

Littlehampton Primary School and Preschool

NEWSLETTER

Week 4 Term 3, 2012



Diary Dates



Maths Workshop for **Parents Monday 13th August** 5:30-7pm in the **Resource Centre**

Hot Food Day Thursday 16th August **Orders due Monday** 13th August.



Book Week dress up parade 17th August 'Champions Read'

Finance Committee meeting Wednesday 29th August at 6.30pm.

Governing Council meeting Monday 3rd September at 7pm

School Closure Friday 7th September **OSHC** available Phone 8391 4742

Our Sculpture Project, Littlehampton History & **Community Trail**

The photos here show our students working with the sculptor Silvio Apponyi and our art teacher Alison Saunders on the Littlehampton Sculpture Trail. Students from Year 3—7 have been working as designers, sculptors, photographers and journalists to create 35 limestone

sculptors celebrating Littlehampton History in 5 eras:

- Our Peramangk Past
- Explore and Discover- the era of first contact
- Settlement
- Our Community today
- Our Future.

The trail will show how people in each era used fire, water, the earth, what they used for food and the flora and fauna of the era.

During the next month we envisage that the limestone sculptures will be

completed and installed in our school grounds.



We thank Alison Saunders our art teacher for organising this project, the Carclew Artists in Residence program for partially funding it, and Silvio Apponyi for working with the children. As well as funded hours, he has contributed many unpaid hours.



Alison Saunders reports.....We finished 35 sculptures in those 3 days with no mishaps, so it was hugely successful. Silvio was amazing in the way he made the children feel so comfortable and how he had the utmost faith in their abilities. Some comments from students:

'Now I know why art costs so much money. It takes so long to do.' 'Now I know what I want to be - an artist!'

School Closure Day for Show Day-7th September

The Governing Council at its meeting on 18th June approved a School Closure Day on Friday 7th September for the Royal Adelaide Show. Parents please mark this date in your diaries, as it did not appear on our Term 3 calendar.

Next newsletter will be our annual Gymnasium Edition, where we thank all our families who have donated to our Gymnasium Building Fund, and major sponsors are acknowledged. As is our practice, all donors will be acknowledged by name. If you would like your donation listed anonymously, please contact Maree, at the Front Office.



BULLY AUDIT RESULTS

Last term as usual in Week 7 all students in the school confidentially completed a 'Bully Audit' questionnaire, to let us know how safe students are feeling in the yard and in the classroom. These are the results:

% of students who reported no bullying in yard = 87% % of students who reported no bullying in class = 90%

While the results show that the vast majority have not experienced any bullying at all, we would still hope to have a much lower percentage of students experiencing bullying, especially in the yard. These results are much the same as in term two last year. This term we will be focussing on our Super Seven "kindness" since teasing and hurt feelings was identified as an issue on a number of students' Bully Audits.

We will also be continuing our lunchtime counselling sessions for students who were named on 4 or more students' Bully Audits. These sessions give these students the opportunity to reflect on their behaviour and set goals for getting along better with others. We have found this to be a very powerful way to make students aware of the impact of their behaviour on others, and to reduce incidents of bullying as a result. If you think your child is being bullied, or is unhappy at school for any reason, please report it to Julie Burchell. We are as committed to supporting student wellbeing as we are to supporting their academic achievement.

GARDEN PRODUCE DONATIONS PLEASE

We would very much appreciate any donations of the following to help support our Kitchen programme as at the moment there is little produce available for picking and cooking in kitchen lessons.

Sam, our kitchen specialist would appreciate any donations of citrus fruits (lemons, oranges, limes) or eggs. She can use as much as you can donate of these. If you have a surplus in your garden or know of someone with surplus, we would appreciate any donations being dropped off in the kitchen any time.

Also any other surplus garden produce (except silver beet as we have ample of this), including herbs would be appreciated. If you have any produce to donate, please contact Sam or myself, so Sam can plan a time and way to use it in her fabulous programme.

Thank you for your continued support of this wonderful programme.

Julie Burchell

Help us—Wipe out waste

Our Wipe Out Waste, WOW, Forum group is aiming to educate students in the responsible ownership and management of their environment.

To do this well they need your parental support. Much of the waste within a school is not recyclable. We are asking ten classes Rooms 5,6,7,10,11,12,13,14,15 and 16 to look at the waste they generate each day. The challenge which is being conducted in association with Kesab and is running this term from week 4 through to week 8. The challenge is to reduce the material that a class sends to landfill (non recyclable materials) each day down to one mini wheelie bin (300ml) or less. The WOW forum leaders Sophie Ball, Maya Harnett, Abbey Kerr and Martin Pollard believe not only that it can be done but that is also so important for us to do it.

