From the Principal

As it is Week 8 of the school term, this will be the last Weekly for 2015. In its place will be our quarterly SPW News, which will be distributed at the end of next week.

Since we last wrote there have been any number of highlights:

• “A Night at the Movies” was an uplifting occasion in the Brighton Performing Arts Centre, last Friday evening. The theatre was packed and we were entertained by children from years Reception through to 7 who were able to showcase their particular musical talents. We had the Junior Glee, Senior Glee, Chapel Choir, School Band, a range of ensembles, and an extraordinary drum solo by Jack B. All in all, this showcase exemplified the path we are taking in pursuit of outstanding opportunities for children in the musical arena.

• The Semester 2 Sports Assembly with guest speaker Kane Cornes, was again ably coordinated by our students. This Assembly provides a wonderful opportunity for students to be recognised for their cumulative efforts in sport and there were certainly a wide range of achievements, both individual and team, that were able to be acknowledged.

• The Reception Nativity is always a highlight and a timely reminder of the progress that children have made in their first year of formal schooling.

Tomorrow morning is another exciting occasion, with 88 children and their families gathering for the final Transition and Information morning for children starting in Foundation (Reception) in 2016. The children will meet their teachers for next year, who in Foundation will be Ms Kate Hane, Ms Gabrielle Bahr, Ms Amelia Talbot and Ms Natasha Cole. In 2016 the Foundation children will be taught in newly renovated classrooms, currently occupied by the Year 1s.

The final week of the school term will commence with the SPW Community Carol Service in St Peter’s Anglican Church at 5pm on Sunday. This is sure to be another exciting opportunity for our community to gather together. Other events in the last week include:

• The Christmas lunch on Monday (thanks to the PFA)
• Final Whole School Assembly on Tuesday with prize giving and announcements from 2.00pm
• Announcement of classes and teachers for 2016 as part of Moving On Day on Wednesday (Reports will go home on this day)
• 12.30pm dismissal on Thursday, the last day of school for 2016
• Year 7 Graduation and Upper Primary Prize Giving for Year 6 and 7 students and their families on Thursday from 7.30pm in Baddams Hall

It seems absolutely appropriate that one of my final paragraphs this year is in reference to our current group of Year 7s as they complete their final year of Primary School. I do believe this is an important milestone and achievement for
them, and one that should be celebrated. I have enjoyed watching their
development over many years, with some starting way back in 2005. In
congratulating these students on the culmination of their Primary years, it is also
appropriate to thank all parents/caregivers and staff who have, in partnership, been
behind these students’ successes.

I am also conscious that for some families this last week will be an historic one as
they are finishing their active involvement with the SPW community after many years
(17 in one case). What extraordinary changes these parents would have seen and
how could one calculate how much time has been given to support their children’s
education here at SPW.

Finally, it is fitting to wish everyone a blessed and joyful Christmas, to give thanks for
the SPW community, our children, parents/caregivers, staff and indeed the wider
community, who continue to give so much.

Happy Christmas.

Christopher France

Sports News
Sports Results
Volleyball
SPW Teal Year 4 Girls 51 points SPW Purple 45 points
SPW Orange Year 6 Girls 57 points Brighton PS 38 points
SPW Rose Year 7 Girls 104 points Marymount Strikers 60 points

Cricket
Paringa Park PS 6/110 SPW Year 7 A Grade Gold 5/109

Basketball
Glenelg PS 10 points SPW Red Year 3 Boys 6 points
Seacliff PS 22 points SPW Red Year 3/4 Girls 8 points
SPW Year 7 Girls 20 points Marymount 18 points

Run Club & Term 4 Challenge
Every Wednesday, 8.15am on McKenzie Oval. Students are currently completing a
challenge to see how far they can run in total until the end of term. Our Running
Total as at Week 7 is 625 km.

Next week’s target to get to Melbourne: 101 km.

Run Club 2016
SPW is looking for a group of parent volunteers to assist with a new Run Club initiative
starting in Term 1 2016. This would mean being available on a Friday morning from
8.05am until 8.40am. If you are interested and available to commit for the duration
of the school year, please contact me at hbowen@spw.sa.edu.au

Sports 2016
If you have not completed a nomination form for your child/ren for 2016, please do
so urgently. Hard copies are available from the Front Office.

National Athletics Champs
Good luck to Will E, Nathaniel D, Lily T, Alana T, Oliver C and Portia W who flew to
Canberra this week to represent South Australia at the National Championships.

Congratulations
To Charlie Y who attended a FFA Goalkeeper Development Camp in Canberra
recently. Also to Harry Higgins who will be attending a sailing regatta in Melbourne
next week in preparation for the Optimist National Titles coming up at the beginning
of January.
Basketball Tops Return
If you have not yet returned your top, please place them in a plastic bag, clearly named, and take to the PE/Sports Office (not the Front Office) asap. Thank you.

