Welcome back to Augusta Park Primary School 2015!

Walking around the school it’s all too evident how much our students have grown over the holidays, their smiling faces, enthusiasm and curiosity to get to know the new staff has been fantastic.

I would like to both congratulate and welcome:

- Mr Jono Warrior – Aboriginal Community Education Officer
- Mrs Donna Irvine – Administration (Front Office)
- Mr Ben Kha – Years 2/3 Team teaching with Mrs Carn
- Miss. Lisa Rigney – Years 3/4
- Miss Natasha Sghirripa – Years 3/4
- Ms. Trisha Gwinnell – Years 5/6.
- Mrs Jean Wood – Special Education

We are fortunate to have such an experienced and skilled group of staff join an already committed team.

Please make all our new staff feel welcome; I know they will appreciate your efforts in making yourself known to them.

Numeracy Focus

Staff will continue their Professional Learning in the area of Maths & Numeracy. All children are currently completing a task where they have to describe the strategies they use to complete a Maths problem. The addition problem is presented using a grid, challenging children to choose a starting point and then strategies to add numbers together.

The example provided gives children opportunity to use doubles, making 10s or simply adding 5+9+4=18.

The selection of the numbers is purposeful; challenging the children to use a range of strategies as they become more proficient Mathematicians.

Student Enrolments

At this stage of the year we have had lots of new and unexpected enrolments and find ourselves full in some year levels. The Year 7 class has reached 30 and both our Reception classes are full on 18.

We are aware that there are some families wishing to enrol additional students but at this stage any requests will be placed on a waiting list.

With thanks,

Fiona Voigt
Families SA are looking for volunteers to help with supporting and assisting vulnerable children and their families. Families SA is a wonderful place for people to become involved with the rich experience and rewards of volunteering.

There are several areas that you may like to consider helping in that include:

- Transporting a child to family visits, respite care, school, appointments etc.
- Helping with homework, craft activities, music or outdoor activities.
- Helping with fund days or picnics with a child, group of young people or with their families.
- Sharing and/or teaching a particular skill such as literacy, music, how to shop for food or clothes.

For any further information or to arrange a meeting please contact Lea Crabtree, Volunteer Co-Ordinator, Families SA, Port Augusta ph: 86485060

Here is a poem from me to you
A poem that will help you read, it's true
Words are not hard when in a long line
The trick is to get help time after time

Reading is like sport; you must train every day
A coach can help you when you need it, okay?
Some of the words can be hard or new
A coach can give you a very big clue

Remember that reading is fun to do
Stories and facts to entertain you!

Please Remember to fill in and return to the Front Office the Student Information Card. This has to be done every year to ensure our contact details are current.