Congratulations to Finn W who has been picked in the state hockey team.

Thank you again to the school community for your support in the last student free day. Highgate School welcomed 80 teachers from our local schools to participate in the moderation of student work in mathematics. Each teacher brought along several mathematical tasks from three children in their classes that were aligned with the Australian Curriculum. The aim of the day was to develop consistency around the A to E grading system that we use across all schools, with a C being at the appropriate standard.

Our current focus on numeracy / mathematics is also being supported by parent workshops being held at several local schools out of hours. The most recent one was advertised in our newsletter and held at Glen Osmond. There are several more throughout the year. These are being facilitated by Ann Baker who is a mathematician in residence working across many schools. Ann worked in our partnership schools in 2015 and has a great knowledge around all areas of mathematics.

The nature play area outside the early years area on Hampstead Avenue is nearly complete. I am really looking forward the completion and the official opening, which is being held later this term. A working bee was recently held with work on the nature play area, the new vegetable garden area and the playground being completed. Students are already very keen to start a lunch time garden club, get into the vegetable garden area and begin planting.

Thank you to those who so generously helped on the day, the amount of work completed was fantastic and greatly
We are in the process of finalising student numbers for 2016.

If you have a younger child who is not yet enrolled please see Alison in the front office to collect an enrolment form.

Thank you for your assistance.

Please pay your child/ren’s Materials & Services Charge, Excursion Levy and Music costs now. These accounts are now overdue.

Payment options include:

- Payment by cash, cheque, Visa or MasterCard at the Finance Office between 8.30am and 4pm.
- BPOINT direct system on our website
- Via Qkr app
- By direct deposit to Highgate School Account BSB: 065140 Account: 10267540

Please reference Family name, and invoice number

Please see Jane at the Finance Office for assistance.

Prompt payment of outstanding invoices is appreciated.

Building supplies for the new Highgate Maker Space.

Plywood
Handy mesh panels
90x35 or similar lumber
Black house paint
Fixings

If there are any supplies you can spare please contact Hugh Benger either in Room 12 or via email: hugh.benger198@schools.sa.edu.au

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Winter has arrived and with it an increase in illness. School is not a good place for sick children. If your child seems unwell or is showing signs of fever, headache, sore throat or a tummy upset it is important to the health of the school community that they are kept home from school.

If you are keeping your child home due to sickness a quick call to the school office is all that is required. Phone: 82719622.

Thank you.
Dear Parents,

Last week we welcomed three staff from International Education Services, Department for Education and Child Development at our school assembly. They presented the benefits of hosting a Chinese Study Tour Program.

Their video showed children in Years 5, 6, 7 in a school in Shandong Province, China. The Chinese children were involved in sports and music.

I believe there are many benefits gained by hosting Chinese students in our school and our local homes. These include:

- Making a new friend
- Practising your Chinese language
- Swapping emails / photos
- Playing new games
- Trying new food
- Finding out about a new culture

Therefore we are wishing to host our first Chinese Study Tour from Changchun No.52 School, Jilin Province and are looking for homestay families to host 14 Chinese students for two weeks at the beginning of Term 3, 2016 (31/07/16 – 13/08/16, dates to be confirmed). The Chinese students are happy to accept either double placement or single placement in homestay family.

$500 for two weeks is given to the host family to cover food etc.

If you are able to assist, please contact Anna Itsines via phone 8271 9622 or via email anna.itsines453@schools.sa.edu.au by COB Friday 3 June 2016.

The staff and I would be grateful if you could support us in hosting this Chinese Study Tour group. We hope it would be ongoing every July.

Also we would like our students to experience a study tour to China some time in the future.

Warm regards,
JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

This term we are fundraising via Jump Rope for Heart for the Heart Foundation. Students have been involved in skipping activities during their Physical Education lessons and fitness time. Parkside Primary School skipping champions demonstrated the skills they have developed over a number of years to our students in Week 4.

Congratulations, so far our school has raised $354!

Keep up the good work.

Please remember you can register your child for fundraising online with the following link:

http://jumprope.everydayhero.do/jumprope2016/?group=Highgate-Junior-Primary-School-HIGHGATE-SA-118482

The fundraising will culminate in a jump off day 10 June 2016 to celebrate the skipping skills students have learnt and to acknowledge the fundraising efforts of all students.

ENROLMENT AT THE LADY GEORGE KINDERGARTEN FOR 2017

Please make sure you have completed a Pre-Registration form for The Lady George Kindergarten if you wish to be considered for a place in 2017.

Pre-Registration forms are available from the Kindergarten or by phoning 8271 6343.

The pre enrolment process will begin late term 2 so please make sure your completed form is sent before the end of this term.

Thank you
Sally Sorrell
(Director)
National Simultaneous Storytime was held on Wednesday 25 May. The story this year was “I got this hat” by Jol and Kate Temple. Sixteen of our classes took part and had made fabulous hats to celebrate. Happy reading
Louise Hernan
**QUIZ NIGHT IS FAST APPROACHING!**

You can book your table through Qkr (instructions below) or contact Jane in the Finance Office by 18 June. Tables are $250 for 10 people.

1. Download Qkr! on your Android phone or iPhone.
2. Register
3. Find our school
4. Register your children

If you are having trouble forming a table please see your class rep.