Thank You
A huge thanks to all those volunteers who have assisted coaching and managing school sports teams this year. It is very much appreciated. We have had another great year in sport and this is in great part down to the support which is provided for our students, be it as taxi drivers, kit washers, or orange providers etc.

2016
If you can act as a coach or manager for a team in 2016, please contact me at hbowen@spw.sa.edu.au.

Huw Bowen
Sports & PE Coordinator

Old Logo
Just a reminder that clothing with the ‘old logo’ will be able to be worn only until the end of 2015.

After that time it will no longer be able to be worn. The new logo has been in circulation since January 2013, therefore has allowed for a three year transition from the old to the new.

There are two exceptions; the old style Windcheater top and the old style SPW representative top—both of these can be worn until December 2016.

Uniform Shop
Wondering what to do with your old logo items? Feel like they are a too good to throw away? I will be collecting them for South Pacific School Aid. The garments will be sent overseas and put to good use. Please donate freshly laundered items to me and I will organise for them to be delivered to those who can use them. Items can be placed in the bin outside the Uniform Shop from 8.15am until 4.00pm, Monday to Thursday.

The term is closing in on us quickly, so I would like to remind you that the Uniform Shop will be closed for the Christmas break from Thursday 10 December. Please note this date in your diary.

I am receiving lots of old logo donations. Thank you, and please keep them coming in. Just one point of clarification. In relation to the zipped sports windcheater, this top can continue to be worn only with the current logo (not the old crest).

Tiona Ryan
Uniform Shop Manager

Chaplain’s Chat
Congratulations to the Reception classes and their teachers on a magnificent Nativity play this week. I think all those present were deeply impressed and moved by their confidence and their message.

The Christmas theme continues with our **SPW Community Carol Service this coming Sunday 6 December 5.00pm at St Peter’s Church, Torrens Square, Glenelg.** Please see poster in the Weekly for details and come along to enjoy the carols and the members of our choir presenting the mini play “A Midwife Crisis”. Our final Chapel Service next Thursday will be Communion, also reflecting on Christmas themes.

As this Weekly is the last for the year, may I take this opportunity to wish all those graduating from SPW a happy transition to Secondary School. I wish all members of
the SPW Community a safe and relaxing Christmas season. I also want to say thank you to everyone for the past eight and a bit years I have been Chaplain at SPW. I have had wonderful support from Chris Prance, all the Executive and staff, and enjoyed many wonderful times with the students here. In my new role as Rector of St Peter’s Glenelg I will, of course, still have a role in the school and be present as a parent too, but it will be a big change as I move more into the Parish ministry and we will welcome someone new to SPW in the role of Chaplain. I look forward to the challenges ahead and ways to forge closer relationships between the Parish and the school. Christmas blessings to you all.

Fr Andrew Mintern
School Chaplain

Canteen
Thank you to Jan Vassallo and Leonie Hughes for their assistance in the Canteen during the past week. It has been very much appreciated. Thank you also to all those wonderful parents and grandparents who have volunteered in the Canteen during the year. It has been a real pleasure to spend the day with you and your help has been very appreciated.

With only a few days left of lunch orders you may find that there may be a couple of items not available. If you are using the Qkr! app it will let you know and therefore you won’t be able to order it; if you are still ordering the old way it might be a good idea to have a back up. At this stage I am only out of the macaroni bake. I still have a large supply of ice-blocks and ice-creams to see us through the hot weather.

Rosy Elphick
Canteen Manager

The Arts
Piano with Jenny Campbell – ANZCA piano exams
Congratulations to:
Hannah V (Year 7) Grade 5 High Distinction A+
Cai C (Year 6) Grade 1 Distinction A

Mark DeLaine
The Arts Coordinator

Arnie (Guide Dog Puppy in Training) Update
Recently Arnie and I have been continuing our training in the city, getting on and off very crowded trams, and walking through the Central Market without picking anything up off of the floor. Easy for me but a bit tempting for Arnie. He has continued to come with the Year 7 students to Squash and the Year 6 students to the Glenelg Gym where he has watched with interest as they have learnt about circuit training.

Arnie and I would like to thank the whole school community for their support since we have started this program. He loves visiting SPW and often does not want to go home at the end of the day. The students have been wonderful and I’ve particularly enjoyed the smiles he has brought to so many faces. We will continue our training over the summer and he will be happy to see all of his friends again when school returns in 2016.

Karen Whelan and Arnie

PFA News
Christmas Lunch
Everyone is looking forward to the Christmas Lunch on Monday. Thank you to all who have volunteered to help on the day. A reminder that each child is asked to bring a small plate of food according to the note which was sent home. Many thanks.
After School BBQs
A huge thank you to everyone who has assisted this year. We look forward to 2016 and starting all over again.

