ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL OPEN NIGHT

Parents and visitors enjoyed the welcoming atmosphere and were interested to tour the learning facilities on offer at Paralowie.

If you know someone who missed Open Night, ask them to contact the school for a tour.

Our thanks to all the staff and students who assisted on the night.
In our school we have a number of key transition points for our students and families.

The importance of Year 10.
For us, Year 10 sees the beginning of the Senior School, but the true rigour of the SACE commences in Year 11 (Stage 1, SACE). Our Year 10 students need to participate actively and positively in any interactive sessions that aim to really inform them about the work load and depth associated with Stage 1. Too often students who have the ability to be successful in Stage 1 and 2 are not, because they are not prepared to develop and foster a strong work ethic. Quite simply to be successful you need to work at home and learn for tests. If this does not occur the chances of being successful are minimised.

Subject choices will occur in term 3 for 2014.
Being realistic about the aspirations we have for our children is important. High expectations are non negotiable but hard work and an enquiring mind are essential for all career pathways and aspirations.

Attendance is critical.
If students do not attend school regularly they minimise their chances of success.
A Year 12 student who attended our school and was successful said something to me I have always remembered.
“Ms. Garwood, Year 12 is hard but I think I will get there. I am too scared to be sick and miss any classes. I can not get behind. My teachers are really good and want to help me all the time. It is actually good, because not many of us ask our teachers for help, so those of us who ask for help can have longer sessions with our teachers when we need them”

Students are always honest and very perceptive!
Regardless of the year level your child is in, whether it be junior primary, primary or secondary please work with our teachers and support staff. We are all here to support students and their learning.

Holidays are nearly here. Please have a happy and safe holiday. It will be great to start the new term on Monday, 22nd July.

Sincerely,
DI GARWOOD
PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to the recipients of the Values Certificates and Junior School Awards. These students have shown outstanding values and demonstrated outstanding achievement in classes and in the yard.

MICHELLE LENNOX
HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

The Paralowie School Choir, consisting of fifty three students, performed a selection of songs at the Salisbury Institute for the Annual General Meeting of the Country Women's Association (CWA). The students were a credit to the school and themselves. Their performance was well received as they sang five songs from the ‘Festival of Music 2013’ repertoire.

The next public performance will be at the Adelaide Festival Theatre in September, where Paralowie students will join 400 students from other school choirs around the state, to present a fantastic evening of song and dance.
YEAR 12 TOURISM CLASS VISIT MONARTO ZOO

We set off very early on Friday 31st May for the Monarto Zoo.

Our purpose was to learn about the management practices of this popular tourist destination and of course view the great variety of “residents”!

The weather became a challenge as the day progressed, with rain increasing by the hour!

However this did not deter us from achieving our aims including a talk by Wally the Education Officer, and appreciating the experience of this very large, open Zoo.

The day proved a great success despite the adverse weather conditions!

ERIKA PAPAS
TOURISM TEACHER

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

Active After School Sport has continued this term with Martial Arts for Year 3-6’s and Hip hop for Rec-Year 2’s. Last term, students enjoyed taking part in tennis and cricket.

This program has been a great way for students to be active after school, form new friendships and have an opportunity to try different activities.

Some of our participants took a keen interest in the sports offered and have pursued them in the community as well.

Thanks to Penny Opie for her organisation before and during activities, seeking and collecting donations and to Penny and Craig Knowles for the facilitation of the program each week.

We would like to thank Hollywood Fresh Fruiterers for donating afternoon tea each week.

In the next couple of weeks I will ask for expressions of interest from students who would like to be part of the program in Term 3.

NATALIE CARLING
SENIOR LEADER R-6

DAMON ADAMS - YEAR 9

Damon was selected to represent South Australia in the Under 15 Indigenous Football Team.

The carnival was played in Townsville QLD for a week during the last holidays. The team stayed in hotel accommodation and played a game each day.

South Australia won four of their six games and made it to the grand final which they lost to Western Australia.

The team's coaches and assistant coaches were Eddie Hocking, Andrew McLeod and Eugene Warrior.

Well done Damon, we are very proud of you and who knows, you may be the next indigenous AFL footballer to come from Paralowie R-12. We wish you all the best with your future aspirations.

ADAM CARTER
Five of our Year 12 VET students went along to meet and greet Minister Mark Butler and the residents of our VET Health Pathways Industry partner, Hawksbury Gardens Aged Care.

The Minister was interested to hear about the working relationship that has developed, which has led to job opportunities for students who have completed the VET Health Pathways Certificate Course.

This term Registered Nurse Educator, Claire Ramsay from TAFE SA has been teaching the Second Year Health Pathways nursing units.

The students have been interested and involved in the nursing lectures and information. They have particularly enjoyed the practical activities which have included taking blood pressures and insulin levels.

During weeks eight and nine, the class will travel to Port Adelaide TAFE to work in their skills labs.

Focusing on skill development, the Wheelchair Sports Association came to show students how difficult it can be to navigate surfaces and pathways in a wheelchair.

Students pushed themselves up long ramps, through narrow doorways, across spoon drains and over speed bumps and grass. Moving around an inside area also proved challenging. It was exhausting, but the students had a wonderful time and gained a better understanding of completing tasks with a disability.

Students then put their skills into practice and took a group of residents from Hawksbury Gardens for a wheelchair walk around the outside of their facility in Salisbury North.

The students gained valuable experience in pushing wheelchairs and were given extra instruction by Hawksbury Garden’s staff.

The students regularly see the residents while completing their industry based tasks and enjoy the learning experience.

MELISSA WILLSON
VET TEACHER

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS
We have lots of senior school polos, secondary sports tops and specialist sports tops for sale in the Second hand Uniform Shop.

The shop is located in the community Centre from Monday to Wednesday in the mornings from 8.30 - 9.15am