Dear Families,

This week almost 100% of our families will attend Personal Learning Plan meetings to discuss how we can all work together to improve outcomes in literacy and numeracy for all of our students. As a school we are incredibly proud of the fact that we can communicate and collaborate with each family individually by having focused conversations about learning. Developing these positive relationships is an important feature of our small school environment. When families and staff can have open, positive interactions it allows us not only to talk about student achievement and acknowledge the positives but also help us to find solutions together when something doesn’t go right.

From the important conversations that are taking place this week, teachers will develop a learning plan that is specifically designed for each student with achievable goals and strategies for making them happen. As part of the conversation you may be asked to think about what you can do at home to help your child achieve their goal. Our goal is for our PLP’s to be ‘live’ plans. If a student achieves their goal quickly then another one will be set. If a student is struggling to achieve their goal it may be readjusted to something that is more manageable and realistic or we may change the strategies we are using.

Throughout the year teachers will talk with students about their goals and we are hoping that parents will get into the habit of asking how they are going also. Thank you to the teachers and families who have made time this week for these important meetings.

You may be interested to know our teachers have a Personal Learning Plan also with goals they have identified for each term. We believe that no matter how well we are doing we can always get better!

Have a great week,

Donella

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Last Thursday, I attended the GRIP Student Leadership Conference with our Room 1 SRC reps. It was held at the Adelaide Entertainment Centre and our students were amongst over 800 others there to learn practical ways to be a good leader. The conference was extremely well organised and presented in a way that kept all the students engaged and participating. As you could imagine, it was very noisy at times, especially during the “Loud Noises” sessions, but all the students were encouraged to interact and some even had the chance to get up on stage and show off some skills! But when the important concepts were being taught, there was absolute silence in the room as students absorbed the information.

Some of the concepts covered were:
- Leaders look for ways to serve others at school
- Leaders look for opportunities to serve their community
- Leaders get to know other people
- Leaders stand up for what is right
- Leaders stand up for others
- Leaders are generous with their time
- Leaders use what they have to help others
- Leaders have fun

Alexander, Annalise, Eli and Mia represented Wallaroo Mines PS to a very high standard and I was very proud of their behaviour, willingness to participate and attitude. I look forward to seeing them demonstrate their leadership skills and teaching others about how to become a good leader.

You can find their perceptions of the day further on in the newsletter.

Min Spry
School Counsellor

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This week PLP Meetings
9/3 Adelaide Cup
17/3 Governing Council
23-24/3 External Review
7/4 Sports Day
SRC COMMUNITY FUNDRAISING EVENT

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE

Pancake Day is a fundraiser for Uniting Care South Australia. Our school will be once again hosting a Pancake Day on Tuesday 17th March, with all money raised going to the Kadina branch of Uniting Care Copper Triangle. This event is being organised and run by the SRC.

It will be held at the canteen at lunch time between 11:10-11:40. The cost will be $2.50 for two pancakes with surprise toppings!

This has been a great success in previous years so please come along and join us for a pancake and help a good cause! Families welcome to join us for pancakes too.

A reminder note will be sent home a day before.

Kadina Hockey

Registration Day
Wednesday 18 March 2015 – from 4.00pm
At Hockey Fields (cnr Drain & Port Rd, Kadina)

Mini Colts (Girls & Boys aged 5 to under 9)
Junior Colts (Girls & Boys under 13 yrs)
Senior Colts (Girls & Boys under 16 yrs)
Mens & Women's (16+ years) – from 5.30pm

New players and coaches welcome in all grades.

Note: No practise on Registration Day

First Practise – Wednesday 25 March 2015
Any queries please contact Sandra Paddick - 0418803259

Kadina Football

Season 2015 Training Commencement Dates

Senior Colts (born 1998/99/00) – Each Tues and Thurs @ 5:00pm

Junior Colts (born 2000/01) – Tues 10th March @ 4:30pm
Thurs 12th March
Sunday the 15th March 10am at North Beach Shelter Shed (Second Beach) – off of Suzanne Street

UA’s (born 2003/04) – Wed 1st April @ 4:15pm
Thurs 9th April @ 4:15

U10’s (born 2005/06) – Wed 1st April @ 5:00pm
Thurs 9th April @5:00pm

Kadina Football Club Auskick Program kicks off Friday 20th March 2015 @ 5.30pm
Pre-register and pay online at www.fcAuskick.com.au. Use your Sports Voucher and pay only $10 for 14 sessions.

Queries ring Ian Monger on 0417878527

Copper Coast Sport

Gems Netball

Gems Netball Club Registrations
11th of March in Creche room at CCSLC
Juniors 16 under: 3.30pm - 4:30pm, Seniors: 6pm - 7pm
Interested coaches and umpires please come along or contact Alicia Cheek on 0438897151

Junior Golf

Kadina Bloodhounds Football Oval
Contact Steve McDonald 0418 24 032 for additional information
On the way to the GRIP Leadership Conference, there were fun things to do. We waved to truck drivers and saw tanks from the army. We were almost there and saw a car that looked exactly like Mrs Glazbrook's! We got to Adelaide Entertainment Centre, where Ed Sheeran's concert is going to be. Right next door was Channel 7. We had three sessions and two food breaks. The things we can learn from Paper, Scissors, Rock are: create a plan; take action, stay strong. Leaders look for ways to serve others at school.

Mia

The GRIP Leadership conference was actually really good. GRIP teaches us how to stand up for ourselves, for others and for our ideas. Also, ‘Paper, Scissors, Rock’ teaches us that we: make a plan; take action; and stand by it. GRIP also taught us about coming up with ideas for our school and seeing what other people like. We worked around priorities for the school to come up with ideas that will enhance the school. Anyway, it was awesomely awesome!

Alexander

The GRIP Leadership conference was fun and I think that everyone had something to take back to school to share. I personally think it was a different performance and stood out to most things I have seen. The conference had a lot of interesting topics such as “Pay it forward” meaning to help someone without expecting anything in return. Also, another topic was “Stand Up” which means stand up when there is an opportunity, stand up for what is right, stand up for others and stand up for yourself. One of the last main topics was be generous with your time, talent and treasure, which means basically to be generous in every opportunity you can. As a leader in our school, I honestly hope everyone in our school displays these things both in and out of school and also keep doing the good things they always do.

G – generosity
R – responsibility
I – integrity
P – people

Annalise

9:15  Session 1 – Stand Up: Making the most of leadership opportunities
10:45  Morning Tea Break
11:00  Session 2: Pay It Forward: Looking for opportunities to lead
12:30  Lunch Break
1:00   Session 3: Developing your leadership plan
        Q&A with GRIP Leadership Team
2:30   Close

My favourite part of the day was the two funny guys. They made all 800+ kids laugh!

Eli
Values Awards
Week 5 & 6, Term 1
2015

Congratulations to the following students for consistently displaying our Values

Relationships
- Stephen
- Doug
- Shiloh
- Tall
- Madi
- Tyler B
- Ethan

Collaboration
- Levi
- Ricky
- Nakita
- Annabel
- Caiden
- Jett
- Annalise
- Alexander
- Eli
- Mia

Trust
- Lakeisha
- Anton
- Madi
- Kianna
- Scott

Understanding
- Sophie P
- Jordan Mc
- Tyson G
- Hugh
- Charlee
- Chloe

Communication
- Emarli
- Shelice
- Rhys
- Saffron
- Mason M