From the Principal

David Unaipon – God’s Man On our Money

Have you ever taken a close look at a $50 note? Have you ever wondered about the ‘man on the money’?

David Unaipon was born in 1872 at the Point McLeay mission in South Australia. He went to the mission school, and then travelled around south-eastern Australia for 50 years as a spokesman for the Aboriginal community. Although often refused accommodation and refreshment because of his race, he participated in royal commissions and inquiries into Aboriginal issues, bringing about significant improvements in the conditions of Aboriginal people.

On the $50 note, you will see three things, representing three important aspects of David’s life:-

The Drawings—In 1909, David invented an improved mechanical hand piece for shearing sheep by changing the motion of the blades from circular to straight. He also conducted experiments involving the flight of boomerangs and, as early as 1914, he predicted the invention of the helicopter. He was called Australia’s own Leonardo Da Vinci and came up with ideas for a mechanical propulsion device, a centrifugal motor and a multi-radial wheel.

The Writing—David was the first Aboriginal writer to have his work published when an article of his was printed in the Sydney Daily Telegraph in 1924. He won nation-wide respect for his articles and poems about Aboriginal culture.

The Church—Probably the most important thing about David Unaipon is that he was a Christian. He didn’t just speak and write about Aboriginal affairs, he preached Christ! He preached in churches until he was 87 years old. David said, “In the Bible I learned that God made all the nations of one blood and in Christ Jesus, colour and racial distinctions disappeared.” He also said in his sermons, “Look at me and you will see what the Bible can do.”

Isn’t it great to learn that God’s got His man on our money! Every time you hand over a $50 note, you can remember that God is interested in our economy— not just the economy of the nation, but in your personal economy!

There are three things in particular that we can remember whenever we use a $50 note: Let the inventions remind you of God’s very creative ways of meeting our needs. Let the church remind us about the importance of financially supporting the work of the Kingdom. And finally, let the words point us to the Word of God, where we will find many examples of God’s supernatural provision, and many promises that He is willing and able to provide for us too!

There is never a crisis in God’s economy!!

Taken from “You Can Be Another Great Australian” by Margot Ogilvie.
**Parents & Friends**

Our school has volunteered to serve at the Blackwood Lions Mart on Shepherds Hill Road for Saturday mornings in July between the hours of 8—11.30am. For providing help on these four Saturdays our school will receive $600.

If you are able to help out (note there is no school sport on 4 and 11 July due to the school holidays!), please contact Jarrod Harper on 0438 629 036 or Chris Barry 0417 885 538.

Thanks!

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**GOOD NEWS**

We received this note this week from the coach of the 2/3 football team, who is a parent of Blackwood Primary School, to Sharon Smith our Out of School Hours Sports Coordinator.

"We had our first win today !!! by 2 points when we kicked a goal with 10 seconds to go. (Great work Jordan Neal). All the boys are playing well and showing improvement which is great. The boys are a credit to your school. The support from the parents has also been very good."

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**NSP Progress report**

Our school is looking very fresh as the painting of the outside of the buildings nears completion. Today the foundation was laid for the three new pieces of play equipment which are being installed in the lower bark chip area. We expect these to be in place by the end of this week or early next week.

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The builders’ fence enclosing the work site has been erected and we expect work on the access road to begin very soon. The access road will come into the school yard from the very southern end of the car park. We are expecting minimal inconvenience to the school community, but nevertheless there is bound to be some, so we thank you in anticipation for your patience during the building period.

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**Casual Clothes Day**

As has become our pattern, the last day of term is a non-uniform day. For this privilege the students need to bring along a gold coin donation that will go through Australian Lutheran World Service to support people with albinism who are persecuted in central Africa.

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**School Council**

We welcome two new members to the School Council who will fill casual vacancies that occurred when two previous members, Peter Stuart and Samantha Smith, became ineligible.

Mrs Anna Van den Berg who is a member of the St Peters congregation and parent of Eduard in Year 1 is one of the two, and Mrs Meryl Jennings who is a member of the St Peters congregation and a lecturer in education at Australian Lutheran College is the other.

We look forward to their contributions.

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**Special Food Day**

Thanks once again to our Special Food Coordinators, Cath & Vicki, who provided hot dogs and drinks to the school community last Tuesday.

This is no mean feat and we are very grateful to them for their efforts.
Second Hand Uniforms

The Second Hand Uniform Shop will continue to be open on the **last Friday of the month** throughout the year and now also on **every second Tuesday after school at 3—4pm** commencing next Tuesday.

