



# Littlehampton Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

Week 2 Term 2 April, 2010

## DIARY DATES

Literacy &  
Numeracy  
(NAPLAN) tests  
11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>  
May

## CHANGE IN DATES FOR THE STUDENT

FREE DAY NOW  
Thursday 26<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Disco now Wednesday  
23<sup>rd</sup> June.

National Volunteer  
Week  
10-16 May 2010

Volunteer Movie Day  
Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May  
Collect Vouchers from  
Wallis Cinemas.

LAP Meeting and  
Afternoon Tea  
Friday May 7<sup>th</sup>  
2pm in the staffroom

Governing Council  
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May  
At 7pm



Walk to school day  
Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May



Hot Dog day  
Wednesday  
19<sup>th</sup> May

## Giving our Children the Mindset to Succeed (Part 2)

Last term I wrote about how the feedback we give to children helps to form their beliefs about the way they learn. Feedback which acknowledges how and why their work is good, or exactly how or why their work needs to improve is likely to help them achieve in the future. We want to avoid feedback that will give students the belief that they achieved because they are smart, or that they didn't achieve because they are not smart.

Current research shows clearly that some students think they learn because they are smart (or intelligent) and that intelligent is fixed... you are either smart or you are not smart. You can learn new things, but you can't change how smart you are. These are the children who do not do so well in the long term. Although they may start out achieving well, when the work gets hard, or when difficulties arise, they are easily discouraged, and may fall into the trap of thinking that there is no point putting in the effort, because they are not smart.

Students who believe that you can get smarter, do better when they encounter difficulties. They have found that through effort and learning, they can improve their ability and are more likely to try hard, persist, and work tough to reach their goal. They are the ones most likely to succeed.

## What you say really does matter -an example from the classroom.

What did you say when your child failed or didn't do well in a maths assignment?

...Did you say "You didn't do very well in this assignment but:

...it must be the teacher, they are not good at explaining things."

...that's ok, I was never any good at maths!"

...just tell me if you got an A that's all I want to know."

...I can see that you didn't understand how to calculate area. Three of the errors you made were about area, and you didn't multiply length by width. Why don't we go to the teacher before school tomorrow, and see if they can help you with this some more."

Feedback that is specific will help children perform better next time, and help them develop the mindset of a champion\*. Giving specific feedback is a challenge for both teachers and parents, and is one that we need to work on together.

\*Carol S Dweck, *Self Theories: The Mindset of a Champion*

ANZAC Day Dawn Service- 48 students from our choir sang at the Anzac Day Dawn Service



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### School Dental Service

There have been some changes to the School Dental Clinic fees. For information about the changes and to make appointments please contact the Mt. Barker Dental clinic on 8391 0858 between the hours of 8.45am -4.15pm Mon-Fri. For emergency care after hours call 8232 2651. Please note on Code Red Bush Fire days the clinic may be closed. Please call on for confirmation prior to your appointment. For emergency assistance on Code Red days when the Clinic is closed call VICTOR HARBOR Clinic on 8551 0460.

### ANZAC DAY continued

Thankyou to the 47 members of the school choir who rose early to sing at the Anzac Day Dawn Service at Littlehampton Memorial Hall. We value our links with the Littlehampton Community, and are proud to support this event. The following are photos of artwork from Mrs Bishops Year 4/5 class.



### KIWANIS AWARDS

Congratulations to Ben Lucas and Emma Bowden who were awarded Kiwani Terrific Kids awards at our end of Term 1 assembly on 1 April. The Kiwanis awards are presented to students who demonstrate leadership and citizenship in our school, and who staff consider are role models for their peers.



