Well, here we are, our last newsletter for Term 1 before students and staff head off for a well-earned break. There is no doubt it has been an intensive term of learning with the many challenges that comes with it. As a result, there are many tired minds across the school. Whilst there have been many highlights throughout the term, finishing off with our parent/child/teacher learner conversations - where students showcased aspects of the development and participated in goal setting for next term - is certainly one for me. There is no doubt, and the research is very clear on this, that when we work as a three-way partnership (teach-child-parent), success is enhanced.

Over the last two weeks there has been a great deal of interschool sporting participation, particularly for Year 4-7 students with the Heathfield HS Lunch and Crunch volleyball tournament, Glenelg beach volleyball tournament and District Sports day. Participation, and a willingness to give our best have featured for our students.

You may recall in an earlier newsletter, or at assemblies, how we are beginning to talk about our brains as muscles, something that can be exercised and grow. District sports day on Wednesday was another perfect example of our students starting to understand they can get better and develop strong Habits of Mind.

We had a healthy team of 16 students represent our school with a large proportion of them our senior girls. We all know there comes a point in our development where we may become self-conscious or let the views of others influence us in a way that is not necessarily positive. Public sporting participation is one area where this can happen; however our girls chose to rise above and were wonderfully positive role models for those around them and for our younger students.

No doubt you would have heard from your children about the creative writing they have been doing this term. Each child was encouraged to bring a photo from home and create a story to go with it. Twenty of these were chosen to be entered in the Rotary Club Literacy/Photo Expo to be displayed at Stirling Foodland from Friday 10th April to the 17th April. The others have been displayed around the school. There was a particular emphasis on planning and drafting, what we call value adding. This has been supported by teacher feedback but also feedback from one another as we continue to embrace the belief that ‘we are all teachers’. Of our entries four received awards. These were written by Brice Knight, Brooke Muehlberg, Elliot Reader and Jasmine Reader. Congratulations to you all.

Have a safe and happy holiday, remember to read every day, help out around the house and get outside and enjoy this beautiful place that we live in.

Regards, Travis
Some Snapshots of Learning with Pauline
PCW JOTTINGS

Holidays are here!! Two weeks off from the routine of lunches and remembering jumpers and hats and making sure homework books are in the school bag. It’s also a time when many families make the most of the opportunity to catch up with the latest movies. Movie choice can sometimes be a confusing thing for parents, particularly when the rating doesn’t seem to realistically reflect the content of the movie. The link below is for a website which reviews movies and gives a very clear explanation of the types of themes in newly released movies as well as a description of any possible concerns for parents. With so much media content available to children today it is difficult to keep up with everything, let alone find good information to help make choices about what we are comfortable for our children to watch.

The website was developed by the Australian Council on Children and the Media who also provide some links to research on media and how it can impact on our students including research on online gaming. Research is showing that exposure to online and other media content - particularly violence - can have long term effects on the developing brain so it is good to know there are resources out there to help us make decisions appropriate to our children. Not every family will make the same decision and what is right for one child will not necessarily work for another but having access to clear information gives us a good basis for the choices we make.

Have a wonderful holiday and remember to spend some time off-screen as well!

Cheers, Cathy

http://childrenandmedia.org.au/movie-reviews/

Glenelg Beach Volleyball

On Friday 20th March the 5/6/7 students went to Glenelg for a fun day at the beach playing volleyball against many other teams from across the city. There were five teams and four matches for each team. There were two boy teams and three girl teams. Two teams managed to get into the quarter finals. Heathfield G3 didn’t make it into the semi-finals but the other team fought their way into the semi-finals, but sadly lost by two points. Everyone had an enjoyable day at Glenelg playing volleyball and we hope to do it again next term.

By Mya and Molly, Yr 5

Cooking with Kelle is returning to Heathfield Primary next term.

If you have any surplus fruit or vegies in your garden we would love to hear from you.

The aim of the program is to cook fresh, homegrown produce thereby encouraging a new generation to grow their own food and enjoy eating fresh, seasonal fruit and vegies.

We use produce from the school garden but sometimes we need a bit of a top-up.

Please let us know if you have anything you’d like us to help use up!

Contact Cathy via the front office.

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**Needed!**

We are running low on wood for our woodwork students – if anyone has offcuts or scraps of wood no longer needed please send them to the school.

We’re also in need of 4 or 5 litre ice cream containers for use in establishing new plants around the school.

Thankyou in anticipation!!

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**5-7 years**

**net**

Learn netball related fundamental motor skills with fun music, dance and games.

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**8-10 years**

**set**

Be a part of modified netball games with a focus on fun and teamwork.

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**go**

Visit netsetgo.asn.au to find out more.

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Heathfield Netball Club is proud to host Net Set Go in Term 2.

Children aged 5 to 8 are welcome to join us on Tuesdays throughout Term 2 between 4:30 and 5:30pm. The program costs $60 for 10 weeks and parents are invited to use their Sports Vouchers (the club can organise this for you) so that you can receive a $50 discount on the Net Set Go fees!

Registration is between 9am and 10 am on Sunday 12th April at Heathfield Netball Club, Longwood Rd, Heathfield. See our website at [http://heathfield.sa.netball.com.au](http://heathfield.sa.netball.com.au) for more information, email us at heathfieldnetballclub@gmail.com or call Melissa on 0403 381 767.