Following our last committee meeting, it was agreed that from 2 June 2009 the consignment fee would increase to 33.3% given the time required to process consigned goods/record them on a database, open the uniform shop and generally keep all garments presentable in the uniform shop for sale. In addition, committee members follow up on requests for items in person or via email and this takes additional time in an effort to sell your clothes.

Please note that when you hand in garments to the front office you **must** complete a **Consignment Form** with details of the garment(s) for sale, your name and contact details and signature indicating you have read the conditions for sale. It was agreed that pricing will now be done by the Second Hand Uniform Coordinators to ensure consistency. On a number of occasions, clothes have been left with a brief note or name only and some items are not clearly identified. In order for you to receive any payment for your goods when they are sold it is essential that you take the time to complete this form which is available from the front desk.

Unfortunately, the quality of some items has not met the requirements needed for sale. These have included garments that are faded, stained, torn, have holes or are threadbare. Please give reasonable consideration to the condition of your garments prior to handing them in as the process of returning garments that are not saleable is time-consuming and could easily be avoided.

There are currently many items being held in the Uniform Shop that are unfortunately not saleable. In future, any garments that do not meet the acceptable standard will be held on a shelf marked RETURNS in the shop and you will be notified to come and collect them. If these items are not collected within four weeks, they will be disposed of at the discretion of the Uniform Coordinators.

We are currently in short supply of sports polo tops, track suit pants and boys’ winter shirts and trousers. If you have any of these items, in good condition, you no longer require, please bring them in.

Thank you.

Uniform Coordinators

**A very BIG thank you for their ongoing work to Natasha Caruso, Ali Harper and Karen Albrechtsen who have welcomed Chris Vincenzi onto the Uniform Committee. Managing the second hand uniforms is a very time-consuming task and, on your behalf, we thank them all sincerely for providing this service for you.**

**Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea**

Thank you to the parents in Mrs Fox’s class who provided a wonderful morning tea for us to enjoy last Friday. Thank you also to those people who made donations towards the “Australia’s Biggest Morning Tea” fund-raiser, including staff who held a morning tea during recess, which raised $193. This money has been forwarded to the Cancer Council and receipts will be issued within two months for those people who requested them on the day.
School Football
2/3 Blackwood/St Peters v Westbourne Park
Blackwood Primary School; Seymour St, EDEN HILLS. Game starts at 8.30am. (Players expected by 8.10am)

4/5 St Peters v Westbourne Park
Also at Blackwood Primary School. Game starts at 9.30am.

Please keep in your diary Saturday 25 July. Both games will again be played at Blackwood Primary School. The teams are extending an invitation to all to attend. There will be a sausage sizzle during both games and the 4/5 match should be fun with St Peters v Blackwood.

Grant Lovelock
WAFC Delegate – Blackwood & St Peters

School Netball
St Peters Lutheran play Mitcham at home this Saturday at 10am.

Essentials for Coaching Children
The Office for Recreation and Sport is conducting a three hour coaching course for those people who would like to coach children in a sport but are not sure how to get started! The course covers the following topics:
* What makes a good coach?
* Making the most of your training time.
* Getting the best from players and Working with parents.
The cost is $10 per person with two sessions being run in early September. For further information and registrations telephone 7424 7605 or email coachingandofficiating@saugov.sa.gov.au

July School Holidays
“Life. Be in it.” sports for all centres
Coaching clinics for students aged 5—12
Unley High School, Kitchener Street, NETHERBY

Clinics include Badminton, Basketball, Indoor Soccer, Netball and Volleyball. The cost of clinics ranges from $60 to $95. Brochures can be found in the front office or you can contact the centre on 8272 2121.

Sportsfest 2009
Coaching clinics for students aged 5—15
Prince Alfred College, Dequetteville Tce, KENT TOWN

Choose from AFL Football, Netball, Basketball, Soccer or Combo. Cost of the clinics are $140 (8.30am – 12noon) OR $190 (8.30am – 3.30pm) Call 1300 134 154 or enrol online www.acnsport.com.au

2 Day Football Clinic
The West Adelaide Football Club is holding a clinic which includes specialised coaching from League players and coaches. Children are grouped according to school year level with a coaching ratio of 1 coach to 10 children.

