

# e-newsletter

issue 2: term 2: 2012

Welcome to our second e-newsletter for 2012. Over the past term we have received many good ideas and responded to requests for information. Thanks to those schools using the online ordering system remember your login username and password are identical.

Over the past three months we have negotiated *Way2Go* agreements with the council areas of Unley, Holdfast Bay, Port Pirie and Port Augusta and have expanded our involvement within the City of Playford. Approaches have also been made to the councils of Adelaide Hills, Salisbury, Norwood Payneham St Peters and Port Adelaide Enfield.

We appreciate the regular contact we have with teachers and schools. Please contact us any time.

#### The Schools and Education Programs Team

#### Dates to remember

Congratulations to all schools that participated in Walk to School Day! www.walk.com.au

Tuesday 5 June 2012 World Environment Day www.unep.org/wed

## Annual Report and Focus Teacher Survey Feedback

Below is a summary of your responses to the online survey sent to you early this year.

School Travel Plan successes:

- use of the teacher resources in classrooms
- improved safe travel behaviour

- successful participation in Bike
- increased participation and new participants in school based cycling and walking events
- accessing bike storage grants
- installation of signage.

Adjustments to plans for 2012 included:

- reinforcing travel behaviour
- emphasizing and maintaining a whole school approach to increase participation
- involving more parents forming an Action Committee to oversee and manage the program across the school.

Ideas for improving program support included:

 providing more networking opportunities

- providing more resources in other languages
- keeping the communication regular and up-to-date
- updating the resources to include more ICT options.

In response to this feedback we are planning metro and regional workshops for terms three and four and have scheduled our enewsletter for distribution early each term.

#### 'Best Practice' workshops

To highlight and share the great work in schools we have invited thirty teachers to participate in workshops over two separate days in June. This will also provide an opportunity to trial some of our revised processes with schools.

#### For further information

Call: 0061 8 8402 1917 Email: dpti.Way2Go@sa.gov.au Visit: www.dpti.sa.gov.au/Way2Go



#### **Crossings**

Three new Fact sheets providing information about school crossings are now available online. They are:

- 18 School zones, signs and restrictions around schools
- 19 School crossings
- 20 Crossing monitors.

www.dpti.sa.gov.au/Way2Go/sc hools/school\_crossings\_and\_zo nes

To replace lost or damaged crossing equipment, just go to 'Orders' on the *Way2Go* website, to complete and submit your order online.

#### Way2Go Bike Ed



Learning the roundabout rules

Schools for Term 2 are:

- Bellevue Heights Primary School
- Charles Campbell College
- Colonel Light Gardens Primary School
- Elizabeth East Primary School
- Goolwa Primary School
- Highbury Primary School
- Roxby Downs Area School
- St Barbara's Parish School
- Tenison Woods College
- Yankalilla Area School

Recently Dan Crane was invited to Bridgewater Primary School to see *Way2Go* Bike Ed in action. He had a great time

and would like to thank Focus Teacher Heather Cranna, staff, students and Bicycle SA for their hospitality.



Putting theory into practice

#### **Collecting travel data**

**Way2Go** schools survey their communities during the year to monitor progress towards their School Travel Plan goals.

Results of these surveys are included in *Way2Go* annual reports and shape future planning.

To help teachers gather student travel data we have developed a 'one-stop' survey template for collating and recording data.

As each class' travel data is entered, the graphs populate automatically, making the process quick and accurate. This Excel tool replaces the hardcopy hands-up survey that some schools have used in the past, and will save time and paper.

Survey Template Tips on how to prepare and use the template at your school can be downloaded at

www.dpti.sa.gov.au/Way2Go/sc hools/way2go

### Iwantja, Pukatja and Coober Pedy

Last week Krystil Ellis and Sue McMillan were privileged to meet with principals, students and teachers in schools at Iwantia (Indulkana), Pukatia (Ernabella) and Coober Pedy. We will be working with them to develop culturally specific teaching materials to support them and their communities. Thanks in particular to the students, AEWs and teachers at Iwantja, where Sue and Krystil spent a day in classes, and also to Peter, Ralph, Ken and Yvonne from Red Cross with whom they travelled and stayed.

#### **Your Turn grants**

Our work in schools not only includes the primary years *Way2Go* program but also the **Your Turn** resources, designed for middle school secondary students.

We have just announced a grant process for school initiated projects to support the use of those resources in schools. Submissions close on 23 May 2012.

#### Bike parking grants

A reminder to all schools that received *Way2Go* Bike Parking grants in 2011.

Facilities should all now be completed and closing reports are due by 30 June 2012. If you have any queries, please contact Chelsey Key 84021923 or chelsey.key@sa.gov.au

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