



Littlehampton Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Week 2 Term 1 February , 2010

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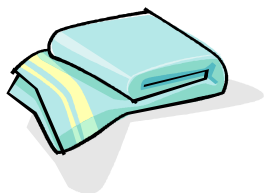
Would you like to
serve on Governing
Council?

DIARY DATES

**Annual General
Meeting
(8th February)
and Governing
Council meeting
(15th March)**

**Acquaintance Night
(Meet the teachers)
10th February**

**Swimming will once
again be held at
Woodside Pool in
Weeks 5 & 6 for all
students R- 5**



Donations needed:

We would like donations of second hand things for our fire emergency boxes. We require- 8 x woollen blankets 8 x towels and 1 battery operated radio.

Welcome Back 2010

Welcome to all our school families! We trust your holidays were relaxing, and that all our students are ready for a year of learning. This year, we begin with 305 students, and another 2 will join us in February. We welcome Alison Bishop, our new 4/5 teacher, Valerie Kearton, the teacher librarian for this year, and Katherine Ellery, who will be our French Teacher again this year. Many of you have met Maree Pomery who is our new School Secretary. Katherine Fazakerley, who will teach Room 3 children has a few weeks more maternity leave, and will on deck from the 18th of February. Danielle Stone will be working in her class until then.

Classes and Year Levels:

Preschool		Mrs Jill Revilla	
		Pauline Bolto	
		Dawn Clampitt	39
Room 1	Reception	Mrs Lesley Hutten	14
Room 3	Reception	Mrs Katherine Fazakerley	18
Room 4	Year 1	Ms Brigitte Meyer	20
Room 13	Year 1/2	Mrs Julie Burchell	24
Room 14	Year 2/3	Mrs Toni Burford	
		Mrs Helen Kupczynski	27
Room 16	Year 2/3	Sara Weston	27
Room 15	Year 3/4	Mrs Noleen Sharrad	30
Room 10	Year 4/5	Mr Simon Munt (Mrs Helen Kupczynski)	31
Room 6	Year 4/5	Ms Alison Bishop	31
Room 5	Year 6	Mr Phil Douglas	28
Room 7	Year 6/7	Mrs Margie Sarre	27
Room 8	Year 6/7	Mrs Debbie Taylor	28

You will note that our classes between Year 3 and Year 5 are full. We could qualify to have an additional Early Years teacher appointed, we should know this for sure by the end of this week. If this is the case, we will NOT restructure the classes. This teacher will be used to support all our R-3 classes in literacy, and will start up a new class of receptions in Term 2 or 3.



New Reception students with Mrs Hutten

New Bushfire Procedures:

On days of Catastrophic Weather conditions Littlehampton Primary School, Preschool and Out of Hours School Care will remain open, however in some days of particular danger I could be instructed to close the site. It is possible that the instruction to close the site will come after school has closed the previous day. We have set up ZAPITS sms messaging system to send messages directly to parents e-mail should this be the case. **more information on Page 3- please read carefully**

WELCOME TO NEW STUDENTS

A big welcome to the new students who have joined our school this year:

New Reception students:

Richelle S, Jack Bills, Emily Bishop, Hannah Gray, Aidan Hill, Lucas Jordaan, Riley Lucas, Joshua Miels, Carmelo Pollifrone, Madeline Scudds, Cameo Selby, Nicholas Strang, and Rhys Westcott.

New Students Year 1 – Year 7:

Seth Ormandy, Dylan and Catie Glastonbury, Zak and Cooper Peaston, Denis & Maria Henke, Riley & Aaron Banks.

Welcome back to Ethan Timms, and to Blake Harding & Brooke Harding (Poole) who have been in our school before. Brooke and Blake will start in a few weeks time.

WELCOME FROM THE CHAIR

All members of the Governing Council would like to welcome back to school, students and staff and extend a special warm welcome to all our new students, staff and parents. We hope your time at Littlehampton Primary School is a joyful and rewarding one.

During this year the Governing Council aims to promote the role of the council and the various committees that operate within the school, in order to give new parents the opportunity to be involved, and as such would encourage as many of you as possible to attend the upcoming AGM. There will be many challenges during the coming year, such as the continued need to reduce energy costs, reduce water consumption with water efficiency measures and the many challenges associated with working in an area of construction with the building of new facilities. Once finished the school will have state of the art facilities allowing the teachers and other staff for greater flexibility in the teaching and administration of our children.