Date: Monday 6 July & Tuesday 7 July
Time: 9.30am—12noon
Venue: City Mazda Stadium
57 Milner Road, Richmond
Age: 5—12 years old
Cost: $35

Mrs Smith has registration forms in the library or you could visit www.westadelaidefc.com.au

Basketball Top Fees for the Winter Season
The final day for payment was Wednesday 24 June. The amount has now been placed on school fee accounts.

Public Consultation
As you may be aware, a period of public consultation is currently in progress re a Telstra Leasing Proposal and the Blackwood Hill Reserve.

If you would like to make any comment about this, please send an email to the school marked Attention: Margaret Linke before next Wednesday.
SPLOSHC News

Hello SPLOSHC families!

This week we have been learning about France and have been enjoying some yummy typical French food for our afternoon tea such as croissants, baguettes, French fries and French toast! We welcome back Richanda Tiley, who has been on practicum for the past eight weeks. Richanda is studying to be a French teacher and brought in books and music which the children have enjoyed looking at. As we draw to the end of the term and our theme “Around the World in Ten Weeks”, we are going to Egypt next week, so that will be interesting!

We are currently thinking of a new theme for next term so if your children or you have any ideas, please let us know!

At the moment we only have eight people who are interested in Friday’s student free day care and only 3 for the Monday first week back. Unfortunately we really need to get the numbers up to fifteen children each day to run SPLOSHC. I have made a tentative booking at the Hahndorf farm barn for Friday 3/7, which is included in the price, and would love to be able to give them a definite yes or know as soon as possible. I also need to arrange for a bus to take us there and need to know numbers before I do so. I will be giving information in the SPLOSHC room each night and hopefully we will get enough children so we can participate in this great excursion! If you have not returned your form please do so by the start of next week. We will let you know by next week if we will be running these days.

Some parents have noticed that other people have been leaving the back gate open when picking up their children from SPLOSHC.

Please ALWAYS make sure that you shut the gate behind you as a safety precaution.

Lastly, we are creating a “chill-out” zone in SPLOSHC for children in years 5, 6 and 7. If you have any unwanted beanbags or large pillows at home that you no longer need, we would love to take them off your hands for this new space.

Thank you.

Hayley Gladigau
SPLOSHC Director

New Child Restraint Laws

The Minister for Road Safety announced last year that the following rules will be implemented in South Australia in the second half of 2009. This means that from 1 July the new laws will require children:

- Up to the age of six months to be restrained in a rearward facing child restraint (e.g. infant capsule);
- From six months until the age of four to be restrained in either a rearward or forward facing child restraint (e.g. child safety seat);
- From four years until the age of seven to be restrained in either a forward facing child restraint or booster seat restrained by a correctly adjusted and fastened seatbelt or child safety harness;
- Up to four years of age must be restrained in the rear of the vehicle (where the vehicle has two or more rows of seats); and
- Between four and seven years will not be permitted to sit in the front seat unless all other seating positions are already occupied by children under seven years.

For further information about the new rules, contact the Department for Transport, Energy and Infrastructure at dtei.enquires@sa.gov.au.
Diary Dates Term 2
(for your calendar!)

**Week 9 (Monday 22/6)**
- Fri 26/6 Uniform Shop Open—9.15am
- Class Support Coordinators’ meeting—2.30pm
- Sun 28/6 Family Service, Room 8—10am

**Week 10 (Monday 29/6)**
- Mon 29/6 BLEA Meeting (Principal away)
- Tue 30/6 BLEA Meeting (Principal away)
- Uniform Shop Open—3pm
- Thur 2/7 Last Day of Term—Casual Clothes Day
  School Council Mtg—7pm
- Fri 3/7 Staff PD Day
- Sat 4/7 Staff PD Day

These dates are subject to change so please make sure you check them each week.

**Week 3 (Monday 3/8)**
- Wed 5/8 SPLOSHC Com Mtg—5pm
- Thur 6/8 School Council Meeting—7pm
- Fri 7/8 Primary Principals’ Mtg—9am

**Week 4 (Monday 10/8)**
- Tue 11/8 Musical Performance—2pm
- Uniform Shop Open—3pm
- Marketing Mtg—5pm
- Thur 13/8 Musical Performance—7pm

Diary Dates Term 3

**Week 1 (Tuesday 21/7)**
- Mon 20/7 Staff PD Day
- Tue 21/7 Term 3 begins with Chapel—8.45am
- Sun 26/7 Second Pedal Prix Race

**Week 2 (Monday 27/7)**
- Tue 28/7 Uniform Shop Open—3pm