

## **Littlehampton Primary School and Preschool**

## **NEWSLETTER**

Week 2 Term 1 2013

#### **Diary Dates**

#### Monday 11th February

Martin Seligman Positive Education Evening at Mount Barker High School 6.45pm to 8pm Note- this is a ticket only event. Ring the school for information

#### Wednesday 13th February

Preschool and School Acquaintance Evening
See Page 4 for more details

#### Monday 18th February

Governing Council Annual General Meeting 7pm

#### Swimming Program Dates Week 5

Monday 25th February to Friday 1st March Week 6

Monday 4th March to Friday 8th March

We apologise for incorrect dates for School and Preschool Acquaintance Night and swimming dates in Week 1 newsletter. The above dates are correct. Please update your calendar.

### **Learning and Loving It!**

Our students are off to a great start in the school and preschool, as these pictures show. **Did you Know?** 

**Our Year 6/7 classes** will be working in Year level groups for Maths (Year 7 Teacher Mrs Taylor) Science (Year 7 Teacher Ms Claridge) and History (Year 7 teacher Ms Chatfield).



Our Year 3 - 5 classes are busily engaged in group work, English & Science.











Congratulations to our Preschool parents and staff for a successful excursion! The Monday and Tuesday Preschool Group went to the Art Gallery for Art Workshops and a tour relating to our Reggio Emilio approach to learning.





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#### **School Fees and Other Payments**

School fees this year are \$275 and due in full by the 28th February unless you have made arrangements to pay by instalments (Instalment form available from the front office).

School Card application forms for 2013 are available from the front office and audit dates for Term 1 are 15th February and 15th March so forms will need to be returned to the school prior to these dates.

Preschool fees for Term 1 are due by the 28th February and can be paid at the school office.

The \$100 Building Donation can be paid at the front office. Please keep your receipt to claim on your tax.

Payments for swimming and SAKG are now due.

Payments can be made by cash, cheque, Visa or Mastercard (you can phone your details to Judi Daniel in the finance office).

#### **Parents & Friends Bulb Fundraiser**

Please find included with this newsletter information and a brochure if you are considering buying a few bulbs for your gardens this year. All orders with payment must be returned to the school no later than Tuesday 12th March. Bulbs will then be distributed to you before the end of Term 1 for planting.

#### Parents & Friends Littlehampton Ladies Evening

We are holding a ladies evening on Friday 5th April. If you're a person or family who has a small local business (home based or commercial) we would love to support you!

Register your interest to become a vendor on one of our market stalls for the evening. Send us your business details and we will get you on the list. There are limited spaces so please let us know very soon.

We are also looking for donations of goods and services from our community to go towards raffles and auctions on the night.

All proceeds go towards your children so let's get behind our school and local community and have a great night as well!

For further information please email: Karins@internode.on.net

#### **Kids Around Town Voucher Book**



The Adelaide Edition of **Kids Around Town** Family Voucher Book is now available through Littlehampton
Primary School. Save yourself \$\$\$ all year round with this family friendly Adelaide guide which includes:

- 200+ offers valued at over \$5000
- Interesting articles and handy information
- Valid to December 2013
- Only \$20 per book, with \$7.50 per book staying with the Parents & Friends team.

A copy of **Kids Around Town** is on display in our front office.

LAST CHANCE TO ORDER

## Electronic Version of Newsletters and Top 5 school News events.

Did you tick a box asking to receive the newsletter by email, and to get the email mail out of Top 5 school events, and have been wondering why you have not received it? We have decided to go with 'SAFE NEWSLETTERS'.

Parents will need to go onto this website and subscribe to our newsletter. A link to our newsletter and Top 5 list will then be emailed to them.

http://safenewsletters.com/Newsletter-Sign-On.asp?CID=233

#### THANK YOU Holiday Help in our School Garden

We would like to thank the following families who were able to help out in our school garden over the recent school holidays:

McCune family, Camp family, Chloe Turner, Galettis Family, Karin Bryson and Crystal Watts. We would also like to thank the Davis family for providing a continuous supply of shredded paper for use in the compost and worm farms.

The Garden staff really appreciated the support they received from everyone who helped.

#### **Active After School Basketball**

There are still places available for the Basketball program starting on Tuesday February 12th. We are now offering this to students in Year 3 in addition to those in Year 4 to 7. Please give your details to the front office if you would like to participate.

#### **Thankyou to Governing Council Members**

Governing Council is an incorporated body with special legal responsibilities. Its role is to make decisions and approve strategies and policies that set the direction for this school. While the responsibilities of Governing Council are clearly defined, it has a direct impact on the education of our students.

