.

Children’s Centre Term I Program

School parents are welcome to join our activities, although some are directed towards the needs of younger children. You will be receiving notice from the school about the new dental program this week. All children across the campus are able to access this program held in one of our consultation rooms, starting next week.

Activities and events this term include:

- We have moved our five week Mindfulness (Coping in a Busy World) course, to evenings starting Tuesday 3 March
- Twilight Play - ‘Messy Play’ Thursday 5 March evening 5:30-7pm – Twilight Play is a chance for busy parents to spend some time with their preschool children and their friends and is usually held twice a term.
- Yoga for Mum’s and Bubs, starting Tuesday 17 Feb
- Making Music – a weekly music, song and movement program for young children, from Friday 20 Feb
- Twilight Play – ‘Messy Play’ Thursday evening 5 March
- Wheels Day – Friday 13 March in the car park - for children attending Preschool that day
- Why Music is so important for you and your child – a workshop for adults, Tuesday 17 March 2-3pm and repeated Thursday 19 March 7-8pm

We are also involved with the school’s Grounds Committee including work on the Butterfly garden and with teachers, across the campus and others. We are also actively involved with the Playgroup families and Tracey Cooper the Pastoral Support Worker.

To book or for more details have a chat with staff, see our Current Event noticeboard in the foyer and keep up-to-date the Ardtornish Children’s Centre Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/pages/Ardtornish-Childrens-Centre

A call for help

We are always looking for fertiliser for our garden – if you have any manure we can compost, we can trade for occasional seasonal, organic vegetables.

Cheers
John Buckell
Community Development Coordinator
8264 9828, 0409 984 495 or john.buckell@sa.gov.au

Zumba®

With
Olivia Carrasco
AKA Zumba® with Olivia

Every Monday
Starting 9th February
More classes coming SOON.

Cost: $10 per person
Time: 7:30pm - 8:30pm

Where:
ARDTORNISH PRIMARY SCHOOL GYM
2 Saarinen Ave St Agnes

Contact: Olivia 0411 601 231
Licensed Zumba® Instructor and registered ZIN™ Member since 2009
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Website: www.oliviacarrasco.zumba.com

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See you in class!!

School Terms 2015

Term 1: 27th January - 10th April
Term 2: 27th April - 3rd July
Term 3: 20th July - 25th September
Term 4: 12th October - 11th December

Sports Day will be held on Thursday 2nd April.
MILO in2CRICKET Program

MILO in2CRICKET is the national grass root program for cricket in Australia, with the aim of introducing kids aged 5-7 to the great Australian game. It provides children with an opportunity to develop their motor skills and meet new friends in a fun, safe and interactive environment.

Your nearest Centre/s will be run at

- **Adelaide Oval in2CRICKET Centre**, starting Friday 13th February at 5:30pm
- **Athelstone CC**, Max Amber Reserve, George St, Paradise, starting Saturday 14th February at 9am
- **Marryatville PS**, Dankel Avenue, Kensington, starting Wednesday 18th February at 3:15pm
- **Modbury CC**, Hazel Grove, Ridgehaven, starting Saturday 7th February at 9am
- **Payneham CC**, John St, Payneham, starting Saturday 7th February at 8:30am

Cricket this term will be a very popular sport with the ICC Cricket World Cup starting on the 14th of February. By registering and paying for the Program not only will you enjoy some great cricket fun this term but every registered child receives an in2CRICKET Participant Pack including bat, ball, t-shirt, bucket hat, backpack, drink bottle and other goodies! They will look just like their Aussie Cricket heroes!

To find out more details about your nearest Centre and to register for this season, log on to [www.in2cricket.com.au](http://www.in2cricket.com.au) and type in your postcode.

MILO T20 Blast Program

MILO T20 Blast is the next step in the pathway for girls and boys looking to start playing cricket! Aimed at ages 7 and up. T20 Blast runs one night a week for 8 weeks throughout Term 1, and is the perfect introduction to playing matches and continuing to learn skills.

All Centres start with a FREE Come & Try Session with appearances from Adelaide Strikers players, giveaways and the Strikers mascot, SMASH!

All T20 Blast Programs are professionally run by qualified SACA staff and coaches.

Free T20 Blast Come & Try Days in your area:

- **Golden Grove** MILO T20 Blast – Free Come & Try Day, Wednesday 11th February 5:30-7:00pm
- **Kensington** MILO T20 Blast – Free Come & Try Day, Wednesday 4th February 5:30-7:00pm

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

Dale Osborne | in2CRICKET Leader | SACA
South Australian Cricket Association | Adelaide Oval | North Adelaide 5006 | South Australia
Mobile: +61 438 758 733 | Phone: +61 8 8300 3881 | Fax: +61 8231 4346

Polling Results

Results of polling to make 2015 Materials & Services charges legally recoverable.

- **34 YES**
- **8 NO**

For clarification, this poll is not approving the actual amount charged for Materials and Services, it is to make the whole amount legally recoverable in the situation where it becomes necessary to send outstanding charges to debt collection. The Governing Council sets the amount each year – for 2015 there has been a $5 increase to $275 from 2014 ($270), which at under 2% is well below CPI.

We, as well as the majority of schools in our area, charge above the "standard sum" of $226 to ensure the quality of our programs are not reduced. One school not far from here is charging $422 plus a $100 excursion levy for 2015. One of the reasons we do not charge any excursion levy is due to the difference in requirements of classes. We endeavour to give as much notice as possible for excursions, and I welcome all parents/caregivers to make payment arrangements with me if necessary, as long as these arrangements are in place BEFORE the payment closing date on the applicable form.

If you require any clarification about this process, please feel free to call me on 8264 8099. I would especially encourage the people who wrote comments on their polling voting slips to contact me if they still have any concerns.

Michele Kraniac – Finance Officer

New Dental Service to be offered to Students

Ardtornish Primary School is pleased to offer all students access to an onsite dental check-up at no out of pocket expense through Dental Outreach’s ‘Grow-up Smiling’ program. ‘GuS’ is a South Australian independent schools dental program, each of whom have relevant professional training, clearances and equipment required to perform high quality dental services in a school setting. Information and enrolment packs will be sent home on Monday. Please return paperwork to the Ardtornish Primary School front office by Friday 27 February 2015.

Dental Outreach has won significant recognition since its inception, including being named the first recipient of the 2013 Wrigley’s Australian Dental Association Foundation PRINCIPLES IN ACTION Community Service Award for its voluntary work for regional and remote communities throughout South Australia, and is proud to offer its services to our school.