If you have a business and are able to support the silent auction with a donated item or service please contact either Amy Simons amy simons21@gmail.com or Anna Itsines anna.itsines453@schools.sa.edu.au

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**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARE NOW AVAILABLE**

Highgate School is pleased to offer the 2016/2017 Entertainment book for sale to the school community.

$65

Available as a traditional Entertainment Book or Digital Membership on your smartphone, your Membership gives you over $20,000 worth of valuable offers valid through to 1 June 2017!


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**WHITE ELEPHANT STALL**

Did you have a clean out over the holidays? We are looking for household items, toys, glassware, sporting goods etc that you would like to donate to our second hand stall.

**NO ELECTRICAL, LARGE FURNITURE or CLOTHING.** These donations can be left in Anna’s office which is situated in the Primary building opposite Room 4.

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**BOOKS**

Do you have any books that others might enjoy reading? We have begun collecting second hand books and magazines for our bookstall. Any donations can also be left in Anna’s office which is situated in the Primary building opposite Room 4.
Outcome 1.2.1: each child’s current knowledge, ideas, culture, and interests provide the foundation for programming.

Spontaneous play that children initiate themselves is an important part of healthy development.

It’s another way that children exercises their creativity, thinking skills as well as their bodies. This is evidenced in the snapshot below.

April had an idea, she wanted to make a fairy ring. She organised the items needed and invited others to play. They arranged the shells and flowers to make the fairy ring and then sang some songs as they danced around the ring. This was a spontaneous activity that brought lots of joy to the participants. When I told mum about it she told me that they make fairy rings in the garden at home too.

Play positively supports children’s social/emotional, physical, cognitive, language, and literacy skills, is essential to a child’s overall healthy development (Ginsburg, 2007; Packer Isenberg & Quisenberry, 2002) and enhances self-regulation.
Primary Schools String Workshop
Our DECD string students participated in the Instrumental Music ‘Sempre Sensational’ String Workshop at Belair Primary School on Monday morning of May 30. The workshop was a great opportunity for our students to experience playing in a very large ensemble and perform to parents at the end. Well done to the 19 students who were involved.

Mid-Year Winter Concerts
Towards the end of term 2 and in early term 3, many of our instrumental teachers hold concerts for their students and their families. These concerts are an opportunity for every student learning an instrument to experience what it is like to perform in front of others, overcome nerves, develop resilience and know a sense of achievement. Most concerts will be small and informal so that everyone who wants to perform can do so with confidence. Instrumental teachers will notify their students if they intend having one soon. Concerts already booked are as follows:

Students of Emilio Pieroni (Classical Guitar & Piano) – Sunday July 3 at 2.30pm in the Studio

Students of Rhonda Parker & Liz Pearce (Piano) – Sunday July 3 at 1.00pm in the Performing Arts room

Drum Teacher
Our drum teacher Chris Neale will be taking leave from week 5 term 2 until the end of term 3 to perform at the Edinburgh Fringe Festival. We wish him every success in Edinburgh and welcome Micaela Thomas who will be replacing Chris as drum teacher for the rest of this term and next term. Drum lessons will continue as normal during this time.

Music Practice Tips:

Spaced repetition – with music that you find a challenge, choose up to six separate passages and spend 3-4 minutes on each until you get it right, then come back to each passage after having worked on the others.

Don’t let those tricky passages beat you!

This is how to practice like a champion!
**SPELD PARENT SESSION**

SPELD has a new event for parents on Thursday 23 June, 2016. Mandy Nayton from DSF in Perth will present a session on the AUSPELD guide for parents that has been specifically developed to answer many of the questions raised by parents about learning difficulties.

This information and Q&A session on the Guide will be held on Thursday 23rd June, 7—8:30pm. Entry: a gold coin donation.

The Guide examines the identifying features of learning disorders, identification and diagnosis, successful intervention programs and the parent’s role in supporting children and young adults with learning difficulties.

The session will run for 1½ hours, with a further 30 minutes afterwards for additional questions.

The guide will be available for purchase for $35 on the night.

For more information and to express interest in attending - [you must register]:


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**Keep your kids smiling**

SA Dental Service

At the School Dental Service, dental care is FREE for all babies, children not yet at school and most children to age 17.

The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Call us now for an appointment!

Mitcham School Dental Clinic

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**Come on Aussies...Come on!**

Help a child from overseas fulfils their dreams.

Southern Cross Cultural Exchange is looking for volunteer families to host the large numbers of European exchange students arriving in July.

Please open your hearts and your homes for a culturally enriching experience and gain your very own special window to the world!

For more information please call or email Jenny

PH (08) 8323 0973 or email jeh1313@bigpond.net.au

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**SPECIALIST NETBALL COACHING – TERM 2**

Taught and bowled is offering specialist netball coaching programs this winter for aspiring young netballers.

Program details:

- The program runs over 4 1½ hour sessions and includes a weekly take-home program for participants.
- Programs will be tailored for each area of the court so that you can receive coaching that is specific to your game.
- The program is open to girls aged 5-13 years, playing in Primary (U12) and Sub-Junior (U13) competitions.
- Sessions will be run indoor with a maximum of six players in a group. The cost for the 4 x 1½ minute sessions is $20. The program will be planned by Alice Johnstone, Intermediate Level Accredited coach with over 15 years’ experience coaching. Sessions will be delivered by Alice and other similarly qualified coaches. There are two programs available.

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Programs will also be run during Term 3, details are on the website.


Please contact Alice Johnstone at alice@taughtandbowled.com.au or on 0412 454 784 for further details.