



Littlehampton Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Week 6 Term 3 , 2010

DIARY DATES

Please remember every Thursday is a litter free lunch, so please send your child to school with healthy, non packaged lunches



23rd – 27th August
Book Week



Fathers Day Breakfast
Thursday 2nd
September.
Phone the office by
Monday 30th August if
you have forgotten to
fill in the return slip.



School Closure
3rd September

Pupil Free Day
6th September



Music Showcase
22nd September

The Bourne Edition

This week will mark the end of an era. Mr Bourne, our beloved Deputy Principal will be leaving us after 17 years of service at Littlehampton. He will be taking long service leave, and will retire at the end of his leave.

In 1994 Chris was appointed Deputy Principal at Littlehampton. He has been at Littlehampton for 17 years, and it has become a big part of his life. A whole generation of children have been taught by Chris, coached by him, and counselled by him.

Chris Bourne has been enormously respected by all in the school community... staff, students, parents, and community members. He is known for:

- His great organisation. Everything he does runs smoothly and efficiently, and works well.
- Events management is his thing: whether it's a Father's Day Breakfast, an official building opening or a Music Showcase, we know, events he organises will run like clockwork.
- Do you remember Gala Night? These were significant community events, with fun activities, entertainment, food and fun. These are well remembered in the community, and mentioned on numerous occasions by old scholars and their families.
- Mr Bourne always fosters positive relationships, whether it is with parents, staff, kids or the community, whether we are building networks or working to change behaviour. Chris's approach will always be supportive. I've sat in many meetings with parents and their children with Chris, and those children go out knowing that their parents and teachers are on the same side, and the parents feel supported.
- He shows care and concern for each individual student.

For Chris Bourne the most important things about Littlehampton in the last 17 years have been his family, PE teaching and sports development and the development of Littlehampton facilities.

It was at Littlehampton that Chris met and married his wife, Joy. Chris and Joy shared a 3/4 class in 1994. Chris taught 3 days, and Joy taught 2 days a week, and their classroom was Room 4 in the main administration block, currently Brigitte Meyer's class.



A Bourne Legend



Congratulations to our School Choir and School who last week Performed at the Festival Centre.



FAREWELL TO CHRIS BOURNE



Chris's Family, school community and home were all part of Littlehampton, and this is perhaps why Littlehampton Primary School is so special to him.

PE, Sports and sporting development are a passion for Mr Bourne. He has made sure that our students have a good skills program in PE, and that they are well prepared for every SAPSASA competition. He spends hours coaching students, preparing them for cross country, athletics, lawn bowls, and swimming competitions. The kids love PE, and he teaches them to be team players, and teaches them sportsmanship.

Chris is the only Deputy Principal that Littlehampton has ever had. He has been here through a period of growth, with the school growing from around 190 students to over 320 students. As such, he has had a major influence on the building development at the school, with an influence over every single building that has been built since that time.

Chris had a major impact on the design of the Molly Miels building- the classroom block for our senior students. The layout of this building has been used as a prototype with more recent classrooms based on this design. The other buildings are

- the gymnasium which opened in 2007,
- the 4 classroom transportable unit which opened in 2008,
- the new Preschool,
- new library
- new double classroom block which we've been building this year- and
- the refurbishment of the main administration block.

If you ask Chris, I know he will tell you that the gymnasium is the building he is most proud of. This is the one he worked hardest for. He was involved in fundraising for many years.....yes, the famous Gala Nights. He door-knocked the houses in the local area, and sounded out the home

owners about whether they would be interested in selling their homes ... and some did. He had everything to do with the designing and equipping of the gymnasium, and we really have a facility that is second to none, with a demountable stage, and sound and light equipment that is the envy of other schools. Not to mention the superb gymnastics equipment. We all feel our responsibility to look after this building,

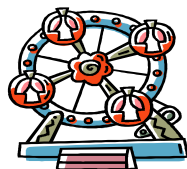
So Littlehampton Primary School will be losing a much valued staff member, and member of our school community. I've already invited him to come back often and visit us, and I'm sure that he will.

GYMNASIUM NEWSLETTER

Due to a significant event, our annual Gymnasium edition of the newsletter has been delayed until Week 8.

Littlehampton Primary School OSHC

Our OSHC service will be open for the School Closure day on Friday 3rd September and the Pupil Free day on Monday 6th September from 7am until 6pm.



The activities for Friday will include making own show bag, face painting, donut making and show games. Theme for the day is Show Day.

Mondays theme is Magic Day. A Magician will be coming to teach magic tricks between 11am and 12noon.



Please book early by phoning Kathryn at OSHC on 8391 4742

Youth Environment Forum

On Tuesday 4 children went to Milang to learn about what the lack of water from the Murray is doing to Lake Albert & Lake Alexandrina. The turtles are being attacked by the tube worm cases and the children at Milang are helping the turtles recover by removing the cases and putting a special cream on their shells. Milang Primary School keep the turtles in tanks for about 9 days and feed them blood worms and minced fish. We learned that the tube worms only live in salt water and the lake is meant to be fresh water and that shows that salt levels are rising in Lake Alexandrina.. Also the birds are leaving the Coorong because the fish are dying. At the end we planted about 200 trees. We planted shrubs and ground covers where Lake Alexandrina used to be. We also found some cow bones. We also got free lunch!!!!!!!
(Thanks to the Natural Resource Management Board.)
By Aidan and Blake

The Students Awards

In place of the Principal's awards, the students are awarding Mr Bourne gold medals!

Riley & Chloe, Rm 1	The medal for smiling and being positive
Karli & Isaac Rm 3	The gold medal for FUN!
Kai & Emma, Rm 4	The gold medal for fixing things
Tye, Rm 16	The gold medal for caring for kids
Georgia & Ben, Rm 14	Gold medal for excellent gardens
Amber, Rm 15	The gold medal for EVENTS
Jonathan, Rm 10	Believing in kids and trusting them
Dylan, Rm 6	Gold medal for SAPSASA & Sport
Josephine, Rm 5	Medal for excellent PE teaching
Aaron, Rm 7	Medal for teaching Sportsmanship
Emma, Rm 8	Encouraging people through difficulty
Ben & Ava, Rm 13	Best Deputy Principal medal.



Musical Showcase
Wednesday 22nd September
6.30pm—8pm
In the School Gymnasium
Gold coin entry to raise money to buy a
Marimba.

The purpose of this night is to showcase the different aspects of music that happens at our school.

We are presently preparing a number of items.
These include

- 🎵 Choir (Year 5,6,7)
- 🎵 Band
- 🎵 Combined reception classes singing item (Rooms 1,2,3)
- 🎵 Room 4 chime bar item
- 🎵 Room 13 dance item
- 🎵 Room 14 percussion band item
- 🎵 Room 15 recorder item
- 🎵 Room 16 singing item
- 🎵 Room 6 & 10 percussion band item
- 🎵 Year 6 & 7 recorder group
- 🎵 Instrumental ensemble & solo items

We ask that children wear school uniforms and sit in their classes for the evening.
All pre-school & toddlers will need to be with their parents.