This year, a number of long standing Governing Council members will be retiring. We would like to thank Karen Gill, Susan Johnson, Peter Fuss, Karen Liebelt, and Larry Squillace for their service on Governing Council. It takes commitment and hard work to contribute to our school as Governing Council member. We would like to acknowledge the service of two longstanding members.



Karen Liebelt has been a Governing Council member for 14 years, ever since her daughter Rebecca was in reception. With a special interest in community, Karen has also been a special link with Littlehampton Community Association, and has helped us foster close links with the community. Karen is continuing as a Governing

Council member of Urrbrae High School.

**Karen Gill** has been a member of Governing Council for 8 years, the time that her daughter Hannah has been at Littlehampton Primary School. Karen has served as secretary for at least 6 of those years, and has also served on the OSHC Advisory Committee from its inception, having a major role in establishing the OSHC service at Littlehampton.

# Are you interested in nominating as a Governing Council member?

Are you interested in finding out more about how our school and Preschool operate?

Would you like to contribute to major decisions about the directions of our school?

- It is likely that there will be a few vacancies on our Governing Council for 2013
- Ring Jenny Lewis on 83911194 if you are interested in nominating.
- Preschool parents are reminded that they are eligible to nominate too.

Governing Council Annual General Meeting 7:00 p.m. Monday 18th February In our Library All are welcome

#### Additional Yard Duty Area to Ensure Student Safety

In recognition of the increasing numbers of students, and especially of Reception students in our school, we have introduced a new yard duty area at lunchtime and recess time. The Baker Street duty area will have special responsibility for the friendship seat, junior primary playground, the netball courts, and the hard play area at the front of the school and at the side adjoining the music room. New reception students will be asked to play in this area, and this will enable them to be monitored more closely by teachers.

Do you know what will happen on a day of Code Red Catastrophic Conditions?

Our School remains open on Code Red Catastrophic Days unless directed by Emergency Service Staff to close.

We will inform parents in the unusual event that we are directed to close, via a text message to your mobile phone numbers.

Parents please note. We are experiencing some unanticipated difficulties in transferring from the ZAPITS text messaging system (which no longer operates) to OXYGEN, our new text messaging system. We are confident that we will get it up and running in the next week, and you will know when this happens because you will get a test text message.

In the mean time, if you hear announcements on radio that it is Code Red Catastrophic Day, you can log onto the DECD website, and there will be a list of schools that are closed. If our school is listed there, it will close. If our school is not listed there, it will remain open. Please bookmark <a href="https://www.decd.sa.gov.au">www.decd.sa.gov.au</a>



We will also ensure that our **CLOSED SIGNS** are out the front of the school and preschool, and that a staff member is there to tell parents the school is closed.

Parents are also invited to join us at Assemblies Thursdays Weeks 3,6 & 9 at 2:25pm in the gym.

# School and Pre-School Acquaintance Night Wednesday February 13th

Parents please note: Students of Littlehampton Primary School will be supervised in the playground if parents are attending a session from 5:30—7:30. We ask that parents keep their preschoolers with them.

Room	Teacher	Time
Resource Centre	Information session about Jolly Phonics for parents of children in Reception. Reception teachers will then meet parents in their own classrooms.	5:45—6:00 Resource Centre
PACA 1 2 15 4	Miss Sophie Molyneux Mrs Lorna McLean Mrs Helen Forrest Danielle Stone Mrs Helen Kupczynski	Year R- 1** 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.
14 16 6 10 11 12	Mrs Gillian Bevan Sara Weston Miss Alison McLean/ Margie Sarre Mrs Narelle Thomas / Mr Simon Munt Ms Alison Bishop Mr Phil Douglas	Year 2-5 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.
Resource Centre 5 7 8	Mrs Debbie Taylor Ms Leonie Chatfield Ms Julie Claridge	Years 6 & 6/7 7:00 – 7:45 p.m. Note: The meeting for parents of students in these classes will be combined for some part of the time in the Resource Centre.
Pre- school	Evelyn Lam Lisa Weidenbach	5:30-6:00

Would you like to meet Janelle Robinson and Sam Butcher, our Garden & Kitchen Specialists?			
From 6-7 pm they will be in the kitchen and there will also be coffee and tea available for parents and students to drop in.			
Our Kitchen Garden stall we be held here too, so come and grab a bargain!			

\*\*Julie Burchell is away on leave in Week 3 and will not be available for the evening. Julie will notify the parents of her students about an alternative evening to meet once she is back from leave later this term.



Our Reception classes are developing good routines; our Year 2 classes are

**our Year 2 classes** are loving their work.