PFA Representatives
A huge THANK YOU to the PFA representatives for 2015. The Executive and wider school community have appreciated your time and efforts this year. As we wrap up the year and look towards 2016, it would be beneficial if people could start thinking about how they might like to be involved in the SPW community or PFA next year. Can you give up a few hours for 6 Wednesday nights next year to attend PFA meetings? Would you like to coordinate events for the parents in your child’s class? Would you like to assist in fundraising for resources for the students? We need your help in 2016, so please have a think about what you might be able to do and feel free to contact us. We would love to welcome back those of you from 2015 plus have some more people on board in 2016 to make the PFA even stronger and more fun than it has been during this year. More information will be available early in Term 1 2016.

For further information, contact Laura Matthews, Secretary, pfa@spw.sa.edu.au or phone 0402 093 337.

Family Information 2016
If you haven’t already returned your Family Information forms for 2016, we would ask that you do so immediately. It is very important that we receive this information, not only to ensure we have up to date contact details in an emergency, but because we also use this data to compile addresses for the children’s stationery delivery and parent/child inclusion in the Buzz Book.

Simon Theel
Deputy Principal

A Christmas Prayer
Jesus, the Light of the World,
As we celebrate your birth, may we begin to see the world in the light of the understanding you give us.
As you chose the lowly, the outcasts and the poor to receive the greatest news the world had ever known, so may we worship you in meekness of heart.
May we also remember those less fortunate than ourselves in this season of giving.

Amen
Last Day of Term 4—After School Care

THURSDAY 10 DECEMBER—PLEASE NOTE

You will be aware that school finishes at 12.30pm on the last day of term, Thursday 10 December. Please note that After School Care on this day up to 3.15pm is free of charge and will be overseen by the SPW Curriculum Assistants.

If care is required between 12.30pm and 3.15pm, please complete and return the tear-off slip below to the Front Office by Tuesday 8 December. Normal rates will apply after 3.15pm and you will need to book with Camp Australia should this be required.
SPW Community Carol Service

In partnership with Glenelg Anglican Parish

Sunday 6 December at 5.00pm
St Peter’s Anglican Church
Torrens Square, Augusta Street, Glenelg

Celebrating the Christmas Story with Music, Drama, Story and Song. Featuring the Church Organ, St Peter’s Parish Choir, SPW Choirs and the musical nativity “A Midwife Crisis”

Whole School Christmas Lunch
Monday 7 December at 12 noon

The whole School Christmas Party will be held in Baddams Hall on Monday 7 December at 12 noon. While the lunch is a party and ‘party’ type food is acceptable, we ask that when supplying food you consider a healthy option. Also, due to allergies please supply food without nut products. There will be a cool room supplied to store the perishable foods that need refrigeration. Unfortunately, due to the amount of food needed there will be no provision to heat food. Please take food directly to the hall when arriving at school, not to the classroom. To help with the flow, any food that needs to go to the cool room please drop off at the doors at the back of Baddams Hall entrance, Braested Oval. Any food that does not need refrigeration please drop off at Baddams Hall side door entrance (there will be signs posted above the entrances to help direct).

You should have received your coloured form in communication folders outlining which type of food to bring. In order to embrace the Christmas spirit we will again sing some Christmas carols together. Although full school uniform is required, we welcome a Christmas addition such as a festive head piece eg hat, reindeer antlers etc.

Thank you
Be an Angel of Hope this Christmas

Helping Anglicare this Christmas

Please donate Christmas food and gifts under the SPW Christmas tree for Anglicare Christmas Hampers supporting those in need.

Here are some ideas of what you can bring and leave in the Chapel:

Food ideas
Tinned ham and tuna • Coffee, Milo and Tea • Cordial and long-life fruit juice • Canned vegetables • Canned fruits • Canned beans and spaghetti • dried pulses and beans • Sweet treats and chocolates • Breakfast cereals • Long life milk • Pasta and pasta sauces • Spreads & jams • Sweet and savoury biscuits • Christmas cakes • fruit mince pies • Christmas puddings • Long life custard

Gift Ideas
Dolls • Art & Craft sets • Board games • Balls (Football, basketball, soccer, netball etc.) • Tennis set • cricket set • Jewellery and accessories • Make-up • Skin care kits • Male & female toiletries • Lego kits • Toy cars, planes, trains • Construction sets • Tea sets • Books, CDs, DVDs • Stationery • Jigsaws

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## The Week Ahead

**2015 Term 4 Week 9**  
**Monday 7—Thursday 10 December**

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   ◦ 2.30pm—4.00pm | - Chapel Service, Communion, 8.45am (Chapel)  
   * School Term finishes at 12.30pm  
   * Year 7 Graduation and UP Prize Giving Evening, 7.30pm (Baddams Hall) |
| **Extra & Co-Curricular** | - Chapel Choir — 12.50-1.30pm (Chapel) | - Run Club — 8.15-8.55am (McKenzie Oval) Years 2 to 7 | - Chapel Choir & Band — 8.15-8.45am (Chapel) |

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