### PYJAMA DAY/CASUAL DAY on FRIDAY 14 MAY- WEEK 4

Its Pyjama/Casual day and we are raising money for Chanra our World Vision sponsor child. This event is going to be held on Friday 14th of May Week 4. Students can wear pyjamas or come in casual clothes. PS for both pyjamas and casual clothes,

make sure tops cover shoulders and bottoms are decent. Please bring a gold coin donation for Chanra  
*Thanks, Lewis & Lockie from the Fundraising forum*

### CHANGED DATE FOR PUPIL FREE DAY AND SCHOOL DISCO-

Please make note on your calendar. We have had to change our pupil free day from Wednesday the 23 June to Thursday 24 June. This means the Parents & Friends Disco will be held on Wednesday 23 June. OSHC will be operating a full day of care on Thursday 24 June. Ring Kathryn for bookings.

### LIBRARY NEWS

To celebrate 'National Family Reading Month' in May Parents and Caregivers are invited to come and read with their children in our school library. Every Monday in the month of May the library will be open from the end of school until 4pm for you and your children to come in and read together.

As a part of this celebration you are also invited to send in photos of you and your family reading. We would like to create a display with these. Please remember to put your child's name and class on the back so that they can be returned.

Well done to the large number of students who completed their Premier's Reading Challenge during the holidays – you will receive your Certificate of Recognition next week at Assembly.

*Valerie Kearton and Paula Simmons*

### NATIONAL LITERACY AND NUMERACY TESTS

On 11,12 & 13 May, our students will be sitting the annual Literacy and Numeracy tests. Despite the industrial action, which will effect our school, principals have been instructed to ensure that the tests go ahead, and to ensure they are administered as smoothly for students as possible. We therefore will go ahead with the tests. These LAN tests give teachers and parents a picture of how a student's achievement compares with other students within the state and across the country. Students in Year 3, 5 and 7, will combine to sit the test, with one teacher administering the test, and others taking the students in Years 2, 4 & 6. Test Times:

Tuesday 11 May: Language Conventions & Writing

Wednesday 12 May Reading

Thursday 13 May Numeracy

The Numeracy Test for Year 7 students has two parts. Part A, before recess, calculator may **not** be used. Part B, after recess, calculator to be used.

Parents can help their children prepare for the test by ensuring they have a good night's sleep, have a good breakfast, and arrive at school early.

### National Volunteer Week

To all our wonderful volunteers, please take advantage of this opportunity to enjoy a movie of your choice on Monday 10th May.

\*You need to go into Wallis Cinemas and fill out a form and collect your voucher.

Enjoy and thanks to the many volunteers.

### LAP Meeting & Afternoon Tea

Please come and join me for a chat and we can share our programs and progress. It will give you an opportunity to discuss and meet the volunteers on the program.

New Volunteers are always welcome!

Friday 7th May in the staffroom at 2pm.

Thanking you, Pauline Bolto

### SAVIOURS FORUM

Dear Mum, Dads and Caregivers,

We are in the Yard Saviours Forum at Littlehampton Primary School. We will be cleaning up gardens for people near our school. We will need brooms, rakes, old wheelbarrows, dustpans and brooms. If you have any, please donate them to the school. Can you please leave at the front office. Thank you.

### SAPSASA NEWS

Littlehampton athletes did extremely well at the annual district carnival at Oakbank late last term. 27 hills schools competed and we finished in third in the Championship Shield, second in the Handicap Shield and third in the Relays Shield. 8 athletes – Troy Parker-Boers, Bailey Hough, Lewis Semmens, Courtney Kretschmer, Ella Lawson, Ben Gregory, Ben Lucas and Lockie Formston have been selected in the Hills representative and will compete in the state championship next Tuesday.

Congratulations to Ben Gregory and Ben Lucas on their selection in the Hills SAPSASA Football team and to Sheridan Achurch and Natasha Lancaster on being selected in the Hills Netball team.

### THE SMILEY TEAM

**Walk to school day Friday 7th May** Our school has this event every year we have many people walk or ride to school. The Smiley Team Forum encourages all students to walk to school on this day.

All children who walk or ride to school will receive a Walk To School Day Sticker.