I am certain that the governing council, staff members and the school community as a whole will all continue to work together to make 2010 an outstanding year at Littlehampton Primary School.

Mark Lucas, Chairperson Governing Council.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Annual General Meeting- Your chance to find out about our school Monday 8 February. The AGM will be held on 8 February at 7.30pm in the staffroom. All parents interested in the performance and well being of the school are welcome.

MATERIAL AND SERVICES FEE 2010

DECS and the Littlehampton Governing Council have approved the M&S fees at \$260 for this year. This is a result of the poll conducted at the end of last year, and is a rise of \$5. (49 families responded to the

poll, representing 82 of our school children. The results were 65 in favour of a rise, and 17 opposed.) We request that fees be paid in full by the end of February. Families can arrange to pay by instalments but all accounts will need to be finalised by the end of Term 1, so please be sure to contact Judi Daniel if this is an issue for you.

We are very proud of our new Gymnasium! A building fund donation, approved by Governing Council, of \$100 is sought from each family to assist with the gym development. A reduced amount of \$70 for approved school card families is requested. Because of its voluntary nature it is tax deductible. We rely on ALL our families to contribute. We request that the levy be paid before the end of June.

SCHOOL CARD

Eligible students receive \$197 towards their Materials and Services Fee of \$260. Families are encouraged to pay the gap of \$63. If you think you are eligible for School Card please contact the School Front Office for eligibility criteria and further details. Please note that a new application for School Card is required at the commencement of every year. Application does not necessarily mean approval, as the Education Department needs to verify income through Centrelink.

ACQUAINTANCE NIGHT

Wednesday 10 February from 6:00 p.m.

A separate letter will be sent home with more information about our Acquaintance night which provides the opportunity for parents to meet your children's teachers:

Rooms 1 – 4, 12 & 16	6:00 – 6:30
Rooms 14, 15, 6 & 10	6:30 – 7:00
Rooms 5, 7 & 8	6:45 – 7:15

FOR URGENT ATTENTION OF PARENTS OF YEAR 6/7 STUDENTS

The IGNITE Assessment day for students intending to enter the selected entry program for gifted and talented students will be held on Saturday 27th February 2010. Students in Yr 6 or 7 in 2010 are invited to apply. Parents should contact Glenunga International High School 99 L'Estrange St Glenunga SA 5064 Phone: 8379 5629. For expressions of interest forms contact the front office. These are due to be returned directly to Glenunga High School by 19th February.

GOVERNING COUNCIL NEEDS YOU!

Had you considered nominating as a Governing Council member? Two evenings a term this group of committed parents meets to discuss school business. The Governing Council members work together with staff to set the broad directions of the school and to

develop broad directional policy. They also have a role in recommending and approving strategies, and monitoring the progress of the school. There are some two year positions on governing Council available. If you would like to nominate for a position, please contact Jenny Lewis at the front office. If you have questions about the role, you could call into the front office.

SINGING CLASSES- no longer available

We thank Jennifer De Grassi for providing singing lessons at our school for the past two years. She will no longer be teaching singing at our school. If parents would like to organise a private lesson after school hours at another venue, please call Jennifer directly on 0403 711 626.

BRASS & WOODWIND LESSONS

Music Tuition in Brass & Woodwind:

Flute Clarinet Saxophone Trumpet Trombone
Includes band training with the school concert band.

Rates are as follows:-Single \$15 per ½ hour
2 shared (each \$10) 3 shared (each \$7)

BOB SIZE Ph: 85364127 or mob. 0419851527

Piano Keyboard Lessons

Any Parents who would like their child to learn piano, Keyboard or guitar in 2010 should contact Peter Beeby on 817807310 or 0431151104.

Lessons are 30 minute duration and are conducted during school hours.

The cost is \$20 per week (paid by the term).

These lessons are popular and vacancies are limited.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED- Afternoon tea for interested parents, Friday 12, at 2:15 p.m.