We are asking families to consider the packaging being sent to school and consider the impact this has on our environment. Classes will be auditing the amounts and types of landfill waste they collect in their classroom bins each day through the challenge period. As awareness builds, it is reasonable to predict that amounts will likely fall and have an almost immediate effect on the amount of waste our school generates. It has been estimated that on average school aged children generate over 30kgs of lunch time waste per school year. Every single piece of packaging that we eliminate form the waste stream makes a difference. Data and progressive results will be collected, recorded and published so everyone can see the progress we are making. While this is a challenge for weeks 4-8, for the ten classrooms, the WOW Forum Leaders' goal is to introduce a designated Waste Free Day for ALL classes.

ARE WE UP FOR THE CHALLENGE? YES WE ARE!

Governing Council thankyou

The Governing Council would like to thank
Parents & Friends and Glenn Liebelt for all their
hard work organising
the very successful disco

Bookweek dress up day parade 17th August

To celebrate the beginning of Bookweek, the Fundraising Forum has organised a Dress-up day. Students are invited to dress up as a book character or along the theme of Bookweek "Champions Read"-champions, Olympics, sports. The cost to participate is a gold coin donation which can be paid on the day. To value the efforts of the students a "parade" of the students will be held in the gym at approximately 9am. Parents and Caregivers and younger children are very welcome to attend.

Introducing Barb Jones, Principal while Jenny Lewis is on leave, 13 August until End of Term

Thankyou to the parents who have been wishing me all the best for my Long Service Leave. I know you will make Barb Jones feel welcome. She is an experienced Principal and her most recent appointment has been at Coorara Primary School as Deputy Principal.

Principals awards

Achievement-Isabel Provis, Amber Nash, Amy Jocks, Hunter Collingwood

Respect-Holly Winkler, Jaime Gordon, Zak Barnes, Xavier Ormandy, Britt Proeve, Julian Jones

Kindness-Annalese Gore, Ben Barrow, Alex Houlahan A Positive Attitude-Corey Johns, Patrick Forbes, Daniel Collins, Lucas Jordaan, Tahnee Adams, Patrick Sroka, Caitlyn Payne, Jayden Clark, Mitchell Streng, Saxon Eades, Cheyenne Campbell, Tiahna Rice, Katie Waters

Including Others-Arielle Marks, Samuel Bakker, Coben Marsden, Nicholas Sroka, Maya Harnett, Helena Intervera

Being trustworthy— Ethan Timms

Fairness-Jack Bills, Denis Henke

Valuing others- Jed Geary

Tea Towels

This term the Parents & Friends are running a popular group tea towel fundraiser. The tea towels will contain pictures drawn by students and staff at our school and preschool. This is a wonderful memento and meaningful Christmas gift for parents, relatives and special friends. It is only \$12 for one limited souvenir tea towel. Support your school and place your orders now. Everyone from the school will have a picture and their name included, so make sure you don't miss out on this unique opportunity to preserve your child's artwork and remember friends and teachers forever. Final orders are due before **Friday 7th September**. If you have any queries please call Anna Bell on 0427 223 339 or phone Maree on 8391 1194 at the school.

Order forms are available from the front office.

Artist in Schools



We are in need of some 1/2" or 3/4" metal water pipe.

If you have some laying around please bring it into the office. Many thanks.

GARDEN DONATION REQUEST

If anyone has some 4mm galvanised wire that is spare, our garden specialist would love to use it in our vegetable garden. Your donation would be greatly appreciated.



THURST SHOWCASE TO MUSIC SHOWCASE

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Our annual Music Showcase will be held on Wednesday September 19th from 6.30 - 8pm in our gymnasium.

All classes from year 1 to year 5 will be participating as well as our school band and choir.

Please mark this date in your calendar and join your children in an entertaining musical evening.

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Hot Food Day

Thursday 16th August is hot food day run by the Parents and Friends. There will be no lunch orders from Bauldy's on this day.

Orders must be given to the office by Monday 13th August.

LATE ORDERS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.

Extra order forms are available from the office.

Father's Day Breakfast

Friday August 31st will be a special morning for Dad's at our school. They are invited to a breakfast of croissants, juice and coffee. If able to stay, they are then able to join in our Maths Family morning and see maths in action in the classes.

If any Mum's are free to be able to help me organise the breakfast it would be very much appreciated. Please let me know if you can help in any way. Thank you. Julie Burchell

Community Notices

We have been asked to advertise the following. If you would like more information it is available at the front office

**Littlehampton Tennis Club Junior come and try day. Friday 10th August at Anembo Park 4pm –5pm. Contact Sue 0421 705 302 or Kate 0400 780 739

**Preseason coaching Friday 17th August at Anembo Park. \$25 for 4 weeks. Registration essential by

contacting Sue on 0421 705 302.

**Hahndorf Softball Club— Registration Day Sunday August 19th. 11am-2pm at Anembo Park.

More information contact Geoff on 0458 109 880 or visit their web site on www.hahndorfsoftball.com

** Junior golf clinics at Mt Barker ph Daniel on 8391 0088. 4 weeks \$20.

** Mt Barker Redsox Softball Club. Registration day Sunday26th August 11:30 to 12:30 at Anembo Park. Phone 8391 3512 for more information.

** Littlehampton Market is held on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Next market is on 11th August.