**Peer Mediators** Some of our amazing members have volunteered to be Peer Mediators to walk around the school helping out the teachers. The Peer Mediators will not start until week 3. They will be easy to spot because they will be wearing a coloured arm band.

A great big thankyou to our Peer Mediators: Jack Wilson, Kira Lahdams, Georgie Doddridge, Caitlin Marshall, Caity Glastonbury, Sophie Ball, Ian Zinchiri, Rachelle Reid, Hailey Fowler and Amy Mackay.

### Lost Property

Please check names to ensure you have the correct uniform. Sometimes clothing and hats get mixed up and children take the wrong ones home.

### Active After School Program Term 2

In Term 2 we are running the following programs:

#### **Reception to Yr 3 – Dance -25 students**

On Mondays: Week 3 (3<sup>rd</sup> May) to Week 6 (24<sup>th</sup> May) -Sara Patching from Heart Foundation

On Mondays: Week 7 (31<sup>st</sup> May) to Week 10 (21<sup>st</sup> June) –Cherie Broad

#### **Yr 4 to Yr 7 – Dance – Ball Room /Latin - 25 students -Karen Russell**

On Tuesdays: Week 3 (4<sup>th</sup> May) to Week 9 (15<sup>th</sup> June) An afternoon snack of fresh fruit is

provided at 3.30 – **at no cost.**

Students attending OSHC (Out of School Hours Care) at L/Hampton are automatically offered a spot if they wish to attend. They must be in the age group.

All sessions run from 3.45 to 4.45. In the past, we have had more students apply then we have been able to put in the sessions. **The list will be filled on the basis of first returned reply slips get the spots.**

Parents are asked to act in the role of supervisor.

This person will cut the fruit, be present for the entire session, attend to any child needing first aid, be watchful for moments of inappropriate behaviour by children and meet with Chris Bourne at the end of the session. This person will receive \$20 per session. If you are interested in doing this job, contact Chris Bourne by Wednesday 28th April Please complete the reply slip below and return to the front office if you wish your child/ren **to be considered** for the program.

Parent Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student \_\_\_\_\_ Program: Rec/Yr3 OR Yr4/7

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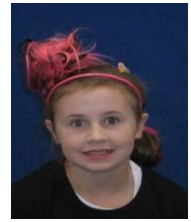
Attending OSHC- Yes / No (please circle)

Signed \_\_\_\_\_



# OSHC NEWS

## APRIL VACATION CARE



We had a great time during the April Vacation Care. We visited the zoo and saw Wang Wang and Funi, as well as all the other animals including the petting zoo, reptile house, lion's, monkey's and the meerkat's who had stolen A hat and were busy playing with it. We also had a great time at bumper bowling and the movies watching 'How to train your dragon'. Other fun activities included Crazy Hair, Sing Star performances, cooking sushi, playing tennis, and lots of art and craft.



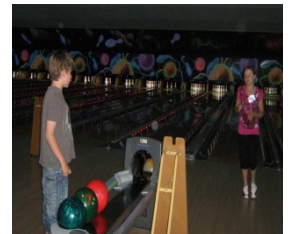
A group photo with the panda's



Mackenzie, Charlie and Hamish



Making Autumn craft



Charlie and Manon bowling



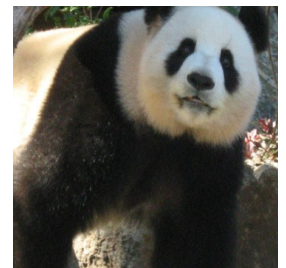
Jago making Hama beads



Those cheeky Meerkat's



At the petting zoo



Funi playing

**LITTLEHAMPTON PRIMARY SCHOOL OSHC**

**BEFORE SCHOOL CARE: 6.30am-8.30am**

**AFTER SCHOOL CARE: 3.15pm-6pm**

**VACATION CARE: 7am-6pm**

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**PARENT INFORMATION BOOKLETS AND BOOKING FORMS CAN BE COLLECTED OSHC ROOM OR FRONT OFFICE.**