Our school is currently running many educational programs that are co-ordinated by Pauline Bolto, a School Services Officer within our school, but Volunteers are required to help keep these programs in place.



***Multilit (making up lost time in literacy)

*** L.A.P. (Learning Assisted Program)

*** Fun & Games (Co-ordination Program)

Pauline would like to invite you to an information session to explain these programs. Please come and find out what our school's extra programmes offer.

Hope to see you there, Pauline Bolto(Co-ordinator)

UPDATED CONSENT AND CONTACT DETAILS 2010 FORMS- THANKYOU

These were sent out at the end of 2009, and thank you to all our parents for your quick response. This enabled us to get all data entered before the school year began. Just a reminder that if you change address or phone numbers, you need to notify the school as soon as possible. A test sms was sent out to all school parents' mobile numbers last week.

UPDATED PROCEDURES FOR DAYS OF CATASTROPHIC WEATHER CONDITIONS

On days of Catastrophic Weather conditions Littlehampton Primary School, Preschool and Out of Hours School Care **will remain open**. This is because our school has been assessed by the CFS as being of Moderate Bushfire Risk, and is deemed safe to remain open. However on some days of particular danger I could be instructed to close the site. It is possible that the instruction to close the site will come after school has closed the previous day.

In the unlikely event that we are directed to close the school and preschool and out of school hours care program:

- A message will be sent to the mobile phone number provided by you for this purpose- please monitor your phone.
- A message will be recorded on the school answering machine.
- Our school closure signs will be placed at the front gate to the school in Baker Street, and the preschool closure sign will be placed at the gate to the preschool in Darnley Street.

It is important that you take action as set out in your Bushfire Survival Plan and that parents have in place arrangements for caring for your children, should we be directed at the last minute to close the school.

In addition, information will be provided through a number of mediums including:

- ABC Radio 891
- ABC TV









The Department of Education and Children's Services (DECS) Website, www.bushfirereadyschools.sa.gov.au

Please Note: Teachers will NOT be making voice calls to parent's landline phones. This was an interim measure for 2009 only until we could get ZAPITS up and running. I would encourage parents who do not have a mobile phone, to arrange with another school family to ring them, or to ring the school later in the evening to access the message from the answering machine.

Some things to remember.

- Students are dismissed at 3pm on Wednesdays.
- Any lunch orders short of money the food will be provided before the drink.
- Paper recycling is on again.- Families are asked to bring newspapers and place them in the green bins by the front door. Please remove the brochures we just want the newspapers.
- Please remember to sign the late arrival book if you arrive later than 8.45. You must also sign the departure book if you depart before the end of day.

2010 Term 1 Calendar

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Week 1			27/01 9am Tears & Tissues 10.30am assembly	28/01	29/01
Week 2	01/02	02/02	03/02 9am Parents & Friends.	04/02 Newsletter	05/02
Week 3	08/02 7.30pm Annual General Meeting 	09/02	10/02 Acquaintance Night	11/02 10.20am Assembly	12/02 6/7 Lawn Bowls 
Week 4	15/02	16/02	17/02	18/02 Newsletter	19/02 6/7 Lawn Bowls
Week 5 Swimming 	22/02	23/02	24/02	25/02 Courier Cup 	26/02 6/7 Lawn Bowls 
Week 6 Swimming 	01/03	02/03	03/03	04/03 10.20am Assembly Newsletter	05/03 6/7 Lawn Bowls Clean Up Day
Week 7	08/03 Adelaide Cup 	09/03	10/03 9am Parents & Friends. 9.30 Principals Tour 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee	11/03 6/7 Aquatics	12/03 6/7 Aquatics
Week 8	15/03 7.30pm Governing Council	16/03	17/03	18/03 Newsletter SAPSASA Swim	19/03 6/7 Lawn Bowls 
Week 9	22/03  Interview Week	23/03 6/7 Bowls final Interview Week	24/03  Interview Week	25/03 10.20am Assembly 9am Performance R-3 11am Performance 4-7 Interview Week	26/03 Sports Day  Interview Week
Week 10	29/03	30/03 SAPSASA athletics at Oakbank	31/03	01/04 Newsletter End Term 1 Early Dismissal 2.15pm	02/04 GOOD FRIDAY