Diary Dates.
29st Oct GC meeting
3rd Nov Maitland visiting
6th Nov Jane at Partnerships Meeting Minlaton
10th Nov Gym Jams
12th Nov Walkathon Dress up Day
16th Nov Parents meeting 2.15pm at school
17th Nov G'Day Asia Performance with the School. Pick up at school.
25th Nov WHS training for Jane at Wallaroo
25th Nov GC meeting/ End of Year dinner
30th Nov Partnerships meeting for Jane
9th Nov Last day celebrations. Presentation night 5.30 -7.30pm

Welcome back everyone to the last term for 2015. We also welcome Lily Powell and her family to our kindy and hope they enjoy their new environment.
Thankyou to all who took the time for interviews last term and I hope it was an informative session or at least helped with preparations for transition to school. What an exciting Term for those venturing to school next year!!!!
Staff have been involved in lots of training over the last few weeks including an inspiring conference with Mark Armitage on The Do Approach to Play and also with Andrew Fuller on Resilience. We have also been involved in an online session on Outdoor Play and will be attending a session on the new Numeracy Indicators at Maitland with Lisa-Jane O’Connor.

What Have we been doing?
We have been
- Cooking on the fire in the sandpit making damper and marshmallows
- Walked to Eli and Max’s house to complete our visits
- Wrote a book about our excursions
- Images photos organized wonderful photos for everyone
- Created Fathers day gifts with rice bottles and Yummy treats
- Explored Waterbeads on the lightboard, shaving ceam with sand and kinetic sand
- Introduced bricks to the sandpit
- Learnt some Narrunga language songs and heard the story of Winda the Owl as part of cultural awareness
- Learning T-Ball at the oval
- Transition Program has begun with school visiting Kindy and bringing along ‘Buddies from Year 5/ 6 class.
- Cooked Zucchini Slice
- Watched a video on the life cycle of a butterfly and read the story the Hungry Caterpillar by Eric Carle
We will be having our gym Jams session at 11.40 – 12.30 with the reception class. Cost is $6. On the 17th Nov we will be joining the school for a performance titled G’Day Asia as part of developing cultural awareness. The cost for this is $5.50.

Notes including both have been given out.
Please return notes and money ASAP [Total payment is $11.50]

**12th Nov Dress up Walkathon Fundraiser**
As part of our fundraising this year GC decided to have a Dress up Walkathon. Information is included with newsletter. Please gather your sponsorship money before the event if possible. We will be walking along the coastal trail and ending with a picnic lunch at the lawns near the jetty. Let’s hope the weather is great too. Come and join us for a fun time on the day.

**Raffle**
A raffle is to be organized for the end of year and will be drawn at the last night’s celebrations. Please see notes for donations of children’s items to be given ASAP.
Raffle books will be distributed later in the term so please watch out for these and try to sell as many as possible. Many thanks.

**Junk Materials**
We are looking for some junk materials to use to build and explore in the outdoor play area. These might include old tyres, bamboo sticks or long smooth sticks to build TP type cubbies, crates, wooden planks, old vacuum cleaner, wooden sticks cut into 3-4cm pieces , unwanted mortar and pestles to grind materials , old baby baths, washing troughs etc. Let your imaginations run on what could be some great things to use that you may not want anymore. A separate note has already been distributed.
Many thanks.

**Community Grant Yorke Peninsula Council**
We would like to acknowledge and thank the Yorke Peninsula District Council for accepting a grant of $3488 to support the redevelopment of our outdoor play and Garden area. We are thrilled to receive this amount after lodging our grant application for $4641.25 and now hope to develop vegetable and garden areas including water access for our kindy. Many thanks to Kristin for helping with the application.
The GC will be approving ideas for this development which needs to be organized before March 2016.

**Stratco Competition**
We must be on a lucky street as I entered a 25 word completion with STATCO for garden beds and we were lucky enough to win 2 new Raised garden beds which will add to our new project. Many thanks to Stratco for their kind donations.

**Some Reminders**
- Please label all clothing, hats, drink bottles and lunch boxes
- Be Sunsmart - send hat everyday, sensible sleeves on clothing and sunscreen before kindy
- Beware of false advertising on food products as the ✔️ for canteen approved foods is not recognized and often put on very sugary foods like Tiny teddies etc. Often if food looks like a lolly it is a lolly so always read the label avoid high sugar or fat foods and lots of preservatives.
- Check transition program
- Return library books every week
- For those who need to pay the term’s fees please pay well before the end of term so our accounts can be finalized.
Regards,
Jane, Kali, Kristin and Belinda.

Keep your kids smiling
Dental care is FREE for most school-aged children and ALL preschool children at the School Dental Service. All babies, children and young people 0-17 years are welcome to attend.
School Dental Service clinics are open during the Christmas school holiday break.
Phone your local School Dental Service clinic now for an appointment. For clinic details visit www.sadental.sa.gov.au.

World Teachers’ Day. An Idea from DECD
"On Friday 31 October, we celebrate World Teachers’ Day. You are invited to get involved and say ‘thank you’ to a wonderful teacher at your school/pre-school.
Visit the DECD website, download the ‘say thanks’ activity, colour and decorate the attached ‘owl’, write a message on the back about how your teacher has made a difference in your life and present it to them on World Teachers’ Day.”